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June	July 16	September	October 16
July	August 14	October	November 18

Price Movements May 1997

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) declined 0.1 percent before seasonal adjustment in May to a level of 160.1 (1982-84=100). For the 12-month period ended in May, the CPI-U increased 2.2 percent.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) was unchanged in May, prior to seasonal adjustment. The May 1997 CPI-W level of 157.2 was 2.1 percent higher than the index in May 1996.

CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U rose 0.1 percent in May, the same as in each of the preceding 2 months. The food index, which declined 0.2 percent in April, advanced 0.4 percent in May. Grocery store food prices rose 0.6 percent, reflecting a sharp turnaround in the index for fruits and vegetables. The energy index declined for the third consecutive month, down 2.4 percent in May. The index for petroleum-based energy fell 3.6 percent, and the index for energy services declined 1.3 percent. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U rose 0.2 percent, following an increase of 0.3 percent in April. The smaller advance in May reflects downturns in the indexes for airline fares and tobacco and smoking products and a deceleration in the index for apparel and upkeep.

For the first 5 months of 1997, the CPI-U advanced at a 1.4-percent seasonally adjusted annual rate (SAAR). This compares with an increase of 3.3 percent in all of 1996. The food and energy components, which had accelerated in 1996 after acting as moderating influences throughout most of the preceding 5 years, were responsible for the slower rate thus far in 1997. The food index rose at a 0.6-percent SAAR thus far in 1997, following a 4.3-percent increase in 1996. The energy index, which increased 8.6 percent in 1996, declined at a 10.6-percent SAAR in the first 5 months of 1997. The CPI-U excluding food and energy advanced at a 2.6-percent SAAR in the first 5 months of 1997, the same rate as the 2.6-percent rise for all of 1996.

The food and beverage index rose 0.4 percent in May. The index for grocery store food prices, which declined 0.4 percent in April, advanced 0.6 percent in May, reflecting a sharp upturn in the index for fruits and vegetables—up 1.8 percent in May after declining 3.4 percent in April. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, fruit and vegetable prices were, on average, unchanged.). The index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs, which turned up in April, following declines in the first 3 months of 1997, rose 0.5 percent in May. The index for beef rose 1.1 percent in May after increasing 0.6 percent in April. The 0.2-percent decrease in the index for

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

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted							Compound annual rate, 3 months ended May 1997	Unadjusted 12 months ended May 1997
	Changes from preceding month								
	1996		1997						
	November	December	January	February	March	April	May		
All Items	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.8	2.2
Food and beverages .....	.4	.0	-.2	.3	0	-.2	.4	.8	3.0
Housing .....	.3	.2	.3	.3	.0	.2	.1	1.3	2.6
Apparel and upkeep .....	.3	.1	.4	.2	-.3	.9	.1	3.1	1.2
Transportation .....	.3	.6	-.2	-.1	.1	-.4	-.8	-4.6	.0
Medical care .....	.3	.2	.2	.2	.4	.3	.3	3.8	3.0
Entertainment .....	.2	.3	.0	.2	.2	.1	.2	1.7	2.1
Other goods and services .....	.4	.1	.4	.5	.5	.8	.2	5.9	4.2
Special Indexes:									
Energy	1.2	1.5	.8	.3	1.7	-1.5	-2.4	-20.5	-2.7
Food .....	.4	0	-.3	.3	0	-.2	.4	.8	3.0
All items less food and energy .....	.2	.2	.1	.2	.2	.3	.2	2.9	2.5

dairy products was the seventh consecutive month that this component failed to increase after registering increases totaling 8.5 percent in the preceding 5-month period. The indexes for cereal and bakery products and for other food at home rose 0.3 and 0.1 percent, respectively. In the latter group, coffee prices continued to surge upwards—up 2.8 percent in May and 14.1 percent in the last 3 months. Declines in prices for prepared foods helped to mitigate this increase. The other two components of the food and beverage index—restaurant meals and alcoholic beverages—increased 0.1 percent and 0.3 percent, respectively.

The housing component rose 0.1 percent in May. Shelter costs increased 0.3 percent, the same as in April. In May, within shelter, renters' costs rose 0.2 percent; homeowners' costs, 0.3 percent; and maintenance and repair costs, 0.5 percent. The index for fuel and other utilities declined for the third consecutive month, down 0.6 percent in May. The index for household fuels fell 1.1 percent, reflecting declines in the indexes for natural gas, fuel oil, and electricity—down 2.9, 0.5, and 0.4 percent, respectively. Charges for natural gas have decreased 9.8 percent in the past three months after increasing 17.3 percent in the preceding 11-month period.

The index for household furnishings and operation increased 0.4 percent in May; a 1.4 percent rise in the index for furniture and bedding was partially offset by declines in prices for most other housefurnishings and major appliances.

The transportation component fell 0.8 percent in May, its fourth decline in 5 months this year. The index for gasoline declined 4.1 percent, its largest drop since a 4.6-percent decrease in March 1991. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, gasoline prices, which normally increase sharply at this time of year with the advent of the driving season, fell 0.2 percent.)

New vehicle purchase costs also declined in May; the index for new vehicle prices fell 0.2 percent, and automobile finance charges decreased 2.5 percent. The May downturn

in finance charges followed increases in each of the first 4 months of 1997 totaling 2.2 percent. The index for used cars declined 0.9 percent in May. Public transportation costs, which rose substantially in March and April, decelerated in May. The index for airline fares, which rose 4.5 and 1.2 percent in the 2 preceding months, reflecting, in part, the reimposition of the 10-percent Federal tax on airline fares effective March 7, declined 1.3 percent in May.

The index for apparel and upkeep, which increased 0.9 percent in April, rose 0.1 percent in May. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, apparel commodity prices fell 0.7 percent in May, largely reflecting seasonal price declines for women's and girls' clothing.)

Medical care costs rose 0.3 percent in May to a level 3.0 percent above a year ago. The index for medical care commodities—prescription drugs, nonprescription drugs, and medical supplies—increased 0.4 percent. The index for medical care services rose 0.3 percent. Charges for professional services and hospital and related services increased 0.3 and 0.2 percent, respectively.

Entertainment costs, which rose 0.1 percent in April, increased 0.2 percent in May. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, this index was unchanged as a 0.1-percent decline in entertainment commodities was offset by a 0.1-percent increase in entertainment services.)

The index for other goods and services rose 0.2 percent in May, following an increase of 0.8 percent in April. The index for tobacco and smoking products, which rose 2.4 percent in April, declined 0.5 percent in May.

CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers was unchanged in May.

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

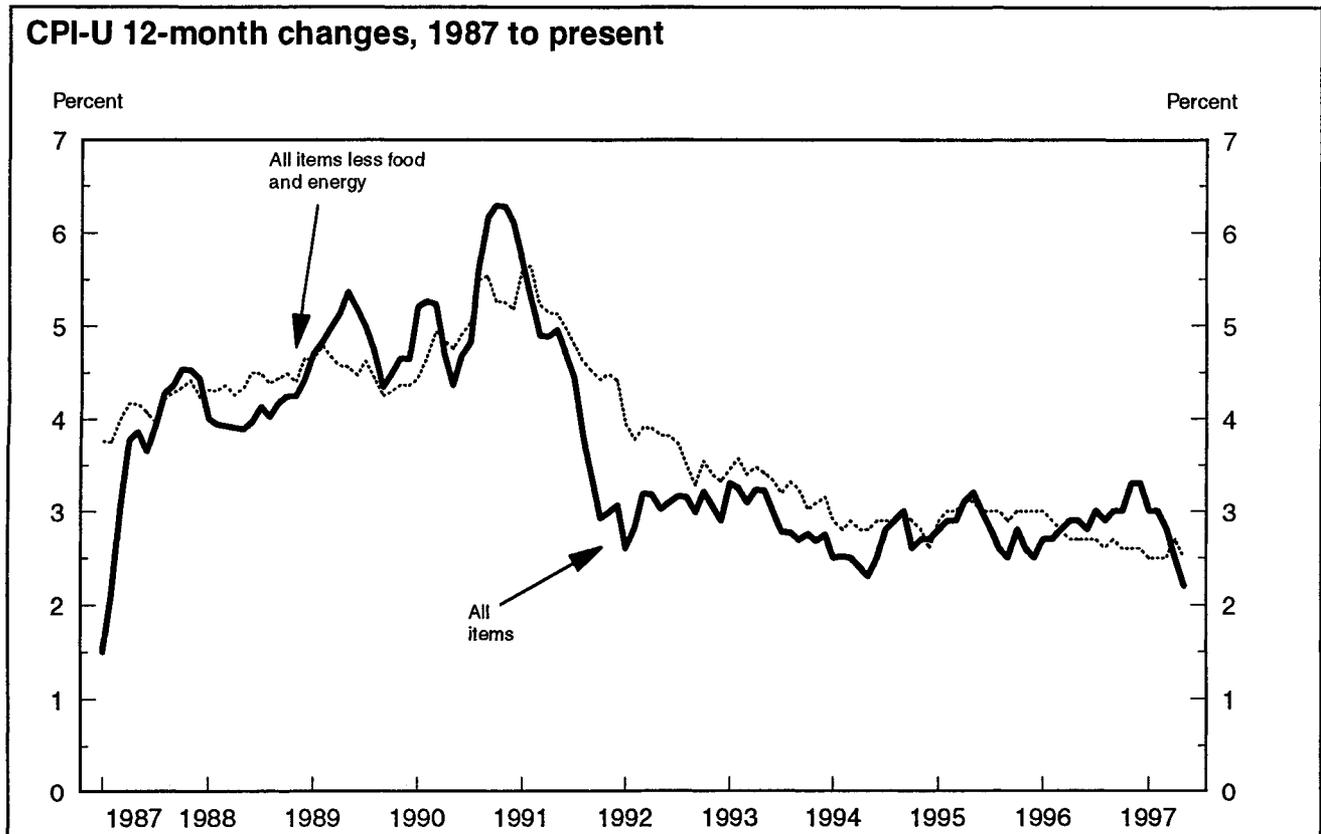
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After seasonal adjustment, the level of the CPI-U for all items was 160.1 in May; the seasonally adjusted CPI-W for all items was 157.0.

Beginning with January 1997 data, BLS is reporting the level of the seasonally adjusted U.S. City Average All Items CPI-U and CPI-W. Effective with the release of January

1998 data in February 1998, the seasonally adjusted all items indexes will be fully integrated into the monthly reports.

Like other seasonally adjusted CPI data, the all items index levels are subject to revision for up to 5 years after their original release. For this reason, BLS advises against the use of these data in escalation agreements.



Reprints of the December 1996 *Monthly Labor Review*

Over the next several months, articles on the 1998 revision of the Consumer Price Index, which were first published in the December 1996 issue of the *Monthly Labor Review*, will be reprinted in the *CPI Detailed Report* in the months indicated. (The reprinted article which had been originally scheduled for publication in the May issue will instead appear in the August issue. Reprints which had been originally scheduled for publication in the June, July, and August issues have been moved up one month.)

<i>Month</i>	<i>Article</i>
February	Overview of the 1998 Revision of the Consumer Price Index
March	The Redesign of the CPI Geographic Sample
April	Changing the Item Structure of the Consumer Price Index
May	Revision of the CPI Housing Sample and Estimators
June	Revision of the CPI Hospital Services Component
July	New Methodology for Selecting Outlet Samples
August	Publication Strategy for the 1998 Revised Consumer Price Index

Revision of the CPI housing sample and estimators

Changes in concepts and methods being readied for the 1998 revision should smooth the process of index production for shelter services

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The Consumer Price Index (CPI) currently consists of seven major categories, with the large aggregate grouping called 'housing' representing 41 percent of the total index. Within the 'housing' category, most of the relative importance belongs to the index for 'owners' equivalent rent', also known as 'rental equivalence', and that for 'residential rent,' for which data are obtained through the Housing survey. These two items represent 20 percent and 6 percent, respectively, of the total CPI. The remaining 15 percent accounted for by the 'housing' group consists of many indexes, which are handled through the Commodities and Services survey. (For more detail on the CPI item structure, see pages 18–25.)

In addition to data on residential rents used to calculate changes in rents for the 'rent' index, the Housing survey also collects data for owned homes for use, in conjunction with the rent data, in calculating of changes in the rental value of owned homes for the 'rental equivalence' measure. Clearly, the rental value of owned homes is not an easily determined dollar amount, and Housing survey analysts have spent considerable time and effort in estimating this value. As a result, determining 'rental equivalence' is an important issue in the upcoming 1998 revision of the CPI.

The revision has provided a window of opportunity to initiate an extensive redesign of the Housing survey. Beginning in 1999, the CPI for 'rent' and for 'rental equivalence' will be based on a new sample design and estimation methodology. Major technological advances and improvements in the operational processes also will

be implemented in the survey. More specifically, these changes include:

- improved design for stratification and selection of housing units, based on the 1990 Decennial Census;
- improved methodology for estimating changes for the 'rent' and 'rental equivalence' indexes; and
- technological innovations and modernization of all processing systems used for the production of both indexes, including the new Housing Computer-Assisted Data Collection System.

This article describes the systems, data bases, and procedures that are being developed for the upcoming revision of the Housing survey, and explains the advantages to be derived from each.

Background

The 'rental equivalence' approach to measuring price change for owner-occupied housing was implemented for the CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) in January 1983, and for the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) in January 1985. In essence, 'rental equivalence' measures the change in the amount a homeowner would pay to rent, or would earn from renting, his or her home in a competitive market. It is a measure of the change in the price of the shelter service provided by owner-occupied housing. When initially introduced, the 'rental equivalence' index was moved (that is, changes were applied) by reweighting the rent sample to represent owner-occupied units. The preferred methodology would have been to

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match owner units to renter units and use those more specific rent changes to calculate changes in the rental value of owner units. The reweighting approach was taken because an owner sample could not be selected and available for use before the CPI was last revised in 1987.

Since January 1987 (the 1987 revision), the 'rental equivalence' index movement has been based on changes in the implicit rent of owner units. These implicit rents are moved by the changes in the pure rents (which exclude the cost of any utilities included in the rent contract) of matched rental units. The implicit rents are estimated by the owners in the CPI owner sample, and those implicit rents are then moved by the specific rent changes for renter units with similar characteristics (owner/renter matching). The characteristics include location, structure type, and other general traits such as age, number of rooms, and type of air conditioning.

The 'rent' index measures the changes in rents, specifically "contract rents," paid by tenants or received by landlords. "Contract rents" are the payments for all services the landlord provides in exchange for the rent. For example, if the landlord provides electricity, it is considered part of the contract rent. The data collected for the 'rent' index consists of rent, rent reductions, extra charges, and information concerning the utilities, facilities, and services received for the rent.

The 'rental equivalence' estimator

In any properly designed statistical study, samples are selected to support the estimation process that is planned. The 1987 revision Housing sample was selected to support the estimation of the 'rental equivalence' index through the use of implicit rents for owner-occupied units and the movement of the implicit rents through owner/renter matching.

For purposes of the upcoming 1998 revision, the decision was made to drop the owner sample and return to the methodology that was used for the 'rental equivalence' index when it was first introduced—that is, the reweighting of the rent sample to represent owner-occupied units. This decision was made for several reasons:

- In order to move the implicit rents of the owner sample, it is necessary to find renter-occupied units in mostly owner-occupied neighborhoods. Locating such renter-occupied units has proved to be a time-consuming and sometimes futile task. Also, the loss of renter-occupied units in these neighborhoods, through conversion to owner occupancy or demolition, can have a large impact on the sample. In 1992–1994, CPI staff endeavored to locate and augment the sample with additional renter-occupied units in the mostly owner-occupied neighborhoods but met with only partial success. The small sample size of renter-occupied units also contributed to increased sampling variance.

- Even though different sampling methodologies could be employed, there was no certainty that sufficient numbers of renters in mostly owner-occupied neighborhoods could be found to support owner/renter matching. It was also clear that keeping owner/renter matching, but relaxing the matching criteria to increase the number of matches, would reduce the desired specificity of the matches and, as a result, the desired specificity of the rent movements.

- Moving implicit rent estimates by matching renter and owner observations is inherently a reweighting of the rent sample. Given that the samples for the 1998 revision are being selected to support the reweighting methodology, CPI staff was able to derive the owner weights from 1990 census data. These weights are clearly much better than those derived when 'rental equivalency' was initially introduced.

- A large portion of the 1987 sample is devoted to owners, to support the estimation of initial implicit rent. By dropping the owner sample, the field staff will not have to initiate, price, and maintain an owner sample. Again, because the 1998 revision samples are being selected to support the reweighting methodology, mostly owner-occupied neighborhoods, while assured of having the correct probability of selection, do not have to be over-represented, as they are in the 1987 sample. The cost savings in not having an owner sample will be spent on improving the renter sample.

- Because owner/renter matching, a very complicated process, will not be needed in the revision 'rental equivalence' estimator, calculation of the index has been greatly simplified. (See the section on estimation below.) In addition, the entire Housing computer system has been simplified because data no longer have to be stored and processed for two types of housing units (renters and owners) with different characteristics. The streamlined data processing system will be more easily maintained, and will be easier to change as the need arises.

Sample selection

Geographic stratification. Research performed by BLS using 1980 and 1990 census data indicates that geographic location is the most important variable (that is, it accounts for most of the variance) in determining rent change. Once geography is taken into account, only rent level is significant in predicting rent change. The percent of owner-occupied units in a neighborhood, which was a key stratification variable in the 1987 sample selection process, proved to be of little importance in explaining change.

Geographic software, which was not available for the 1987 revision, allowed stratification by geography for the 1998 revision. The geographic stratification accomplished five goals:

1. It helps ensure sample coverage for the major charac-

teristics (geography and rent level) that are correlated with rent change.

2. It is felt to be the best way to correlate renter-occupied units with owner-occupied units in the same neighborhood, in order to produce the 'rental equivalence' index.

3. Housing units constructed after 1990 can be located and assigned to the existing geographic strata, as described below.

4. Because goals 1 through 3 will be met, there should be a reduction in the sampling variance of the 'rent' and 'rental equivalence' indexes.

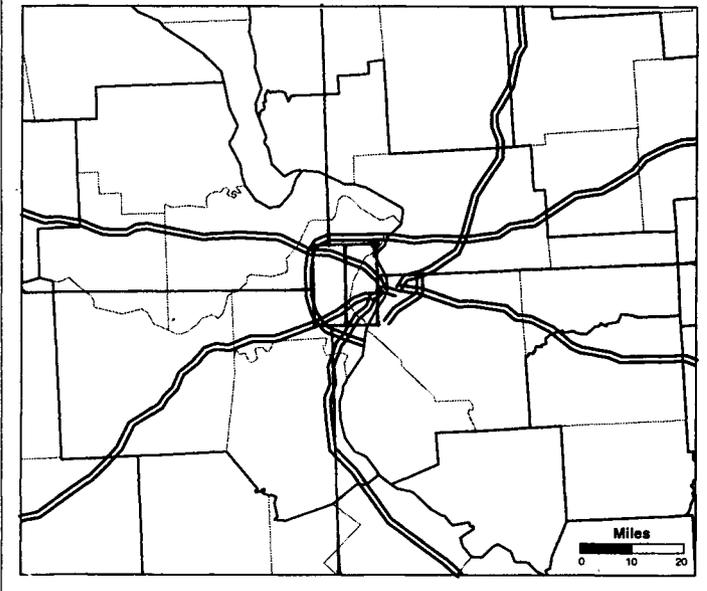
5. It sets up a stratification structure that will allow the rotation of Housing samples on a rolling basis, thereby distributing the introduction of future census samples over an extended period.

The Housing sample for the 1998 revision is a stratified cluster sample, which represents housing units built before 1990. Housing units built after 1989 are handled through the New Construction survey, as described later in this article. Using data from the 1990 Census of Population and Housing, CPI analysts divided the primary sampling units¹ (PSUs) into geographic neighborhoods (segments). The segments are small contiguous groups of census blocks (sectors). The segments contain at least 50 housing units in the larger PSUs and at least 30 units in the smaller PSUs. These segments are stratified by location within the PSU. Six geographic strata were formed in each PSU. Once geography is taken into account, only rent level is significant in predicting rent change, so the stratification boundaries were determined using information about population and median rent level.

In the first step of the stratification process, a box is found in the geographic center of the PSU, so that about one-third of the population is contained inside the box. The box is then split into two strata. Whether the split is by latitude or longitude is determined by rent level. The split that maximizes the difference in median rent level determines strata 1 and 2. Then, the four noncentral strata are determined iteratively in a similar fashion. The entire noncentral part of the PSU is split into two parts, either by latitude or longitude. Once the first noncentral split is determined, a split perpendicular to the first split is made within each half.

Exhibit 1 shows the six geographic strata in the St. Louis, MO-IL PSU. According to this map, the central box was split by longitude, and then the entire noncentral part was split by longitude, with each half then split by latitude. While rent level, as well as population, was used to determine the geographic strata boundaries, the resulting strata are purely geographic divisions of the PSU. Two of the strata correspond roughly to the most densely populated part of the PSU, and the other four strata correspond to surrounding suburban areas.²

Exhibit 1. Segment sample selection for St. Louis, MO-IL



Weighting during segment sample selection. CPI analysts then selected segments in the strata to represent housing units constructed before 1990. In the 1987 revision, segments had been selected with probability proportional to size, the size measure being the number of housing units in the segment. When the number of units is used as the size measure, smaller, less expensive housing units (in apartment complexes, for example) have the same probability of selection as more expensive single-family units. Because the 'rent' and 'rental equivalence' indexes are measures of the change in the price of the shelter service provided by renter-occupied and owner-occupied housing, it was felt that higher expenditures (rent levels) should have a higher probability of selection. In the 1998 revision, therefore, segments were again selected with probability proportional to size, but the size measure was estimated *expenditures*.

In the segment selection process, the segments are ordered within each stratum by county and then by segment rent level within county. Because the segment selection is systematic, this guarantees that not all high-rent or low-rent segments are chosen.

Each segment has a probability of selection within the stratum (P_s) that is the ratio of the cost of housing in the segment relative to the cost of housing in the stratum. Therefore,

$$P_s = TC_s / \sum_{s \in S} TC_s$$

where S = stratum; and
 TC_s is defined below.

Each segment also has a weight (W_s), which is the reciprocal of the probability of selection. Therefore,

$$W_s = \sum_{s \in S} TC_s / TC_s$$

The cost of housing in the segment is the cost of rented housing in the segment (RC_s) plus the cost of owned housing in the segment (OC_s). The RC_s is the number of rented housing units in the segment (R_s) times the average rent value within the segment (RR_s). The OC_s is the number of owned housing units in the segment (O_s) times an estimated average owner equivalent rent value within the segment (IR_s). This gives segments with higher-valued units (that is, higher rent levels) a higher probability of selection and a lower segment weight. The relationship among these variables is given by:

$$TC_s = RC_s + OC_s = R_s * RR_s + O_s * IR_s$$

The estimated average owner equivalent rent value (IR_s) was determined by a nonlinear regression of the 1990 census owner value within census blocks on the 1990 census average rent value within the same census block:

$$y = b_0 * (1 - \exp(-b_1 * x)) + \varepsilon$$

where y = average rent;

x = average owner value; and

z = average implicit rent.

The actual regression coefficients (b_0 and b_1) were determined uniquely within each PSU.

Because rents are not volatile, the Housing sample is divided into panels; one panel is priced each month and each panel is priced twice a year. For example, panel 1 is priced in January and July, panel 2 in February and August, and so on through panel 6. The segments within the strata are assigned to these panels. These assignments are made such that each panel has a representative subsample of the PSU. Because each panel is representative of the entire sample and there is never an off-cycle month for the Housing survey, a panel of data provides sufficient information for monthly publication of the 'rent' and 'rental equivalence' indexes. Primary segments were selected within the PSUs in multiples of 36, so that each combination of stratum and panel had the same sample size.

Other segment sample selection outputs. About 10,000 segments have been selected in the PSUs and the 1998 revision Housing unit sample is designed to consist of approximately 50,000 rental units. CPI analysts have computed sampling rates for each segment, so that the sample design will be realized after the listing, sampling, and screening processes, as

described below, are completed. These sampling rates will be used during the listing process to select the addresses that will be screened for use in the Housing sample.

Segment-level information from the selected segments will be provided to the mapping system. This information allows the production of all maps required by field staff to locate the segments within the PSUs.

New construction augmentation. The augmentation of the Housing sample with newly constructed housing units is not part of the segment sample selection process, but it is discussed here because these housing units will fit neatly into the geographic stratification of the Housing sample. The Census Bureau will supply to BLS a sample of address records from building permits, representing housing units built after 1989. (BLS calls this list of address records the New Construction sample.) BLS expects to receive about 1,000 address records per year from the Census Bureau, with 20 percent of these yielding usable renter-occupied units after they have gone through the screening process. Once they receive the new construction sample, CPI analysts will assign each address record to one of the six geographic strata based on the zip code. They then will allocate the new construction sample among the segments, using the census sample design and zip code.

Other system modernizations

Mapping system. Sets of maps are needed to help field staff locate the sectors within the segments that must be recorded in the listing process described below. In previous CPI revisions, maps with PSU, segment, and sector identifiers, along with street names and boundary information, were produced by hand in Washington and provided to the field staff. Because corrections to the maps were entered and kept by the field staff, the BLS Washington Office did not maintain an updated set of maps for all PSUs, segments, and sectors. For the 1998 revision, the CPI systems staff has developed a system to produce sets of maps, using the Census Bureau's Topologically Integrated Geographic Encoding and Referencing (TIGER) data and commercial, "off-the-shelf" Geographic Information System (GIS) software. The process of segment sample selection and use of the Sample Maintenance and Control System (SMCS) described below will provide the information necessary to accurately specify the selected segments within each PSU/stratum and each sector within those segments. The mapping system will yield accurate, reproducible sets of maps with all necessary information for the field staff and will extract the defined limits (boundary information) for each sector from the TIGER data. These boundary data will be provided to the SMCS portion (see below) of the Housing data base for use in the listing process. The sets of maps will include:

- *Sector maps for each sector in the segment*—The maps will highlight the sector and denote the street boundaries of the sector, as well as local street names and/or highways surrounding the sector.

- *Segment maps for each segment in the PSU*—The maps will highlight the segment, as well as denote the local street names and/or highways surrounding the segment.

- *County maps for each county in the PSU*—The maps will highlight and label all selected segments in the county, as well as major highways, water, railroads, and place names within the county.

Corrections and additions will be entered on the maps by the field staff, usually during the listing process, and a copy of the corrected map will be sent to the Washington Office, where the changes will be entered in the mapping data base by cartographers. New maps will be supplied to the field staff before pricing begins. This process will allow the Washington Office to produce updated maps upon request for all PSUs, segments, and sectors.

Sample Maintenance and Control System (SMCS). Previously, much of the sample information for the CPI Housing survey was maintained separately from the rest of the Housing data base, a situation that complicated sample administration. It also was hard to analyze the current sample using the Housing data base due to its panel structure. With the 1998 revision, however, sample information will become an important part of the Housing data base. The SMCS is a new, consolidated system that will be used to control the Housing Sample. It has five major functions:

- Storing and processing sample-related information;
- Providing sample data and information for review and evaluation;
- Controlling the timing of the activation of housing units for index use and the removal of units from index calculation;
- Measuring and monitoring the sample size at different stages in the Housing survey processes and keeping records of the sufficiency of results; and
- Providing standardized reports to the Washington Office and the field concerning the status of the samples and their stages of processing.

The SMCS performs these five functions during the four major stages of the sample's existence—as described below:

1) *Listing.* Listing is the process of recording the addresses of all housing units in a segment. The Housing data base will contain all segments within the PSUs. (These are the outputs of the sample selection process described above.) The SMCS will set numerous scheduling variables that will govern when the segments will be sent to the field for listing. Once a segment has been listed, a sampling algorithm is applied to

the listed addresses to determine which of them will be selected for the next stage of the process, scope determination, or screening.

2) *Scope determination (screening).* The Housing data base will contain all of the addresses that were listed for the segment, as well as an indication of which addresses were selected for screening. The field staff will then perform additional data collection for the selected addresses through observation and by asking questions of eligible respondents. This additional data collection will determine whether the selected addresses are eligible (in scope) for the Housing sample (scope status).³

The Housing data base will hold all screening data and the scope status for the selected addresses.

Selected addresses that fail screening for some permanent reason usually are never visited again. Those that fail screening for some temporary reason will be screened again after a specific waiting period. Selected addresses that pass the screening criteria are considered in scope for the Housing sample and are eligible to proceed to the next stage of the process, initiation.

3) *Initiation.* Initiation is the initial collection of rent data, which consists of the specific housing services that are associated with the unit and the rent that is paid. These data are the basis for all calculations of rent change that will occur during the life of the unit in the Housing sample. The Housing data base will hold all initiation data.

4) *Pricing.* After initiation, the housing unit is priced "on-panel" every 6 months, so that price changes can be reflected through the price relative calculation described later in this article. The Housing data base will hold all pricing data. Occasionally, situations will occur during pricing that will affect the unit's scope status and, on a scheduled but infrequent basis, additional questions are asked to ensure that a housing unit is still in scope for the Housing sample. If changes occur, the SMCS will store those results and the units will be subjected to the scope determination process described above, based on their new scope status.

Because initiation and pricing data do not govern whether a housing unit is in the sample, the SMCS does not look at those data. However, it does control numerous scheduling variables that govern when the unit can be used in the CPI computations, when it should be dropped from those computations, and when new samples should be fielded to augment or replace deficient or outdated samples.

Computer-assisted data collection. A key element of the 1998 revision is the conversion of all data collection and transmission to electronic systems.

1) *Listing/sampling instrument.* The listing of the sampled segments is a highly labor-intensive portion of the

Housing sample preparation activities. In previous revisions, the field staff were required to manually list all of the addresses in the segment on paper for data entry in Washington. This process required many shipments between the field and Washington. After the segments were listed, the field staff would laboriously apply sampling rates to the listed data in the field (or the sampling rates would be applied in Washington) in order to randomly select those addresses to be screened and possibly initiated for the Housing sample.

The use of portable computers for these activities should result in substantial savings, because computer-assisted data collection will consolidate listing and data capture into one operation. The listing instrument for the 1998 revision has been designed to make listing as easy as possible for the field staff. Street names are automatically entered when the staff member selects a street name from the sector boundary data. The first street number is entered, and then is automatically incremented (or decremented) as specified by the field staff. As the street numbers change, the street names are copied to each line as the staff member lists the sectors within the segment. When the staff member is ready to move to another street, he or she can select the next street name from the sector boundaries and proceed. In areas in which the street numbers are not clearly marked or do not exist, the staff member must enter a description of the property. A computerized phrase builder has been designed to reduce the amount of typing required of the field staff as they enter these descriptions.

After the field staff member determines, with the assistance of the computer, that the collected data conform to expected results, the computer applies the sampling algorithm to the listing data. The result of the sampling will be a set of addresses that have been selected for scope determination (screening). All of the listing data are electronically transmitted to the Housing data base in Washington.

If time permits, the field staff member may choose to screen/initiate ("screnitiate") the selected addresses. The listing instrument will generate "screnitiation" schedules using data collected during listing. These schedules will be passed to the collection instrument, so that the field staff may screnitiate these addresses while in the segment. If time does not permit, the screnitiation schedules will be electronically transmitted to the field staff from the Washington data base when a segment is next on panel.

2) *Collection instrument.* In previous revisions, if the field staff applied the sampling rates, the screening of the selected addresses involved the tedious transcription of identifiers and listing data to blank screening forms. (When sampling was done in Washington, computer-generated screening forms were supplied to the field staff.) The field staff then obtained answers to various (screening) questions (through observation and through direct questioning of eligible respon-

dents), which would determine whether an address was in scope for the Housing sample. If the housing unit was found to be out of scope for some reason that was not likely to change, the field staff assigned a "permanently out of scope" response code and the unit was never visited again. (An example of this would be units in public housing projects.) If the housing unit was found to be out of scope for some reason that might change, it received a "temporarily out of scope" response code and the unit was sent out for another screening and possible initiation after a specific recall period. (An example of this situation would be a unit that is not the primary residence for the current tenant, but may be for some future tenant.) If the screening was incomplete, the address was returned to the field in 6 months for another screnitiation attempt.

Inherent in the structured Housing questionnaires (screening, initiation, and pricing) are various flow determinations (skip patterns), such that the answer to one question determines the next question that must be asked or answered. The field staff are carefully trained to follow the skip patterns but, under the current procedures, questions occasionally are missed and/or the wrong logical path is followed.

In the 1998 revision, the field staff will receive housing units to screnitiate, either from the listing instrument or from the Washington data base. The computer-assisted data collection instrument will receive the screnitiation schedules directly, bypassing the tedious and error-prone transcription process. It also will handle the skip patterns, so that only the appropriate questions are displayed during screening, and the housing units automatically receive the appropriate scope status. Because the computer is being used, the skip patterns can be much more efficient than before.

Because the computer has stored all of the previously collected data, automated logic checks can remove all redundant question patterns, thereby reducing the work of the field staff member and the respondent's burden. Assume, for example, that a field staff member asks about air conditioning equipment and the respondent says that there is a heat pump. From that one answer, the computer knows the air conditioning equipment, the heating equipment, and the heating fuel. The computer thus can "skip" all of the heating questions. Automated data checking will ensure that only correct data types are collected, other automated logic checks will ensure that collected data are consistent, and the instrument will inform the field staff member when all required data have not been collected. Because these data checks are being performed at the time of collection, errors and inconsistencies can be corrected while the respondent is present. The result is that the data that are sent to Washington will be as accurate as possible.

In previous revisions, if the field staff member determined that an address was in scope, he or she would once again transcribe housing unit identifiers to blank **initiation** forms.

The staff member would then collect the rent data and information on the specific housing services that were associated with the unit and the rent that was paid. This was done through another set of structured questions with the inherent skip patterns mentioned above. Once again, questions could be missed or the wrong path could be followed.

The computer-assisted data collection instrument will automatically flow into the initiation portion of the instrument when the instrument has determined that the screening is complete and the housing unit is in scope. As mentioned above, the collection instrument will handle the skip patterns, the automated data and consistency checks, the schedule completion checks, and the final initiation status. The screening and initiation data will then be electronically transmitted to the Housing data base in Washington.

In the current system, the screening and initiation data are shipped to Washington, where they are keyed by data capture staff and stored in the Housing data base. The analysts in Washington review and correct the data in preparation for the pricing of the housing unit. In the next on-panel month, a computer-generated pricing schedule for each in-scope housing unit is printed and shipped to the field. The field staff then, once again, collects data associated with the rent that is paid and the specific housing services that are associated with the unit. The pricing process is very similar to the initiation process, but some previous answers are provided on the pricing form. The collection of the housing data, and particularly the rent data, is independent. That is, the field staff member collects the data without giving the respondent the previous answer. Previous answers for some nonrent data are provided, so that the staff member can confirm certain changes with the respondent. These pricing data are shipped to Washington, where they are keyed, reviewed, and corrected as necessary. These data, along with the initiation or pricing data from 6 months earlier, are used in the Housing price relative calculation described below.

In the 1988 revision, the field staff will receive housing units to price from the Washington data base. The computer-assisted data collection instrument will automatically flow into the pricing portion of the process and, as mentioned above, will handle the skip patterns, the automated data and consistency checks, the schedule completion checks, and the final schedule status. The pricing data will then be electronically transmitted to the Housing data base in Washington.

On an infrequent basis, the scope status of the housing unit will be checked by repeating some of the questions asked during screening. This process may result in a change to the unit's scope status from in scope to permanently out of scope, temporarily out of scope, or incomplete. If this happens, the unit will be treated as described in the section above on screening.

In the 1988 revision, the Housing review and correction preprocessing system, which is described below, will handle

the necessary preprocessing of the data obtained through computer-assisted data collection, and will be used in the review and correction of screening, initiation, and pricing data by CPI analysts.

Housing review and correction preprocessing system. The review and correction preprocessing system consists of various functions that must be performed before a unit can be used in index calculation. Upon receipt of the data, the system determines how to proceed (which functions are to be performed) based on selected variables, such as the scope status and the schedule status.

This system handles the micro data preprocessing required for the review and correction functions performed by the analysts. Some of these functions currently are performed as part of the existing price relative calculation (see below), so the analyst is not able to review all inputs to the calculation. As a result, the analysts occasionally have had to enter additional corrections, because the initial result of the calculation was not as expected. The new system also will complete all unit-level computations, so that the analyst will be able to review all micro data and price relative calculation inputs much earlier in the processing cycle. Once the calculation is run, the analyst will have to review only the results of aggregation and imputation.

The Housing review and correction preprocessing system will prepare all micro data necessary for the revised Housing price relative calculations for the 'rent' and 'rental equivalence' indexes. These computations include:

1. Derivation of normalized rents for units—These are the sums of the collected rents and the subsidy and work reductions, converted to monthly rents using the collected rent periods.
2. Determination and assignment of price relative calculation usability codes—These codes will be used by the Housing review and correction preprocessing system and in the price relative calculations for further computations for both the 'rent' and 'rental equivalence' indexes.
3. Calculation of utility adjustments required to adjust for changes in the utilities provided by the landlord.
4. Calculation of facility adjustments required to adjust for changes in other services provided by the landlord.
5. Calculation of aging bias adjustments used to adjust for the slight monthly depreciation of rental properties.
6. Calculation of structural change adjustments used to adjust for the addition to, or the removal from, the housing unit of central air conditioning, bedrooms, bathrooms, and other rooms.
7. Calculation of cost of utilities adjustments, which are needed to remove utility costs, if included, from the contract rents (used for the 'rental equivalence' index).

8. Calculation of economic rents and economic rent price relatives using the normalized rents (1 above) and the adjustments mentioned in 3, 4, 5, and 6 above. These economic rents will yield price changes of constant quality across time for the 'rent' index.

9. Calculation of pure rents and pure rent price relatives using the normalized rents (1 above) and the adjustments mentioned in 4, 5, 6, and 7 above. These pure rents will yield price changes of constant quality across time for the 'rental equivalence' index.

These data are then made available to the analysts through the review and correction instrument. This instrument is a subsystem of the review and correction preprocessing system and handles the interactive review and correction functions. The review and correction preprocessing system also permits the interactive derivation of dependently derived micro data, so that the analysts may immediately observe the results of their corrections.

Index estimation

The Housing and the Commodities and Services programs do not directly calculate indexes. Instead, they produce "price relatives," which are used in the index estimation system for basic index calculation. Price relatives are ratios of price change from the previous month ($T-1$) to the current month (T), and basic index calculation updates the last month's indexes ($T-1$) into the current month (T). (As explained above a decision was made for the revision that the renter sample would be reweighted to represent owner units in the same segment.)

Weighting during the price relative calculation. The renter and owner costs of housing in the segment (see "Weighting during segment sample selection" above) become the basis of the renter and owner weights used by the price relative calculation for the segment.

To derived the total renter weight in the segment (RW_s), the segment weight (W_s) must be adjusted by the proportion of renter cost in the segment (RA_s) and the expectation of selecting a renter in the segment (RP_s).

The proportion of renter cost in the segment (RA_s) is the renter cost (RC_s) divided by the total cost (TC_s).

$$RA_s = RC_s / TC_s$$

The expectation of selecting a renter in the segment (RP_s) is the number of sampled housing units in the segment (SU_s) divided by the total number of housing units in the segment (HU_s).

$$RP_s = SU_s / HU_s$$

The total renter weight for the segment (RW_s), therefore, is the segment weight (W_s) times the reciprocal of the renter cost proportion (RA_s) adjusted by the proportion of sampled renters (RP_s).

$$RW_s = W_s * \frac{1}{RA_s * RP_s} = W_s * \frac{TC_s}{RC_s} * \frac{HU_s}{SU_s}$$

To derived the total owner weight in the segment (OW_s), the segment weight (W_s) must be adjusted by the proportion of owner cost in the segment (OA_s) and the expectation of selecting a renter in the segment (RP_s). Because owners are not being sampled and the renters are being reweighted to represent owners the RP_s is used in both derivations.

The proportion of owner cost (OA_s) is the owner cost (OC_s) divided by the total cost (TC_s).

$$OA_s = OC_s / TC_s$$

The total owner weight for the segment (OW_s), therefore, is the segment weight (W_s) times the reciprocal of the owner cost proportion (OA_s) adjusted by the proportion of sampled renters (RP_s).

$$OW_s = W_s * \frac{1}{OA_s * RP_s} = W_s * \frac{TC_s}{OC_s} * \frac{HU_s}{SU_s}$$

The renter and owner weights are ratios of expenditures, not expenditures themselves, so there is no need to convert them into quantities by dividing them by base rents or base implicit rents. In addition, the renter and owner weights are being derived from 1990 census data, while the first rent data will be collected no earlier than 1997, so there should be no autocorrelation effects. In short, there appears to be no fear of formula bias in the 'rent' and 'rental equivalence' estimators.

The 'rent' and 'rental equivalence' estimators. The 'rent' estimator is based on the change in the "economic rent," which is basically the "contract rent," adjusted for any changes in the quality of the housing unit. Because of the panel structure used in the Housing sample, the current economic rents for sampled, renter-occupied units within a segment, weighted by the renter weight, are divided by the previous ($T-6$) economic rents for sampled, renter-occupied units within a segment, weighted by the renter weight. The result represents the 6-month change in rent for all renter-occupied units in the segment.

In a parallel calculation, the current pure rents (which exclude the cost of any utilities included in the rent contract) for sampled, renter-occupied units within a segment,

weighted by the owner weight, are divided by the previous ($T-6$) pure rents for sampled, renter-occupied units within a segment, weighted by the owner weight. This is used as a proxy for the 6-month change in the equivalent rent for all owner-occupied units in the segment.

The functions of the price relative calculation have been designed to make use of the parallel 'rent' and 'rental equivalence' computations. In general, the calculation aggregates the weighted rents for the units (i) in the index area (A) for the current period (T) and for the period 6 months earlier ($T-6$), and then computes the price relatives:

$$REL_{T-6,T,A} = \frac{\sum_{i \in A} W_s * R_{i,T}}{\sum_{i \in A} W_s * R_{i,T-6}}$$

When the calculation is run for Rent, economic rents (ER_i) and renter weights (RW_s) are used. That is,

$$REL_{T-6,T,A}^{\text{rent}} = \frac{\sum_{i \in A} RW_s * ER_{i,T}}{\sum_{i \in A} RW_s * ER_{i,T-6}}$$

When the calculation is run for 'rental equivalence',⁴ pure

rents (PR_i) and owner weights (OW_s) are used. That is,

$$REL_{T-6,T,A}^{\text{rental equivalence}} = \frac{\sum_{i \in A} OW_s * PR_{i,T}}{\sum_{i \in A} OW_s * PR_{i,T-6}}$$

Because the index estimation system needs a 1-month price relative, rather than a 6-month price relative, the 6th root of the $REL_{T-6,T,A}$ is derived:

$$REL_{T-1,T,A} = \sqrt[6]{REL_{T-6,T,A}}$$

and then passed to the estimation system for basic index computation for the 'rent' and 'rental equivalence' item strata.

The 'rent' and 'rental equivalence' item strata have not been changed in the 1998 revision item structure, but the revision area structure and the basic aggregation weights will be brought into the CPI in late 1997. The revision price relative calculation and the revision Housing sample will not be ready for use in the revised CPI until January 1999. During 1998, the current Housing sample will be priced, and the current price relative calculation will provide price relatives through December 1998. A Concordance program is being developed to map the price relatives for the current area structure to the revision area structure. □

Footnotes

¹ Primary sampling units are the metropolitan and nonmetropolitan areas defined as the CPI area sample. (See pages 10-17.)

² Eugene F. Brown and William H. Johnson, "Comparison of Stratification Designs for the Housing Sample of the Consumer Price Index," 1994 *Proceedings of the Section on Survey Research Methods*, American Statistical Association.

³ Two examples of out-of-scope addresses are units occupied by owners or relatives of the landlord. Because the owner sample is being dropped,

owner-occupied units are out of scope. In the case of relatives, it has been determined that, if the tenant is a relative of the landlord, it is very difficult to collect data on market rents. Because the relative usually gets some type of rent reduction that cannot easily be determined, the units are considered out of scope.

⁴ The price relative calculation also will handle the estimation of price relatives for the official Laspeyres index and the Geometric Means index. The same economic and pure rents, but different renter and owner weights, will be used for the Geometric Means index.

Planned CPI Publication Changes

Beginning in 1998, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) will introduce a new geographic area sample, a revised item structure and updated expenditure weights into the Consumer Price Index (CPI). Approximately every 10 years BLS undertakes this type of revision in order to keep the index up-to-date. Since World War II, revisions of the CPI have been introduced in 1953, 1964, 1978, and 1987.

Because the changes the CPI undergoes during each revision can have a major impact on our users, special steps are taken in order to ameliorate the effects of these changes. Beginning with the release of the January, 1997 index, data series that are changing or being dropped from publication will be footnoted in all BLS published tables. This provides an early warning to users to reconsider their use of those indexes and provides time for them to make changes in their use. The 1998 CPI Revision contains substantial changes in both the items being presented and the frequency of local area index publication.

Changes to the item structure

Effective in 1998, there will be considerable changes to both the items being priced and the manner in which they are being aggregated in the CPI. The most notable change in presentation is a reconstruction of several major groups with a resulting change from the currently available seven major groups to the new total of eight.

Currently the major groups are: Food and beverages, housing, apparel and upkeep, transportation, medical care, entertainment and other goods and services. Three of these groups—food and beverages, transportation, and medical care will remain the same. The apparel group was modified to exclude apparel upkeep products and services. The entertainment group has been slightly redefined into a major group called *recreation* and a new major group, *education and communication*, has been formed from past subelements of the housing, entertainment and other goods, and services groups.

Other important changes in the item structure at lower levels are an expansion of the food away from home index, a reorientation of the car and truck indexes to a vehicle index, and the expansion of the information processing equipment index.

For a complete listing of the new CPI publication structure see table X.

Changes to the geographic structure

In each revision, the CPI geographic sample is selected to be representative of the current demographics of the

United States. The current revision uses the 1990 Census of Population. The CPI develops an updated area sample design, decides on new local area indexes, and changes the frequency of publication for local area indexes to better reflect these new demographics.

In addition to the national index, BLS currently publishes indexes for 29 metropolitan areas. In 1998, it will continue to publish indexes for all but two of these areas—Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY, and New Orleans, LA. Due to the revised metropolitan area (MA) definitions issued by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), two other areas, Washington, DC and Baltimore, MD, which BLS currently publishes separately, constitute a new consolidated metropolitan statistical area. A single index will be published for this consolidated area.

The new publication plan for local area indexes, to begin with the index for January 1998, is summarized below:

- Monthly indexes will be published for the three largest metropolitan areas. Because of sample design considerations, indexes for the Philadelphia and San Francisco areas, both currently published monthly, will be published every other month following the release of the December, 1997 index.
- Bimonthly indexes will be published for the next 11 largest areas, including Atlanta and Seattle, which currently have semiannual average indexes.
- Semiannual average indexes will be published for 12 additional areas, including Pittsburgh and St. Louis, which currently have bimonthly indexes.
- BLS will continue to publish separate indexes for the four census regions of the United States. However, beginning in 1998, there will only be two area size classes for metropolitan areas, instead of the current three: size A—areas with a population greater than 1.5 million; and size B/C—areas with less than 1.5 million population. This cut-off of 1.5 million in population reflects a rise from the current cutoff of 1.2 million and is important because cities in size class A are those for which the Bureau publishes city level indexes. The B/C size class is a combination of the old size B and size C metropolitan areas. In addition to the two metropolitan area size indexes for each region, separate size D indexes for urban non-metropolitan areas will continue to be published for both the Midwest and the South. Separate indexes for Northeast and West urban nonmetropolitan areas were discontinued in 1987.

The following list shows the areas for which indexes will be published beginning in January, 1998:

• **Metropolitan areas for which a local index will be published monthly:**

New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA

• **Metropolitan areas for which a local index will be published bimonthly:**

In odd months (i.e., January, March, etc.)

Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV
Cleveland-Akron, OH
Atlanta, GA
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX

In even months (i.e., February, April, etc.)

Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD

New tables

Beginning with the release of the January, 1997 index, a new transitional step has been taken: the publication of underlap indexes. Underlap indexes are indexes that are produced for new index areas using old weights and structures with a specially developed aggregation tree for a period before the introduction of these areas. These indexes will be developed to handle two specific situations occurring in the 1998 revision: the combination of Washington and Bal-

San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA

• **Metropolitan areas for which a local index will be published semiannually (In January and July)**

Pittsburgh, PA
Kansas City, MO-KS
Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL
Denver-Boulder-Greeley, CO
Portland-Salem, OR-WA
Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN
Milwaukee-Racine, WI
St. Louis, MO-IL
Anchorage, AK
Honolulu, HI
San Diego, CA

timore into a single MA and the combination of two separate population size classes for MA's. These underlap indexes will be published for all of 1997; they will allow the user to prepare for the change to these new geographic indexes, which will be completed with the release of January 1998 data.

See table NS1 for the underlap Washington-Baltimore indexes and table NS2 for the underlap B/C city size class All Items indexes.

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

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Relative importance, December 1996	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
All items	100.000	160.2	160.1	2.2	-0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
All items (1967=100)	-	479.7	479.6	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	17.484	157.1	157.1	3.0	.0	.0	-.2	.4
Food	15.913	156.6	156.6	3.0	.0	.0	-.2	.4
Food at home	10.040	157.5	157.5	3.2	.0	-.2	-.4	.6
Cereals and bakery products	1.479	176.9	176.9	1.9	.0	.3	-.4	.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	3.002	147.7	147.7	4.6	.0	-.9	.4	.5
Dairy products ¹	1.245	145.7	145.4	5.7	-.2	-.1	-.3	-.2
Fruits and vegetables ²	1.974	186.4	186.4	1.2	.0	.1	-.3	1.8
Other food at home	2.340	146.9	147.1	2.9	.1	.1	1.0	.1
Sugar and sweets .....	.331	147.9	147.9	3.1	.0	-.6	1.1	-.1
Fats and oils .....	.246	142.4	142.0	1.4	-.3	-.1	.0	-.1
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	.724	131.9	133.4	3.2	1.1	1.3	1.9	1.4
Other prepared food	1.039	161.1	160.4	3.1	-.4	-.4	.5	-.4
Food away from home	5.873	156.2	156.3	2.8	.1	.3	.1	.1
Alcoholic beverages	1.571	162.3	162.8	2.8	.3	-.1	.1	.3
Housing ²	41.203	155.8	155.9	2.6	.1	.0	.2	.1
Shelter	28.194	175.3	175.3	3.1	.0	.2	.3	.3
Renters' costs ^{3 4}	7.994	186.3	185.3	3.6	-.5	.3	.3	.2
Rent, residential	5.731	165.5	165.9	2.9	.2	.3	.2	.4
Other renters' costs ⁴	2.263	228.0	222.9	5.2	-.2	.3	.4	-.3
Homeowners' costs ^{3 4}	20.000	180.2	180.6	2.8	.2	.2	.3	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ³	19.616	180.5	180.9	2.8	.2	.1	.3	.3
Household insurance ^{3 4} .....	.383	163.8	164.5	3.1	.4	-.5	.4	.5
Maintenance and repairs ^{1 4} .....	.200	142.5	143.2	3.2	.5	.1	.1	.5
Maintenance and repair services ^{1 4} .....	.123	148.9	149.9	3.6	.7	.0	.3	.7
Maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 4} .....	.077	133.6	134.1	2.4	.4	.3	-.5	.4
Fuel and other utilities ²	7.102	128.9	129.0	1.8	.1	-.8	-.2	-.6
Fuels	3.878	115.3	115.3	1.1	.0	-.5	-.8	-.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities .....	.424	102.1	100.4	.8	-.1	-.3	-.2	-.4
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	3.453	121.7	121.9	1.1	.2	-.1	-.6	-.1
Other utilities and public services ⁴	3.224	160.8	161.1	2.7	.2	.1	.2	.1
Household furnishings and operation ²	5.908	125.5	125.8	1.1	.2	.0	.1	.4
Housefurnishings ⁴	3.332	111.1	111.5	.3	.4	-.3	-.2	.7
Housekeeping supplies	1.093	143.3	143.0	1.4	-.2	.0	.4	-.1
Housekeeping services ⁴	1.482	151.1	151.3	2.7	.1	.5	.4	.1
Apparel and upkeep	5.330	136.1	135.3	1.2	-.6	-.3	.9	.1
Apparel commodities ⁴	4.786	132.7	131.8	1.1	-.7	-.4	1.1	.2
Men's and boys' apparel	1.280	131.4	132.0	1.9	.5	-.2	1.8	.2
Women's and girls' apparel	2.102	131.9	129.9	1.7	-.5	-.6	.8	.6
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹ .....	.186	133.7	133.8	2.6	.1	2.0	3.1	.1
Footwear .....	.718	129.3	129.1	.6	-.2	-.4	1.2	-.3
Other apparel commodities ⁴ .....	.500	148.1	146.0	-.3	-.1	-.3	-.7	-.6
Apparel services ^{1 4} .....	.545	162.6	162.9	2.2	.2	.1	.1	.2
Transportation	17.140	144.8	144.4	.0	-.3	.1	-.4	-.8
Private transportation	15.499	141.3	141.0	-.5	-.2	-.2	-.6	-.9
New vehicles	4.955	145.2	144.6	.8	-.4	.1	.0	-.2
New cars	3.952	142.6	142.1	.6	-.4	.1	.0	-.1
Used cars	1.278	154.3	153.9	-.2	-.3	1.2	-.1	-.9
Motor fuel	3.171	106.0	105.7	-.7	-.3	-.2	-.2	-.4
Gasoline	-	105.4	105.2	-.7	-.2	-.2	-.2	-.4
Maintenance and repairs	1.533	161.9	162.2	3.0	.2	.2	.2	.2
Other private transportation ⁴	4.562	177.3	177.0	2.3	-.2	.3	.2	.0
Other private transportation commodities ⁴ .....	.589	104.7	104.7	-.2	.0	-.3	-.1	.1
Other private transportation services ⁴	3.973	194.5	194.2	2.7	-.2	.4	.2	.1
Public transportation	1.642	189.8	188.1	4.4	-.9	2.2	1.2	.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Relative importance, December 1996	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
Medical care	7.346	233.8	234.2	3.0	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
Medical care commodities	1.273	215.2	215.6	2.8	.2	.5	.2	.4
Medical care services	6.073	238.1	238.5	3.0	.2	.3	.3	.3
Professional medical services	3.472	214.7	215.2	3.6	.2	.5	.3	.3
Entertainment ⁴	4.352	162.2	162.2	2.1	.0	.2	.1	.2
Entertainment commodities ⁴	1.957	144.1	143.9	.8	-.1	.0	-.2	-.1
Entertainment services ⁴	2.395	183.3	183.5	3.3	.1	.3	.3	.3
Other goods and services ²	7.145	222.7	223.1	4.2	.2	.5	.8	.2
Tobacco and smoking products	1.601	243.2	243.8	4.6	.2	.4	2.4	-.5
Personal care ¹	1.145	152.7	152.6	1.5	-.1	.2	.6	-.1
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹ .....	.588	144.5	144.1	-.8	-.3	.2	.6	-.3
Personal care services ¹ .....	.557	162.0	162.3	4.2	.2	.3	.5	.2
Personal and educational expenses ⁴	4.398	256.0	256.6	4.8	.2	.5	.3	.5
School books and supplies .....	.264	235.8	235.9	5.0	.0	.3	.5	.6
Personal and educational services ⁴	4.134	257.7	258.3	4.7	.2	.5	.3	.5
Commodity and service group								
All items	100.000	160.2	160.1	2.2	-.1	.1	.1	.1
Commodities	42.873	142.3	142.1	1.2	-.1	-.2	-.1	-.1
Food and beverages	17.484	157.1	157.1	3.0	.0	.0	-.2	.4
Commodities less food and beverages	25.389	133.2	132.9	-.1	-.2	-.3	.0	-.5
Nondurables less food and beverages	15.147	135.8	135.4	-.1	-.3	-.8	.1	-.7
Apparel commodities ⁴	4.786	132.7	131.8	1.1	-.7	-.4	1.1	.2
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	10.362	140.6	140.4	-.7	-.1	-.6	-.4	-.1.1
Durables	10.242	129.6	129.4	.1	-.2	.0	-.2	.0
Services	57.127	178.3	178.4	3.1	.1	.2	.3	.2
Rent of shelter ³	27.577	182.4	182.4	3.1	.0	.3	.3	.3
Household services less rent of shelter ^{3 4}	8.698	143.7	144.0	2.1	.2	-.3	-.1	-.3
Transportation services	7.148	185.4	184.9	3.1	-.3	.8	.4	.1
Medical care services	6.073	238.1	238.5	3.0	.2	.3	.3	.3
Other services	7.631	207.7	208.0	4.1	.1	.4	.3	.4
Special indexes								
All items less food	84.087	160.8	160.7	2.1	-.1	.1	.2	-.1
All items less shelter	71.806	155.8	155.7	1.9	-.1	.0	.0	.0
All items less homeowners' costs ^{3 4}	80.000	161.2	161.1	2.1	-.1	.1	.1	-.1
All items less medical care	92.654	156.0	155.9	2.2	-.1	.0	.1	.0
Commodities less food	26.960	134.4	134.1	.1	-.2	-.2	-.1	-.4
Nondurables less food	16.718	137.4	137.0	.1	-.3	-.7	.1	-.4
Nondurables less food and apparel	11.932	141.7	141.7	-.2	.0	-.7	-.4	-.1.0
Nondurables	32.631	146.6	146.4	1.5	-.1	-.4	-.1	-.2
Services less rent of shelter ^{3 4}	29.550	186.8	186.9	3.0	.1	.3	.3	.1
Services less medical care services	51.054	172.8	172.8	3.0	.0	.3	.2	.1
Energy	7.049	110.0	109.9	-.2.7	-.1	-.1.7	-.1.5	-.2.4
All items less energy	92.951	166.8	166.8	2.6	.0	.2	.2	.2
All items less food and energy	77.038	169.4	169.3	2.5	-.1	.2	.3	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities	23.364	143.5	143.3	1.1	-.1	.1	.3	.1
Energy commodities	3.596	105.8	105.3	-.6.2	-.5	-.2.2	-.2.4	-.3.6
Services less energy services	53.674	184.1	184.1	3.2	.0	.3	.3	.3
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:								
1982-84=\$1.00 ¹	-	\$.624	\$.625	-.2.2	.2	-.2	-.2	.2
1967=\$1.00 ¹	-	.208	.209	-	-	-	-	-

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

³ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁴ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- Data not available.

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

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Feb. 1997	Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
					Aug. 1996	Nov. 1996	Feb. 1997	May 1997	Nov. 1996	May 1997
Expenditure category										
All items	-	-	-	-	2.3	3.6	2.5	0.8	3.0	1.6
Food and beverages	156.8	156.8	156.5	157.1	5.9	5.3	.5	.8	5.6	.6
Food	156.5	156.5	156.2	156.8	6.2	5.3	.3	.8	5.7	.5
Food at home	157.5	157.2	156.5	157.4	8.4	6.0	-.8	-.3	7.2	-.5
Cereals and bakery products	176.4	177.0	176.3	176.9	2.1	4.4	.2	1.1	3.3	.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	148.4	147.1	147.7	148.5	11.4	7.0	.0	.3	9.2	.1
Dairy products ¹	146.2	146.1	145.7	145.4	22.0	13.6	-.8	-.2	17.7	-.5
Fruits and vegetables ²	187.7	187.8	181.5	184.7	7.7	6.4	-.2	-.6	7.0	-.4
Other food at home	144.8	145.0	146.5	146.7	1.7	2.5	2.2	5.4	2.1	3.8
Sugar and sweets	146.9	146.0	147.6	147.4	4.0	2.2	4.8	1.4	3.1	3.1
Fats and oils	142.1	142.0	142.0	141.8	3.5	2.3	.8	-.8	2.9	.0
Nonalcoholic beverages	127.3	129.0	131.5	133.3	-.6	-.4	-.6	20.2	-2.5	9.3
Other prepared food	160.6	160.0	160.8	160.1	2.3	7.6	3.8	-.1	5.0	1.3
Food away from home	155.6	156.0	156.2	156.3	2.9	4.0	2.6	1.8	3.5	2.2
Alcoholic beverages	161.8	161.6	161.8	162.3	3.1	3.8	3.0	1.2	3.4	2.1
Housing ²	155.6	155.6	155.9	156.1	2.7	3.2	3.1	1.3	2.9	2.2
Shelter	174.0	174.3	174.9	175.4	3.1	2.8	3.3	3.3	3.0	3.3
Renters' costs ^{3 4}	183.4	183.9	184.5	184.8	3.9	3.1	4.3	3.1	3.5	3.7
Rent, residential	164.6	165.1	165.5	166.1	2.8	2.7	2.5	3.7	2.7	3.1
Other renters' costs ⁴	223.1	223.7	224.6	224.0	6.7	3.9	8.9	1.6	5.3	5.2
Homeowners' costs ^{3 4}	179.5	179.8	180.4	180.9	2.8	2.7	2.7	3.2	2.7	2.9
Owners' equivalent rent ³	179.9	180.1	180.7	181.3	2.8	2.7	2.9	3.1	2.7	3.0
Household insurance ^{3 4}	164.3	163.5	164.2	165.0	4.6	7.1	-.5	1.7	5.8	.6
Maintenance and repairs ^{1 4}	142.3	142.4	142.5	143.2	2.6	4.1	3.4	2.6	3.3	3.0
Maintenance and repair services ^{1 4}	148.4	148.4	148.9	149.9	6.8	1.4	2.2	4.1	4.0	3.1
Maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 4}	133.9	134.3	133.6	134.1	-.3	8.6	4.9	.6	2.2	2.7
Fuel and other utilities ²	131.6	130.5	130.2	129.4	2.9	5.1	6.3	-.6	4.0	-.3
Fuels	119.4	117.6	116.7	115.4	2.1	7.2	9.6	-.1	4.6	-.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	106.1	102.6	100.4	100.0	-.1	54.7	-.1	-.2	15.0	-.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	126.2	124.6	123.9	122.3	4.0	3.0	10.5	-.1	3.5	-.1
Other utilities and public services ⁴	160.0	160.2	160.6	160.8	3.4	3.3	2.0	2.0	3.3	2.0
Household furnishings and operation ²	125.1	125.1	125.2	125.7	1.3	1.0	.3	1.9	1.1	1.1
Housefurnishings ⁴	111.2	110.9	110.7	111.5	.0	.0	.0	1.1	.0	.5
Housekeeping supplies	142.5	142.5	143.0	142.9	.9	1.4	2.3	1.1	1.1	1.7
Housekeeping services ⁴	149.7	150.5	151.1	151.3	3.9	3.3	-.5	4.3	3.6	1.9
Apparel and upkeep	132.6	132.2	133.4	133.6	-.5	4.4	2.8	3.1	-.6	2.9
Apparel commodities ⁴	128.8	128.3	129.7	129.9	-.6	4.8	2.5	3.5	-.8	3.0
Men's and boys' apparel	128.3	128.0	130.3	130.5	-.6	3.5	-.5	7.0	1.4	2.7
Women's and girls' apparel	126.6	125.8	126.8	127.5	-.1	6.7	8.7	2.9	-.2	5.7
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹	127.2	129.7	133.7	133.8	-.1	5.2	1.6	22.4	-.6	11.5
Footwear	126.7	126.2	127.7	127.3	.0	1.6	-.9	1.9	.8	.5
Other apparel commodities ⁴	147.9	147.5	146.5	145.6	-.6	2.2	-.4	-.6	-.2	-.5
Apparel services ^{1 4}	162.2	162.4	162.6	162.9	2.3	1.5	3.3	1.7	1.9	2.5
Transportation	145.3	145.4	144.8	143.6	-.1	4.8	1.4	-.4	1.7	-.1
Private transportation	142.7	142.4	141.6	140.3	-.2	3.8	3.4	-.6	.9	-.1
New vehicles	144.4	144.6	144.6	144.3	2.5	1.4	-.6	-.3	2.0	-.4
New cars	141.9	142.0	142.0	141.8	3.2	.3	-.6	-.3	1.7	-.4
Used cars	155.8	157.7	155.1	153.7	-.3	-.1	.5	-.5	-.2	-.2
Motor fuel	111.8	109.5	106.8	102.5	-.1	13.6	13.1	-.2	-.2	-.1
Gasoline	111.3	109.0	106.2	101.8	-.1	12.8	13.6	-.3	-.3	-.1
Maintenance and repairs	161.2	161.5	161.9	162.2	3.1	4.1	2.3	2.5	3.6	2.4
Other private transportation ⁴	176.1	176.7	177.0	177.0	4.0	1.4	1.8	2.1	2.7	1.9
Other private transportation commodities ⁴	105.1	104.8	104.7	104.8	.0	.4	.0	-.1	.2	-.6
Other private transportation services ⁴	193.1	193.9	194.3	194.4	4.5	1.7	2.1	2.7	3.1	2.4
Public transportation	181.9	185.9	188.1	188.4	4.5	13.8	-.1	15.1	9.1	-.1

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Feb. 1997	Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
					Aug. 1996	Nov. 1996	Feb. 1997	May 1997	Nov. 1996	May 1997
Expenditure category										
Medical care	232.3	233.2	233.8	234.5	2.8	3.0	2.3	3.8	2.9	3.1
Medical care commodities	213.5	214.5	215.0	215.8	2.5	1.9	2.7	4.4	2.2	3.5
Medical care services	236.4	237.2	237.9	238.5	3.0	3.1	2.2	3.6	3.0	2.9
Professional medical services	212.7	213.7	214.4	215.0	3.5	3.9	2.9	4.4	3.7	3.6
Entertainment ⁴	161.4	161.7	161.8	162.1	2.3	2.5	2.0	1.7	2.4	1.9
Entertainment commodities ⁴	144.2	144.2	143.9	143.8	2.0	1.7	.6	-1.1	1.8	-3
Entertainment services ⁴	181.6	182.1	182.7	183.3	2.7	3.4	3.1	3.8	3.1	3.5
Other goods and services ²	221.3	222.3	224.1	224.5	3.6	3.4	3.9	5.9	3.5	4.9
Tobacco and smoking products	237.6	238.5	244.2	242.9	1.6	5.1	2.7	9.2	3.3	5.9
Personal care ¹	151.5	151.8	152.7	152.6	.5	1.9	.8	2.9	1.2	1.9
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹	143.3	143.6	144.5	144.1	-8	-8	-3.8	2.3	-8	-8
Personal care services ¹	160.7	161.2	162.0	162.3	1.8	5.5	5.4	4.0	3.6	4.7
Personal and educational expenses ⁴	255.0	256.3	257.0	258.4	5.1	3.2	5.3	5.4	4.2	5.4
School books and supplies	233.2	234.0	235.1	236.6	6.0	5.0	3.0	6.0	5.5	4.5
Personal and educational services ⁴	256.5	257.8	258.5	259.9	5.1	3.1	5.5	5.4	4.1	5.4
Commodity and service group										
All items	-	-	-	-	2.3	3.6	2.5	.8	3.0	1.6
Commodities	142.1	141.8	141.7	141.5	.3	4.7	1.7	-1.7	2.4	.0
Food and beverages	156.8	156.8	156.5	157.1	5.9	5.3	.5	.8	5.6	.6
Commodities less food and beverages	133.1	132.7	132.7	132.0	-3.3	4.3	2.1	-3.3	.5	-6
Nondurables less food and beverages	135.7	134.6	134.8	133.9	-5.8	6.8	4.2	-5.2	.3	-6
Apparel commodities ⁴	128.8	128.3	129.7	129.9	-6.1	4.8	2.5	3.5	-8	3.0
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	142.3	141.4	140.8	139.3	-6.4	6.5	6.1	-8.2	-1	-1.3
Durables	129.6	129.6	129.3	129.3	.6	.6	.0	-9	.6	-5
Services	177.6	178.0	178.5	178.8	3.3	3.2	3.0	2.7	3.3	2.9
Rent of shelter ³	181.3	181.8	182.3	182.8	3.2	2.7	3.1	3.4	3.0	3.2
Household services less rent of shelter ^{3 4}	145.7	145.2	145.0	144.6	3.4	3.4	4.8	-3.0	3.4	.8
Transportation services	182.7	184.1	184.9	185.0	4.1	4.9	-1.5	5.1	4.5	1.8
Medical care services	236.4	237.2	237.9	238.5	3.0	3.1	2.2	3.6	3.0	2.9
Other services	206.9	207.8	208.4	209.3	3.8	3.4	4.4	4.7	3.6	4.5
Special Indexes										
All items less food	160.2	160.3	160.6	160.5	1.5	3.3	2.8	.8	2.4	1.8
All items less shelter	155.5	155.5	155.5	155.5	1.8	4.0	2.1	.0	2.9	1.0
All items less homeowners' costs ^{3 4}	160.8	160.9	161.0	160.9	2.0	3.8	2.3	.2	2.9	1.3
All items less medical care	155.5	155.5	155.7	155.7	2.1	3.7	2.6	.5	2.9	1.6
Commodities less food	134.4	134.1	134.0	133.4	-2.7	4.0	2.4	-2.9	.6	-3
Nondurables less food	137.1	136.2	136.3	135.7	-5.2	6.8	3.9	-4.0	.6	-1
Nondurables less food and apparel	143.1	142.1	141.5	140.1	-2.8	7.1	3.7	-8.1	2.0	-2.4
Nondurables	146.5	145.9	145.7	145.4	1.1	5.4	2.8	-3.0	3.2	-1
Services less rent of shelter ³	186.2	186.7	187.2	187.3	3.6	3.8	2.4	2.4	3.7	2.4
Services less medical care services	172.0	172.5	172.9	173.1	3.4	3.3	2.8	2.6	3.4	2.7
Energy	114.9	112.9	111.2	108.5	-7.3	10.3	10.8	-20.5	1.1	-6.2
All items less energy	165.9	166.2	166.6	167.0	2.7	3.5	1.7	2.7	3.1	2.2
All items less food and energy	168.3	168.7	169.2	169.5	2.2	2.9	2.2	2.9	2.6	2.5
Commodities less food and energy commodities	142.2	142.3	142.7	142.8	-3	2.0	1.1	1.7	.9	1.4
Energy commodities	111.3	108.8	106.2	102.4	-17.4	17.6	11.5	-28.3	-1.5	-10.6
Services less energy services	182.9	183.4	184.0	184.5	3.4	3.1	2.7	3.5	3.3	3.1

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

³ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁴ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- Data not available.

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

Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category							
Food and beverages	157.1	157.1	3.0	0.0	0.0	-0.2	0.4
Food	156.6	156.6	3.0	.0	.0	-.2	.4
Food at home	157.5	157.5	3.2	.0	-.2	-.4	.6
Cereals and bakery products	176.9	176.9	1.9	.0	.3	-.4	.3
Cereals and cereal products	168.7	169.7	-.3	.6	.4	-.4	.6
Flour and prepared flour mixes	156.6	157.6	5.9	.6	-.7	2.5	-1.2
Cereal	186.2	187.7	-3.2	.8	.5	-1.0	1.1
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	147.8	148.0	3.4	.1	.2	.0	.2
Bakery products	180.4	180.0	2.9	-.2	.4	-.6	.3
White bread ¹	182.1	182.8	4.3	.4	-.7	-.3	.4
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins ¹	180.3	179.4	2.6	-.5	-.3	.0	-.5
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes ¹	179.0	179.5	3.0	.3	.2	.1	.3
Other bakery products	180.7	178.9	1.8	-1.0	1.1	-1.3	.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	147.7	147.7	4.6	.0	-.9	.4	.5
Meats, poultry, and fish	148.1	148.6	4.9	.3	-.5	.3	.4
Meats	143.4	143.9	5.5	.3	-.7	.6	.4
Beef and veal	136.2	136.9	4.3	.5	-.7	.6	1.1
Ground beef other than canned	115.0	116.7	5.5	1.5	-2.2	.8	3.1
Chuck roast ²	142.1	141.1	3.1	-.7	.8	-.1	.3
Round roast ²	129.9	128.0	5.5	-1.5	.2	1.6	-1.2
Round steak ²	129.6	131.0	1.9	1.1	.3	-2.3	2.4
Sirloin steak ²	138.3	140.0	2.8	1.2	.1	.6	.5
Other beef and veal ^{1 2}	160.0	159.8	4.0	-.1	.0	.6	-.1
Pork	153.6	154.3	8.6	.5	-1.1	1.0	-.3
Bacon	161.7	160.6	14.6	-.7	.1	-.3	-.5
Chops	153.8	153.7	3.1	-.1	-2.2	.1	.6
Ham	151.0	153.8	8.1	1.9	-1.3	2.6	-1.3
Other pork, including sausage ²	150.7	151.3	9.6	.4	-1.0	1.7	.2
Other meats ¹	148.0	147.8	3.9	-.1	-.2	.3	-.1
Poultry ¹	155.4	156.6	4.7	.8	-1.0	-.6	.8
Fresh whole chicken ¹	158.5	158.6	6.6	.1	-.2	-.3	.1
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ¹	155.1	157.2	3.1	1.4	-1.9	-1.1	1.4
Other poultry ²	155.0	155.6	5.3	.4	-.2	1.7	-.3
Fish and seafood	176.9	176.5	1.8	-.2	1.3	-.8	.3
Canned fish and seafood ¹	127.8	127.7	1.5	-.1	-.2	.8	-.1
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood ²	200.6	200.1	1.9	-.2	1.7	-1.0	.6
Eggs	140.0	133.4	.8	-4.7	-6.4	2.7	1.4
Dairy products ¹	145.7	145.4	5.7	-.2	-.1	-.3	-.2
Fresh milk and cream ^{1 2}	144.7	144.9	5.2	.1	-.2	-.8	.1
Fresh whole milk ¹	142.6	142.5	4.4	-.1	-.1	-.8	-.1
Other fresh milk and cream ^{1 2}	147.5	148.1	6.4	.4	-.3	-.7	.4
Processed dairy products ²	147.2	146.6	6.1	-.4	.5	.5	-.5
Cheese ^{1 2}	148.2	147.8	4.2	-.3	-.5	.1	-.3
Ice cream and related products	151.1	150.7	5.9	-.3	.1	.1	-.3
Other dairy products, including butter ²	137.1	135.4	12.7	-1.2	2.7	1.6	-1.7
Fruits and vegetables ³	186.4	186.4	1.2	.0	.1	-.3.4	1.8
Fresh fruits and vegetables	213.8	213.4	.6	-.2	.0	-.4.6	2.4
Fresh fruits	235.8	239.4	2.2	1.5	1.4	-1.0	-.2
Apples	197.2	198.4	-3.2	.6	-.4	-1.2	-.2
Bananas	168.1	158.7	-4.7	-5.6	-.6	1.6	-5.6
Oranges, including tangerines ²	202.1	224.7	-3.5	11.2	-2.1	2.0	3.0
Other fresh fruits ²	278.8	281.5	6.4	1.0	3.2	-2.0	-.1
Fresh vegetables	191.8	187.3	-1.4	-2.3	-1.8	-9.1	5.9
Potatoes	163.9	167.3	-9.8	2.1	-3.8	.3	1.2
Lettuce ¹	188.6	174.8	-.9	-7.3	.7	1.5	-7.3
Tomatoes ¹	228.0	200.3	-12.0	-12.1	24.9	-13.8	-12.1
Other fresh vegetables	193.8	194.8	4.8	.5	-4.5	-4.3	7.5
Processed fruits and vegetables ²	147.7	148.3	2.6	.4	.1	-.6	.4
Processed fruits ^{1 2}	148.4	149.3	2.5	.6	-.6	-.3	.6
Fruit juices and frozen fruit ^{1 2}	147.7	148.9	2.2	.8	-.9	-.5	.8
Canned and dried fruits ²	148.6	148.4	3.5	-.1	.4	.7	-.9
Processed vegetables ²	147.1	147.3	2.8	.1	.8	-.5	-.2
Frozen vegetables ²	147.6	146.6	2.0	-.7	-1.2	1.8	-1.3
Processed vegetables excluding frozen ²	147.6	148.3	3.1	.5	1.6	-1.3	.5

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Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category							
Other food at home	146.9	147.1	2.9	0.1	0.1	1.0	0.1
Sugar and sweets	147.9	147.9	3.1	.0	-6	1.1	-1
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	134.4	135.6	1.7	.9	-9	.8	-1
Sweets, including candy ²	153.3	152.8	3.5	-3	-5	1.1	-1
Fats and oils	142.4	142.0	1.4	-3	-1	.0	-1
Nonalcoholic beverages	131.9	133.4	3.2	1.1	1.3	1.9	1.4
Carbonated drinks	118.4	119.1	-1.4	.6	-4	-2	.9
Coffee ¹	162.7	167.2	10.9	2.8	3.9	6.8	2.8
Other noncarbonated drinks ²	140.0	139.5	2.1	-4	.0	-4	.2
Other prepared food	161.1	160.4	3.1	-4	-4	.5	-4
Canned and packaged soup	186.6	190.2	4.9	1.9	.5	.6	.8
Frozen prepared food ¹	146.4	145.1	1.7	-9	-8	1.1	-9
Snacks ¹	155.1	153.6	5.0	-1.0	-5	1.2	-1.0
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	168.0	166.9	2.3	-7	-6	.7	-8
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ²	161.8	161.1	2.7	-4	.0	-2	-2
Food away from home	156.2	156.3	2.8	.1	.3	.1	.1
Lunch ²	157.0	156.9	2.9	-1	.4	.1	-1
Dinner ²	153.9	154.1	2.7	.1	.3	.1	.1
Other meals and snacks ^{1 2}	159.7	159.6	2.8	-1	.2	.0	-1
Alcoholic beverages	162.3	162.8	2.8	.3	-1	.1	.3
Alcoholic beverages at home	149.6	149.9	2.3	.2	-2	.1	.3
Beer and ale	149.1	149.1	.9	.0	-6	.2	.1
Wine	145.3	145.7	5.1	.3	.7	.1	.4
Distilled spirits	149.9	150.5	2.5	.4	-1	.3	.3
Alcoholic beverages away from home	188.0	188.7	3.5	.4	.1	.0	.4
Housing ³	155.8	155.9	2.6	.1	.0	.2	.1
Shelter	175.3	175.3	3.1	.0	.2	.3	.3
Renters' costs ^{2 4}	186.3	185.3	3.6	-5	.3	.3	.2
Rent, residential	165.5	165.9	2.9	.2	.3	.2	.4
Other renters' costs ²	228.0	222.9	5.2	-2.2	.3	.4	-3
Lodging while out of town	227.7	222.0	5.3	-2.5	.2	.4	-4
Lodging while at school ⁴	220.5	220.6	4.7	.0	.4	.3	.3
Tenants' insurance ^{1 2}	157.8	158.5	3.4	.4	.0	.2	.4
Homeowners' costs ^{2 4}	180.2	180.6	2.8	.2	.2	.3	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ⁴	180.5	180.9	2.8	.2	.1	.3	.3
Household insurance ^{2 4}	163.8	164.5	3.1	.4	-5	.4	.5
Maintenance and repairs ^{1 2}	142.5	143.2	3.2	.5	.1	.1	.5
Maintenance and repair services ^{1 2}	148.9	149.9	3.6	.7	.0	.3	.7
Maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 2}	133.6	134.1	2.4	.4	.3	-5	.4
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ^{1 2 5}	126.2	126.7	3.2	.4	-5	-6	.4
Other maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 2}	128.8	129.1	1.8	.2	.9	-5	.2
Fuel and other utilities ³	128.9	129.0	1.8	.1	-8	-2	-6
Fuels	115.3	115.3	1.1	.0	-1.5	-8	-1.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	102.1	100.4	.8	-1.7	-3.3	-2.1	-4
Fuel oil	99.6	98.0	-4	-1.6	-3.6	-1.8	-5
Other household fuel commodities ^{1 5}	132.8	130.0	3.4	-2.1	-2.8	-3.8	-2.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	121.7	121.9	1.1	.2	-1.3	-6	-1.3
Electricity	129.5	130.6	.9	.8	.2	.5	-4
Utility (piped) gas	110.4	108.9	1.5	-1.4	-4.2	-3.0	-2.9
Other utilities and public services ²	160.8	161.1	2.7	.2	.1	.2	.1
Telephone services ^{1 2}	128.0	128.0	2.1	.0	.2	.1	.0
Local charges ^{1 2}	162.7	162.9	1.6	.1	.2	.1	.1
Interstate toll calls ¹	78.8	78.8	1.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Intrastate toll calls ¹	93.8	93.8	5.9	.0	.3	-1	.0
Water and sewerage maintenance	207.1	207.9	.6	.4	.3	.2	.2
Cable television ⁶	225.5	226.6	7.8	.5	.0	.4	.5
Refuse collection ^{1 6}	249.4	249.5	2.2	.0	.3	.2	.0

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Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category							
Household furnishings and operation ³	125.5	125.8	1.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.4
Housefurnishings ²	111.1	111.5	.3	.4	-.3	-.2	.7
Textile housefurnishings ^{1 2}	121.3	121.6	.2	.2	-1.7	2.1	.2
Furniture and bedding ¹	134.5	136.4	2.1	1.4	.7	.3	1.4
Bedroom furniture ¹	141.0	143.3	3.4	1.6	.5	.8	1.6
Sofas ^{1 2}	142.0	144.2	2.6	1.5	1.9	-1.1	1.5
Living room chairs and tables ^{1 2}	136.4	137.9	2.1	1.1	.4	.3	1.1
Other furniture ²	122.4	123.9	.4	1.2	.1	-.3	2.1
Appliances, including electronic equipment ^{1 2}	75.3	75.3	-3.3	.0	-.3	-2.0	.0
Video and audio products ^{1 2}	68.8	69.1	-3.4	.4	-.1	-2.4	.4
Televisions ¹	62.2	62.2	-4.5	.0	-.3	-1.1	.0
Video products other than televisions ^{1 2 7}	64.1	63.9	-3.8	-.3	.0	-2.7	-.3
Audio products ^{1 2}	87.4	88.3	-2.5	1.0	.0	-3.2	1.0
Major household appliances ^{1 2 5}	102.1	101.9	-.5	-.2	-.2	-1.4	-.2
Refrigerators and home freezers ^{1 2}	108.7	108.3	-.8	-.4	-.4	-2.2	-.4
Laundry equipment ¹	112.1	111.8	.8	-.3	.4	-1.5	-.3
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ^{1 2 5}	92.5	92.4	-1.4	-.1	-.7	-.6	-.1
Information processing equipment ^{1 7}	51.4	50.8	-12.4	-1.2	-1.5	-1.9	-1.2
Other housefurnishings ^{1 2 5}	116.9	116.5	.8	-.3	-.1	.3	-.3
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ^{1 2}	143.8	143.6	3.9	-.1	-.1	-1.0	-.1
Clocks, lamps, and decor items ¹	120.5	120.6	-1.2	.1	.0	.3	.1
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ^{1 2}	124.6	123.5	1.2	-.9	-2.5	2.3	-.9
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ^{1 2}	110.3	110.2	1.8	-.1	.2	-.5	-.1
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ^{1 2 5}	90.3	90.3	3.3	.0	-.2	-.7	.0
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers ^{1 8}	116.0	114.4	-2.8	-1.4	2.4	1.6	-1.4
Housekeeping supplies	143.3	143.0	1.4	-.2	.0	.4	-.1
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ^{1 2}	146.5	146.5	2.7	.0	.1	.5	.0
Household paper products and stationery supplies ^{1 2}	145.9	146.1	-.2	.1	.0	.1	.1
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ^{1 2}	137.0	135.9	1.9	-.8	.6	.4	-.8
Housekeeping services ²	151.1	151.3	2.7	.1	.5	.4	.1
Postage ¹	160.3	160.3	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Appliance and furniture repair ^{1 2}	159.5	159.9	2.8	.3	.4	.2	.3
Gardening and other household services ^{2 5}	138.7	138.9	2.4	.1	1.0	.6	-.1
Apparel and upkeep	136.1	135.3	1.2	-.6	-.3	.9	.1
Apparel commodities ²	132.7	131.8	1.1	-.7	-.4	1.1	.2
Apparel commodities less footwear	133.3	132.3	1.1	-.8	-.3	1.0	.2
Men's and boys'	131.4	132.0	1.9	.5	-.2	1.8	.2
Men's	134.6	135.2	2.0	.4	-.5	1.4	-.1
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	136.6	137.3	1.0	.5	2.0	.1	-.1
Furnishings and special clothing	127.6	127.8	2.6	.2	-.5	1.6	-.9
Shirts ²	142.4	141.7	3.4	-.5	-.9	2.9	-1.1
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	131.6	134.2	1.1	2.0	-2.0	.6	2.1
Boys'	117.9	118.6	1.7	.6	.6	2.3	1.0
Women's and girls'	131.9	129.9	1.7	-1.5	-.6	.8	.6
Women's	131.8	129.9	2.1	-1.4	-.6	.3	.6
Coats and jackets	121.4	120.8	2.2	-.5	2.4	-.7	2.6
Dresses	118.3	116.4	-.1	-1.6	-.8	-2.8	1.3
Separates and sportswear ²	137.0	135.7	3.4	-.9	-1.6	1.6	.8
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ²	135.6	134.6	.8	-.7	.3	.4	.1
Suits ²	155.0	145.9	2.1	-5.9	-.8	.8	-2.2
Girls'	132.4	130.0	-.8	-1.8	-1.0	3.2	.1
Infants' and toddlers ¹	133.7	133.8	2.6	.1	2.0	3.1	.1
Other apparel commodities ²	148.1	146.0	-3.8	-1.4	-.3	-.7	-.6
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage ^{1 5}	130.7	127.9	-5.2	-2.1	1.7	.0	-2.1
Watches and jewelry ⁵	147.5	145.6	-3.4	-1.3	-.1	-1.0	-.6
Watches ^{1 5}	127.3	127.6	-2.7	.2	2.3	-1.4	.2
Jewelry ⁵	153.2	150.7	-3.6	-1.6	-.5	-.9	-.7
Footwear	129.3	129.1	.6	-.2	-.4	1.2	-.3
Men's	132.8	133.7	.3	.7	-.7	-.1	.5
Boys' and girls'	133.1	132.3	1.1	-.6	-2.6	1.2	-.9
Women's	124.2	123.6	.7	-.5	1.0	1.5	-.2
Apparel services ^{1 2}	162.6	162.9	2.2	.2	.1	.1	.2
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ^{1 2}	165.7	166.0	3.2	.2	.1	-.1	.2
Other apparel services ^{1 2}	159.5	159.8	1.1	.2	.2	.3	.2

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Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category							
Transportation	144.8	144.4	0.0	-0.3	0.1	-0.4	-0.8
Private	141.3	141.0	-.5	-.2	-.2	-.6	-.9
New vehicles	145.2	144.6	.8	-.4	.1	.0	-.2
New cars	142.6	142.1	.6	-.4	.1	.0	-.1
Subcompact new cars ^{2 5}	123.2	123.2	.5	.0	-.2	.2	.2
Compact new cars ^{2 5}	123.7	122.9	.9	-.6	.2	.0	-.6
Intermediate new cars ^{2 5}	122.4	122.0	.6	-.3	.3	.1	-.1
Full-size new cars ^{2 5}	126.3	125.3	1.3	-.8	.4	.1	-.7
Luxury new cars ^{2 5}	133.0	132.5	-.2	-.4	-.2	-.5	-.2
New trucks ⁵	152.3	151.5	1.5	-.5	.0	.0	-.3
New motorcycles ⁵	162.4	162.9	1.2	.3	-.7	.2	.8
Used cars	154.3	153.9	-2.3	-.3	1.2	-1.6	-.9
Motor fuel	106.0	105.7	-7.0	-.3	-2.1	-2.5	-4.0
Gasoline	105.4	105.2	-7.1	-.2	-2.1	-2.6	-4.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular	103.4	103.2	-7.5	-.2	-2.1	-2.8	-4.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{1 9}	109.9	109.4	-7.0	-.5	-1.4	-.5	-.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium	106.5	106.0	-6.7	-.5	-1.8	-2.1	-3.7
Automobile maintenance and repair	161.9	162.2	3.0	.2	.2	.2	.2
Body work ¹	171.3	172.2	3.5	.5	.2	.5	.5
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ^{1 2}	170.2	170.6	3.6	.2	.5	.2	.2
Maintenance and servicing ¹	148.1	148.3	1.7	.1	.2	-.2	.1
Power plant repair ²	168.0	167.8	3.5	-.1	.1	.8	-.1
Other private transportation ²	177.3	177.0	2.3	-.2	.3	.2	.0
Other private transportation commodities ²	104.7	104.7	-.2	.0	-.3	-.1	.1
Motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	131.5	132.6	.9	.8	.5	.3	.8
Automobile parts and equipment	101.8	101.7	-.3	-.1	-.2	-.3	-.1
Tires	100.7	100.2	-.3	-.5	-.6	-.2	-.2
Other parts and equipment ^{1 2}	107.0	107.4	-.4	.4	-.2	-.4	.4
Other private transportation services ²	194.5	194.2	2.7	-.2	.4	.2	.1
Automobile insurance	250.4	251.0	3.5	.2	.4	.2	.3
Automobile finance charges ²	95.8	94.0	.3	-1.9	1.2	.7	-2.5
Automobile fees ^{1 2}	184.4	183.6	1.7	-.4	.8	-.5	-.4
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ^{1 2}	183.8	183.6	-.2	-.1	.0	.1	-.1
Other automobile-related fees ^{1 2}	186.2	184.8	3.6	-.8	1.5	-1.0	-.8
Public transportation	189.8	188.1	4.4	-.9	2.2	1.2	.2
Airline fares ¹	204.1	201.5	6.5	-1.3	4.5	1.2	-1.3
Other intercity transportation ¹	155.5	155.0	-2.0	-.3	.5	.3	-.3
Intracity public transportation ¹	175.5	175.3	.7	-.1	.3	.1	-.1
Medical care	233.8	234.2	3.0	.2	.4	.3	.3
Medical care commodities	215.2	215.6	2.8	.2	.5	.2	.4
Prescription drugs	249.2	249.9	3.2	.3	.4	.3	.3
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ^{1 5}	145.4	145.3	1.8	-.1	.3	.1	-.1
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ¹	172.8	173.1	2.2	.2	.3	-.3	.2
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies ¹	172.0	171.1	.9	-.5	.2	1.2	-.5
Medical care services	238.1	238.5	3.0	.2	.3	.3	.3
Professional medical services	214.7	215.2	3.6	.2	.5	.3	.3
Physicians' services	222.3	222.9	3.2	.3	.5	.2	.3
Dental services ¹	225.3	225.8	4.8	.2	.4	.4	.2
Eye care ^{1 5}	140.9	141.3	1.7	.3	.1	-.1	.3
Services by other medical professionals ⁵	151.9	152.1	3.9	.1	.4	.3	.0
Hospital and related services	277.0	277.3	3.6	.1	.2	.4	.2
Hospital services ¹⁰	101.2	101.3	-	.1	.1	.1	.1
Inpatient hospital services ¹⁰	101.0	101.0	-	.0	.1	.1	.0
Outpatient hospital services ⁵	223.3	223.6	4.7	.1	.4	.3	.4
Nursing home services ¹⁰	101.6	101.8	-	.2	.1	.2	.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category							
Entertainment ²	162.2	162.2	2.1	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.2
Entertainment commodities ²	144.1	143.9	.8	-.1	.0	-.2	-.1
Reading materials ¹	178.3	178.4	1.6	.1	.2	-.2	.1
Newspapers ^{1 2}	191.2	191.3	1.3	.1	.1	-.1	.1
Magazines, periodicals, and books ^{1 2}	166.5	166.6	2.0	.1	.2	-.3	.1
Sporting goods and equipment ¹	122.9	121.9	-1.7	-.8	.3	-.6	-.8
Sport vehicles, including bicycles ¹	125.3	124.1	-2.1	-1.0	.7	-.8	-1.0
Other sporting goods ¹	117.9	117.2	-1.3	-.6	-.1	-.6	-.6
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ^{1 2}	133.4	133.3	1.2	-.1	.0	-.1	-.1
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ²	125.9	126.3	-.5	.3	-.6	-.5	.0
Photographic supplies and equipment ¹	134.2	134.2	.3	.0	.0	.0	.0
Pet supplies and expense ¹	143.3	142.6	3.6	-.5	.4	.1	-.5
Entertainment services ²	183.3	183.5	3.3	.1	.3	.3	.3
Club memberships ^{2 5}	132.8	132.7	-.4	-.1	.7	-.2	-.1
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ^{2 5}	173.9	173.4	7.2	-.3	1.1	1.4	.9
Admissions ¹	196.7	197.3	2.4	.3	-.1	.7	.3
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁵	166.3	166.9	5.1	.4	.1	.0	.5
Other entertainment services ^{1 2 5}	142.3	142.6	3.3	.2	.4	.2	.2
Other goods and services ³	222.7	223.1	4.2	.2	.5	.8	.2
Tobacco and smoking products	243.2	243.8	4.6	.2	.4	2.4	-.5
Personal care ¹	152.7	152.6	1.5	-.1	.2	.6	-.1
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹	144.5	144.1	-.8	-.3	.2	.6	-.3
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements ¹	152.2	150.8	1.4	-.9	-.5	.4	-.9
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products ¹	139.0	139.4	-2.5	.3	.7	.8	.3
Personal care services ¹	162.0	162.3	4.2	.2	.3	.5	.2
Beauty parlor services for females ^{1 2}	161.1	161.4	3.9	.2	.2	.6	.2
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ²	164.9	165.1	5.0	.1	.8	-.2	.5
Personal and educational expenses ²	256.0	256.6	4.8	.2	.5	.3	.5
School books and supplies	235.8	235.9	5.0	.0	.3	.5	.6
Personal and educational services ²	257.7	258.3	4.7	.2	.5	.3	.5
Tuition and other school fees	275.4	275.9	4.9	.2	.4	.4	.5
College tuition	289.3	289.5	5.3	.1	.4	.5	.6
Elementary and high school tuition	280.5	280.6	4.5	.0	.4	.4	.4
Day care and nursery school ⁸	132.9	133.0	3.7	.1	.5	.3	.2
Personal expenses	224.1	225.0	4.6	.4	.9	.1	.4
Legal service fees ^{1 5}	161.0	161.5	2.7	.3	.4	.2	.3
Personal financial services ^{1 5}	190.7	191.6	5.1	.5	1.6	-.4	.5
Funeral expenses ⁵	169.4	170.0	6.1	.4	1.0	.6	.7
Special indexes							
Domestically produced farm food	159.2	159.1	3.4	-.1	-.3	-.5	.4
Selected beef cuts	128.4	129.4	4.4	.8	-.9	.6	1.4
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products ²	106.5	106.2	-6.8	-.3	-2.0	-2.6	-3.7
Utilities and public transportation	144.4	144.4	2.3	.0	.1	-.1	-.1
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ^{1 2}	151.1	151.4	2.9	.2	.5	.3	.2

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹⁰ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			Aug. 1996	Nov. 1996	Feb. 1997	May 1997	Nov. 1996	May 1997
Expenditure category								
Food and beverages	156.5	157.1	5.9	5.3	0.5	0.8	5.6	0.6
Food	156.2	156.8	6.2	5.3	.3	.8	5.7	.5
Food at home	156.5	157.4	8.4	6.0	-8	-3	7.2	-5
Cereals and bakery products	176.3	176.9	2.1	4.4	.2	1.1	3.3	.7
Cereals and cereal products	167.8	168.8	-2.8	.5	-1.4	2.6	-1.2	.6
Flour and prepared flour mixes	159.1	157.2	24.0	-2.5	1.8	2.3	9.9	2.1
Cereal	184.0	186.0	-10.6	-4	-3.6	2.2	-5.6	-7
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	147.3	147.6	7.8	2.8	1.9	1.6	5.3	1.8
Bakery products	179.9	180.4	4.4	5.8	1.3	.4	5.1	.9
White bread ¹	182.1	182.8	13.7	4.0	2.2	-2.2	8.7	.0
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins ¹	180.3	179.4	7.8	3.9	2.5	-3.3	5.8	-4
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes ¹	179.0	179.5	-4.1	13.6	1.1	2.3	4.4	1.7
Other bakery products	178.9	178.9	3.2	5.8	-1.1	-7	4.5	-9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	147.7	148.5	11.4	7.0	.0	.3	9.2	.1
Meats, poultry, and fish	148.3	148.9	12.7	6.1	.0	.8	9.4	.4
Meats	143.7	144.3	15.8	6.1	-6	1.4	10.8	.4
Beef and veal	135.4	136.9	13.4	4.2	-3.7	3.9	8.7	.0
Ground beef other than canned	113.9	117.4	18.4	1.7	-3.7	6.7	9.8	1.4
Chuck roast ²	140.9	141.3	22.1	1.4	-12.1	4.1	11.2	-4.4
Round roast ²	129.4	127.8	13.2	10.0	-2.5	2.2	11.5	-2
Round steak ²	127.2	130.3	-5.2	16.5	-3.6	1.5	5.1	-1.1
Sirloin steak ²	137.1	137.8	12.8	5.6	-10.7	5.1	9.2	-3.1
Other beef and veal ^{1 2}	160.0	159.8	11.4	3.9	-8	2.0	7.6	.6
Pork	156.2	155.8	25.2	7.6	4.5	-1.5	16.1	1.4
Bacon	162.6	161.8	70.4	.0	4.8	-2.9	30.5	.9
Chops	154.6	155.5	10.5	.8	8.3	-5.9	5.5	.9
Ham	158.8	156.8	17.0	16.0	.5	.0	16.5	.3
Other pork, including sausage ²	152.1	152.4	22.4	12.3	1.6	3.5	17.2	2.5
Other meats ¹	148.0	147.8	7.2	9.1	-5	.0	8.2	-3
Poultry ¹	155.4	156.6	13.8	7.4	1.5	-3.3	10.6	-9
Fresh whole chicken ¹	158.5	158.6	23.0	4.1	2.3	-1.5	13.2	.4
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ¹	155.1	157.2	7.8	16.4	-3.4	-6.8	12.0	-5.1
Other poultry ²	156.4	155.9	9.2	5.7	1.8	4.8	7.4	3.3
Fish and seafood	175.7	176.3	-2.1	4.5	1.2	3.5	1.2	2.3
Canned fish and seafood ¹	127.8	127.7	1.0	.3	2.9	1.9	.6	2.4
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood ²	199.0	200.1	-2.6	5.2	.0	5.2	1.2	2.5
Eggs	139.0	140.9	-2.6	15.5	2.0	-9.6	6.1	-4.0
Dairy products ¹	145.7	145.4	22.0	13.6	-8.1	-2.2	17.7	-5.2
Fresh milk and cream ^{1 2}	144.7	144.9	20.9	18.0	-11.2	-3.2	19.5	-7.3
Fresh whole milk ¹	142.6	142.5	19.8	18.5	-12.8	-4.1	19.2	-8.5
Other fresh milk and cream ^{1 2}	147.5	148.1	22.7	16.8	-8.6	-2.1	19.7	-5.4
Processed dairy products ²	148.1	147.3	18.8	10.0	-5.0	2.2	14.3	-1.5
Cheese ^{1 2}	148.2	147.8	14.6	12.0	-5.5	-2.7	13.2	-4.1
Ice cream and related products	151.2	150.7	10.8	9.1	4.1	-3	9.9	1.9
Other dairy products, including butter ²	139.9	137.5	60.4	5.0	-13.4	10.5	29.8	-2.1
Fruits and vegetables ³	181.5	184.7	7.7	6.4	-2.1	-6.2	7.0	-4.2
Fresh fruits and vegetables	205.1	210.0	8.5	7.1	-3.3	-9.2	7.8	-6.3
Fresh fruits	236.4	235.9	4.9	18.4	-13.1	.9	11.5	-6.4
Apples	196.8	196.5	-4.6	11.2	-11.3	-6.6	3.0	-9.0
Bananas	162.9	153.8	-19.2	38.5	-11.1	-17.3	5.8	-14.3
Oranges, including tangerines ²	226.3	233.1	22.0	-29.6	-9.8	22.6	-7.3	.6
Other fresh fruits ²	274.1	273.8	8.5	33.4	-14.7	3.9	20.3	-5.9
Fresh vegetables	175.3	185.6	12.9	-5.2	10.4	-20.2	3.4	-6.2
Potatoes	164.0	165.9	-9.4	-11.9	-8.5	-9.1	-10.7	-8.8
Lettuce ¹	188.6	174.8	-1.4	100.2	-39.3	-19.4	40.5	-30.0
Tomatoes ¹	228.0	200.3	-68.3	60.4	47.5	-19.9	-28.7	8.7
Other fresh vegetables	183.0	196.8	27.3	-7.4	10.0	-7.0	8.6	1.1
Processed fruits and vegetables ²	147.4	148.0	6.0	4.2	1.1	-3	5.1	.4
Processed fruits ^{1 2}	148.4	149.3	4.2	.8	6.4	-1.3	2.5	2.5
Fruit juices and frozen fruit ^{1 2}	147.7	148.9	3.6	1.6	6.1	-2.4	2.6	1.8
Canned and dried fruits ²	149.2	147.9	3.7	4.5	4.7	.8	4.1	2.8
Processed vegetables ²	147.0	146.7	8.7	4.2	-1.9	.5	6.4	-7
Frozen vegetables ²	148.5	146.5	5.4	.6	5.6	-2.9	2.9	1.2
Processed vegetables excluding frozen ²	147.0	147.7	9.8	5.6	-5.3	3.0	7.7	-1.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			Aug. 1996	Nov. 1996	Feb. 1997	May 1997	Nov. 1996	May 1997
Expenditure category								
Other food at home	146.5	146.7	1.7	2.5	2.2	5.4	2.1	3.8
Sugar and sweets	147.6	147.4	4.0	2.2	4.8	1.4	3.1	3.1
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	134.9	134.8	4.9	-4.4	7.4	-6	.2	3.3
Sweets, including candy ²	152.6	152.5	3.9	4.7	3.5	2.1	4.3	2.8
Fats and oils	142.0	141.8	3.5	2.3	.8	-8	2.9	.0
Nonalcoholic beverages	131.5	133.3	-6	-4.3	-6	20.2	-2.5	9.3
Carbonated drinks	117.6	118.6	2.3	-4.5	-4.6	1.0	-1.2	-1.8
Coffee ¹	162.7	167.2	-7.0	-7.4	3.6	69.2	-7.2	32.4
Other noncarbonated drinks ²	139.3	139.6	5.1	.9	2.9	-6	2.9	1.2
Other prepared food	160.8	160.1	2.3	7.6	3.8	-1.2	5.0	1.3
Canned and packaged soup	188.1	189.6	7.7	4.9	-6	8.0	6.3	3.6
Frozen prepared food ¹	146.4	145.1	1.7	3.4	4.2	-2.4	2.5	.8
Snacks ¹	155.1	153.6	6.7	9.2	5.6	-1.3	7.9	2.1
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	167.4	166.1	1.2	7.1	3.7	-2.6	4.1	.5
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ²	161.3	160.9	.0	8.2	4.6	-1.7	4.0	1.4
Food away from home	156.2	156.3	2.9	4.0	2.6	1.8	3.5	2.2
Lunch ²	157.0	156.9	3.5	3.7	2.9	1.5	3.6	2.2
Dinner ²	153.9	154.1	2.7	3.5	2.4	2.1	3.1	2.2
Other meals and snacks ^{1 2}	159.7	159.6	1.8	5.8	3.3	.5	3.8	1.9
Alcoholic beverages	161.8	162.3	3.1	3.8	3.0	1.2	3.4	2.1
Alcoholic beverages at home	149.0	149.4	3.0	2.2	2.7	.8	2.6	1.8
Beer and ale	148.2	148.3	2.5	.8	1.4	-1.3	1.6	.0
Wine	144.8	145.4	4.1	5.3	6.1	5.1	4.7	5.6
Distilled spirits	150.0	150.5	3.0	2.5	2.4	1.9	2.7	2.2
Alcoholic beverages away from home	187.6	188.3	2.9	4.9	4.4	1.9	3.9	3.2
Housing ³	155.9	156.1	2.7	3.2	3.1	1.3	2.9	2.2
Shelter	174.9	175.4	3.1	2.8	3.3	3.3	3.0	3.3
Renters' costs ^{2 4}	184.5	184.8	3.9	3.1	4.3	3.1	3.5	3.7
Rent, residential	165.5	166.1	2.8	2.7	2.5	3.7	2.7	3.1
Other renters' costs ²	224.6	224.0	6.7	3.9	8.9	1.6	5.3	5.2
Lodging while out of town	223.7	222.9	6.8	4.2	9.1	1.1	5.5	5.0
Lodging while at school ⁴	222.1	222.8	4.6	3.2	6.6	4.2	3.9	5.4
Tenants' insurance ^{1 2}	157.8	158.5	7.2	5.2	-1.3	2.6	6.2	.6
Homeowners' costs ^{2 4}	180.4	180.9	2.8	2.7	2.7	3.2	2.7	2.9
Owners' equivalent rent ⁴	180.7	181.3	2.8	2.7	2.9	3.1	2.7	3.0
Household insurance ^{2 4}	164.2	165.0	4.6	7.1	-5	1.7	5.8	.6
Maintenance and repairs ^{1 2}	142.5	143.2	2.6	4.1	3.4	2.6	3.3	3.0
Maintenance and repair services ^{1 2}	148.9	149.9	6.8	1.4	2.2	4.1	4.0	3.1
Maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 2}	133.6	134.1	-3.9	8.6	4.9	.6	2.2	2.7
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ^{1 2 5}	126.2	126.7	-2.9	13.8	5.2	-2.5	5.1	1.3
Other maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 2}	128.8	129.1	-4.3	4.5	4.5	2.8	.0	3.7
Fuel and other utilities ³	130.2	129.4	2.9	5.1	6.3	-6.5	4.0	-3
Fuels	116.7	115.4	2.1	7.2	9.6	-12.7	4.6	-2.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	100.4	100.0	-14.5	54.7	-1.1	-21.1	15.0	-11.7
Fuel oil	98.0	97.5	-20.3	60.4	-2.3	-21.2	13.1	-12.3
Other household fuel commodities ^{1 5}	132.8	130.0	-11.8	49.6	23.5	-29.8	14.8	-6.9
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	123.9	122.3	4.0	3.0	10.5	-11.8	3.5	-1.3
Electricity	133.4	132.8	3.1	-1.2	1.2	.9	.9	1.1
Utility (piped) gas	111.5	108.3	6.5	12.3	33.7	-33.7	9.4	-5.8
Other utilities and public services ²	160.6	160.8	3.4	3.3	2.0	2.0	3.3	2.0
Telephone services ^{1 2}	128.0	128.0	3.6	1.6	1.9	1.3	2.6	1.6
Local charges ^{1 2}	162.7	162.9	2.5	1.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	1.2
Interstate toll calls ¹	78.8	78.8	2.1	1.0	1.0	.0	1.5	.5
Intrastate toll calls ¹	93.8	93.8	10.8	1.8	10.5	.9	6.2	5.6
Water and sewerage maintenance	207.5	207.9	-6.2	3.8	2.2	2.7	-1.3	2.4
Cable television ⁶	224.4	225.5	12.8	7.6	7.1	4.0	10.2	5.5
Refuse collection ^{1 6}	249.4	249.5	4.8	1.8	.0	2.3	3.3	1.1

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			Aug. 1996	Nov. 1996	Feb. 1997	May 1997	Nov. 1996	May 1997
Expenditure category								
Household furnishings and operation ³	125.2	125.7	1.3	1.0	0.3	1.9	1.1	1.1
Housefurnishings ²	110.7	111.5	.0	.0	.0	1.1	.0	.5
Textile housefurnishings ^{1 2}	121.3	121.6	1.0	-6.4	4.1	2.7	-2.8	3.4
Furniture and bedding ¹	134.5	136.4	2.7	.3	-4.1	10.0	1.5	2.7
Bedroom furniture ¹	141.0	143.3	2.9	3.8	-4.7	12.3	3.3	3.4
Sofas ^{1 2}	142.0	144.2	10.3	-5.4	-3.3	9.7	2.1	3.0
Living room chairs and tables ^{1 2}	136.4	137.9	2.7	3.3	-4.9	7.6	3.0	1.2
Other furniture ²	121.4	124.0	-3	-2.2	-3.2	7.8	-1.3	2.1
Appliances, including electronic equipment ^{1 2}	75.3	75.3	-2.5	-2.1	.0	-8.5	-2.3	-4.4
Video and audio products ^{1 2}	68.8	69.1	-2.2	-3.9	1.1	-8.2	-3.1	-3.7
Televisions ¹	62.2	62.2	-6.6	-8.5	3.2	-5.6	-7.5	-1.3
Video products other than televisions ^{1 2 7}	64.1	63.9	1.2	2.4	-6.4	-11.6	1.8	-9.0
Audio products ^{1 2}	87.4	88.3	-9	-2.2	1.8	-8.6	-1.5	-3.5
Major household appliances ^{1 2 5}	102.1	101.9	3.6	.4	1.6	-7.1	2.0	-2.9
Refrigerators and home freezers ^{1 2}	108.7	108.3	4.5	-4	5.2	-11.6	2.0	3.6
Laundry equipment ¹	112.1	111.8	12.1	-2.1	-4	-5.5	4.7	-3.0
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ^{1 2 5}	92.5	92.4	-3.4	2.6	1.3	-5.8	-4	-2.3
Information processing equipment ^{1 7}	51.4	50.8	-19.1	-4.3	-8.5	-16.9	-12.0	-12.8
Other housefurnishings ^{1 2 5}	116.9	116.5	-7	-2.7	7.2	-3	-1.7	3.3
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ^{1 2}	143.8	143.6	8.4	-6	13.4	-4.6	3.8	4.0
Clocks, lamps, and decor items ¹	120.5	120.6	-13.1	-7	8.4	1.7	-7.1	5.0
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ^{1 2}	124.6	123.5	7.1	-4.1	7.0	-4.4	1.3	1.1
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ^{1 2}	110.3	110.2	4.5	1.5	2.9	-1.4	3.0	.7
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ^{1 2 5}	90.3	90.3	10.5	-4.0	11.3	-3.5	3.0	3.6
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers ^{1 8}	116.0	114.4	-12.6	-9.2	1.4	10.8	-10.9	6.0
Housekeeping supplies	143.0	142.9	.9	1.4	2.3	1.1	1.1	1.7
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ^{1 2}	146.5	146.5	3.7	4.2	.8	2.2	4.0	1.5
Household paper products and stationery supplies ^{1 2}	145.9	146.1	-4.3	1.4	1.1	1.1	-1.5	1.1
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ^{1 2}	137.0	135.9	2.1	.0	4.5	.9	1.1	2.7
Housekeeping services ²	151.1	151.3	3.9	3.3	-5	4.3	3.6	1.9
Postage ¹	160.3	160.3	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Appliance and furniture repair ^{1 2}	159.5	159.9	1.0	7.6	-1.0	3.6	4.3	1.3
Gardening and other household services ^{2 5}	138.9	138.7	1.8	3.9	-2.3	6.0	2.8	1.8
Apparel and upkeep	133.4	133.6	-5.3	4.4	2.8	3.1	-6	2.9
Apparel commodities ²	129.7	129.9	-6.1	4.8	2.5	3.5	-8	3.0
Apparel commodities less footwear	130.0	130.3	-7.0	5.2	3.2	3.8	-1.1	3.5
Men's and boys'	130.3	130.5	-6	3.5	-1.5	7.0	1.4	2.7
Men's	133.7	133.6	-1.8	1.9	4.3	3.7	.0	4.0
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	135.8	135.7	.9	.6	-5.2	8.4	.7	1.3
Furnishings and special clothing	127.4	126.2	-2.3	-3.2	16.4	.6	-2.7	8.2
Shirts ²	140.5	139.0	2.1	8.6	.0	3.2	5.3	1.6
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	130.2	132.9	-2.7	-1.8	6.6	2.8	-2.3	4.7
Boys'	116.6	117.8	-1.4	6.8	-13.0	16.9	2.6	.9
Women's and girls'	126.8	127.5	-10.4	6.7	8.7	2.9	-2.2	5.7
Women's	126.5	127.3	-8.4	6.0	10.4	1.3	-1.4	5.7
Coats and jackets	120.5	123.6	-15.8	22.4	-10.4	18.4	1.5	3.0
Dresses	112.7	114.2	-9.1	-17.1	44.7	-8.6	-13.2	15.0
Separates and sportswear ²	128.9	129.9	-7.1	12.9	5.8	2.8	2.4	4.3
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ²	134.8	135.0	-3.0	.3	2.1	3.6	-1.3	2.9
Suits ²	150.7	147.4	-10.6	3.5	28.7	-8.5	-3.8	8.5
Girls'	128.6	128.7	-22.0	13.4	.0	9.2	-5.9	4.5
Infants' and toddlers' ¹	133.7	133.8	-15.3	5.2	1.6	22.4	-5.6	11.5
Other apparel commodities ²	146.5	145.6	-6.5	2.2	-4.2	-6.1	-2.2	-5.1
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage ^{1 5}	130.7	127.9	-3	-8.3	-9.9	-1.9	-4.4	-6.0
Watches and jewelry ⁵	145.6	144.7	-6.8	3.9	-4.2	-6.6	-1.6	-5.4
Watches ^{1 5}	127.3	127.6	-5.7	-9.3	.0	4.5	-7.5	2.2
Jewelry ⁵	150.7	149.7	-6.3	6.4	-5.8	-8.1	-1	-7.0
Footwear	127.7	127.3	.0	1.6	-9	1.9	.8	.5
Men's	132.0	132.7	-1.2	.3	3.1	-9	-5	1.1
Boys' and girls'	131.2	130.0	4.1	1.9	8.5	-9.3	3.0	-8
Women's	121.8	121.6	-1.6	2.7	-7.7	9.8	.5	.7
Apparel services ^{1 2}	162.6	162.9	2.3	1.5	3.3	1.7	1.9	2.5
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ^{1 2}	165.7	166.0	4.3	3.0	5.0	.5	3.6	2.7
Other apparel services ^{1 2}	159.5	159.8	.3	-3	1.5	2.8	.0	2.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			Aug. 1996	Nov. 1996	Feb. 1997	May 1997	Nov. 1996	May 1997
Expenditure category								
Transportation	144.8	143.6	-1.4	4.8	1.4	-4.6	1.7	-1.7
Private	141.6	140.3	-2.0	3.8	3.4	-6.6	.9	-1.7
New vehicles	144.6	144.3	2.5	1.4	-6	-3	2.0	-4
New cars	142.0	141.8	3.2	.3	-6	-3	1.7	-4
Subcompact new cars ^{2 5}	123.1	123.3	2.0	1.0	-1.3	.3	1.5	-5
Compact new cars ^{2 5}	123.4	122.6	3.7	1.6	-3	-1.6	2.6	-1.0
Intermediate new cars ^{2 5}	121.9	121.8	3.7	-1.9	-7	1.3	.8	.3
Full-size new cars ^{2 5}	125.9	125.0	3.3	2.3	.3	-1.0	2.8	-3
Luxury new cars ^{2 5}	131.9	131.6	2.5	1.8	-1.5	-3.3	2.1	-2.4
New trucks ⁶	151.8	151.4	2.4	4.1	1.1	-1.0	3.2	.0
New motorcycles ⁵	161.9	163.2	.2	.5	2.5	1.5	.4	2.0
Used cars	155.1	153.7	-3.3	-1.3	.5	-5.3	-2.3	-2.4
Motor fuel	106.8	102.5	-17.6	13.6	13.1	-29.3	-3.2	-10.6
Gasoline	106.2	101.8	-17.3	12.8	13.6	-30.0	-3.4	-10.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular	104.1	99.8	-18.5	13.1	14.3	-30.7	-4.0	-11.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{1 9}	109.9	109.4	-21.2	2.6	1.8	-9.0	-10.1	-3.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium	107.6	103.6	-17.5	11.4	12.3	-26.5	-4.1	-9.2
Automobile maintenance and repair	161.9	162.2	3.1	4.1	2.3	2.5	3.6	2.4
Body work ¹	171.3	172.2	1.7	2.2	5.1	5.3	1.9	5.2
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ^{1 2}	170.2	170.6	2.9	5.7	2.2	3.8	4.3	3.0
Maintenance and servicing ¹	148.1	148.3	4.5	2.5	-5	.5	3.5	.0
Power plant repair ²	168.0	167.8	3.2	6.0	1.5	3.2	4.6	2.3
Other private transportation ²	177.0	177.0	4.0	1.4	1.8	2.1	2.7	1.9
Other private transportation commodities ²	104.7	104.8	.0	.4	.0	-1.1	.2	-6
Motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	131.5	132.6	1.5	.3	-4.5	6.6	.9	.9
Automobile parts and equipment	101.8	101.7	.4	.4	.4	-2.3	.4	-1.0
Tires	100.8	100.6	.4	1.2	1.2	-3.9	.8	-1.4
Other parts and equipment ^{1 2}	107.0	107.4	-2.2	-7	2.3	-7	-1.5	.7
Other private transportation services ²	194.3	194.4	4.5	1.7	2.1	2.7	3.1	2.4
Automobile insurance	250.6	251.3	4.4	3.3	2.9	3.4	3.8	3.2
Automobile finance charges ²	96.0	93.6	11.6	-4.1	-2.9	-2.5	3.5	-2.7
Automobile fees ^{1 2}	184.4	183.6	4.3	-5.6	9.2	-7	-8	4.2
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ^{1 2}	183.8	183.6	-2	.2	-7	-2	.0	-4
Other automobile-related fees ^{1 2}	186.2	184.8	9.0	-11.3	20.4	-1.1	-1.7	9.1
Public transportation	188.1	188.4	4.5	13.8	-13.3	15.1	9.1	-1
Airline fares ¹	204.1	201.5	3.6	20.7	-13.6	19.1	11.9	1.4
Other intercity transportation ¹	155.5	155.0	-5.5	-2.3	-2.0	2.1	-3.9	.0
Intracity public transportation ¹	175.5	175.3	2.6	1.4	-2.0	1.1	2.0	-5
Medical care	233.8	234.5	2.8	3.0	2.3	3.8	2.9	3.1
Medical care commodities	215.0	215.8	2.5	1.9	2.7	4.4	2.2	3.5
Prescription drugs	248.9	249.7	3.7	1.8	3.1	4.3	2.7	3.7
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ^{1 5}	145.4	145.3	1.7	.0	3.7	1.7	.8	2.7
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ¹	172.8	173.1	1.9	1.9	4.5	.7	1.9	2.6
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies ¹	172.0	171.1	1.4	-3.0	2.1	3.3	-8	2.7
Medical care services	237.9	238.5	3.0	3.1	2.2	3.6	3.0	2.9
Professional medical services	214.4	215.0	3.5	3.9	2.9	4.4	3.7	3.6
Physicians' services	221.9	222.5	3.0	4.1	2.0	4.1	3.6	3.0
Dental services ¹	225.3	225.8	5.3	4.5	5.2	4.2	4.9	4.7
Eye care ^{1 5}	140.9	141.3	1.2	1.7	2.6	1.4	1.4	2.0
Services by other medical professionals ⁵	151.3	151.3	3.6	4.7	4.4	2.7	4.2	3.5
Hospital and related services	277.3	277.9	4.4	3.1	3.4	3.5	3.8	3.5
Hospital services ¹⁰	101.2	101.3	-	-	-	1.2	-	-
Inpatient hospital services ¹⁰	101.0	101.0	-	-	-	.8	-	-
Outpatient hospital services ⁵	223.5	224.3	4.4	2.0	8.5	4.0	3.2	6.3
Nursing home services ¹⁰	101.6	101.8	-	-	-	2.0	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			Aug. 1996	Nov. 1996	Feb. 1997	May 1997	Nov. 1996	May 1997
Expenditure category								
Entertainment ²	161.8	162.1	2.3	2.5	2.0	1.7	2.4	1.9
Entertainment commodities ²	143.9	143.8	2.0	1.7	.6	-1.1	1.8	-3
Reading materials ¹	178.3	178.4	3.7	1.6	1.1	.0	2.6	.6
Newspapers ^{1,2}	191.2	191.3	.6	2.8	1.5	.2	1.7	.8
Magazines, periodicals, and books ^{1,2}	166.5	166.6	7.0	.7	.5	.0	3.8	.2
Sporting goods and equipment ¹	122.9	121.9	-3.2	-1.9	3.0	-4.5	-2.6	-8
Sport vehicles, including bicycles ¹	125.3	124.1	-2.2	-8.9	7.7	-4.1	-5.6	1.6
Other sporting goods ¹	117.9	117.2	-4.3	4.5	-3	-5.0	.0	-2.7
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ^{1,2}	133.4	133.3	.9	4.9	.0	-9	2.9	-4
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ²	125.7	125.7	.3	4.5	-2.2	-4.3	2.4	-3.3
Photographic supplies and equipment ¹	134.2	134.2	.6	-2.7	3.3	.0	-1.0	1.7
Pet supplies and expense ¹	143.3	142.6	2.9	9.2	2.6	-3	6.0	1.1
Entertainment services ²	182.7	183.3	2.7	3.4	3.1	3.8	3.1	3.5
Club memberships ^{2,5}	132.7	132.6	.6	1.5	-4.7	1.5	1.1	-1.6
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ^{2,5}	172.0	173.5	5.8	2.0	7.2	14.3	3.9	10.7
Admissions ¹	196.7	197.3	3.2	-4	3.6	3.5	1.4	3.5
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁵	166.3	167.2	5.4	8.4	3.9	2.7	6.9	3.3
Other entertainment services ^{1,2,5}	142.3	142.6	2.6	2.6	5.0	3.1	2.6	4.0
Other goods and services ³	224.1	224.5	3.6	3.4	3.9	5.9	3.5	4.9
Tobacco and smoking products	244.2	242.9	1.6	5.1	2.7	9.2	3.3	5.9
Personal care ¹	152.7	152.6	.5	1.9	.8	2.9	1.2	1.9
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹	144.5	144.1	-8	-8	-3.8	2.3	-8	-8
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements ¹	152.2	150.8	-2.4	6.7	5.7	-3.9	2.0	.8
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products ¹	139.0	139.4	.6	-6.5	-10.4	7.2	-3.1	-2.0
Personal care services ¹	162.0	162.3	1.8	5.5	5.4	4.0	3.6	4.7
Beauty parlor services for females ^{1,2}	161.1	161.4	.8	5.2	5.7	4.1	3.0	4.9
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ²	164.2	165.1	6.2	5.9	3.0	4.7	6.1	3.9
Personal and educational expenses ²	257.0	258.4	5.1	3.2	5.3	5.4	4.2	5.4
School books and supplies	235.1	236.6	6.0	5.0	3.0	6.0	5.5	4.5
Personal and educational services ²	258.5	259.9	5.1	3.1	5.5	5.4	4.1	5.4
Tuition and other school fees	277.4	278.9	5.8	2.8	5.3	5.8	4.3	5.5
College tuition	291.6	293.3	7.2	2.3	6.0	6.1	4.7	6.1
Elementary and high school tuition	282.8	284.0	3.0	4.9	5.0	5.1	3.9	5.0
Day care and nursery school ⁵	133.3	133.6	5.1	1.9	4.0	4.0	3.4	4.0
Personal expenses	223.5	224.3	4.6	2.8	5.4	5.5	3.7	5.5
Legal service fees ^{1,5}	161.0	161.5	2.6	2.6	2.0	3.5	2.6	2.8
Personal financial services ^{1,5}	190.7	191.6	.7	2.0	11.1	7.0	1.3	9.0
Funeral expenses ⁵	168.9	170.0	5.6	3.7	6.2	9.2	4.7	7.7
Special indexes								
Domestically produced farm food	158.4	159.1	9.4	7.0	-1.2	-1.2	8.2	-1.2
Selected beef cuts	127.5	129.3	14.3	5.1	-5.4	4.5	9.6	-6
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products ²	107.1	103.1	-17.8	14.0	12.7	-28.7	-3.2	-10.4
Utilities and public transportation	145.5	145.3	2.3	5.7	2.5	-8	4.0	.8
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ^{1,2}	151.1	151.4	3.9	2.7	.8	4.1	3.3	2.4

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹⁰ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

Table 5. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, unadjusted indexes for special detailed expenditure categories ¹

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Item	Indexes				1-month percent changes ended—				Percent change to May 1997 from—
	Feb. 1997	Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Feb. 1997	Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996
Food and beverages									
Other breads	181.5	180.5	180.6	181.2	0.1	-0.6	0.1	0.3	1.7
Fresh biscuits, rolls, and muffins ²	168.3	168.0	168.0	165.3	-1	-2	.0	-1.6	2.5
Fresh cakes and cupcakes	177.2	180.0	177.6	179.4	.1	1.6	-1.3	1.0	3.5
Cookies	179.6	178.4	179.2	179.2	-1	-7	.4	.0	3.2
Crackers, bread, and cracker products	213.2	212.2	210.0	210.7	3.3	-5	-1.0	.3	7.8
Fresh sweetrolls, coffee cake, and donuts	174.1	174.1	175.6	175.0	-1	.0	.9	-3	3.6
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products and fresh pies, tarts, and turnovers	178.0	178.0	176.2	178.5	1.2	.0	-1.0	1.3	2.5
Ham other than canned	165.5	165.3	160.2	163.7	-5	-1	-3.1	2.2	8.9
Pork sausage ²	147.1	145.7	147.6	147.7	-7	-1.0	1.3	.1	10.4
Other pork ²	153.0	150.5	152.4	153.8	-1.7	-1.6	1.3	.9	8.9
Frankfurters	145.5	143.2	144.8	144.6	.1	-1.6	1.1	-1	4.6
Bologna, liverwurst, and salami ²	148.2	148.9	149.2	149.2	1.5	.5	2.2	.0	3.6
Other lunchmeats ²	138.7	137.3	137.9	137.9	.4	-1.0	.4	.0	2.1
Lamb and organ meats	160.8	163.5	161.5	161.6	1.1	1.7	-1.2	.1	6.0
Butter	108.7	114.6	115.8	111.7	-1.4	5.4	1.0	-3.5	22.1
Other dairy products ²	157.1	156.6	157.8	157.1	1.1	-3	.8	-4	4.5
Frozen fruit and fruit juices ²	137.9	137.0	135.9	137.1	.6	-7	-8	.9	1.7
Other fruit juices ²	152.2	150.8	150.4	151.3	.7	-9	-3	.6	1.7
Cut corn, canned beans except lima ²	151.3	152.0	150.6	152.3	-1.4	.5	-9	1.1	4.9
Other processed vegetables ²	149.0	150.7	151.1	150.0	-7	1.1	.3	-7	2.0
Candy and chewing gum ²	152.0	152.5	153.7	153.3	.0	.3	.8	-3	3.9
Other sweets ²	153.5	150.2	152.9	152.7	.2	-2.1	1.8	-1	3.1
Margarine	147.3	146.5	146.3	144.7	.5	-5	-1	-1.1	-1
Other fats, oils, and salad dressing ²	146.0	144.7	145.1	144.2	.5	-9	.3	-6	1.7
Nondairy substitutes and peanut butter ²	137.8	139.0	139.5	139.9	-2	.9	.4	.3	2.6
Roasted coffee	146.7	155.0	169.0	174.9	-1	5.7	9.0	3.5	15.6
Instant and freeze-dried coffee	146.7	149.8	152.4	153.6	.9	2.1	1.7	.8	2.7
Seasonings, olives, pickles, and relish ²	175.8	174.7	175.3	172.3	-3	-6	.3	-1.7	2.3
Other condiments	159.3	158.3	159.7	158.8	1.1	-6	.9	-6	2.5
Miscellaneous prepared foods and baby foods ²	177.8	178.9	177.1	175.5	.9	.6	-1.0	-9	2.4
Other canned and packaged prepared foods ²	141.4	142.7	142.3	141.2	.6	.9	-3	-8	3.1
Whiskey at home	148.9	149.2	149.8	151.0	.4	.2	.4	.8	3.3
Other alcoholic beverages at home	149.7	149.7	149.8	149.6	.7	.0	.1	-1	2.3
Housing									
Household linens ²	109.6	108.5	109.6	110.3	.9	-1.0	1.0	.6	-2.0
Curtains, drapes, slipcovers, and sewing materials ²	135.3	136.0	138.5	136.9	.5	.5	1.8	-1.2	2.9
Soaps and detergents ²	142.6	143.4	144.0	143.4	.0	.6	.4	-4	2.1
Other laundry and cleaning products ²	146.6	146.1	147.0	148.0	-7	-3	6.6	.7	3.2
Cleansing and toilet tissue, paper towels, and napkins ²	143.0	140.9	140.6	140.9	.1	-1.5	-2	.2	-3.4
Stationery, stationery supplies, and gift wrap ²	152.3	155.7	156.1	156.2	.3	2.2	.3	.1	5.2
Apparel and upkeep									
Men's suits, sport coats, and jackets ²	129.5	134.0	135.4	136.4	.2	3.5	1.0	.7	.4
Men's coats and jackets ²	141.3	145.7	146.0	145.7	.9	3.1	.2	-2	2.7
Boys' coats, jackets, sweaters, and shirts ²	110.2	113.6	115.7	116.8	-2.0	3.1	1.8	1.0	3.8
Boys' trousers, sport coats, and jackets ²	115.8	114.0	118.0	118.9	.1	-1.6	3.5	.8	.2
Girls' coats, jackets, dresses, and suits ²	123.7	126.6	132.2	124.9	-2	2.3	4.4	-5.5	1.0
Girls' separates and sportswear ²	113.9	117.1	120.3	119.2	2.5	2.8	2.7	-9	-3.2
Transportation									
State automobile registration ²	205.8	205.8	205.8	205.6	.0	.0	.0	-1	.0
Other goods and services									
Products for hair, hair pieces, and wigs ²	126.8	126.6	128.3	128.1	-1.2	-2	1.3	-2	-3.0

¹ These special indexes are based on substantially smaller samples.

² This index series will no longer appear in its present form after

December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

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

Table 6. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Relative importance, December 1996	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
All items	100.000	157.2	157.2	2.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0
All items (1967=100)	-	468.3	468.3	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	19.436	156.5	156.6	3.1	.1	.1	-2	.4
Food	17.749	156.1	156.1	3.0	.0	.1	-2	.3
Food at home	11.387	156.6	156.6	3.2	.0	-.1	-3	.5
Cereals and bakery products	1.688	176.6	176.7	2.0	.1	.4	-4	.4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	3.535	147.3	147.4	4.7	.1	-.8	.5	.5
Dairy products ¹	1.387	145.4	145.1	5.6	-.2	-.1	-3	-2
Fruits and vegetables ²	2.086	185.2	185.4	1.0	.1	.3	-3.3	1.7
Other food at home	2.691	146.4	146.6	2.9	.1	.1	1.0	.2
Sugar and sweets .....	.373	147.9	147.9	3.1	.0	-.7	1.2	-.1
Fats and oils .....	.282	142.1	141.7	1.4	-.3	.1	-.1	-.1
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	.841	131.1	132.4	2.8	1.0	1.1	1.8	1.2
Other prepared food	1.194	161.0	160.3	3.2	-.4	-.5	.7	-.4
Food away from home	6.362	156.2	156.2	2.8	.0	.3	.0	.0
Alcoholic beverages	1.687	161.7	162.2	2.9	.3	.1	.0	.4
Housing ²	38.747	152.4	152.6	2.5	.1	.1	.1	.1
Shelter	25.867	170.1	170.3	3.0	.1	.2	.3	.3
Renters' costs ^{3 4}	8.079	161.8	161.6	3.3	-.1	.3	.4	.3
Rent, residential	6.580	165.2	165.6	2.9	.2	.2	.3	.3
Other renters' costs ⁴	1.499	226.9	222.9	5.1	-1.8	.3	.7	.2
Homeowners' costs ^{3 4}	17.599	164.3	164.6	2.8	.2	.2	.2	.2
Owners' equivalent rent ³	17.277	164.6	164.9	2.8	.2	.2	.2	.3
Household insurance ^{3 4} .....	.322	148.5	149.1	2.1	.4	-.3	.4	.3
Maintenance and repairs ^{1 4} .....	.189	141.0	141.7	3.1	.5	.1	.1	.5
Maintenance and repair services ^{1 4} .....	.105	150.9	151.9	3.5	.7	.0	.4	.7
Maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 4} .....	.084	128.2	128.6	2.5	.3	.3	-.4	.3
Fuel and other utilities ²	7.344	128.6	128.7	1.9	.1	-.8	-.4	-.5
Fuels	3.979	114.7	114.7	1.1	.0	-1.4	-.9	-1.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities .....	.391	101.7	100.0	.9	-1.7	-3.5	-2.2	-.4
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	3.588	121.2	121.5	1.3	.2	-1.2	-.8	-1.2
Other utilities and public services ⁴	3.365	161.5	161.8	2.7	.2	.1	.2	.1
Household furnishings and operation ²	5.536	124.0	124.3	1.1	.2	.0	.0	.5
Housefurnishings ⁴	3.261	109.7	110.2	.4	.5	-.1	-.3	.7
Housekeeping supplies	1.129	143.9	143.7	1.7	-.1	.1	.4	-.1
Housekeeping services ⁴	1.145	153.7	153.9	2.5	.1	.3	.5	.1
Apparel and upkeep	5.348	135.5	134.7	1.1	-.6	-.3	1.0	.2
Apparel commodities ⁴	4.838	132.3	131.5	1.1	-.6	-.3	1.0	.2
Men's and boys' apparel	1.286	131.1	131.7	1.9	.5	-.2	1.8	.0
Women's and girls' apparel	2.053	130.7	129.0	1.5	-1.3	-.4	.4	.6
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹ .....	.240	134.9	134.9	2.6	.0	2.0	3.2	.0
Footwear .....	.799	130.3	130.1	.6	-.2	-.5	1.3	-.3
Other apparel commodities ⁴ .....	.461	149.3	146.8	-3.1	-1.7	-.9	.4	-.7
Apparel services ^{1 4} .....	.510	161.7	161.9	2.0	.1	.1	.1	.1
Transportation	19.190	144.2	143.8	-.4	-.3	-.1	-.6	-1.0
Private transportation	17.934	141.8	141.5	-.7	-.2	-.1	-.8	-1.0
New vehicles	4.893	146.4	145.9	1.0	-.3	.2	.1	-.3
New cars	3.533	142.3	141.8	.7	-.4	.2	-.1	-.1
Used cars	2.320	155.7	155.3	-2.1	-.3	1.3	-1.6	-.9
Motor fuel	3.921	105.9	105.7	-6.9	-.2	-2.2	-2.7	-3.8
Gasoline	-	105.4	105.2	-7.1	-.2	-2.2	-2.7	-4.1
Maintenance and repairs	1.616	162.9	163.2	3.0	.2	.4	.2	.2
Other private transportation ⁴	5.185	172.8	172.5	2.3	-.2	.3	.2	-.1
Other private transportation commodities .....	.742	103.7	103.8	-.2	.1	.0	-.3	.2
Other private transportation services ⁴	4.442	190.3	189.9	2.6	-.2	.3	.3	-.1
Public transportation	1.256	186.8	185.2	3.7	-.9	1.7	1.2	-.1

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 6. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Relative importance, December 1996	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
Medical care	6.251	233.2	233.6	3.0	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3
Medical care commodities	1.047	212.3	212.9	2.8	.3	.3	.2	.5
Medical care services	5.204	237.9	238.2	3.0	.1	.4	.3	.3
Professional medical services	2.973	216.0	216.5	3.7	.2	.5	.3	.3
Entertainment ⁴	4.015	159.7	159.7	2.0	.0	.1	.1	.1
Entertainment commodities ⁴	2.036	143.0	142.8	.6	-.1	.0	-.4	.0
Entertainment services ⁴	1.979	183.6	183.8	3.4	.1	.4	.5	.2
Other goods and services ²	7.012	219.8	220.2	4.3	.2	.5	1.0	.1
Tobacco and smoking products	2.117	242.7	243.4	4.4	.3	.4	2.3	-.5
Personal care ¹	1.107	152.6	152.6	1.5	.0	.1	.7	.0
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹ .....	.610	145.4	145.0	-.7	-.3	.1	.8	-.3
Personal care services ¹ .....	.497	162.1	162.4	4.2	.2	.2	.6	.2
Personal and educational expenses ⁴	3.788	251.8	252.5	5.1	.3	.5	.3	.6
School books and supplies .....	.232	237.4	237.5	5.3	.0	.3	.6	.7
Personal and educational services ⁴	3.556	253.3	254.0	5.1	.3	.5	.3	.6
Commodity and service group								
All items	100.000	157.2	157.2	2.1	.0	.1	.0	.0
Commodities	47.057	142.2	142.1	1.1	-.1	-.1	-.2	-.2
Food and beverages	19.436	156.5	156.6	3.1	.1	.1	-.2	.4
Commodities less food and beverages	27.621	133.4	133.2	-.2	-.1	-.3	-.2	-.5
Nondurables less food and beverages	16.215	135.6	135.3	-.3	-.2	-.7	.0	-.7
Apparel commodities ⁴	4.838	132.3	131.5	1.1	-.6	-.3	1.0	.2
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	11.377	140.3	140.2	-.9	-.1	-.8	-.4	-.1.3
Durables	11.407	129.3	129.2	.0	-.1	.0	-.3	.1
Services	52.943	175.3	175.5	3.0	.1	.2	.2	.2
Rent of shelter ³	25.329	163.7	163.9	3.0	.1	.2	.3	.3
Household services less rent of shelter ^{3 4}	8.553	132.0	132.3	2.1	.2	-.4	-.1	-.3
Transportation services	7.314	182.8	182.4	2.9	-.2	.6	.4	-.1
Medical care services	5.204	237.9	238.2	3.0	.1	.4	.3	.3
Other services	6.542	204.6	205.0	4.3	.2	.4	.3	.4
Special indexes								
All items less food	82.251	157.3	157.3	1.9	.0	.1	.1	-.1
All items less shelter	74.133	153.8	153.8	1.8	.0	.0	-.1	-.1
All items less homeowners' costs ^{3 4}	82.401	147.6	147.6	1.9	.0	.0	.0	-.1
All items less medical care	93.749	153.6	153.6	2.1	.0	.0	.1	-.1
Commodities less food	29.308	134.6	134.4	.0	-.1	-.3	-.1	-.5
Nondurables less food	17.901	137.1	136.9	.0	-.1	-.9	-.1	-.7
Nondurables less food and apparel	13.064	141.4	141.4	-.4	.0	-.8	-.4	-.1.2
Nondurables	35.651	146.4	146.2	1.5	-.1	-.3	-.1	-.3
Services less rent of shelter ^{3 4}	27.613	166.4	166.5	3.0	.1	.2	.1	.1
Services less medical care services	47.738	170.0	170.1	3.0	.1	.2	.2	.2
Energy	7.901	109.6	109.5	-.2.9	-.1	-.1.8	-.1.9	-.2.4
All items less energy	92.099	163.9	163.9	2.6	.0	.2	.2	.2
All items less food and energy	74.350	165.9	165.9	2.4	.0	.2	.3	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities	24.996	143.1	142.9	1.1	-.1	.1	.2	.0
Energy commodities	4.312	105.8	105.5	-.6.2	-.3	-.2.3	-.2.7	-.3.5
Services less energy services	49.354	181.3	181.4	3.1	.1	.3	.3	.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:								
1982-84=\$1.00 ¹	-	\$.636	\$.636	-.2.0	.0	-.2	-.2	.0
1967=\$1.00 ¹	-	.214	.214	-	-	-	-	-

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

³ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

⁴ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- Data not available.

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

Table 7. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Feb. 1997	Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
					Aug. 1996	Nov. 1996	Feb. 1997	May 1997	Nov. 1996	May 1997
Expenditure category										
All items	-	-	-	-	1.8	3.9	2.3	0.3	2.9	1.3
Food and beverages	156.3	156.4	156.1	156.7	5.9	5.3	.3	1.0	5.6	.6
Food	155.9	156.0	155.7	156.2	6.2	5.3	.3	.8	5.8	.5
Food at home	156.5	156.3	155.8	156.6	7.9	6.4	-1.3	.3	7.1	-5
Cereals and bakery products	176.0	176.7	176.0	176.7	2.3	4.2	.0	1.6	3.3	.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	147.9	146.7	147.4	148.2	11.8	6.8	-3	.8	9.2	.3
Dairy products ¹	146.0	145.8	145.4	145.1	21.7	14.3	-8.3	-2.4	17.9	-5.4
Fruits and vegetables ²	186.7	187.2	181.0	184.1	6.7	6.0	-2.7	-5.5	6.4	-4.1
Other food at home	144.4	144.5	145.9	146.2	2.0	2.3	2.2	5.1	2.1	3.7
Sugar and sweets	146.9	145.9	147.7	147.5	3.7	2.0	5.3	1.6	2.8	3.5
Fats and oils	141.6	141.8	141.7	141.6	3.5	2.3	.3	.0	2.9	.1
Nonalcoholic beverages	126.9	128.3	130.6	132.2	-6	-4.0	-6	17.8	-2.3	8.2
Other prepared food	160.4	159.6	160.7	160.0	2.6	7.6	3.6	-1.0	5.1	1.3
Food away from home	155.7	156.2	156.2	156.2	3.2	3.7	2.9	1.3	3.5	2.1
Alcoholic beverages	160.9	161.0	161.0	161.7	3.1	4.1	2.3	2.0	3.6	2.1
Housing ²	152.2	152.3	152.5	152.7	2.7	3.0	2.9	1.3	2.8	2.1
Shelter	169.1	169.5	170.0	170.5	2.9	2.7	3.1	3.4	2.8	3.2
Renters' costs ^{3,4}	160.0	160.4	161.0	161.5	3.6	2.8	3.3	3.8	3.2	3.6
Rent, residential	164.3	164.7	165.2	165.7	3.0	2.7	2.5	3.5	2.9	3.0
Other renters' costs ⁴	221.8	222.4	223.9	224.3	6.5	2.4	7.4	4.6	4.5	6.0
Homeowners' costs ^{3,4}	163.7	164.1	164.5	164.9	2.8	2.5	3.0	3.0	2.6	3.0
Owners' equivalent rent ³	164.0	164.4	164.8	165.3	2.8	2.5	3.0	3.2	2.6	3.1
Household insurance ^{3,4}	148.9	148.4	149.0	149.4	2.5	6.7	-2.4	1.3	4.6	-5
Maintenance and repairs ^{1,4}	140.7	140.9	141.0	141.7	1.5	5.6	2.3	2.9	3.5	2.6
Maintenance and repair services ^{1,4}	150.3	150.3	150.9	151.9	6.1	2.4	1.1	4.3	4.3	2.7
Maintenance and repair commodities ^{1,4}	128.3	128.7	128.2	128.6	-4.4	10.0	3.8	.9	2.6	2.4
Fuel and other utilities ²	131.2	130.2	129.7	129.0	3.2	5.4	6.0	-6.5	4.3	-5
Fuels	118.7	117.0	115.9	114.6	2.9	7.2	9.3	-13.1	5.0	-2.6
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	106.0	102.3	100.0	99.6	-13.1	54.2	-8	-22.1	15.8	-12.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	125.7	124.2	123.2	121.7	4.7	3.3	10.1	-12.1	4.0	-1.6
Other utilities and public services ⁴	160.7	160.9	161.3	161.5	3.1	3.8	2.0	2.0	3.5	2.0
Household furnishings and operation ²	123.6	123.6	123.6	124.2	1.3	.7	.3	2.0	1.0	1.1
Housefurnishings ⁴	109.8	109.7	109.4	110.2	.4	-4	.0	1.5	.0	.7
Housekeeping supplies	143.1	143.2	143.8	143.7	2.0	1.1	2.3	1.7	1.6	2.0
Housekeeping services ⁴	152.6	153.0	153.7	153.9	3.8	2.9	.0	3.5	3.4	1.7
Apparel and upkeep	131.8	131.4	132.7	132.9	-6.0	4.1	3.4	3.4	-1.1	3.4
Apparel commodities ⁴	128.5	128.1	129.4	129.6	-6.7	4.2	3.5	3.5	-1.4	3.5
Men's and boys' apparel	128.1	127.8	130.1	130.1	-1.2	4.2	-1.2	6.4	1.4	2.5
Women's and girls' apparel	125.9	125.4	125.9	126.7	-11.0	4.7	10.8	2.6	-3.5	6.6
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹	128.1	130.7	134.9	134.9	-13.8	3.2	1.3	23.0	-5.7	11.6
Footwear	127.7	127.0	128.6	128.2	.9	1.3	-1.6	1.6	1.1	.0
Other apparel commodities ⁴	147.7	146.3	146.9	145.8	-9.5	8.1	-5.0	-5.0	-1.1	-5.0
Apparel services ^{1,4}	161.3	161.5	161.7	161.9	2.0	1.0	3.3	1.5	1.5	2.4
Transportation	145.2	145.1	144.2	142.8	-1.9	4.6	2.5	-6.4	1.3	-2.1
Private transportation	143.2	143.0	141.9	140.5	-2.5	4.0	3.4	-7.3	.7	-2.1
New vehicles	145.6	145.9	146.0	145.6	2.5	1.7	-5	.0	2.1	-3
New cars	141.5	141.8	141.7	141.5	3.2	.3	-6	.0	1.7	-3
Used cars	157.1	159.1	156.5	155.1	-3.0	-1.5	1.0	-5.0	-2.3	-2.0
Motor fuel	112.0	109.5	106.5	102.5	-17.6	14.9	13.1	-29.9	-2.7	-10.9
Gasoline	111.4	109.0	106.1	101.8	-17.4	14.1	13.2	-30.3	-2.9	-11.2
Maintenance and repairs	161.9	162.5	162.8	163.2	3.3	4.1	1.5	3.3	3.7	2.4
Other private transportation ⁴	171.8	172.3	172.6	172.5	4.1	1.4	1.4	1.6	2.7	1.5
Other private transportation commodities ⁴	104.0	104.0	103.7	103.9	.4	.0	-8	-4	.2	-6
Other private transportation services ⁴	189.0	189.6	190.1	189.9	4.8	1.5	1.9	1.9	3.2	1.9
Public transportation	179.9	182.9	185.1	184.9	4.6	13.0	-12.1	11.6	8.7	-1.0

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 7. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Feb. 1997	Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
					Aug. 1996	Nov. 1996	Feb. 1997	May 1997	Nov. 1996	May 1997
Expenditure category										
Medical care	231.6	232.4	233.0	233.7	2.8	3.0	2.3	3.7	2.9	3.0
Medical care commodities	211.0	211.7	212.1	213.1	2.3	2.1	2.9	4.0	2.2	3.5
Medical care services	236.0	236.9	237.6	238.2	3.0	3.1	2.1	3.8	3.0	2.9
Professional medical services	213.9	215.0	215.7	216.3	3.5	4.1	2.9	4.6	3.8	3.7
Entertainment ⁴	159.0	159.2	159.3	159.4	2.6	2.3	1.9	1.0	2.4	1.4
Entertainment commodities ⁴	143.1	143.1	142.5	142.5	1.7	1.7	.6	-1.7	1.7	-6
Entertainment services ⁴	181.6	182.3	183.3	183.6	3.2	3.2	2.7	4.5	3.2	3.6
Other goods and services ²	217.7	218.7	220.8	221.1	3.1	3.6	4.1	6.4	3.3	5.3
Tobacco and smoking products	237.2	238.2	243.7	242.4	.9	4.9	2.9	9.1	2.9	5.9
Personal care ¹	151.4	151.6	152.6	152.6	.3	2.4	.3	3.2	1.3	1.7
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹	144.2	144.3	145.4	145.0	-1.1	-5	-3.3	2.2	-8	-5
Personal care services ¹	160.8	161.2	162.1	162.4	1.8	5.7	5.4	4.0	3.8	4.7
Personal and educational expenses ⁴	250.6	251.8	252.6	254.1	5.1	3.5	6.1	5.7	4.3	5.9
School books and supplies	234.8	235.6	236.9	238.5	6.3	5.7	2.9	6.5	6.0	4.7
Personal and educational services ⁴	252.0	253.3	254.1	255.5	5.0	3.3	6.3	5.7	4.2	6.0
Commodity and service group										
All items	-	-	-	-	1.8	3.9	2.3	.3	2.9	1.3
Commodities	142.2	142.0	141.7	141.4	.3	4.4	2.0	-2.2	2.3	-1
Food and beverages	156.3	156.4	156.1	156.7	5.9	5.3	.3	1.0	5.6	.6
Commodities less food and beverages	133.5	133.1	132.8	132.1	-3.6	4.0	3.1	-4.1	.2	-6
Nondurables less food and beverages	135.7	134.7	134.7	133.7	-6.1	7.2	4.2	-5.8	.3	-9
Apparel commodities ⁴	128.5	128.1	129.4	129.6	-6.7	4.2	3.5	3.5	-1.4	3.5
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	142.4	141.2	140.7	138.9	-7.2	7.5	6.7	-9.5	-1	-1.7
Durables	129.4	129.4	129.0	129.1	.3	.6	.0	-9	.5	-5
Services	174.7	175.1	175.5	175.8	3.3	3.1	3.0	2.5	3.2	2.8
Rent of shelter ³	162.9	163.2	163.7	164.2	3.0	2.5	3.3	3.2	2.8	3.2
Household services less rent of shelter ^{3 4}	134.0	133.4	133.2	132.8	3.1	3.4	5.2	-3.5	3.3	.8
Transportation services	180.6	181.6	182.4	182.3	4.4	3.8	-.7	3.8	4.1	1.6
Medical care services	236.0	236.9	237.6	238.2	3.0	3.1	2.1	3.8	3.0	2.9
Other services	203.7	204.6	205.3	206.1	4.1	3.2	4.9	4.8	3.7	4.8
Special indexes										
All items less food	156.8	156.9	157.0	156.9	1.0	3.4	2.9	.3	2.2	1.5
All items less shelter	153.7	153.7	153.6	153.4	1.6	4.3	2.1	-.8	2.9	.7
All items less homeowners' costs ^{3 4}	147.4	147.4	147.4	147.3	1.7	3.9	2.5	-.3	2.8	1.1
All items less medical care	153.3	153.3	153.4	153.3	2.1	3.8	2.4	.0	3.0	1.2
Commodities less food	134.8	134.4	134.2	133.5	-3.0	4.0	3.0	-3.8	.4	-.4
Nondurables less food	137.3	136.1	136.0	135.1	-5.2	7.4	4.5	-6.3	.9	-1.0
Nondurables less food and apparel	143.1	141.9	141.3	139.6	-3.4	7.4	4.6	-9.4	1.9	-2.7
Nondurables	146.3	145.8	145.6	145.2	1.1	5.4	2.5	-3.0	3.2	-.3
Services less rent of shelter ³	166.2	166.5	166.7	166.8	3.5	4.0	2.9	1.5	3.7	2.2
Services less medical care services	169.4	169.7	170.1	170.4	3.4	3.2	2.9	2.4	3.3	2.6
Energy	114.9	112.8	110.7	108.0	-8.0	11.1	11.2	-21.9	1.1	-6.8
All items less energy	162.9	163.3	163.6	163.9	2.8	3.3	1.5	2.5	3.0	2.0
All items less food and energy	164.9	165.3	165.8	166.1	2.2	2.5	2.2	2.9	2.4	2.6
Commodities less food and energy commodities	141.9	142.1	142.4	142.4	-.3	2.0	1.1	1.4	.9	1.3
Energy commodities	111.7	109.1	106.2	102.5	-17.1	17.5	11.9	-29.1	-1.3	-10.9
Services less energy services	180.3	180.9	181.5	181.9	3.4	3.0	2.5	3.6	3.2	3.0

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

³ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

⁴ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- Data not available.

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

Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category							
Food and beverages	156.5	156.6	3.1	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.4
Food	156.1	156.1	3.0	.0	.1	-.2	.3
Food at home	156.6	156.6	3.2	.0	-.1	-.3	.5
Cereals and bakery products	176.6	176.7	2.0	.1	.4	-.4	.4
Cereals and cereal products	167.8	169.0	-.1	.7	.3	-.2	.7
Flour and prepared flour mixes	155.9	157.1	6.1	.8	-.8	2.7	-1.1
Cereal	185.7	187.2	-3.2	.8	.5	-1.0	1.1
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	148.1	148.4	3.6	.2	.2	.0	.3
Bakery products	180.4	180.0	2.9	-.2	.6	-.7	.2
White bread ¹	182.0	182.8	4.2	.4	-.5	-.4	.4
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins ¹	180.7	179.6	2.5	-.6	-.2	.1	-.6
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes ¹	178.0	178.4	2.9	.2	.3	.1	.2
Other bakery products	181.1	179.3	1.9	-1.0	1.3	-1.3	-.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	147.3	147.4	4.7	.1	-.8	.5	.5
Meats, poultry, and fish	147.8	148.3	4.9	.3	-.5	.3	.5
Meats	143.4	143.9	5.5	.3	-.7	.6	.6
Beef and veal	136.0	136.8	4.4	.6	-.7	.6	1.3
Ground beef other than canned	115.0	116.6	5.6	1.4	-2.4	1.0	3.2
Chuck roast ²	142.6	141.6	3.3	-.7	.9	-.1	.4
Round roast ²	133.9	133.0	5.9	-.7	-.2	2.5	-.8
Round steak ²	129.6	131.3	1.9	1.3	.5	-2.5	2.7
Sirloin steak ²	140.9	142.1	3.3	.9	.3	1.2	.0
Other beef and veal ^{1 2}	160.1	160.1	4.2	.0	.1	.5	.0
Pork	153.6	154.3	8.4	.5	-1.0	1.0	-.2
Bacon	161.5	160.6	14.7	-.6	.1	-.2	-.4
Chops	154.6	154.3	3.0	-.2	-2.0	.1	.5
Ham	150.7	153.2	7.4	1.7	-1.2	2.7	-1.3
Other pork, including sausage ²	150.8	151.5	9.7	.5	-1.1	1.6	.4
Other meats ¹	147.7	147.4	3.7	-.2	-.3	.5	-.2
Poultry ¹	155.1	156.4	5.0	.8	-.9	-.6	.8
Fresh whole chicken ¹	158.7	159.1	6.8	.3	-.1	-.5	.3
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ¹	154.8	157.0	3.4	1.4	-1.8	-1.1	1.4
Other poultry ²	153.4	154.1	5.3	.5	-.3	1.6	-.2
Fish and seafood	177.7	176.8	1.6	-.5	1.4	-.5	.1
Canned fish and seafood ¹	127.8	127.7	1.3	-.1	-.2	.9	-.1
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood ²	202.7	201.5	1.7	-.6	1.6	-.5	.1
Eggs	138.9	132.3	.9	-4.8	-6.5	2.9	1.2
Dairy products ¹	145.4	145.1	5.6	-.2	-.1	-.3	-.2
Fresh milk and cream ^{1 2}	144.5	144.6	5.2	.1	-.3	-.8	.1
Fresh whole milk ¹	142.4	142.3	4.3	-.1	-.1	-.9	-.1
Other fresh milk and cream ^{1 2}	147.6	148.2	6.5	.4	-.5	-.6	.4
Processed dairy products ²	147.0	146.2	6.1	-.5	.5	.7	-.7
Cheese ^{1 2}	147.9	147.2	4.2	-.5	-.5	.3	-.5
Ice cream and related products	151.1	150.7	5.8	-.3	.3	-.1	-.3
Other dairy products, including butter ²	136.6	134.8	12.6	-1.3	2.7	1.3	-1.6
Fruits and vegetables ³	185.2	185.4	1.0	.1	.3	-3.3	1.7
Fresh fruits and vegetables	212.1	212.1	.3	.0	.2	-4.7	2.6
Fresh fruits	233.1	237.6	2.1	1.9	1.2	-.9	-.2
Apples	198.2	199.7	-3.0	.8	-.6	-1.1	-.1
Bananas	167.3	158.5	-4.5	-5.3	-.5	1.8	-5.1
Oranges, including tangerines ²	200.8	224.3	-2.4	11.7	-1.6	1.6	3.6
Other fresh fruits ²	277.2	280.5	6.3	1.2	2.9	-2.0	-.4
Fresh vegetables	191.7	187.1	-1.8	-2.4	-1.0	-9.2	6.2
Potatoes	163.8	167.9	-9.5	2.5	-4.1	.4	1.2
Lettuce ¹	187.4	173.7	-1.2	-7.3	1.2	1.8	-7.3
Tomatoes ¹	223.1	196.5	-12.2	-11.9	25.1	-14.3	-11.9
Other fresh vegetables	195.0	196.0	4.8	.5	-4.9	-4.2	7.5
Processed fruits and vegetables ²	147.4	148.0	2.6	.4	.3	-.5	.1
Processed fruits ^{1 2}	147.7	148.4	2.4	.5	-.6	-.3	.5
Fruit juices and frozen fruit ^{1 2}	147.3	148.3	2.3	.7	-.9	-.5	.7
Canned and dried fruits ²	147.7	147.4	3.2	-.2	.3	.4	-.7
Processed vegetables ²	147.5	147.8	2.9	.2	1.0	-.5	-.1
Frozen vegetables ²	147.9	146.9	1.9	-.7	-1.4	2.0	-1.3
Processed vegetables excluding frozen ²	147.9	148.9	3.3	.7	1.7	-1.5	.7

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Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories —Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category							
Other food at home	146.4	146.6	2.9	0.1	0.1	1.0	0.2
Sugar and sweets	147.9	147.9	3.1	.0	-.7	1.2	-.1
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	134.8	135.9	1.6	.8	-.9	.9	-.2
Sweets, including candy ²	153.4	153.0	3.7	-.3	-.4	1.3	-.1
Fats and oils	142.1	141.7	1.4	-.3	.1	-.1	-.1
Nonalcoholic beverages	131.1	132.4	2.8	1.0	1.1	1.8	1.2
Carbonated drinks	118.9	119.4	-1.5	.4	-.4	-.1	.8
Coffee ¹	162.1	166.7	11.1	2.8	4.0	6.9	2.8
Other noncarbonated drinks ²	139.9	139.3	2.0	-.4	.1	-.5	.1
Other prepared food	161.0	160.3	3.2	-.4	-.5	.7	-.4
Canned and packaged soup	187.1	190.8	4.9	2.0	.4	.6	.8
Frozen prepared food ¹	145.4	144.3	1.9	-.8	-.8	1.2	-.8
Snacks ¹	155.0	153.6	5.1	-.9	-.5	1.2	-.9
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	168.2	167.0	2.3	-.7	-.6	.8	-.8
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ²	161.5	160.9	2.8	-.4	.1	-.2	-.2
Food away from home	156.2	156.2	2.8	.0	.3	.0	.0
Lunch ²	156.8	156.6	2.8	-.1	.1	.2	-.1
Dinner ²	154.1	154.2	2.7	.1	.3	.1	.1
Other meals and snacks ^{1 2}	159.2	159.2	2.9	.0	.3	-.1	.0
Alcoholic beverages	161.7	162.2	2.9	.3	.1	.0	.4
Alcoholic beverages at home	149.2	149.4	2.0	.1	-.2	.2	.2
Beer and ale	149.1	149.0	.9	-.1	-.5	.3	.1
Wine	143.5	143.6	5.0	.1	.8	.3	.2
Distilled spirits	149.3	149.9	2.5	.4	-.1	.2	.4
Alcoholic beverages away from home	187.4	188.3	3.8	.5	.3	-.1	.5
Housing ³	152.4	152.6	2.5	.1	.1	.1	.1
Shelter	170.1	170.3	3.0	.1	.2	.3	.3
Renters' costs ⁴	161.8	161.6	3.3	-.1	.3	.4	.3
Rent, residential	165.2	165.6	2.9	.2	.2	.3	.3
Other renters' costs ²	226.9	222.9	5.1	-1.8	.3	.7	.2
Lodging while out of town	226.6	222.1	5.2	-2.0	.4	.7	.1
Lodging while at school ⁵	222.1	222.2	5.1	.0	.4	.3	.4
Tenants' insurance ^{1 2}	153.5	154.1	2.0	.4	-.1	.3	.4
Homeowners' costs ⁴	164.3	164.6	2.8	.2	.2	.2	.2
Owners' equivalent rent ⁴	164.6	164.9	2.8	.2	.2	.2	.3
Household insurance ^{2 5}	148.5	149.1	2.1	.4	-.3	.4	.3
Maintenance and repairs ^{1 2}	141.0	141.7	3.1	.5	.1	.1	.5
Maintenance and repair services ^{1 2}	150.9	151.9	3.5	.7	.0	.4	.7
Maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 2}	128.2	128.6	2.5	.3	.3	-.4	.3
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ^{1 2 6}	124.9	125.3	4.3	.3	.0	-.3	.3
Other maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 2}	123.9	124.2	1.0	.2	.6	-.4	.2
Fuel and other utilities ³	128.6	128.7	1.9	.1	-.8	-.4	-.5
Fuels	114.7	114.7	1.1	.0	-1.4	-.9	-1.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	101.7	100.0	.9	-1.7	-3.5	-2.2	-.4
Fuel oil	99.8	98.4	-.2	-1.4	-3.7	-2.0	-.3
Other household fuel commodities ^{1 6}	132.3	129.6	3.2	-2.0	-3.0	-4.1	-2.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	121.2	121.5	1.3	.2	-1.2	-.8	-1.2
Electricity	129.1	130.3	1.1	.9	.3	.4	-.4
Utility (piped) gas	110.1	108.6	1.5	-1.4	-4.2	-3.4	-2.9
Other utilities and public services ²	161.5	161.8	2.7	.2	.1	.2	.1
Telephone services ^{1 2}	127.8	127.8	2.1	.0	.2	.1	.0
Local charges ^{1 2}	162.0	162.1	1.6	.1	.2	.1	.1
Interstate toll calls ¹	78.8	78.8	1.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Intrastate toll calls ¹	94.4	94.3	6.2	-.1	.3	.0	-.1
Water and sewerage maintenance	204.2	205.0	.2	.4	.2	.2	.3
Cable television ⁷	226.6	227.8	7.9	.5	.1	.4	.5
Refuse collection ^{1 7}	249.4	249.5	2.2	.0	.2	.2	.0

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Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories —Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category							
Household furnishings and operation ³	124.0	124.3	1.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.5
Housefurnishings ²	109.7	110.2	.4	.5	-.1	-.3	.7
Textile housefurnishings ^{1 2}	122.1	122.0	.3	-.1	-1.2	2.1	-.1
Furniture and bedding ¹	131.7	134.1	2.6	1.8	.8	.2	1.8
Bedroom furniture ¹	139.4	142.0	4.0	1.9	.6	.9	1.9
Sofas ^{1 2}	137.5	140.5	3.2	2.2	1.9	-1.2	2.2
Living room chairs and tables ^{1 2}	132.4	134.1	2.3	1.3	.3	.5	1.3
Other furniture ²	118.7	120.6	.2	1.6	.3	-.8	2.3
Appliances, including electronic equipment ^{1 2}	77.4	77.5	-2.9	.1	-.4	-1.9	.1
Video and audio products ^{1 2}	68.8	69.2	-3.4	.6	.0	-2.4	.6
Televisions ¹	61.3	61.3	-4.5	.0	-.3	-1.0	.0
Video products other than televisions ^{1 2 6}	64.5	64.5	-3.4	.0	-.2	-2.7	.0
Audio products ^{1 2}	87.2	88.2	-2.6	1.1	.1	-3.3	1.1
Major household appliances ^{1 2 6}	102.0	101.8	-.5	-.2	-.4	-1.5	-.2
Refrigerators and home freezers ^{1 2}	108.6	108.3	-1.2	-.3	-.5	-2.3	-.3
Laundry equipment ¹	111.9	111.7	1.1	-.2	.4	-1.5	-.2
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ^{1 2 6}	91.9	91.9	-1.3	.0	-1.0	-.9	.0
Information processing equipment ^{1 8}	52.4	51.8	-11.0	-1.1	-1.7	-1.3	-1.1
Other housefurnishings ^{1 2 6}	116.1	115.7	.9	-.3	-.1	.4	-.3
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ^{1 2}	141.0	140.7	2.5	-.2	.1	-1.1	-.2
Clocks, lamps, and decor items ¹	117.3	117.9	-.8	.5	-.4	.4	.5
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ^{1 2}	126.6	125.4	1.0	-.9	-2.1	2.5	-.9
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ^{1 2}	110.6	110.4	1.9	-.2	.2	-.5	-.2
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ^{1 2 6}	90.5	90.5	3.3	.0	-.2	-.9	.0
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers ^{1 9}	116.6	115.1	-3.2	-1.3	2.4	1.9	-1.3
Housekeeping supplies	143.9	143.7	1.7	-.1	.1	.4	-.1
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ^{1 2}	146.3	146.3	2.7	.0	.1	.5	.0
Household paper products and stationery supplies ^{1 2}	146.0	146.2	-.1	.1	.1	.0	.1
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ^{1 2}	138.5	137.4	2.3	-.8	.7	.4	-.8
Housekeeping services ²	153.7	153.9	2.5	.1	.3	.5	.1
Postage ¹	160.8	160.8	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Appliance and furniture repair ^{1 2}	156.9	157.4	2.7	.3	.4	.2	.3
Gardening and other household services ^{2 6}	137.2	137.2	2.3	.0	.9	.6	-.1
Apparel and upkeep	135.5	134.7	1.1	-.6	-.3	1.0	.2
Apparel commodities ²	132.3	131.5	1.1	-.6	-.3	1.0	.2
Apparel commodities less footwear	132.6	131.7	1.2	-.7	-.3	1.0	.2
Men's and boys'	131.1	131.7	1.9	.5	-.2	1.8	.0
Men's	135.2	135.9	2.2	.5	-.5	1.7	.1
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	138.2	138.8	.5	.4	1.9	.4	.0
Furnishings and special clothing	129.4	129.3	3.3	-.1	.3	1.4	-1.6
Shirts ²	143.0	142.5	3.3	-.3	-.9	2.4	-.7
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	131.4	134.2	1.4	2.1	-1.9	1.0	2.1
Boys'	117.7	118.4	1.4	.6	.2	2.4	1.0
Women's and girls'	130.7	129.0	1.5	-1.3	-.4	.4	.6
Women's	129.9	128.3	1.8	-1.2	-.3	-.2	.7
Coats and jackets	120.8	121.8	2.3	.8	3.3	-5.3	4.0
Dresses	118.0	115.7	-1.9	-1.9	.7	-2.7	1.2
Separates and sportswear ²	136.6	135.3	3.0	-1.0	-1.6	1.3	.6
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ²	135.2	134.3	.8	-.7	.2	.4	.1
Suits ²	141.7	133.9	3.6	-5.5	-.3	.7	-2.2
Girls'	134.4	132.2	-.2	-1.6	-.9	2.9	.4
Infants' and toddlers' ¹	134.9	134.9	2.6	.0	2.0	3.2	.0
Other apparel commodities ²	149.3	146.8	-3.1	-1.7	-.9	.4	-.7
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage ^{1 6}	130.0	127.1	-4.9	-2.2	1.9	-.2	-2.2
Watches and jewelry ⁶	149.1	146.8	-2.8	-1.5	-.7	.3	-.5
Watches ^{1 6}	125.3	126.2	-2.5	.7	2.2	-1.8	.7
Jewelry ⁶	155.9	152.7	-2.8	-2.1	-1.3	.7	-.9
Footwear	130.3	130.1	.6	-.2	-.5	1.3	-.3
Men's	133.8	135.0	.5	.9	-.8	.6	.6
Boys' and girls'	133.7	132.6	1.0	-.8	-2.5	1.4	-1.4
Women's	124.6	123.8	.4	-.6	.7	1.6	-.2
Apparel services ^{1 2}	161.7	161.9	2.0	.1	.1	.1	.1
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ^{1 2}	165.3	165.7	3.2	.2	.1	-.2	.2
Other apparel services ^{1 2}	159.3	159.6	1.1	.2	.2	.3	.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories —Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category							
Transportation	144.2	143.8	-0.4	-0.3	-0.1	-0.6	-1.0
Private	141.8	141.5	-0.7	-0.2	-0.1	-0.8	-1.0
New vehicles	146.4	145.9	1.0	-0.3	.2	.1	-0.3
New cars	142.3	141.8	.7	-0.4	.2	-0.1	-0.1
Subcompact new cars ^{2 6}	122.9	122.9	.5	.0	-0.1	.2	.2
Compact new cars ^{2 6}	123.6	122.8	1.1	-0.6	.3	.1	-0.6
Intermediate new cars ^{2 6}	122.6	122.2	.6	-0.3	.5	.1	-0.2
Full-size new cars ^{2 6}	125.6	124.7	1.2	-0.7	.4	.1	-0.6
Luxury new cars ^{2 6}	133.8	133.2	.1	-0.4	-0.1	-0.5	-0.2
New trucks ⁷	153.8	153.2	1.7	-0.4	.0	.0	-0.2
New motorcycles ⁶	163.1	163.4	1.3	.2	-0.6	.2	1.0
Used cars	155.7	155.3	-0.2	-0.3	1.3	-1.6	-0.9
Motor fuel	105.9	105.7	-0.9	-0.2	-0.2	-0.7	-0.8
Gasoline	105.4	105.2	-0.7	-0.2	-0.2	-0.7	-0.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular	103.3	103.2	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3	-0.9	-0.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{1 10}	109.9	109.4	-0.7	-0.5	-0.4	-0.5	-0.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium	106.4	105.9	-0.7	-0.5	-0.9	-0.3	-0.5
Automobile maintenance and repair	162.9	163.2	3.0	.2	.4	.2	.2
Body work ¹	171.3	172.6	3.3	.8	.2	.5	.8
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ^{1 2}	171.4	171.8	3.6	.2	.5	.2	.2
Maintenance and servicing ¹	148.6	148.8	1.8	.1	.2	-0.1	.1
Power plant repair ²	168.0	167.9	3.5	-0.1	.1	.8	.1
Other private transportation ²	172.8	172.5	2.3	-0.2	.3	.2	-0.1
Other private transportation commodities ²	103.7	103.8	-0.2	.1	.0	-0.3	.2
Motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	129.9	131.1	1.2	.9	.5	.3	.9
Automobile parts and equipment	100.8	100.7	-0.4	-0.1	-0.1	-0.4	.0
Tires	100.0	99.4	-0.4	-0.6	-0.5	-0.1	-0.2
Other parts and equipment ^{1 2}	106.0	106.4	-0.4	.4	.0	-0.5	.4
Other private transportation services ²	190.3	189.9	2.6	-0.2	.3	.3	-0.1
Automobile insurance	250.0	250.6	3.5	.2	.4	.2	.3
Automobile finance charges ²	95.1	93.3	.0	-1.9	1.1	.6	-0.6
Automobile fees ^{1 2}	182.9	182.2	1.7	-0.4	.3	-0.2	-0.4
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ^{1 2}	181.3	181.2	-0.2	-0.1	.0	.0	-0.1
Other automobile-related fees ^{1 2}	186.1	184.8	4.2	-0.7	.8	-0.5	-0.7
Public transportation	186.8	185.2	3.7	-0.9	1.7	1.2	-0.1
Airline fares ¹	203.5	200.8	6.7	-1.3	4.5	1.6	-1.3
Other intercity transportation ¹	157.6	157.0	-0.3	-0.4	.5	.3	-0.4
Intracity public transportation ¹	175.2	174.9	.7	-0.2	.4	.1	-0.2
Medical care	233.2	233.6	3.0	.2	.3	.3	.3
Medical care commodities	212.3	212.9	2.8	.3	.3	.2	.5
Prescription drugs	248.6	249.5	3.1	.4	.4	.2	.4
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ^{1 6}	144.2	144.2	2.1	.0	.3	.0	.0
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ¹	170.7	171.0	2.3	.2	.3	-0.4	.2
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies ¹	174.8	173.9	1.1	-0.5	.1	.9	-0.5
Medical care services	237.9	238.2	3.0	.1	.4	.3	.3
Professional medical services	216.0	216.5	3.7	.2	.5	.3	.3
Physicians' services	223.0	223.6	3.3	.3	.6	.2	.3
Dental services ¹	225.0	225.5	4.7	.2	.4	.4	.2
Eye care ^{1 6}	141.2	141.4	1.6	.1	.1	-0.1	.1
Services by other medical professionals ⁶	155.8	156.1	4.4	.2	.5	.4	.1
Hospital and related services	273.4	273.6	3.3	.1	.3	.4	.3
Hospital services ¹¹	101.1	101.1	-	.0	.0	.2	.0
Inpatient hospital services ¹¹	100.9	100.9	-	.0	.1	.2	.0
Outpatient hospital services ⁶	223.4	223.7	4.5	.1	.3	.3	.3
Nursing home services ¹¹	101.8	101.9	-	.1	.2	.2	.1

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories —Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1997 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category							
Entertainment ²	159.7	159.7	2.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1
Entertainment commodities ²	143.0	142.8	.6	-.1	.0	-.4	.0
Reading materials ¹	179.5	179.6	1.8	.1	.2	-.2	.1
Newspapers ^{1 2}	192.4	192.5	1.4	.1	.0	-.1	.1
Magazines, periodicals, and books ^{1 2}	166.6	166.6	2.2	.0	.2	-.2	.0
Sporting goods and equipment ¹	124.6	124.0	-1.8	-.5	.6	-.6	-.5
Sport vehicles, including bicycles ¹	127.7	127.2	-2.3	-.4	1.2	-.7	-.4
Other sporting goods ¹	117.8	116.9	-1.2	-.8	-.3	-.4	-.8
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ^{1 2}	133.9	133.8	1.2	-.1	.0	-.2	-.1
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ²	126.7	127.1	-.5	.3	-.6	-.8	.1
Photographic supplies and equipment ¹	135.3	135.5	.5	.1	.0	.0	.1
Pet supplies and expense ¹	143.1	142.4	3.5	-.5	.5	.0	-.5
Entertainment services ²	183.6	183.8	3.4	.1	.4	.5	.2
Club memberships ^{2 6}	135.6	135.4	-.4	-.1	.7	.1	-.1
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ^{2 6}	172.6	171.9	6.9	-.4	1.0	1.4	.6
Admissions ¹	196.4	196.7	2.5	.2	.0	.7	.2
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁶	167.9	168.5	4.8	.4	.2	-.1	.4
Other entertainment services ^{1 2 6}	141.4	141.6	3.3	.1	.4	.4	.1
Other goods and services ³	219.8	220.2	4.3	.2	.5	1.0	.1
Tobacco and smoking products	242.7	243.4	4.4	.3	.4	2.3	-.5
Personal care ¹	152.6	152.6	1.5	.0	.1	.7	.0
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹	145.4	145.0	-.7	-.3	.1	.8	-.3
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements ¹	155.0	153.4	1.8	-1.0	-.7	.6	-1.0
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products ¹	139.6	140.1	-2.2	.4	.6	.9	.4
Personal care services ¹	162.1	162.4	4.2	.2	.2	.6	.2
Beauty parlor services for females ^{1 2}	161.2	161.5	4.1	.2	.1	.7	.2
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ²	164.8	164.9	5.0	.1	.7	-.1	.4
Personal and educational expenses ²	251.8	252.5	5.1	.3	.5	.3	.6
School books and supplies	237.4	237.5	5.3	.0	.3	.6	.7
Personal and educational services ²	253.3	254.0	5.1	.3	.5	.3	.6
Tuition and other school fees	269.7	270.3	5.1	.2	.4	.4	.5
College tuition	288.1	288.6	5.9	.2	.5	.4	.7
Elementary and high school tuition	279.3	279.5	4.6	.1	.4	.4	.4
Day care and nursery school ⁹	133.6	133.7	3.9	.1	.4	.4	.3
Personal expenses	223.7	224.6	5.0	.4	.8	.1	.4
Legal service fees ^{1 6}	161.5	162.5	3.5	.6	.4	.2	.6
Personal financial services ^{1 6}	189.9	190.6	5.0	.4	1.2	-.3	.4
Funeral expenses ⁶	171.5	171.7	6.3	.1	1.0	.5	.5
Special indexes							
Domestically produced farm food	158.3	158.3	3.4	.0	-.3	-.5	.5
Selected beef cuts	128.7	129.8	4.5	.9	-1.0	.7	1.6
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products ²	106.3	106.1	-6.8	-.2	-2.2	-2.6	-3.7
Utilities and public transportation	142.5	142.5	2.2	.0	-.2	-.1	-.3
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ^{1 2}	155.1	155.3	2.6	.1	.3	.3	.1

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁵ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

¹⁰ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹¹ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

Table 9. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			Aug. 1996	Nov. 1996	Feb. 1997	May 1997	Nov. 1996	May 1997
Expenditure category								
Food and beverages	156.1	156.7	5.9	5.3	0.3	1.0	5.6	0.6
Food	155.7	156.2	6.2	5.3	.3	.8	5.8	.5
Food at home	155.8	156.6	7.9	6.4	-1.3	.3	7.1	-5
Cereals and bakery products	176.0	176.7	2.3	4.2	.0	1.6	3.3	.8
Cereals and cereal products	167.0	168.1	-2.4	.5	-1.7	2.9	-9	.6
Flour and prepared flour mixes	158.5	156.7	25.1	-3.0	1.6	2.6	10.1	2.1
Cereal	183.5	185.6	-11.0	.2	-3.6	2.4	-5.6	-6
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	147.5	148.0	8.1	3.1	1.4	2.2	5.5	1.8
Bakery products	179.8	180.2	4.9	5.3	1.1	.4	5.1	.8
White bread ¹	182.0	182.8	13.9	3.1	2.2	-1.9	8.4	.1
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins ¹	180.7	179.6	8.0	2.5	2.5	-2.8	5.2	-2
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes ¹	178.0	178.4	-4.1	13.5	.7	2.5	4.3	1.6
Other bakery products	179.5	179.3	3.5	6.2	-1.1	-7	4.8	-9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	147.4	148.2	11.8	6.8	-3	.8	9.2	.3
Meats, poultry, and fish	147.9	148.7	12.7	6.2	-3	1.6	9.4	.7
Meats	143.6	144.4	15.4	6.4	-8	2.0	10.8	.6
Beef and veal	135.2	136.9	13.1	4.5	-4.0	4.8	8.7	.3
Ground beef other than canned	113.9	117.5	18.0	2.8	-3.7	6.7	10.1	1.4
Chuck roast ²	141.6	142.1	21.3	2.5	-12.3	4.6	11.5	-4.2
Round roast ²	134.2	133.1	11.3	10.3	-3.6	5.9	10.8	1.1
Round steak ²	127.1	130.5	-5.2	16.4	-4.8	2.8	5.1	-1.1
Sirloin steak ²	140.2	140.2	12.6	7.3	-11.0	5.9	10.0	-2.9
Other beef and veal ^{1 2}	160.1	160.1	11.1	4.9	-1.2	2.3	8.0	.5
Pork	156.3	156.0	25.2	7.0	3.9	-5	15.7	1.7
Bacon	162.5	161.8	67.9	1.5	4.5	-2.4	30.6	1.0
Chops	155.4	156.1	11.6	-5	8.2	-5.9	5.4	.9
Ham	158.3	156.2	16.0	15.1	-8	.8	15.6	.0
Other pork, including sausage ²	152.0	152.6	22.4	12.9	1.1	3.8	17.5	2.4
Other meats ¹	147.7	147.4	6.9	9.4	-1.1	-3	8.2	-7
Poultry ¹	155.1	156.4	14.4	7.7	1.3	-2.8	11.0	-8
Fresh whole chicken ¹	158.7	159.1	23.9	4.1	2.3	-1.5	13.6	.4
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ¹	154.8	157.0	7.9	16.2	-3.2	-5.7	11.9	-4.4
Other poultry ²	154.7	154.4	8.4	7.1	.8	4.8	7.8	2.8
Fish and seafood	176.6	176.8	-2.5	3.8	1.2	4.2	.6	2.7
Canned fish and seafood ¹	127.8	127.7	1.3	.0	1.9	2.2	.6	2.1
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood ²	201.3	201.5	-3.0	4.6	.6	4.9	.7	2.7
Eggs	138.1	139.8	-2.9	17.0	1.4	-10.2	6.6	-4.6
Dairy products ¹	145.4	145.1	21.7	14.3	-8.3	-2.4	17.9	-5.4
Fresh milk and cream ^{1 2}	144.5	144.6	21.0	18.3	-11.2	-3.8	19.6	-7.6
Fresh whole milk ¹	142.4	142.3	19.8	18.9	-13.0	-4.4	19.3	-8.8
Other fresh milk and cream ^{1 2}	147.6	148.2	23.4	16.8	-8.4	-2.7	20.0	-5.6
Processed dairy products ²	147.9	146.9	18.5	10.3	-5.3	2.2	14.3	-1.6
Cheese ^{1 2}	147.9	147.2	14.9	12.3	-6.0	-2.7	13.6	-4.3
Ice cream and related products	151.2	150.8	11.1	8.2	4.4	.0	9.6	2.2
Other dairy products, including butter ²	138.9	136.7	60.3	5.7	-13.7	9.9	30.2	-2.6
Fruits and vegetables ³	181.0	184.1	6.7	6.0	-2.7	-5.5	6.4	-4.1
Fresh fruits and vegetables	205.9	211.2	7.0	6.7	-4.0	-7.7	6.9	-5.9
Fresh fruits	233.8	233.4	4.6	18.2	-13.1	.5	11.2	-6.5
Apples	197.8	197.7	-4.2	11.8	-11.4	-6.6	3.5	-9.0
Bananas	162.3	154.1	-19.7	39.0	-12.4	-14.6	5.7	-13.5
Oranges, including tangerines ²	224.4	232.5	18.6	-25.1	-11.4	15.0	-5.7	1.0
Other fresh fruits ²	272.8	271.8	8.4	34.3	-14.3	1.9	20.7	-6.5
Fresh vegetables	175.2	186.0	9.8	-5.8	8.4	-17.1	1.7	-5.2
Potatoes	164.4	166.4	-9.6	-11.9	-6.5	-9.9	-10.8	-8.2
Lettuce ¹	187.4	173.7	-2.5	97.9	-40.7	-16.7	38.9	-29.7
Tomatoes ¹	223.1	196.5	-68.8	64.0	46.6	-20.7	-28.5	7.9
Other fresh vegetables	184.2	198.0	28.7	-8.3	11.2	-8.1	8.6	1.1
Processed fruits and vegetables ²	147.3	147.4	6.3	5.0	.0	-5	5.6	-3
Processed fruits ^{1 2}	147.7	148.4	4.2	1.1	6.4	-1.9	2.6	2.2
Fruit juices and frozen fruit ^{1 2}	147.3	148.3	4.2	1.6	6.1	-2.7	2.9	1.6
Canned and dried fruits ²	148.1	147.0	3.1	5.1	5.3	-3	4.1	2.5
Processed vegetables ²	147.3	147.2	8.7	4.2	-2.2	1.4	6.4	-4
Frozen vegetables ²	148.6	146.7	5.1	.3	5.3	-2.7	2.7	1.2
Processed vegetables excluding frozen ²	147.2	148.3	9.8	5.3	-5.3	3.9	7.5	-8

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Table 9. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

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	Apr. 1997	May 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
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Expenditure category								
Other food at home	145.9	146.2	2.0	2.3	2.2	5.1	2.1	3.7
Sugar and sweets	147.7	147.5	3.7	2.0	5.3	1.6	2.8	3.5
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	135.4	135.1	4.9	-4.1	7.1	-9	.3	3.0
Sweets, including candy ²	152.8	152.7	3.3	4.7	3.5	3.2	4.0	3.4
Fats and oils	141.7	141.6	3.5	2.3	.3	.0	2.9	.1
Nonalcoholic beverages	130.6	132.2	-6	-4.0	-6	17.8	-2.3	8.2
Carbonated drinks	118.2	119.1	2.3	-5.2	-3.9	1.0	-1.5	-1.5
Coffee ¹	162.1	166.7	-7.0	-7.4	3.4	70.9	-7.2	32.9
Other noncarbonated drinks ²	139.2	139.4	4.8	1.5	2.6	-9	3.1	.9
Other prepared food	160.7	160.0	2.6	7.6	3.6	-1.0	5.1	1.3
Canned and packaged soup	188.6	190.2	7.2	4.9	-4	7.9	6.0	3.7
Frozen prepared food ¹	145.4	144.3	2.0	4.3	2.8	-1.4	3.1	.7
Snacks ¹	155.0	153.6	6.7	9.2	5.4	-8	7.9	2.3
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	167.6	166.2	1.5	7.1	3.7	-2.6	4.2	.5
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ²	161.1	160.7	1.3	7.1	4.3	-1.5	4.1	1.4
Food away from home	156.2	156.2	3.2	3.7	2.9	1.3	3.5	2.1
Lunch ²	156.8	156.6	3.2	3.7	3.7	.8	3.4	2.2
Dinner ²	154.1	154.2	3.0	3.5	2.4	1.8	3.2	2.1
Other meals and snacks ^{1 2}	159.2	159.2	2.1	5.5	3.3	.8	3.8	2.0
Alcoholic beverages	161.0	161.7	3.1	4.1	2.3	2.0	3.6	2.1
Alcoholic beverages at home	148.6	148.9	3.3	1.6	2.5	.8	2.5	1.6
Beer and ale	148.2	148.3	2.8	.8	.8	-5	1.8	.1
Wine	143.2	143.5	4.8	4.4	5.9	5.2	4.6	5.5
Distilled spirits	149.3	149.9	3.0	2.5	2.4	1.9	2.8	2.2
Alcoholic beverages away from home	187.0	188.0	3.6	4.9	4.0	3.0	4.2	3.5
Housing ³	152.5	152.7	2.7	3.0	2.9	1.3	2.8	2.1
Shelter	170.0	170.5	2.9	2.7	3.1	3.4	2.8	3.2
Renters' costs ⁴	161.0	161.5	3.6	2.8	3.3	3.8	3.2	3.6
Rent, residential	165.2	165.7	3.0	2.7	2.5	3.5	2.9	3.0
Other renters' costs ²	223.9	224.3	6.5	2.4	7.4	4.6	4.5	6.0
Lodging while out of town	223.0	223.3	6.6	2.8	6.6	5.0	4.7	5.8
Lodging while at school ⁵	223.7	224.6	4.8	1.5	9.3	4.6	3.1	6.9
Tenants' insurance ^{1 2}	153.5	154.1	6.5	3.7	-4.1	2.1	5.1	-1.0
Homeowners' costs ⁴	164.5	164.9	2.8	2.5	3.0	3.0	2.6	3.0
Owners' equivalent rent ⁴	164.8	165.3	2.8	2.5	3.0	3.2	2.6	3.1
Household insurance ^{2 5}	149.0	149.4	2.5	6.7	-2.4	1.3	4.6	-5
Maintenance and repairs ^{1 2}	141.0	141.7	1.5	5.6	2.3	2.9	3.5	2.6
Maintenance and repair services ^{1 2}	150.9	151.9	6.1	2.4	1.1	4.3	4.3	2.7
Maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 2}	128.2	128.6	-4.4	10.0	3.8	.9	2.6	2.4
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ^{1 2 6}	124.9	125.3	-3.6	16.8	5.3	.0	6.1	2.6
Other maintenance and repair commodities ^{1 2}	123.9	124.2	-5.1	5.0	2.6	1.6	-2	2.1
Fuel and other utilities ³	129.7	129.0	3.2	5.4	6.0	-6.5	4.3	-5
Fuels	115.9	114.6	2.9	7.2	9.3	-13.1	5.0	-2.6
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	100.0	99.6	-13.1	54.2	-8	-22.1	15.8	-12.0
Fuel oil	98.1	97.8	-19.6	60.8	-2.3	-21.5	13.7	-12.4
Other household fuel commodities ^{1 6}	132.3	129.6	-12.1	52.4	22.7	-31.0	15.7	-8.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	123.2	121.7	4.7	3.3	10.1	-12.1	4.0	-1.6
Electricity	132.9	132.4	3.1	-6	.6	1.2	1.2	.9
Utility (piped) gas	110.9	107.7	8.1	12.8	32.8	-34.7	10.4	-6.9
Other utilities and public services ²	161.3	161.5	3.1	3.8	2.0	2.0	3.5	2.0
Telephone services ^{1 2}	127.8	127.8	3.6	1.6	2.2	.9	2.6	1.6
Local charges ^{1 2}	162.0	162.1	2.5	1.8	.7	1.5	2.1	1.1
Interstate toll calls ¹	78.8	78.8	2.1	1.5	.5	.0	1.8	.3
Intrastate toll calls ¹	94.4	94.3	12.2	1.3	10.9	.9	6.6	5.8
Water and sewerage maintenance	204.4	205.0	-7.6	3.8	2.0	2.8	-2.0	2.4
Cable television ⁷	225.5	226.7	12.6	7.8	7.3	4.3	10.2	5.8
Refuse collection ^{1 7}	249.4	249.5	4.7	1.8	.2	2.1	3.2	1.1

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Table 9. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			Aug. 1996	Nov. 1996	Feb. 1997	May 1997	Nov. 1996	May 1997
Expenditure category								
Household furnishings and operation ³	123.6	124.2	1.3	0.7	0.3	2.0	1.0	1.1
Housefurnishings ²	109.4	110.2	.4	-.4	.0	1.5	.0	.7
Textile housefurnishings ^{1,2}	122.1	122.0	2.0	-7.6	4.1	3.3	-2.9	3.7
Furniture and bedding ¹	131.7	134.1	2.5	1.2	-4.2	11.5	1.8	3.4
Bedroom furniture ¹	139.4	142.0	2.4	4.7	-4.3	14.1	3.5	4.5
Sofas ^{1,2}	137.5	140.5	8.8	-3.4	-4.0	12.2	2.5	3.8
Living room chairs and tables ^{1,2}	132.4	134.1	3.4	4.0	-6.1	8.5	3.7	.9
Other furniture ²	117.6	120.3	.0	-3.0	-3.3	7.3	-1.5	1.9
Appliances, including electronic equipment ^{1,2}	77.4	77.5	-1.5	-2.0	.5	-8.3	-1.7	-4.0
Video and audio products ^{1,2}	68.8	69.2	-2.8	-3.9	.6	-7.2	-3.3	-3.4
Televisions ¹	61.3	61.3	-6.7	-9.2	3.3	-5.1	-7.9	-1.0
Video products other than televisions ^{1,2,6}	64.5	64.5	-.6	5.5	-6.9	-11.0	2.4	-9.0
Audio products ^{1,2}	87.2	88.2	-.9	-2.2	.9	-8.2	-1.5	-3.7
Major household appliances ^{1,2,6}	102.0	101.8	4.4	.8	1.6	-8.2	2.6	-3.4
Refrigerators and home freezers ^{1,2}	108.6	108.3	4.1	.7	3.3	-11.9	2.4	-4.6
Laundry equipment ¹	111.9	111.7	12.5	-1.4	-1.1	-4.9	5.3	-3.0
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ^{1,2,6}	91.9	91.9	-3.4	4.0	1.7	-7.1	.2	-2.8
Information processing equipment ^{1,8}	52.4	51.8	-13.7	-4.9	-9.7	-15.3	-9.4	-12.6
Other housefurnishings ^{1,2,6}	116.1	115.7	.3	-2.8	6.1	.0	-1.2	3.0
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ^{1,2}	141.0	140.7	6.0	-3.7	13.1	-4.4	1.0	4.0
Clocks, lamps, and decor items ¹	117.3	117.9	-12.8	-.3	9.0	2.1	-6.8	5.5
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ^{1,2}	126.6	125.4	6.9	-2.8	2.9	-2.5	1.9	.2
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ^{1,2}	110.6	110.4	5.3	1.5	2.9	-1.8	3.4	.5
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ^{1,2,6}	90.5	90.5	10.4	-3.5	11.7	-4.3	3.2	3.4
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers ^{1,9}	116.6	115.1	-13.4	-10.7	.7	12.7	-12.1	6.6
Housekeeping supplies	143.8	143.7	2.0	1.1	2.3	1.7	1.6	2.0
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ^{1,2}	146.3	146.3	3.7	4.0	1.1	2.2	3.8	1.7
Household paper products and stationery supplies ^{1,2}	146.0	146.2	-3.2	.6	1.4	.8	-1.4	1.1
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ^{1,2}	138.5	137.4	3.6	.0	4.5	1.2	1.8	2.8
Housekeeping services ²	153.7	153.9	3.8	2.9	.0	3.5	3.4	1.7
Postage ¹	160.8	160.8	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Appliance and furniture repair ^{1,2}	156.9	157.4	.5	7.8	-.8	3.6	4.1	1.4
Gardening and other household services ^{2,6}	137.3	137.1	2.1	4.2	-2.3	5.4	3.2	1.5
Apparel and upkeep	132.7	132.9	-6.0	4.1	3.4	3.4	-1.1	3.4
Apparel commodities ²	129.4	129.6	-6.7	4.2	3.5	3.5	-1.4	3.5
Apparel commodities less footwear	129.4	129.7	-8.2	4.9	4.5	3.8	-1.9	4.1
Men's and boys'	130.1	130.1	-1.2	4.2	-1.2	6.4	1.4	2.5
Men's	134.6	134.7	-3.3	2.8	4.3	5.2	-.3	4.8
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	137.6	137.6	-1.5	2.1	-7.1	9.5	.3	.9
Furnishings and special clothing	129.7	127.6	-3.8	-.7	18.5	.3	-2.3	9.0
Shirts ²	141.1	140.1	1.8	10.0	-1.4	3.2	5.8	.9
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	130.3	133.0	-3.3	-1.2	5.7	4.6	-2.3	5.2
Boys'	116.4	117.6	-2.7	7.1	-12.0	15.3	2.1	.7
Women's and girls'	125.9	126.7	-11.0	4.7	10.8	2.6	-3.5	6.6
Women's	124.9	125.8	-8.4	2.7	12.7	1.0	-3.0	6.7
Coats and jackets	120.1	124.9	-11.3	12.7	2.0	7.0	.0	4.5
Dresses	112.8	114.1	-15.2	-27.2	55.3	-3.4	-21.4	22.5
Separates and sportswear ²	128.5	129.3	-7.7	12.6	7.1	.9	1.9	4.0
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ²	134.3	134.5	-1.8	-1.5	3.1	3.3	-1.6	3.2
Suits ²	138.9	135.8	-7.7	9.3	22.7	-7.0	.5	6.8
Girls'	130.3	130.8	-22.5	14.7	1.6	10.1	-5.7	5.7
Infants' and toddlers ¹	134.9	134.9	-13.8	3.2	1.3	23.0	-5.7	11.6
Other apparel commodities ²	146.9	145.8	-9.5	8.1	-5.0	-5.0	-1.1	-5.0
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage ^{1,6}	130.0	127.1	-.9	-7.6	-8.9	-2.2	-4.3	-5.6
Watches and jewelry ⁶	146.3	145.5	-10.8	10.9	-6.0	-3.8	-.5	-4.9
Watches ^{1,6}	125.3	126.2	-4.3	-11.6	2.3	4.2	-8.0	3.2
Jewelry ⁶	152.1	150.7	-9.7	14.2	-7.7	-6.1	1.6	-6.9
Footwear	128.6	128.2	.9	1.3	-1.6	1.6	1.1	.0
Men's	133.0	133.8	-.3	-.3	.9	1.8	-.3	1.4
Boys' and girls'	132.2	130.3	6.0	-.3	9.2	-9.8	2.8	-.8
Women's	122.1	121.9	-.7	2.3	-7.7	8.6	.8	.2
Apparel services ^{1,2}	161.7	161.9	2.0	1.0	3.3	1.5	1.5	2.4
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ^{1,2}	165.3	165.7	4.0	3.5	5.0	.5	3.8	2.7
Other apparel services ^{1,2}	159.3	159.6	.3	-.5	1.8	2.8	-.1	2.3

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Table 9. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			Aug. 1996	Nov. 1996	Feb. 1997	May 1997	Nov. 1996	May 1997
Expenditure category								
Transportation	144.2	142.8	-1.9	4.6	2.5	-6.4	1.3	-2.1
Private	141.9	140.5	-2.5	4.0	3.4	-7.3	.7	-2.1
New vehicles	146.0	145.6	2.5	1.7	-5	.0	2.1	-3
New cars	141.7	141.5	3.2	.3	-6	.0	1.7	-3
Subcompact new cars ^{2 6}	122.8	123.0	2.0	1.0	-1.9	1.0	1.5	-5
Compact new cars ^{2 6}	123.3	122.6	3.7	1.6	-3	-6	2.7	-5
Intermediate new cars ^{2 6}	122.1	121.9	3.7	-1.9	-1.3	1.7	.8	.2
Full-size new cars ^{2 6}	125.3	124.5	3.3	2.9	-6	-6	3.1	-6
Luxury new cars ^{2 6}	132.6	132.3	2.8	2.1	-9	-3.5	2.4	-2.2
New trucks ⁷	153.4	153.1	2.4	4.3	1.0	-8	3.3	.1
New motorcycles ⁶	162.4	164.1	-2	1.0	2.2	2.5	.4	2.4
Used cars	156.5	155.1	-3.0	-1.5	1.0	-5.0	-2.3	-2.0
Motor fuel	106.5	102.5	-17.6	14.9	13.1	-29.9	-2.7	-10.9
Gasoline	106.1	101.8	-17.4	14.1	13.2	-30.3	-2.9	-11.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	103.9	99.7	-18.0	15.2	13.0	-31.3	-2.8	-11.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{1 10}	109.9	109.4	-21.2	2.6	1.8	-9.0	-10.1	-3.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium	107.3	103.5	-17.5	12.3	11.9	-26.8	-3.8	-9.5
Automobile maintenance and repair	162.8	163.2	3.3	4.1	1.5	3.3	3.7	2.4
Body work ¹	171.3	172.6	1.4	1.7	4.3	5.8	1.6	5.1
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ^{1 2}	171.4	171.8	2.4	5.6	2.4	4.1	4.0	3.2
Maintenance and servicing ¹	148.6	148.8	4.4	2.2	-3	.8	3.3	.3
Power plant repair ²	168.0	168.1	3.2	5.7	1.2	4.1	4.5	2.7
Other private transportation ²	172.6	172.5	4.1	1.4	1.4	1.6	2.7	1.5
Other private transportation commodities ²	103.7	103.9	.4	.0	-8	-4	.2	-6
Motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	129.9	131.1	2.5	.6	-5.4	7.3	1.5	.8
Automobile parts and equipment	100.8	100.8	.0	.4	.0	-2.0	.2	-1.0
Tires	100.1	99.9	.4	.8	.4	-3.1	.6	-1.4
Other parts and equipment ^{1 2}	106.0	106.4	-1.5	-7	1.1	-4	-1.1	.4
Other private transportation services ²	190.1	189.9	4.8	1.5	1.9	1.9	3.2	1.9
Automobile insurance	250.2	250.9	4.2	3.5	2.9	3.4	3.8	3.2
Automobile finance charges ²	95.4	92.9	11.2	-4.5	-2.1	-3.8	3.0	-2.9
Automobile fees ^{1 2}	182.9	182.2	3.8	-4.3	8.8	-1.1	-3	3.7
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ^{1 2}	181.3	181.2	.0	.2	-7	-2	.1	-4
Other automobile-related fees ^{1 2}	186.1	184.8	9.3	-10.4	22.8	-1.9	-1.0	9.8
Public transportation	185.1	184.9	4.6	13.0	-12.1	11.6	8.7	-1.0
Airline fares ¹	203.5	200.8	2.8	22.3	-14.6	20.6	12.1	1.5
Other intercity transportation ¹	157.6	157.0	-4.6	-3.2	-2.8	1.5	-3.9	-6
Intracity public transportation ¹	175.2	174.9	1.9	1.2	-1.4	1.2	1.5	-1
Medical care	233.0	233.7	2.8	3.0	2.3	3.7	2.9	3.0
Medical care commodities	212.1	213.1	2.3	2.1	2.9	4.0	2.2	3.5
Prescription drugs	248.3	249.3	3.5	1.3	3.5	4.1	2.4	3.8
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ^{1 6}	144.2	144.2	1.7	1.1	4.3	1.1	1.4	2.7
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ¹	170.7	171.0	1.4	2.2	5.3	.5	1.8	2.9
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies ¹	174.8	173.9	1.6	-1.6	2.3	2.1	.0	2.2
Medical care services	237.6	238.2	3.0	3.1	2.1	3.8	3.0	2.9
Professional medical services	215.7	216.3	3.5	4.1	2.9	4.6	3.8	3.7
Physicians' services	222.6	223.2	3.0	4.1	2.2	4.2	3.6	3.2
Dental services ¹	225.0	225.5	5.1	4.7	4.8	4.4	4.9	4.6
Eye care ^{1 6}	141.2	141.4	1.7	1.7	2.0	.9	1.7	1.4
Services by other medical professionals ⁶	155.3	155.5	3.8	4.3	5.9	4.0	4.1	4.9
Hospital and related services	273.4	274.1	3.8	3.3	2.4	3.6	3.6	3.0
Hospital services ¹¹	101.1	101.1	-	-	-	.8	-	-
Inpatient hospital services ¹¹	100.9	100.9	-	-	-	1.2	-	-
Outpatient hospital services ⁶	223.6	224.3	4.2	2.2	8.3	3.5	3.2	5.9
Nursing home services ¹¹	101.8	101.9	-	-	-	2.0	-	-

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Table 9. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes		Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
			Aug. 1996	Nov. 1996	Feb. 1997	May 1997	Nov. 1996	May 1997
Expenditure category								
Entertainment ²	159.3	159.4	2.6	2.3	1.8	1.0	2.4	1.4
Entertainment commodities ²	142.5	142.5	1.7	1.7	.6	-1.7	1.7	-6
Reading materials ¹	179.5	179.6	3.7	2.0	1.1	.2	2.9	.7
Newspapers ^{1 2}	192.4	192.5	.8	2.8	1.9	.0	1.8	.9
Magazines, periodicals, and books ^{1 2}	166.6	166.6	7.3	1.0	.7	.0	4.1	.4
Sporting goods and equipment ¹	124.6	124.0	-2.5	-4.7	2.3	-2.2	-3.6	.0
Sport vehicles, including bicycles ¹	127.7	127.2	-6	-11.5	3.2	.3	-6.2	1.8
Other sporting goods ¹	117.8	116.9	-5.0	5.6	.7	-5.6	.2	-2.5
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ^{1 2}	133.9	133.8	.6	5.5	.0	-1.2	3.0	-6
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ²	126.3	126.4	.6	5.1	-2.2	-5.2	2.9	-3.7
Photographic supplies and equipment ¹	135.3	135.5	1.2	-2.9	3.3	.6	-9	1.9
Pet supplies and expense ¹	143.1	142.4	2.3	9.6	2.3	.0	5.9	1.1
Entertainment services ²	183.3	183.6	3.2	3.2	2.7	4.5	3.2	3.6
Club memberships ^{2 6}	135.5	135.3	.3	2.4	-6.3	2.4	1.3	-2.0
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ^{2 6}	170.9	172.0	5.8	1.7	7.5	12.8	3.8	10.1
Admissions ¹	196.4	196.7	3.8	-4	3.3	3.3	1.7	3.3
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁶	168.1	168.8	5.1	7.8	4.2	1.9	6.4	3.0
Other entertainment services ^{1 2 6}	141.4	141.6	3.2	2.3	3.8	3.8	2.8	3.8
Other goods and services ³	220.8	221.1	3.1	3.6	4.1	6.4	3.3	5.3
Tobacco and smoking products	243.7	242.4	.9	4.9	2.9	9.1	2.9	5.9
Personal care ¹	152.6	152.6	.3	2.4	.3	3.2	1.3	1.7
Toilet goods and personal care appliances ¹	145.4	145.0	-1.1	-5	-3.3	2.2	-8	-5
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements ¹	155.0	153.4	-3.1	8.8	6.4	-4.3	2.7	.9
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products ¹	139.6	140.1	.6	-6.5	-9.6	7.5	-3.0	-1.4
Personal care services ¹	162.1	162.4	1.8	5.7	5.4	4.0	3.8	4.7
Beauty parlor services for females ^{1 2}	161.2	161.5	.8	5.8	5.7	4.1	3.2	4.9
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ²	164.2	164.9	6.3	6.2	3.3	4.2	6.2	3.7
Personal and educational expenses ²	252.6	254.1	5.1	3.5	6.1	5.7	4.3	5.9
School books and supplies	236.9	238.5	6.3	5.7	2.9	6.5	6.0	4.7
Personal and educational services ²	254.1	255.5	5.0	3.3	6.3	5.7	4.2	6.0
Tuition and other school fees	271.6	273.0	4.5	4.0	6.0	5.8	4.3	5.9
College tuition	290.4	292.4	6.4	3.3	7.6	6.5	4.8	7.1
Elementary and high school tuition	281.6	282.8	2.8	5.4	5.0	5.1	4.1	5.1
Day care and nursery school ⁹	133.8	134.2	4.1	2.5	4.3	4.3	3.3	4.3
Personal expenses	223.1	224.1	5.2	3.0	6.0	5.7	4.1	5.9
Legal service fees ^{1 6}	161.5	162.5	3.9	2.8	2.0	5.3	3.3	3.7
Personal financial services ^{1 6}	189.9	190.6	1.1	2.2	11.9	5.0	1.7	8.4
Funeral expenses ⁶	170.9	171.7	6.3	3.7	6.9	8.1	5.0	7.5
Special Indexes								
Domestically produced farm food	157.5	158.3	9.5	6.8	-1.3	-1.0	8.1	-1.1
Selected beef cuts	127.8	129.8	13.5	6.4	-6.0	5.1	9.9	-6
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products ²	106.9	102.9	-17.2	14.8	12.7	-29.5	-2.5	-10.9
Utilities and public transportation	143.6	143.2	2.6	5.2	3.4	-2.2	3.9	.6
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ^{1 2}	155.1	155.3	3.2	3.2	1.3	2.6	3.2	2.0

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.
² This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.
³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.
⁴ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base
⁵ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.
⁶ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.
⁸ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.
⁹ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.
¹⁰ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.
¹¹ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.
 - Data not available.
 NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 10. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, all items index

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Pricing schedule ¹	Indexes				Percent change to May 1997 from—			Percent change to Apr. 1997 from—		
		Feb. 1997	Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997	Apr. 1996	Feb. 1997	Mar. 1997
U.S. city average	M	159.6	160.0	160.2	160.1	2.2	0.1	-0.1	2.5	0.4	0.1
Region and area size ²											
Northeast urban	M	166.9	167.3	167.1	166.8	2.3	-3	-2	2.6	.1	-.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	167.7	168.1	167.7	167.5	2.4	-4	-1	2.5	.0	-.2
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000 ³	M	164.2	164.8	165.4	164.7	2.3	-1	-4	3.0	.7	.4
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000 ³	M	165.3	165.6	165.6	165.2	2.7	-2	-2	2.7	.2	.0
North Central urban	M	155.9	155.9	156.1	156.3	2.4	.3	.1	2.5	.1	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	156.5	156.6	156.9	157.0	2.5	.3	.1	2.6	.3	.2
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000 ³	M	154.4	154.6	154.8	154.8	2.5	.5	.4	2.4	.3	.1
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000 ³	M	158.3	158.1	158.2	158.3	2.3	.1	.1	2.8	-.1	.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	152.1	152.1	152.1	152.2	2.0	.1	.1	2.1	.0	.0
South urban	M	156.1	156.5	156.7	156.6	2.0	.1	-.1	2.3	.4	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	155.2	155.4	155.7	155.5	1.8	.1	-.1	2.2	.3	.2
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000 ³	M	158.9	159.7	159.8	159.7	2.4	.0	-.1	2.7	.6	.1
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000 ³	M	155.6	155.7	156.0	156.1	1.9	.3	.1	1.9	.3	.2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	155.5	156.0	156.1	156.0	2.0	.0	-.1	2.4	.4	.1
West urban	M	160.1	160.8	161.1	161.1	2.2	.2	.0	2.5	.6	.2
Size A - More than 1,250,000	M	160.1	160.9	161.2	161.1	2.2	.1	-.1	2.5	.7	.2
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000 ³	M	165.4	166.3	166.5	166.5	2.5	.1	.0	2.7	.7	.1
Size classes											
A ⁴	M	144.1	144.4	144.5	144.5	2.3	.1	.0	2.4	.3	.1
B ³	M	159.5	160.1	160.4	160.4	2.4	.2	.0	2.8	.6	.2
C ³	M	159.6	159.8	160.0	160.0	2.3	.1	.0	2.4	.3	.1
D	M	156.2	156.4	156.5	156.4	1.9	.0	-.1	2.3	.2	.1
Selected local areas ⁵											
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	M	161.1	161.0	160.9	161.1	2.7	.1	.1	2.9	-.1	-.1
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	M	159.2	159.8	159.9	159.5	1.3	-.2	-.3	1.4	.4	.1
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	M	170.1	170.7	170.2	169.9	2.1	-.5	-.2	2.5	.1	-.3
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ⁶	M	165.8	166.1	166.0	166.0	2.6	-.1	.0	2.4	.1	-.1
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA ⁶	M	157.9	159.2	159.6	159.8	3.0	.4	.1	3.7	1.1	.3
Baltimore, MD ⁷	1	-	157.1	-	155.5	1.0	-1.0	-	-	-	-
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1	-	168.1	-	166.7	3.0	-.8	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1	-	155.4	-	155.6	2.5	.1	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1	-	158.5	-	157.9	3.5	-.4	-	-	-	-
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL ⁸	1	-	152.2	-	152.1	2.7	-.1	-	-	-	-
Washington, DC-MD-VA ⁷	1	-	161.9	-	162.1	1.9	.1	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	2	150.7	-	150.6	-	-	-	-	1.4	-.1	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	2	155.4	-	156.0	-	-	-	-	2.4	.4	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	144.5	-	145.2	-	-	-	-	1.5	.5	-
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA ⁸	2	156.2	-	156.6	-	-	-	-	2.5	.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.

² Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

³ Starting in January, 1998, a new Size Class B/C will be introduced, composed of current Size Class B and Size Class C cities. There will be no individual Size Class B or Size Class C.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986 = 100 base.

⁵ In addition, the following metropolitan areas are published semiannually and appear in tables 34 and 39 of the January and July issues of the CPI Detailed Report: Anchorage, AK; Atlanta, GA; Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY; Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN; Denver-Boulder, CO; Honolulu, HI; Kansas City, MO-KS; Milwaukee, WI; Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI; Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA; San Diego, CA; and Seattle-Tacoma, WA.

The following metropolitan areas are published annually and appear in tables 16A and 23A of the January issue of the CPI Detailed Report: New

Orleans, LA and Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL.

⁶ Indexes for the cities of Philadelphia and San Francisco will no longer be published on a monthly basis starting in January, 1998. Beginning in February, 1998 they will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

⁷ Indexes for the cities of Washington and Baltimore will no longer be published separately after December, 1997. Beginning in January, 1998 the two cities will be published as a Washington-Baltimore combined metropolitan area.

⁸ Indexes for the cities of Pittsburgh and St. Louis will no longer be published on a bi-monthly basis after December, 1997. Beginning in July, 1998 they will be published semi-annually, each January and July.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Local area CPI indexes are byproducts of the national CPI program. Each local index has a smaller sample size than the national index and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in their escalator clauses.

Table 11. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Regions ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast			North Central			South			West		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1997	May 1996		Apr. 1997	May 1997		May 1996	Apr. 1997		May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	166.8	2.3	-0.2	156.3	2.4	0.1	156.6	2.0	-0.1	161.1	2.2	0.0
All items (December 1977=100)	262.6	-	-	254.4	-	-	254.1	-	-	260.5	-	-
Food and beverages	160.2	2.4	.1	154.2	3.1	.2	155.5	3.0	.1	158.5	3.6	-3
Food	159.6	2.3	.1	153.5	3.2	.2	155.5	3.2	.1	157.7	3.6	-4
Food at home	161.3	2.5	.1	153.8	3.5	.4	154.5	3.3	.1	161.1	3.8	-5
Cereals and bakery products ²	182.4	2.0	-3	176.8	2.0	.0	171.3	1.3	.4	177.2	2.5	.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ²	151.9	2.9	-1	145.1	5.1	.4	143.8	4.3	.2	150.5	7.0	-4
Dairy products ²	138.9	6.5	.0	143.8	4.4	-1.0	146.0	7.3	.1	154.4	4.3	.3
Fruits and vegetables ²	189.4	.4	1.2	177.8	1.7	1.9	184.9	1.2	-1.1	193.2	1.7	-1.9
Other food at home ²	154.0	2.0	-1	143.0	3.6	.1	144.9	3.1	.6	147.2	2.8	-1
Sugar and sweets ²	155.3	1.6	-1.0	146.6	4.1	.0	143.5	3.3	.9	148.0	2.8	-2
Fats and oils ²	149.7	1.1	-3	135.2	1.5	-7	140.5	1.8	.1	143.8	1.0	-4
Nonalcoholic beverages ²	142.9	2.7	1.1	127.7	3.4	.7	129.2	3.5	1.4	134.4	3.1	1.4
Other prepared food ²	165.7	1.8	-7	157.0	4.1	-1	161.0	3.2	.0	158.9	2.9	-1.1
Food away from home	158.9	2.1	.2	153.6	2.7	-1	158.8	3.0	.1	152.8	3.2	-1
Alcoholic beverages	167.2	2.9	.0	162.5	2.9	.2	155.1	1.8	-2	167.1	3.9	1.2
Housing ³	167.1	2.5	-3	150.7	2.6	.1	147.7	2.3	.0	159.0	2.9	.4
Shelter	195.0	3.1	-2	172.0	3.2	.2	159.5	2.6	-1	174.0	3.3	.1
Renters' costs ^{2 4}	203.7	3.9	-9	177.7	3.7	-2	171.4	2.5	-9	185.2	4.2	.1
Rent, residential	178.7	3.2	.3	162.8	3.0	.3	154.2	2.6	.2	166.0	2.9	.2
Other renters' costs ²	249.3	5.7	-3.3	198.8	5.0	-1.3	213.4	2.1	-3.4	230.1	8.5	-3
Homeowners' costs ^{2 4}	202.3	2.7	.2	175.8	3.0	.3	161.1	2.7	.2	184.1	3.0	.2
Owners' equivalent rent ⁴	203.3	2.7	.1	176.2	3.0	.3	160.7	2.7	.2	184.0	2.9	.1
Maintenance and repairs ²	139.5	2.5	.0	145.3	3.6	.7	141.5	4.4	1.0	143.9	1.8	.3
Maintenance and repair services ²	147.4	-	.0	158.0	4.9	.1	142.7	5.5	1.5	150.4	.6	.7
Maintenance and repair commodities ²	128.4	1.7	.2	133.5	2.2	1.4	138.9	2.1	.0	135.9	4.5	-4
Fuel and other utilities ³	124.6	2.4	-1.0	123.0	1.9	-1	134.7	1.4	.3	138.2	1.5	1.4
Fuels	115.0	2.2	-1.9	106.3	-1	-3	119.4	1.4	.5	127.2	.3	2.8
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ²	98.3	-3	-1.3	96.0	2.2	-1.9	107.1	2.7	-2.7	108.0	3.2	-2.3
Fuel oil ²	98.1	-5	-1.3	94.1	-6	-1.4	94.5	1.9	-2.7	119.3	-4.3	-3.8
Other household fuel commodities ^{2 5}	122.2	.8	-1.2	127.7	5.6	-2.4	140.6	3.4	-2.7	122.3	7.6	-1.5
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	128.9	3.0	-2.1	111.3	-2	-2	122.1	1.3	.7	130.0	.2	3.0
Electricity	135.7	.4	-1	124.4	1.7	1.1	124.6	2.0	1.2	145.5	-1.1	1.1
Utility (piped) gas	118.9	8.5	-5.3	98.8	-2.8	-1.9	114.3	-1.4	-1.6	111.7	3.2	7.6
Other utilities and public services ²	161.5	2.5	.2	160.6	4.6	.2	163.3	1.4	.2	158.6	2.7	.1
Household furnishings and operation ³	126.0	-3	-2	123.5	.8	.1	128.0	1.7	.2	125.4	1.9	.7
Housefurnishings ²	107.2	-2.2	-1	109.4	-1	.0	116.0	1.0	.3	112.5	1.6	1.2
Housekeeping supplies ²	152.5	1.3	-2	142.0	1.0	-1	137.3	2.8	-2	141.1	.5	-4
Housekeeping services ²	154.4	2.7	-1	146.7	2.8	.3	156.7	2.4	.2	146.1	3.0	.1
Apparel and upkeep	130.9	1.6	-9	135.7	2.7	-5	146.4	1.0	-1	125.4	-9	-1.1
Apparel commodities ²	126.7	1.7	-1.1	133.6	2.7	-6	142.7	.8	-2	121.1	-1.3	-1.2
Men's and boys' apparel ²	131.0	2.6	-3	133.0	3.1	.8	140.4	1.7	1.7	121.5	.1	-7
Women's and girls' apparel ²	119.9	1.1	-1.6	132.9	3.7	-1.2	146.0	1.7	-1.5	117.2	.1	-1.7
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ²	137.4	3.0	.2	139.5	6.0	1.6	138.7	3.7	-1.4	121.2	-3.3	.1
Footwear ²	131.7	3.4	-8	132.6	-2	-4	130.8	.7	.5	118.7	-2.2	.0
Other apparel commodities ²	148.6	-1.3	-9	143.8	-5	-4.6	153.4	-4.2	-2	135.2	-6.8	-2.4
Apparel services ²	167.1	1.2	.1	152.9	2.2	.3	172.3	2.3	.2	157.6	3.1	.1
Transportation	146.3	.5	-4	142.8	.2	.2	142.7	-1	-5	146.3	-8	-6
Private transportation	141.5	.1	-4	138.9	-1	.4	141.4	-4	-4	142.3	-1.5	-6
New vehicles	143.5	.9	-3	141.5	.5	-4	148.0	.5	-5	144.7	1.5	-3
New cars	141.7	.9	-3	137.6	.4	-4	147.3	.5	-5	140.7	.9	-2
Used cars	157.5	-2.4	-2	154.0	-2.6	-3	154.1	-2.3	-3	151.5	-2.3	-4
Motor fuel	102.8	-5.9	-1.1	106.3	-5.6	2.1	103.3	-6.4	-1.3	110.6	-9.9	-1.1
Gasoline	102.3	-5.9	-1.1	106.1	-5.8	2.3	102.9	-6.7	-1.3	109.6	-10.4	-1.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular	101.0	-6.4	-1.1	104.7	-6.1	2.3	100.2	-7.0	-1.4	106.9	-11.0	-1.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁶	105.9	-5.8	-1.1	116.3	-6.1	1.9	109.2	-6.7	-1.4	106.4	-9.6	-1.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium	102.4	-6.3	-1.3	109.5	-5.4	2.3	106.0	-6.4	-1.1	110.6	-9.2	-6
Maintenance and repairs	170.6	3.1	.3	154.0	4.1	.3	159.7	2.3	.1	164.9	2.6	-2
Other private transportation ²	178.5	2.5	-2	171.2	3.4	-1	185.7	2.5	.1	173.3	.8	-6
Other private transportation commodities ²	105.8	.0	.1	106.3	1.3	-2	102.9	-1.0	-1	103.3	-9	.2
Other private transportation services ²	192.9	2.8	-3	185.7	3.7	.0	208.6	3.0	.1	190.2	1.2	-8
Public transportation ²	186.6	3.3	-6	206.7	5.0	-8	167.5	4.2	-1.7	192.6	5.0	-7

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 11. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Regions ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast			North Central			South			West		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1997	May 1996		Apr. 1997	May 1997		May 1996	Apr. 1997		May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997
Expenditure category												
Medical care	244.0	3.3	0.1	226.2	2.4	0.1	232.9	2.8	0.1	234.7	3.5	0.4
Medical care commodities	218.7	2.1	-.8	211.9	2.5	.3	210.0	2.6	.2	226.2	4.0	.9
Medical care services	249.4	3.5	.2	229.8	2.4	.1	238.6	2.9	.1	236.7	3.3	.3
Professional medical services	224.8	3.3	.4	210.2	3.7	.0	220.9	4.3	.3	203.1	2.9	.2
Entertainment ⁷	169.6	2.5	-.1	162.6	3.5	.0	159.2	1.8	.0	157.8	1.0	.1
Entertainment commodities ²	146.4	.8	-1.0	147.0	2.7	.3	143.0	.9	.0	138.8	-1.4	.0
Entertainment services ²	194.7	3.8	.6	181.4	4.3	-.2	179.4	2.6	-.1	178.9	2.8	.1
Other goods and services ³	232.5	4.1	.2	217.2	4.1	.4	214.3	4.2	.0	229.5	4.5	.2
Tobacco and smoking products ²	237.7	5.8	.9	253.5	4.3	.4	227.5	2.9	-.1	267.3	6.1	-.1
Personal care ²	163.4	.9	-.3	147.8	2.9	.3	145.5	1.7	-.2	155.5	.7	.1
Personal and educational expenses ²	264.8	4.4	.1	244.3	4.4	.3	253.7	5.4	.1	265.5	5.0	.3
Commodity and service group												
All items	166.8	2.3	-.2	156.3	2.4	.1	156.6	2.0	-.1	161.1	2.2	.0
Commodities	142.3	1.1	-.2	141.4	1.4	.1	142.4	1.1	-.2	142.0	.9	-.3
Food and beverages	160.2	2.4	.1	154.2	3.1	.2	155.5	3.0	.1	158.5	3.6	-.3
Commodities less food and beverages	130.4	.2	-.5	134.0	.4	.1	134.9	.0	-.3	131.9	-.9	-.3
Nondurables less food and beverages	132.0	.3	-.8	137.2	.7	.3	137.7	-.1	-.3	134.4	-.1	-.5
Apparel commodities ²	126.7	1.7	-1.1	133.6	2.7	-.6	142.7	.8	-.2	121.1	-1.3	-1.2
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	138.7	-.4	-.6	141.4	-.1	.7	138.7	-.5	-.4	143.7	-2.0	-.2
Durables	128.0	-.1	-.2	128.8	-.2	-.1	131.4	-.2	-.2	128.8	.5	.2
Services	191.4	3.2	-.2	172.3	3.2	.1	171.6	2.8	.1	178.6	3.1	.2
Rent of shelter ⁴	203.5	3.1	-.1	176.8	3.2	.2	164.0	2.7	-.1	184.6	3.3	.2
Household services less rent of shelter ^{4 7}	146.7	2.7	-.7	135.9	2.1	.1	145.0	1.5	.4	150.6	2.3	1.1
Transportation services	186.2	3.0	-.3	181.8	4.0	-.1	187.8	3.0	-.2	185.2	2.4	-.6
Medical care services	249.4	3.5	.2	229.8	2.4	.1	238.6	2.9	.1	236.7	3.3	.3
Other services	221.0	3.9	.3	198.7	4.3	.2	204.3	4.2	.1	207.4	4.0	.2
Special indexes												
All items less food	168.2	2.3	-.2	156.8	2.3	.1	156.8	1.8	-.1	161.8	2.0	.1
All items less shelter	157.8	2.0	-.2	152.0	2.1	.1	156.2	1.9	.0	157.3	1.8	.0
All items less homeowners' costs ^{2 4}	165.0	2.2	-.3	156.3	2.3	.1	160.1	1.8	-.1	163.5	2.1	-.1
All items less medical care	162.9	2.3	-.2	152.5	2.4	.1	151.7	1.9	-.1	157.1	2.1	.0
Commodities less food	131.9	.3	-.5	135.1	.5	.1	135.6	.1	-.3	133.6	-.6	-.2
Nondurables less food	134.1	.5	-.7	138.6	.9	.3	138.5	.1	-.3	136.8	-.1	-.4
Nondurables less food and apparel	140.4	.0	-.5	142.6	.3	.6	139.2	-.2	-.4	145.4	-.1	.0
Nondurables	146.5	1.5	-.3	145.8	2.0	.3	146.6	1.5	-.1	146.8	1.1	-.3
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	194.5	3.3	-.2	177.2	3.1	.1	186.2	2.8	.1	190.6	3.0	.2
Services less medical care services	186.6	3.2	-.2	167.0	3.3	.1	164.3	2.8	.0	173.6	3.1	.2
Energy	109.7	-.8	-1.6	105.8	-2.8	.8	109.5	-2.2	-.3	116.9	-5.4	.8
All items less energy	174.5	2.6	-.1	163.7	2.9	.1	163.0	2.4	-.1	166.3	2.8	.0
All items less food and energy	178.4	2.6	-.1	166.2	2.8	.1	164.9	2.2	-.1	168.4	2.6	.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities	142.7	1.1	-.4	143.8	1.4	-.1	145.1	1.0	-.1	140.9	.9	.0
Energy commodities	101.4	-4.4	-1.2	106.0	-5.2	2.0	103.9	-5.7	-1.3	111.6	-9.6	-1.1
Services less energy services	197.4	3.2	-.1	180.1	3.4	.1	177.0	2.8	.0	182.2	3.3	.1

¹ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

² This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁷ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- Data not available.

Table 12. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Population size classes ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Size class A ²			Size class B ³			Size class C ³			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1997	May 1996		Apr. 1997	May 1997		May 1996	Apr. 1997		May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997
	Expenditure category											
All items	144.5	2.3	0.0	160.4	2.4	0.0	160.0	2.3	0.0	156.4	1.9	-0.1
All items (December 1977=100)	144.5	-	-	260.4	-	-	257.3	-	-	252.3	-	-
Food and beverages	141.9	3.1	.1	156.8	3.1	.2	155.9	2.8	-3	153.6	3.7	.2
Food	141.4	3.1	.0	156.7	3.0	.2	155.4	2.8	-2	153.2	3.9	.3
Food at home	145.5	3.3	.0	159.3	3.2	.3	153.7	2.7	-4	151.5	4.2	.4
Cereals and bakery products ⁴	158.8	1.9	.1	175.9	2.6	.7	171.9	2.3	-5	177.5	.6	-3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ⁴	136.5	4.5	-1	150.1	4.3	.3	143.1	5.0	.6	138.8	4.9	-7
Dairy products ⁴	140.4	4.9	-4	147.9	7.3	.4	137.6	4.7	-2	141.3	9.1	.7
Fruits and vegetables ⁴	171.7	2.3	.3	191.4	-1	.3	181.5	-1.2	-2.1	174.4	1.5	1.5
Other food at home ⁴	134.6	2.5	.0	148.2	2.9	.3	148.5	2.8	-1	144.1	5.3	.9
Sugar and sweets ⁴	137.3	3.0	-1	146.5	2.1	.1	145.1	2.8	.4	139.5	5.3	-6
Fats and oils ⁴	134.5	1.5	-1	138.3	.4	-9	141.3	1.3	-8	139.5	3.0	.6
Nonalcoholic beverages ⁴	123.4	2.5	1.1	131.5	3.5	2.0	137.7	3.5	.7	127.2	6.3	.9
Other prepared food ⁴	143.6	2.6	-8	166.7	3.3	-7	160.7	2.7	-6	160.9	5.2	1.5
Food away from home	135.1	2.7	.0	153.5	2.8	.0	159.5	2.9	.0	156.9	3.2	.0
Alcoholic beverages	147.0	3.0	.6	158.6	3.3	-1	162.7	2.2	-3	160.0	1.8	-6
Housing ⁵	139.5	2.6	.0	157.8	2.7	.1	154.7	2.9	.1	149.0	1.3	.1
Shelter	147.3	3.2	.0	177.3	2.9	.1	173.4	3.1	-1	169.1	2.3	.2
Renters' costs ^{4 6}	148.5	3.8	-7	197.8	3.3	.3	174.8	3.2	-9	174.0	2.2	-2
Rent, residential	137.9	3.1	.3	164.7	2.4	.2	160.0	2.7	-1	158.0	2.0	.3
Other renters' costs ⁴	187.2	5.9	-3.1	264.4	4.7	.3	199.8	4.3	-2.6	201.8	2.9	-1.1
Homeowners' costs ^{4 6}	146.9	2.9	.2	180.0	2.8	.1	180.7	3.1	.1	175.2	2.3	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ⁶	147.2	2.9	.3	180.5	2.8	.1	181.4	3.1	.1	174.8	2.4	.3
Maintenance and repairs ⁴	127.7	4.2	.2	139.3	1.6	.7	157.0	2.1	1.2	137.8	1.7	.5
Maintenance and repair services ⁴	130.1	4.4	.1	140.8	1.4	1.4	172.5	3.5	2.6	148.6	1.8	.0
Maintenance and repair commodities ⁴	123.7	3.6	.6	138.1	1.7	-1	139.2	.4	-6	121.5	1.3	1.5
Fuel and other utilities ⁵	128.2	1.5	-2	133.8	2.8	.1	134.8	3.5	1.0	125.1	-1.4	-1
Fuels	125.5	.1	-6	113.6	2.4	.2	122.0	4.0	1.4	105.5	-1.7	-5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ⁴	145.7	1.1	-7	96.0	1.4	-2.5	99.3	-3	-3.1	94.7	.2	-1.8
Fuel oil ⁴	148.3	.4	-5	96.7	.7	-2.2	92.3	-2.9	-4.0	91.2	-1.3	-1.3
Other household fuel commodities ^{2 4}	135.6	4.3	-1.6	126.1	2.4	-2.9	129.9	4.2	-1.7	126.2	2.3	-2.3
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	123.7	.0	-5	120.7	2.5	.5	130.0	4.6	2.0	113.3	-1.9	-4
Electricity	128.8	.5	.7	128.6	1.0	1.0	138.4	3.3	1.8	121.0	-1.5	-4
Utility (piped) gas	115.2	-9	-2.6	106.7	7.2	-1.0	117.5	8.2	2.8	101.8	-3.0	-1
Other utilities and public services ⁴	131.7	3.4	.2	176.2	3.1	.1	161.9	2.9	.4	164.0	-1.1	.4
Household furnishings and operation ⁵	118.5	.9	.3	127.0	1.4	.1	124.5	1.1	.0	125.2	.9	-2
Housefurnishings ⁴	107.8	.1	.7	116.0	.6	.3	108.6	.5	.2	110.2	-.1	-5
Housekeeping supplies ⁴	135.3	.8	-1	134.3	2.1	-7	142.2	2.4	.1	137.4	2.5	.1
Housekeeping services ⁴	135.0	3.2	.3	154.8	2.9	.3	155.9	1.4	-4	155.6	1.8	.0
Apparel and upkeep	124.8	.6	-6	135.0	2.9	-1.2	143.0	1.4	-2	136.5	1.5	-6
Apparel commodities ⁴	123.5	.4	-6	130.8	2.9	-1.4	140.4	1.4	-3	133.5	1.3	-7
Men's and boys' apparel ⁴	121.9	1.8	.8	136.0	2.3	-1.1	138.4	1.1	-5	127.5	3.5	3.7
Women's and girls' apparel ⁴	119.2	1.0	-1.6	134.6	4.1	-2.0	141.1	1.6	-6	138.7	1.5	-2.2
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ⁴	114.0	.4	.5	131.1	11.3	-1.5	155.2	2.4	.6	141.0	2.8	-8
Footwear ⁴	129.5	.3	.1	114.6	.2	-1.5	132.5	2.4	1.4	124.9	-2	-2.7
Other apparel commodities ⁴	142.9	-5.5	-1.9	127.5	-9	1.0	157.1	.5	-1.2	140.8	-3.9	-1.7
Apparel services ⁴	136.7	2.5	.1	168.9	1.8	.3	169.3	.4	.3	165.6	3.7	.3
Transportation	142.3	.0	-4	143.4	.1	-1	144.2	-1	.0	142.9	-2	-6
Private transportation	141.5	-5	-4	139.7	-4	-1	140.8	-6	.1	138.6	-4	-3
New vehicles	127.0	1.0	-5	142.9	.5	-1	145.2	.7	-2	145.2	.8	-4
New cars	125.3	.8	-4	138.0	.1	-2	143.5	.8	-2	141.5	.5	-4
Used cars	145.5	-2.2	-3	153.8	-2.3	-2	154.6	-2.1	-3	148.9	-3.2	-5
Motor fuel	154.4	-7.7	-3	105.2	-6.0	-5	104.7	-6.4	-1	103.8	-5.8	-5
Gasoline	153.6	-8.0	-3	104.8	-6.2	-4	104.8	-6.3	.1	103.3	-6.1	-5
Gasoline, unleaded regular	153.9	-8.4	-3	102.4	-6.4	-3	102.1	-6.5	.2	99.6	-6.3	-5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	106.7	-7.8	-5	110.2	-5.7	-7	113.9	-6.6	-4	114.0	-6.1	-6
Gasoline, unleaded premium	143.1	-7.4	-6	107.0	-5.9	-5	108.4	-5.6	-1	105.6	-5.6	-8
Maintenance and repairs	144.9	3.3	.0	167.2	3.0	.3	157.8	1.3	.2	147.8	4.1	.5
Other private transportation ⁴	149.0	2.2	-4	173.8	2.2	.1	181.4	2.4	.4	175.0	2.6	-3
Other private transportation commodities ⁴	108.6	-1	.0	98.9	-3	.1	104.8	.0	-1	119.6	-8	.1
Other private transportation services ⁸	157.2	2.5	-4	191.8	2.5	.1	202.7	2.8	.5	190.5	3.3	-4
Public transportation ⁴	148.5	3.6	-7	210.2	7.5	-5	212.2	6.4	-3	225.2	2.2	-4.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 12. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Population size classes ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Size class A ²			Size class B ³			Size class C ³			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1997	May 1996		Apr. 1997	May 1997		May 1996	Apr. 1997		May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997
Expenditure category												
Medical care	185.3	2.5	0.2	234.1	3.8	0.3	238.2	3.3	0.1	228.2	3.2	0.2
Medical care commodities	174.0	2.2	.3	217.6	4.3	.4	206.5	3.0	-.5	214.8	3.0	.3
Medical care services	187.8	2.6	.1	238.0	3.6	.3	245.7	3.4	.2	231.9	3.2	.2
Professional medical services	170.2	3.0	.2	211.6	5.4	.6	224.0	3.4	.0	222.8	4.2	.4
Entertainment ⁶	144.9	2.8	.1	158.3	.7	-.2	164.8	1.4	-.2	147.4	2.1	-.5
Entertainment commodities ⁴	133.1	1.4	-.2	139.6	-1.3	-.4	147.1	.4	.0	139.5	2.1	.1
Entertainment services ⁴	154.5	3.9	.3	182.9	2.5	.0	188.1	2.4	-.3	158.6	2.1	-1.1
Other goods and services ⁵	179.8	4.2	.2	223.3	4.1	.1	218.7	3.7	.0	217.7	5.0	.5
Tobacco and smoking products ⁴	191.2	4.9	.3	254.0	4.1	.7	243.0	3.3	-.4	234.0	6.5	.8
Personal care ⁴	136.6	1.7	-.1	151.2	.4	.1	152.4	1.7	-.1	136.4	2.4	.4
Personal and educational expenses ⁴	191.5	4.7	.3	256.6	5.3	-.1	251.6	4.5	.2	258.4	5.0	.4
Commodity and service group												
All items	144.5	2.3	.0	160.4	2.4	.0	160.0	2.3	.0	156.4	1.9	-.1
Commodities	136.1	1.1	-.1	141.1	1.4	-.1	142.1	1.1	-.3	140.1	1.5	-.1
Food and beverages	141.9	3.1	.1	156.8	3.1	.2	155.9	2.8	-.3	153.6	3.7	.2
Commodities less food and beverages	132.2	-.2	-.2	132.1	.2	-.4	134.2	.0	-.2	132.6	.2	-.3
Nondurables less food and beverages	140.8	-.6	-.2	134.4	.6	-.5	138.1	.1	-.2	134.7	.7	-.2
Apparel commodities ⁴	123.5	.4	-.6	130.8	2.9	-1.4	140.4	1.4	-.3	133.5	1.3	-.7
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	151.6	-1.0	-.1	139.1	-.5	-.2	139.8	-.5	-.1	137.3	.5	.0
Durables	120.6	.3	-.1	129.3	-.2	-.2	129.3	-.1	-.2	130.0	-.4	-.4
Services	151.1	3.1	.0	180.5	3.2	.1	179.4	3.2	.2	174.3	2.2	.0
Rent of shelter ⁶	147.6	3.1	-.1	185.3	2.9	.1	179.8	3.1	-.2	174.9	2.4	.2
Household services less rent of shelter ⁶	129.2	2.1	-.1	147.4	2.8	.3	148.0	3.3	1.0	141.5	-.8	.1
Transportation services	152.2	3.0	-.4	188.4	3.5	.0	191.3	3.1	.3	185.6	3.2	-1.0
Medical care services	187.8	2.6	.1	238.0	3.6	.3	245.7	3.4	.2	231.9	3.2	.2
Other services	169.7	4.3	.3	208.4	3.9	.0	205.7	3.5	.0	202.6	4.2	.0
Special indexes												
All items less food	145.0	2.0	-.1	161.1	2.3	.0	160.9	2.2	.1	157.0	1.6	-.1
All items less shelter	143.3	1.8	-.1	155.6	2.2	.0	156.5	2.0	.1	153.5	1.8	-.1
All items less homeowners' costs ⁴	143.8	2.1	-.1	161.4	2.3	.0	160.3	2.0	-.1	157.5	1.8	-.1
All items less medical care	142.2	2.2	-.1	156.1	2.3	.0	155.3	2.2	.0	151.3	1.7	-.1
Commodities less food	133.1	.0	-.2	133.1	.5	-.4	135.3	.1	-.2	133.5	.4	-.3
Nondurables less food	141.4	-.2	-.1	135.6	.8	-.5	139.4	.3	-.1	135.9	.8	-.2
Nondurables less food and apparel	150.9	-.5	.0	139.9	.0	-.1	141.0	-.2	-.2	138.5	.6	-.1
Nondurables	141.4	1.4	-.1	145.5	1.9	-.1	146.9	1.5	-.2	144.2	2.2	.0
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	154.7	3.0	-.1	187.8	3.4	.2	189.1	3.3	.5	183.3	2.1	-.1
Services less medical care services	148.0	3.1	-.1	174.9	3.1	.1	172.6	3.2	.2	167.2	2.1	.0
Energy	137.3	-3.6	-.4	108.0	-1.5	-.2	112.7	-.7	.8	103.2	-3.6	-.5
All items less energy	145.0	2.7	.0	167.6	2.7	.1	166.8	2.5	-.1	164.0	2.4	.0
All items less food and energy	145.7	2.6	-.1	170.2	2.7	.0	169.6	2.5	-.1	166.6	2.1	-.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities	130.6	1.1	-.1	142.3	1.3	-.3	144.8	1.0	-.2	143.2	1.2	-.2
Energy commodities	153.5	-6.8	-.3	104.0	-5.2	-.8	104.4	-5.6	-.4	102.9	-5.2	-.6
Services less energy services	153.0	3.2	.0	186.9	3.2	.1	185.0	3.1	.0	181.4	2.5	.0

¹ See region and area size on table 10 for information about population size classes.

² Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

³ Starting in January, 1998, a new Size Class B/C will be introduced, composed of current Size Class B and Size Class C cities. There will be no individual Size Class B or Size Class C.

⁴ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

⁵ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁸ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- Data not available.

Table 13. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of regions and population size classes ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast								
	Size class A			Size class B ²			Size class C ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1997	May 1996		Apr. 1997	May 1997		May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997
Expenditure category									
All items	167.5	2.4	-0.1	164.7	2.3	-0.4	165.2	2.7	-0.2
All items (December 1977=100)	258.8	-	-	265.0	-	-	274.3	-	-
Food and beverages	160.0	2.4	.3	163.9	2.2	-2	157.9	2.1	-5
Food	159.4	2.3	.3	163.6	2.2	-2	157.3	2.2	-6
Food at home	161.6	2.5	.4	166.3	2.2	-2	154.6	2.4	-1.0
Cereals and bakery products ³	183.3	1.3	-2	172.6	3.0	.5	183.8	4.5	-2.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	151.1	2.9	.1	161.4	3.1	-1.1	150.3	2.0	-7
Dairy products ³	140.2	6.1	-1	142.7	6.7	-3	122.2	5.4	1.7
Fruits and vegetables ³	190.6	.8	1.8	191.4	-1.9	1.1	182.1	1.6	-1.3
Other food at home ³	153.6	2.2	.4	166.3	2.0	-2	143.8	.6	-1.9
Food away from home	158.3	2.1	.2	161.1	2.2	-2	163.8	1.9	.4
Alcoholic beverages	167.5	3.5	.1	169.8	2.4	-3	164.8	.7	-3
Housing ⁴	167.2	2.6	-3	166.4	2.8	-3	165.9	2.8	-2
Shelter	193.7	3.3	-2	196.6	2.7	-3	197.8	2.9	.1
Renters' costs ^{3 5}	203.5	4.5	-1.0	212.9	1.4	.1	188.7	3.7	-1.7
Rent, residential	179.3	3.4	.2	170.4	2.8	.2	174.0	2.3	.5
Other renters' costs ³	252.4	7.2	-3.6	271.5	-3	.1	199.7	7.1	-6.3
Homeowners' costs ^{3 5}	198.2	2.8	.2	205.0	3.1	-4	213.1	2.6	.4
Owners' equivalent rent ⁵	199.0	2.8	.2	206.7	3.3	-4	214.2	2.6	.4
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	123.5	2.4	-1.1	132.5	2.7	-1.2	120.3	1.9	-3
Fuels	117.5	2.5	-1.9	116.4	2.9	-1.9	102.2	1.5	-1.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	104.7	1.1	-3	92.3	-1.7	-2.1	87.5	-2.8	-3.2
Fuel oil ³	103.0	.7	-2	95.0	.2	-2.4	88.6	-4.1	-3.9
Other household fuel commodities ^{3 6}	142.8	4.2	-1.2	109.6	-8.7	-1.0	102.6	2.7	-7
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	127.9	2.8	-2.4	138.8	4.4	-1.9	117.6	3.9	-1
Electricity	133.3	.2	-3	149.1	1.2	.4	119.5	-2	.0
Utility (piped) gas	120.5	7.3	-5.5	118.6	14.6	-7.5	117.7	18.2	-7
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	126.9	-1.5	-2	121.9	3.5	.6	122.0	3.7	-1.0
Apparel and upkeep	127.9	.8	-5	134.3	4.9	-2.5	142.6	5.2	-1.0
Apparel commodities ³	123.0	.9	-6	131.0	5.0	-2.9	139.6	5.5	-1.1
Men's and boys' apparel ³	123.0	1.5	-3	151.3	5.3	-1.1	156.6	4.8	-9
Women's and girls' apparel ³	116.0	.6	-4	125.3	3.5	-5.6	129.8	5.6	-2.2
Footwear ³	131.2	3.1	-1.2	126.8	7.6	-1	147.5	3.2	.4
Transportation	148.7	.5	-4	141.1	.1	-5	143.3	.9	-3
Private transportation	143.8	.3	-4	138.1	-7	-3	136.1	.2	.0
Motor fuel	101.7	-6.2	-1.3	104.2	-5.5	-1.2	103.1	-5.5	.2
Gasoline	101.0	-6.2	-1.3	103.9	-5.7	-1.3	102.7	-5.2	.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular	99.5	-6.7	-1.5	101.5	-6.3	-1.5	102.6	-5.7	.3
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	103.2	-6.5	-1.4	111.0	-4.3	-1.1	111.0	-4.6	.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	100.7	-6.8	-1.5	105.2	-5.1	-8	105.5	-5.4	-8
Public transportation ³	178.3	1.9	-2	193.4	10.6	-2.0	247.3	7.0	-2.9
Medical care	247.2	3.7	.1	239.9	1.9	.0	230.3	2.8	-1
Entertainment ⁸	172.9	2.9	.1	155.0	.2	-1.3	172.2	3.5	.1
Other goods and services ⁴	229.9	4.0	.3	228.8	4.2	.0	239.4	4.8	.5
Personal care ³	167.7	1.3	-5	150.8	-1.1	.0	150.0	-7	.4
Commodity and service group									
All items	167.5	2.4	-1	164.7	2.3	-4	165.2	2.7	-2
Commodities	143.3	.9	-1	141.1	1.7	-7	140.1	1.7	-5
Food and beverages	160.0	2.4	.3	163.9	2.2	-2	157.9	2.1	-5
Commodities less food and beverages	131.2	-3	-5	127.7	1.4	-1.0	129.7	1.5	-4
Nondurables less food and beverages	132.8	.1	-4	128.4	1.3	-1.8	133.8	1.3	-5
Durables	129.4	-8	-5	125.2	1.7	.4	123.6	1.8	-2
Services	190.3	3.3	-2	192.3	2.7	-3	193.1	3.4	-1
Medical care services	253.5	4.3	.4	244.1	1.2	-1	234.6	2.3	-1
Special indexes									
All items less shelter	158.6	1.9	-1	155.8	2.2	-5	155.6	2.6	-3
All items less medical care	163.6	2.3	-1	160.8	2.3	-5	162.0	2.7	-2
All items less energy	174.5	2.6	.0	173.5	2.5	-3	174.3	3.0	-2
All items less food and energy	178.4	2.6	-1	176.2	2.6	-4	178.8	3.2	-1
Energy	111.1	-7	-1.7	111.3	-4	-1.7	101.4	-1.3	-7
Commodities less food	132.8	-1	-4	129.4	1.5	-9	131.1	1.4	-4
Nondurables less food	134.9	.4	-4	130.6	1.4	-1.7	135.5	1.2	-6
Nondurables	147.3	1.4	.0	145.6	1.9	-9	145.5	1.7	-5
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	193.9	3.3	-2	194.7	2.6	-3	194.2	4.1	-1
Services less medical care services	185.3	3.2	-2	187.4	2.9	-3	189.6	3.5	-1

See footnote at end of table.

Table 13. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of regions and population size classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	North Central											
	Size class A			Size class B ²			Size class C ²			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	157.0	2.5	0.1	155.4	2.5	0.4	158.3	2.3	0.1	152.2	2.0	0.1
All items (December 1977=100)	259.2	-	-	251.2	-	-	252.1	-	-	244.0	-	-
Food and beverages	156.5	3.4	.3	150.4	3.3	.9	153.7	2.7	-.3	148.7	3.2	.1
Food	155.9	3.5	.3	150.5	3.1	.9	152.6	2.6	-.4	147.6	3.1	.1
Food at home	157.1	4.1	.6	151.9	3.0	1.2	151.6	2.3	-.4	145.4	3.3	.1
Cereals and bakery products ³	178.0	1.2	.3	183.6	4.5	1.2	171.4	2.1	-.8	173.4	2.5	-1.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	150.8	5.4	-.1	139.0	4.0	2.1	137.8	5.0	1.2	136.5	4.7	.1
Dairy products ³	148.4	5.1	-1.3	142.9	1.6	.3	138.1	2.7	-.8	136.7	6.5	-1.1
Fruits and vegetables ³	183.3	4.9	3.6	166.9	.4	2.8	178.7	-4.4	-2.1	163.4	-.5	.6
Other food at home ³	142.4	3.4	-.2	146.2	3.3	-.3	148.1	4.4	-.4	134.4	3.4	.9
Food away from home	154.2	2.4	-.1	148.3	3.3	-.3	155.1	3.3	-.4	152.1	2.6	.3
Alcoholic beverages	163.0	2.3	.2	147.7	5.0	.1	168.5	3.7	.6	165.2	4.1	-.7
Housing ⁴	150.4	2.3	-.1	153.3	3.7	.5	154.9	2.5	.1	143.6	2.1	.1
Shelter	172.8	2.9	.1	180.6	4.3	.7	174.3	3.1	.0	158.6	3.1	.3
Renters' costs ^{3 5}	175.7	2.6	-.7	201.6	8.3	1.8	180.9	3.4	-.6	160.9	4.8	.1
Rent, residential	165.9	3.2	.3	168.3	3.1	.3	159.5	3.2	.1	147.9	2.2	.3
Other renters' costs ³	182.0	1.1	-3.1	244.2	13.7	3.3	219.5	3.8	-1.8	184.3	11.7	-1.1
Homeowners' costs ^{3 5}	177.3	3.0	.3	179.8	3.2	.4	177.6	3.0	.2	165.7	2.6	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ⁵	177.5	3.0	.3	181.1	3.4	.4	178.6	3.1	.2	165.6	2.5	.2
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	120.1	1.5	-.8	117.9	3.2	.0	129.9	2.4	1.3	128.5	1.4	.5
Fuels	105.3	-2.0	-1.6	102.1	3.2	-.2	116.2	2.6	2.2	99.2	-1.5	-.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	97.3	3.2	-1.2	93.2	2.1	-2.8	97.5	-.3	-3.9	94.3	4.8	1.0
Fuel oil ³	95.8	.0	-.1	97.3	-.8	-1.1	89.0	-4.3	-5.3	97.2	5.2	2.2
Other household fuel commodities ^{3 6}	123.0	7.3	-2.5	124.6	4.8	-4.2	135.4	4.6	-2.4	130.2	4.5	-.4
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	108.1	-2.2	-1.5	107.8	3.4	.1	125.4	2.8	2.5	106.3	-1.8	-.1
Electricity	123.7	2.1	.9	126.6	1.6	.0	135.3	.5	1.7	109.3	2.8	1.8
Utility (piped) gas	93.9	-7.0	-4.4	90.4	6.2	.0	116.2	6.8	3.9	105.4	-7.1	-2.3
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	119.0	.8	.5	124.8	2.0	.0	134.2	.5	-.7	123.3	-.4	-.6
Apparel and upkeep	134.2	3.0	-.7	134.8	.2	-1.1	134.5	3.2	.3	147.2	3.1	-.5
Apparel commodities ³	132.6	3.0	-.8	131.7	-.2	-1.3	130.8	3.7	.3	146.8	3.1	-.5
Men's and boys' apparel ³	133.7	2.5	-.7	128.8	-4.7	-1.0	126.3	5.6	-.2	147.0	14.3	5.9
Women's and girls' apparel ³	125.3	5.4	-1.2	144.9	2.3	-1.7	135.8	2.4	-.1	148.5	-.4	-2.6
Footwear ³	134.6	-1.3	-.1	106.7	-.9	-.5	126.2	4.4	1.4	156.6	-1.7	-3.8
Transportation	144.0	.6	.2	142.4	.4	.6	142.6	.3	.5	139.1	-1.1	-.4
Private transportation	141.0	-.1	.3	138.2	.1	.7	139.0	-.1	.4	131.3	-1.1	.0
Motor fuel	107.5	-5.6	2.3	108.9	-5.5	2.8	104.1	-5.9	1.8	102.8	-5.3	1.3
Gasoline	107.2	-5.8	2.5	109.1	-5.8	2.9	103.9	-6.0	1.9	102.1	-5.6	1.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	106.1	-6.1	2.5	106.2	-6.1	3.1	102.3	-6.1	1.9	99.5	-6.1	.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	115.5	-6.2	2.1	118.4	-5.4	2.7	116.3	-6.5	1.3	118.0	-5.8	1.6
Gasoline, unleaded premium	108.5	-5.6	2.3	114.4	-5.5	2.5	105.6	-4.9	2.5	105.7	-3.3	1.8
Public transportation ³	182.4	6.2	-.9	241.0	2.9	.2	224.5	7.2	1.5	327.9	-1.2	-4.3
Medical care	223.9	1.6	.1	221.1	2.6	.1	241.4	4.1	.2	218.7	2.6	.0
Entertainment ⁸	165.3	4.7	.1	151.8	.3	-.2	170.6	3.7	-.1	152.2	1.7	.1
Other goods and services ⁴	222.7	4.9	.5	215.0	2.8	.3	208.6	1.8	-.3	207.7	5.4	1.2
Personal care ³	142.3	3.4	.6	166.2	3.4	.1	161.1	.8	.0	134.6	3.4	.0
Commodity and service group												
All items	157.0	2.5	.1	155.4	2.5	.4	158.3	2.3	.1	152.2	2.0	.1
Commodities	142.8	1.7	.3	137.1	.8	.4	142.1	1.5	-.2	140.2	1.2	-.1
Food and beverages	156.5	3.4	.3	150.4	3.3	.9	153.7	2.7	-.3	148.7	3.2	.1
Commodities less food and beverages	134.3	.5	.2	130.4	-.5	.2	135.6	.7	-.1	135.3	.3	-.1
Nondurables less food and beverages	138.6	.9	.3	132.4	-.9	.4	136.0	1.1	.2	139.9	1.0	.2
Durables	126.6	-.2	.2	128.9	.0	-.2	134.3	.0	-.7	129.1	-.8	-.5
Services	171.9	3.1	-.1	174.9	3.8	.4	176.9	3.1	.3	165.2	2.5	.1
Medical care services	226.7	1.7	.0	225.2	2.4	.0	249.3	3.6	.2	221.7	3.1	.2
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	152.6	2.3	.1	148.6	1.9	.3	154.0	2.1	.1	150.7	1.5	.0
All items less medical care	153.5	2.5	.1	151.8	2.5	.4	154.0	2.2	.1	147.3	1.9	.1
All items less energy	164.0	3.0	.1	163.8	2.8	.3	166.0	2.7	-.1	159.6	2.4	.0
All items less food and energy	166.1	2.9	.0	166.9	2.8	.2	169.4	2.7	.0	162.3	2.3	.0
Energy	106.7	-3.9	.3	102.8	-.8	1.1	109.6	-1.3	2.0	99.5	-3.2	.5
Commodities less food	135.6	.7	.3	130.8	-.3	.2	136.7	.8	-.1	136.2	.4	-.1
Nondurables less food	140.1	1.1	.3	133.0	-.6	.4	137.7	1.3	.3	141.4	1.2	.2
Nondurables	147.9	2.2	.3	140.9	1.1	.6	144.4	1.9	-.1	145.0	2.1	.1
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	177.0	3.4	-.2	172.7	3.3	.1	183.0	3.0	.6	174.5	2.1	.1
Services less medical care services	167.1	3.3	-.1	170.6	4.0	.5	170.4	3.0	.4	157.9	2.4	.1

See footnote at end of table.

Table 13. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of regions and population size classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	South											
	Size class A			Size class B ²			Size class C ²			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1997	May 1996		Apr. 1997	May 1997		May 1996	Apr. 1997		May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	155.5	1.8	-0.1	159.7	2.4	-0.1	156.1	1.9	0.1	156.0	2.0	-0.1
All items (December 1977=100)	251.0	-	-	260.7	-	-	252.7	-	-	253.3	-	-
Food and beverages	156.1	3.2	.2	156.1	2.8	.1	156.1	2.8	-2	152.0	3.8	.0
Food	156.1	3.4	.1	156.0	2.7	.0	156.1	2.9	-1	152.4	4.2	.1
Food at home	154.9	3.3	.1	156.7	2.9	.1	154.8	3.1	-1	149.5	4.4	.2
Cereals and bakery products ³	171.4	3.5	.7	172.5	6	.9	167.4	1.0	.5	176.6	-1.9	-1.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	143.3	2.9	-1	145.6	4.4	.3	143.1	5.8	1.1	143.0	4.7	-8
Dairy products ³	151.2	5.4	.1	147.3	9.1	-2	144.0	6.0	-8	137.0	11.7	2.1
Fruits and vegetables ³	188.2	3.9	-8	198.1	-1.1	-1.1	178.8	-1.3	-2.5	166.7	3.0	1.0
Other food at home ³	142.3	2.4	.5	142.1	2.9	.6	153.8	2.9	.2	140.0	6.1	1.2
Food away from home	159.4	3.4	.2	156.6	2.6	.0	160.6	2.8	.1	159.7	3.5	-2
Alcoholic beverages	155.3	2.0	.3	157.1	2.9	.3	156.0	1.0	-1.3	146.0	-5	-8
Housing ⁴	145.4	2.1	-1	154.7	2.6	.0	144.6	3.1	.4	147.8	.8	.0
Shelter	157.8	2.4	-4	165.1	3.1	.1	153.1	2.7	-1	169.0	2.6	.3
Renters' costs ^{3,5}	165.8	2.5	-1.7	192.5	3.0	-3	157.1	2.0	-8	178.0	1.1	.2
Rent, residential	155.1	2.2	.1	156.5	3.2	.3	148.0	2.5	.2	157.7	2.9	.3
Other renters' costs ³	193.7	3.6	-6.7	281.5	2.6	-1.2	179.4	1.0	-3.0	205.5	-1.5	-1
Homeowners' costs ^{3,5}	160.1	2.3	.1	164.3	3.0	.1	155.5	2.8	.3	170.9	3.1	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ⁵	160.1	2.4	.1	164.1	3.0	.2	155.3	3.1	.3	169.3	3.2	.3
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	120.5	.4	.7	145.4	2.8	-2	146.7	4.8	1.2	123.7	-4.5	-6
Fuels	107.6	-1.5	.8	118.3	2.2	-5	141.5	6.3	1.9	107.1	-2.7	-1.4
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	99.5	-1	-3.2	109.4	4.5	-2.8	124.1	5.9	-2.1	96.9	-9	-2.6
Fuel oil ³	96.2	.3	-3.3	97.6	2.0	-2.2	86.7	11.2	-3.7	91.3	-4	-2.2
Other household fuel commodities ^{3,6}	133.7	-7	-3.2	143.0	6.1	-3.2	157.2	4.7	-1.6	115.2	-1.4	-2.9
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	110.8	-1.5	1.1	118.3	1.9	-3	143.7	6.3	2.1	111.4	-2.8	-1.2
Electricity	112.1	1.2	2.9	117.5	.9	.1	148.5	6.0	2.1	115.1	-2.4	-1.7
Utility (piped) gas	103.4	-9.3	-4.4	125.8	6.9	-2.0	134.0	8.0	2.2	100.9	-6.1	2.9
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	132.2	2.2	.2	133.9	.4	.0	118.4	1.9	.9	123.0	1.8	-2
Apparel and upkeep	152.0	.4	.1	139.4	2.8	-8	149.4	-6	-2	135.9	3.0	.5
Apparel commodities ³	147.4	-1	.0	134.4	3.1	-9	147.7	-7	-2	131.8	3.0	.5
Men's and boys' apparel ³	148.5	2.5	2.5	138.5	3.6	-2	134.8	-1.5	1.1	125.7	.6	4.1
Women's and girls' apparel ³	147.0	.1	-1.9	138.6	4.8	-9	153.3	.1	-1.4	144.1	4.8	-1.0
Footwear ³	141.6	1.8	1.7	120.2	-2.8	-2.8	132.8	.1	2.7	108.5	6.1	-2.0
Transportation	142.5	.1	-5	142.3	.1	-4	144.0	-8	-3	141.9	.1	-7
Private transportation	142.3	-2	-4	139.7	-4	-3	141.9	-1.0	-3	140.6	.1	-4
Motor fuel	105.1	-7.6	-1.3	103.8	-5.5	-1.2	103.7	-5.8	-1.1	96.6	-5.8	-1.5
Gasoline	104.2	-8.1	-1.3	103.4	-5.7	-1.1	104.3	-5.9	-1.1	95.8	-6.1	-1.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular	102.0	-8.4	-1.5	101.1	-5.8	-1.1	100.0	-6.2	-1.3	91.8	-5.9	-1.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	105.7	-8.3	-1.3	108.8	-6.1	-1.4	113.0	-5.4	-1.1	113.3	-6.2	-1.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium	106.2	-7.5	-1.2	105.4	-5.6	-1.1	109.2	-5.3	-8	102.4	-6.1	-1.1
Public transportation ³	147.9	4.2	-1.3	193.3	7.6	-2.0	195.7	2.9	-5	170.8	-8	-4.8
Medical care	232.7	1.7	.0	231.3	4.9	.5	234.5	1.9	-1	233.7	3.8	.3
Entertainment ⁸	167.1	2.4	-2	160.2	1.3	.3	153.6	.1	.0	150.6	3.9	-4
Other goods and services ⁴	207.8	3.2	.1	229.6	4.6	-3	212.4	4.5	-1	209.2	5.4	.4
Personal care ³	150.9	3.4	-3	150.6	-1.2	.0	143.9	2.4	-1	124.4	.2	-6
Commodity and service group												
All items	155.5	1.8	-1	159.7	2.4	-1	156.1	1.9	.1	156.0	2.0	-1
Commodities	142.9	1.1	-1	143.0	1.3	-2	142.9	.8	-2	139.0	1.8	-1
Food and beverages	156.1	3.2	.2	156.1	2.8	.1	156.1	2.8	-2	152.0	3.8	.0
Commodities less food and beverages	135.2	-2	-3	135.2	.4	-4	135.3	-2	-1	131.9	.7	-2
Nondurables less food and beverages	136.8	-8	-1	138.2	.9	-6	140.0	-5	-3	133.5	1.4	-1
Durables	133.8	.7	-4	130.9	-4	-1	129.9	.1	-1	129.7	-5	-5
Services	168.4	2.5	-1	176.9	3.4	.0	170.5	2.8	.2	174.2	2.2	.0
Medical care services	237.3	1.5	-2	237.2	5.0	.6	242.5	2.2	.1	237.2	3.8	.2
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	155.1	1.7	.0	158.4	2.3	-1	157.4	1.7	.1	152.8	1.8	-1
All items less medical care	151.2	1.8	-1	155.1	2.2	-1	150.6	1.9	.1	149.7	1.8	-1
All items less energy	162.5	2.3	-1	166.2	2.8	.0	161.2	2.0	.0	163.9	2.5	.1
All items less food and energy	164.0	2.1	-2	168.6	2.7	-1	162.6	1.8	.0	166.7	2.2	.1
Energy	105.1	-4.6	-2	107.9	-1.4	-8	121.3	1.0	.6	99.8	-3.9	-1.4
Commodities less food	136.1	-1	-2	136.0	.5	-4	136.0	-2	-2	132.2	.6	-2
Nondurables less food	137.8	-5	-1	139.0	1.1	-6	140.7	-4	-4	133.9	1.4	-1
Nondurables	146.4	1.2	.0	147.3	1.9	-3	148.1	1.2	-3	142.6	2.6	-1
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	183.9	2.5	.1	190.9	3.8	.1	187.9	2.9	.4	183.0	1.8	-2
Services less medical care services	162.1	2.6	-1	170.5	3.2	-1	161.8	2.9	.3	165.1	1.9	.0

See footnote at end of table.

Table 13. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of regions and population size classes ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	West					
	Size class A			Size class C ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1997	May 1996		Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997
Expenditure category						
All items	161.1	2.2	-0.1	166.5	2.5	0.0
All items (December 1977=100)	262.7	-	-	258.2	-	-
Food and beverages	159.0	3.3	-5	156.4	3.9	.2
Food	158.0	3.3	-8	155.7	3.9	.1
Food at home	161.6	3.4	-1.0	153.6	3.9	.2
Cereals and bakery products ³	178.8	2.1	-4	169.1	3.8	.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	152.0	7.0	-4	143.2	7.1	-6
Dairy products ³	157.0	3.4	-4	141.9	4.1	.1
Fruits and vegetables ³	189.8	1.1	-3.0	192.2	1.9	-1.5
Other food at home ³	147.1	2.2	-8	140.3	1.9	2.6
Food away from home	153.2	3.0	-3	159.8	3.8	.1
Alcoholic beverages	167.9	3.8	1.6	164.8	4.8	.6
Housing ⁴	160.9	3.2	.5	165.1	3.0	-4
Shelter	174.5	3.7	.3	187.3	4.1	-8
Renters' costs ^{3 5}	189.8	4.6	.2	184.9	4.6	-7
Rent, residential	169.2	3.3	.4	164.8	2.8	-1.6
Other renters' costs ³	231.2	8.8	-5	225.1	10.3	1.8
Homeowners' costs ^{3 5}	185.2	3.2	.4	203.8	4.0	-8
Owners' equivalent rent ⁵	185.0	3.0	.3	205.3	4.1	-8
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	142.4	1.2	1.0	131.9	3.4	1.3
Fuels	132.5	-2	2.2	111.8	2.8	2.6
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ^{3 5}	105.5	.7	-1.6	269.4	4.9	-4.4
Fuel oil ^{3 5}	103.0	-5.0	-4.0	352.4	-2.8	-1.2
Other household fuel commodities ^{3 6}	139.5	6.4	.6	120.7	6.0	-4.7
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	134.7	-2	2.2	110.6	2.7	3.0
Electricity	151.3	-1.1	-1	125.2	1.7	2.4
Utility (piped) gas	117.7	1.6	8.2	94.6	4.8	4.2
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	127.2	2.7	.9	124.4	-2.6	.5
Apparel and upkeep	122.3	-1.7	-1.1	141.0	.1	-5
Apparel commodities ³	117.2	-2.4	-1.3	139.4	.0	-5
Men's and boys' apparel ³	119.4	1.0	.7	146.9	-3.2	-4.2
Women's and girls' apparel ³	109.9	-1.6	-3.1	132.5	.4	3.0
Footwear ³	123.3	-3.6	.6	128.4	5.3	-1.4
Transportation	144.9	-1.2	-8	147.3	-3	.2
Private transportation	141.1	-1.8	-8	145.2	-1.0	.2
Motor fuel	110.1	-10.6	-1.0	110.2	-9.2	-8
Gasoline	108.9	-11.3	-1.2	109.4	-9.0	-4
Gasoline, unleaded regular	106.3	-12.1	-1.4	106.0	-8.9	.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	104.5	-9.7	-9	115.5	-11.4	-2.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	111.0	-10.2	-9	110.3	-6.4	.5
Public transportation ³	190.0	3.4	-9	182.2	10.6	1.1
Medical care	230.7	2.7	.3	252.5	7.1	1.0
Entertainment ⁸	157.5	1.7	.4	169.2	-2.3	-1.2
Other goods and services ⁴	236.1	4.7	.0	228.2	3.5	.0
Personal care ³	160.5	-5	-1	159.3	4.3	-1.0

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 13. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of regions and population size classes ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	West					
	Size class A			Size class C ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1997	May 1996		Apr. 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997
Commodity and service group						
All items	161.1	2.2	-0.1	166.5	2.5	0.0
Commodities	141.7	.9	-.4	142.8	.2	-.1
Food and beverages	159.0	3.3	-.5	156.4	3.9	.2
Commodities less food and beverages	130.8	-.9	-.2	135.1	-1.9	-.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	132.3	-2.6	-.7	143.1	-1.5	-.3
Durables	128.2	1.7	.3	125.9	-2.3	.1
Services	178.3	3.2	.2	189.0	4.2	-.1
Medical care services	231.2	2.5	.1	262.0	7.7	1.2
Special indexes						
All items less shelter	157.1	1.6	-.2	159.6	1.8	.3
All items less medical care	157.5	2.2	-.1	161.1	2.1	-.1
All items less energy	166.0	2.8	-.1	173.0	3.0	-.1
All items less food and energy	168.0	2.7	.1	176.6	2.9	-.1
Energy	117.2	-6.0	.4	110.9	-4.2	.7
Commodities less food	132.8	-.5	-.1	136.4	-1.5	-.1
Nondurables less food	135.2	-1.8	-.4	144.5	-1.0	-.3
Nondurables	146.2	.7	-.5	150.2	1.1	-.1
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	191.2	2.8	.1	196.4	4.2	.7
Services less medical care services	174.1	3.2	.2	181.5	3.8	-.2

¹ See region and area size on table 10 for information about cross classifications.

² Starting in January, 1998, a new Size Class B/C will be introduced, composed of current Size Class B and Size Class C cities. There will be no individual Size Class B or Size Class C.

³ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

⁴ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁸ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

⁹ Indexes on a June 1978=100 base in West size class C.

- Data not available.

Table 14. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Food at home expenditure categories, selected areas

(1982-84= 100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Total food at home	Cereals and bakery products ¹	Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ¹	Dairy products ¹	Fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	Other food at home ¹
Indexes, May 1997						
U.S. city average	157.5	176.9	147.7	145.4	186.4	147.1
Region and area size ³						
Northeast urban	161.3	182.4	151.9	138.9	189.4	154.0
Size A - More than 1,200,000	161.6	183.3	151.1	140.2	190.6	153.6
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	166.3	172.6	161.4	142.7	191.4	166.3
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000 ⁴	154.6	183.8	150.3	122.2	182.1	143.8
North Central urban	153.8	176.8	145.1	143.8	177.8	143.0
Size A - More than 1,200,000	157.1	178.0	150.8	148.4	183.3	142.4
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	151.9	183.6	139.0	142.9	166.9	146.2
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000 ⁴	151.6	171.4	137.8	138.1	178.7	148.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	145.4	173.4	136.5	136.7	163.4	134.4
South urban	154.5	171.3	143.8	146.0	184.9	144.9
Size A - More than 1,200,000	154.9	171.4	143.3	151.2	188.2	142.3
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	156.7	172.5	145.6	147.3	198.1	142.1
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000 ⁴	154.8	167.4	143.1	144.0	178.8	153.8
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	149.5	176.6	143.0	137.0	166.7	140.0
West urban	161.1	177.2	150.5	154.4	193.2	147.2
Size A - More than 1,200,000	161.6	178.8	152.0	157.0	189.8	147.1
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000 ⁴	153.6	169.1	143.2	141.9	192.2	140.3
Size classes						
A ⁵	145.5	158.8	136.5	140.4	171.7	134.6
B ⁴	159.3	175.9	150.1	147.9	191.4	148.2
C ⁴	153.7	171.9	143.1	137.6	181.5	148.5
D	151.5	177.5	138.8	141.3	174.4	144.1
Selected local areas						
Baltimore, MD ⁶	159.4	197.2	138.4	153.3	190.0	152.8
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	157.8	172.9	150.3	143.5	200.4	136.2
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	166.0	180.8	165.4	157.9	196.1	144.0
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	154.5	174.6	149.8	147.3	192.3	129.1
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	148.0	161.1	140.2	150.7	161.1	141.1
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	149.9	170.4	143.6	133.3	178.5	139.7
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	154.7	170.2	143.7	140.4	186.9	149.6
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	166.2	176.9	159.5	164.3	198.9	147.6
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	164.6	170.9	142.9	146.1	248.9	138.2
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	163.3	185.9	153.5	138.6	193.3	153.9
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ⁷	164.3	187.3	152.1	140.2	192.3	160.7
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA ⁸	150.4	161.4	136.0	149.5	158.7	157.7
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL ⁹	148.5	158.1	134.2	149.2	165.3	150.5
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA ⁷	163.3	179.1	151.3	150.6	185.3	158.1
Washington, DC-MD-VA ⁶	158.8	182.8	142.8	163.0	182.6	148.3

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 14. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Food at home expenditure categories, selected areas—Continued

Area	Total food at home	Cereals and bakery products ¹	Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ¹	Dairy products ¹	Fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	Other food at home ¹
Percent change, April 1997 to May 1997						
U.S. city average	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.2	0.0	0.1
Region and area size ³						
Northeast urban .....	.1	-.3	-.1	.0	1.2	-.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	.4	-.2	.1	-.1	1.8	.4
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	-.2	.5	-1.1	-.3	1.1	-.2
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000 ⁴	-1.0	-2.1	-.7	1.7	-1.3	-1.9
North Central urban .....	.4	.0	.4	-1.0	1.9	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	.6	.3	-.1	-1.3	3.6	.2
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	1.2	1.2	2.1	.3	2.8	-.3
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000 ⁴	-.4	-.8	1.2	-.8	-2.1	-.4
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	.1	-1.1	.1	-1.1	.6	.9
South urban .....	.1	.4	.2	.1	-1.1	.6
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	.1	.7	-.1	.1	-.8	.5
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴ .....	.1	.9	.3	-.2	-1.1	.6
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000 ⁴	-.1	.5	1.1	-.8	-2.5	.2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	.2	-1.6	-.8	2.1	1.0	1.2
West urban	-.5	.1	-.4	.3	-1.9	-.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	-1.0	-.4	-.4	-.4	-3.0	-.8
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000 ⁴ .....	.2	.3	-.6	.1	-1.5	2.6
Size classes						
A .....	.0	.1	-.1	-.4	.3	.0
B ⁴ .....	.3	.7	.3	.4	.3	.3
C ⁴	-.4	-.5	.6	-.2	-2.1	-.1
D .....	.4	-.3	-.7	.7	1.5	.9
Selected local areas						
Baltimore, MD ⁶	-1.4	1.4	-3.6	.1	-4.7	1.3
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH .....	.4	.0	.7	-2.1	2.6	-.4
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI .....	.7	.7	-.9	.9	3.6	.1
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH .....	.5	1.9	-1.1	-4.4	5.1	.9
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1.2	.8	.3	.5	2.7	1.8
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	-.4	-2.5	.6	-4.2	1.0	.4
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	.5	2.2	-.1	-1.4	3.4	-.9
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	-1.6	.1	-.9	-1.4	-3.8	-1.5
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	.6	.7	-1.9	.9	2.1	2.2
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT .....	.2	-.3	-.2	.4	1.7	-.3
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ⁷	1.7	-.6	3.8	-1.1	1.0	2.3
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA ⁸ .....	.0	2.2	-5.0	.0	5.5	.9
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL ⁸ .....	.7	.3	-.9	2.1	1.5	1.6
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA ⁷	-1.3	-.9	-.9	.2	-4.9	.3
Washington, DC-MD-VA ⁸	-1.2	-.9	-1.2	1.9	-4.2	-.5

¹ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997 below the U.S. city average level.

² This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

³ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

⁴ Starting in January, 1998, a new Size Class B/C will be introduced, composed of current Size Class B and Size Class C cities. There will be no individual Size Class B or Size Class C.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes for the cities of Washington and Baltimore will no longer be published separately after December, 1997. Beginning in January, 1998 the two cities will be published as a Washington-Baltimore combined metropolitan area.

⁷ Indexes for the cities of Philadelphia and San Francisco will no longer be published on a monthly basis starting in January, 1998. Beginning in February, 1998 they will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

⁸ Indexes for the cities of Pittsburgh and St. Louis will no longer be published on a bi-monthly basis after December, 1997. Beginning in July, 1998 they will be published semi-annually, each January and July.

Table 15. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Areas priced monthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group, percent change, April 1997 to May 1997

Group	U.S. city average	Chicago- Gary- Lake County, IL-IN-WI	Los Angeles- Anaheim- Riverside, CA	N.Y.- Northern N.J.- Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	Phil.- Wilmington- Trenton, PA-NJ-DE- MD ¹	San Francisco- Oakland- San Jose, CA ¹
Expenditure category						
All items	-0.1	0.1	-0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.1
Food and beverages .....	.0	.4	-.9	.3	1.0	-.6
Food .....	.0	.5	-1.0	.2	1.2	-.9
Food at home .....	.0	.7	-1.6	.2	1.7	-1.3
Cereals and bakery products ² .....	.0	.7	.1	-.3	-.6	-.9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ² .....	.0	-.9	-.9	-.2	3.8	-.9
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	.3	-.8	-.9	-.3	4.1	-.4
Dairy products ²	-.2	.9	-1.4	.4	-1.1	.2
Fruits and vegetables ^{2,3} .....	.0	3.6	-3.8	1.7	1.0	-4.9
Other food at home ² .....	.1	.1	-1.5	-.3	2.3	.3
Food away from home .....	.1	.1	-.1	.2	.1	-.3
Alcoholic beverages .....	.3	-.8	1.0	.5	.0	2.0
Housing ³ .....	.1	.3	.6	-.2	-.1	.8
Shelter .....	.0	.7	.1	-.2	-.1	.4
Renters' costs ^{2,4}	-.5	1.3	.1	-1.1	.0	.0
Rent, residential .....	.2	.4	.2	.3	.0	.6
Other renters' costs ^{2,4}	-2.2	4.8	-.1	-4.6	.0	-1.6
Homeowners' costs ^{2,4} .....	.2	.4	.2	.2	-.1	.6
Owners' equivalent rent .....	.2	.4	.2	.2	.0	.5
Fuel and other utilities ³ .....	.1	-2.0	1.4	.1	.0	3.5
Fuels .....	.0	-3.9	3.0	-.2	-.1	6.7
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ²	-1.7	-1.1	.0	.6	-.3	3.0
Fuel oil ²	-1.6	.3	-	.7	-.3	-4.0
Other household fuel commodities ^{2,5}	-2.1	-2.6	.0	-.2	-	3.6
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	.2	-3.9	3.0	-.4	.0	6.8
Electricity .....	.8	.9	.1	-.2	.0	4.5
Utility (piped) gas	-1.4	-9.7	10.7	-.7	-.1	11.8
Household furnishings and operation ³ .....	.2	1.2	1.8	.1	-.6	.8
Apparel and upkeep	-.6	-3.0	-1.2	-1.1	-1.8	-1.9
Apparel commodities ^{2,4}	-.7	-3.3	-1.5	-1.2	-2.1	-2.2
Men's and boys' apparel ² .....	.5	-1.1	.1	-1.4	1.6	4.0
Women's and girls' apparel ²	-1.5	-5.5	-3.7	-1.2	-5.0	-5.2
Footwear ²	-.2	-2.7	-3.8	-1.4	-3.7	2.0
Transportation	-.3	.4	-1.2	-.3	-.7	-.4
Private transportation	-.2	.1	-1.1	-.3	-.7	-.5
Motor fuel	-.3	2.7	-1.0	-1.8	-.8	-1.7
Gasoline	-.2	3.0	-1.3	-1.8	-.7	-1.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular	-.2	3.3	-1.4	-2.0	-1.3	-2.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁶	-.5	2.8	-1.3	-1.8	-1.2	-1.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium	-.5	2.7	-.9	-1.5	-1.4	-1.3
Public transportation ²	-.9	2.4	-.8	-.3	-.4	-.3
Medical care .....	.2	.3	-.1	.0	-.1	.7
Entertainment ⁷ .....	.0	-.7	-.2	-.3	.3	.5
Other goods and services ³ .....	.2	.6	-.2	.1	.8	-.6
Personal care ²	-.1	.7	-1.2	-1.1	.0	-1.6

Table 15. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Areas priced monthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group, percent change, April 1997 to May 1997 —Continued

Group	U.S. city average	Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ¹	San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA ¹
Commodity and service group						
All items	-0.1	0.1	-0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.1
Commodities	-1	.1	-4	-3	.1	-7
Food and beverages .....	.0	.4	-9	.3	1.0	-6
Commodities less food and beverages	-2	.1	-1	-7	-6	-8
Nondurables less food and beverages	-3	-5	-7	-8	-6	-1.3
Durables	-2	1.0	.9	-4	-7	.1
Services .....	.1	.0	-1	-1	-1	.6
Medical care services .....	.2	.0	-2	.4	-1	.0
Special Indexes						
All items less shelter	-1	-1	-4	-1	.0	.0
All items less medical care	-1	.1	-3	-1	.0	.1
All items less energy .....	.0	.2	-3	-1	.0	.0
All items less food and energy	-1	.1	-1	-2	-2	.2
Energy	-1	-8	.8	-7	-3	2.4
Commodities less food	-2	.0	.0	-6	-5	-5
Nondurables less food	-3	-5	-5	-7	-5	-8
Nondurables	-1	.0	-8	-2	.3	-9
Services less rent of shelter .....	.1	-6	-3	.1	-1	1.0
Services less medical care services .....	.0	.0	-1	-1	-1	.6

¹ Indexes for the cities of Philadelphia and San Francisco will no longer be published on a monthly basis starting in January, 1998. Beginning in February, 1998 they will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

² This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997 below the U.S. city average level.

³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁴ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after

December, 1997 for the U.S. city average. See Table X for a comparable index series.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁷ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- Data not available.

Table 16. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 ¹											
	U.S. city average			Baltimore, MD ²			Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH			Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	160.1	2.2	0.1	155.5	1.0	-1.0	166.7	3.0	-0.8	161.1	2.7	0.1
All items (1967=100)	479.6	-	-	465.0	-	-	484.6	-	-	481.2	-	-
Food and beverages	157.1	3.0	.0	159.6	1.1	-1.3	159.6	1.7	-3	159.6	3.6	-1
Food	156.6	3.0	.0	160.0	1.0	-1.4	159.7	1.9	-2	158.7	4.0	.1
Food at home	157.5	3.2	-.1	159.4	.9	-2.3	157.8	1.9	-.4	166.0	4.8	.0
Cereals and bakery products ³	176.9	1.9	.1	197.2	2.7	.9	172.9	1.9	.2	180.8	.2	-.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	147.7	4.6	-.1	138.4	-2.5	-3.1	150.3	1.1	1.8	165.4	7.1	-1.1
Meats, poultry, and fish	148.6	4.9	.3	140.4	-2.3	-3.0	151.3	1.0	2.4	168.4	7.1	-.9
Dairy products ³	145.4	5.7	-.5	153.3	3.2	-2.8	143.5	9.5	-.2	157.9	3.5	-.3
Fruits and vegetables ^{3,4}	186.4	1.2	-1.5	190.0	2.1	-6.9	200.4	2.7	-6.5	196.1	5.6	1.0
Other food at home ³	147.1	2.9	1.1	152.8	2.2	.5	136.2	-2.2	3.0	144.0	4.7	.7
Food away from home	156.3	2.8	.2	160.2	1.3	.4	164.1	1.9	.1	146.0	2.4	.3
Alcoholic beverages	162.8	2.8	.4	155.1	3.1	.8	160.3	.5	-1.2	170.0	1.1	-1.2
Housing ⁴	155.9	2.6	.0	143.9	1.0	-1.0	160.4	3.7	-2.4	158.1	2.3	-.4
Shelter	175.3	3.1	-.1	162.0	1.6	-.1	186.7	4.3	-1.2	185.8	3.6	1.0
Renters' costs ^{5,6}	185.3	3.6	-.8	163.9	2.1	-.7	197.5	4.8	-3.0	187.6	3.8	1.8
Rent, residential	165.9	2.9	.5	161.9	1.5	.0	175.7	4.3	.3	181.4	3.8	.6
Other renters' costs ^{3,7}	222.9	5.2	-3.8	148.8	4.0	-2.8	227.0	5.6	-8.7	179.3	3.3	6.0
Homeowners' costs ^{5,6}	180.6	2.8	.4	168.7	1.3	.1	190.5	4.2	-.2	192.1	3.4	.7
Owners' equivalent rent ⁸	180.9	2.8	.4	169.7	1.3	.1	190.8	4.1	-.2	190.9	3.5	.8
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	129.0	1.8	-.7	114.4	-.3	-4.7	121.2	3.3	-9.3	120.5	.8	-5.1
Fuels	115.3	1.1	-1.6	104.6	-1.7	-7.6	101.6	4.2	-14.3	104.5	-6.9	-9.4
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	100.4	.8	-4.8	92.2	-2.7	-6.1	97.1	-3.1	-4.4	99.9	4.5	-4.5
Fuel oil ³	98.0	-.4	-4.6	94.2	-2.9	-6.2	98.0	-3.5	-4.1	99.1	3.2	-2.4
Other household fuel commodities ^{3,8}	130.0	3.4	-5.8	NA	-	-	108.0	6.9	-10.6	129.0	6.4	-6.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	121.9	1.1	-1.2	118.3	-1.5	-7.9	117.9	7.3	-17.6	107.2	-7.1	-9.4
Electricity	130.6	.9	.7	123.7	.1	.0	140.9	3.2	-1.1	128.4	9.1	2.0
Utility (piped) gas	108.9	1.5	-5.4	106.6	-5.2	-23.2	87.9	16.0	-37.5	87.2	-23.0	-21.5
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	125.8	1.1	.3	125.8	-.1	-.6	120.2	-.1	-.7	114.3	-1.6	-1.5
Apparel and upkeep	135.3	1.2	.6	137.2	.0	.0	146.8	3.4	4.0	127.5	4.4	2.2
Apparel commodities ^{3,7}	131.8	1.1	.6	131.5	-.1	.1	136.9	3.6	4.7	127.3	4.5	2.4
Men's and boys' apparel ³	132.0	1.9	2.2	128.1	-3.2	1.8	130.6	-1.3	2.7	129.5	5.1	5.1
Women's and girls' apparel ³	129.9	1.7	-.2	120.4	-1.5	-3.2	122.5	8.4	7.7	115.9	7.8	-.3
Footwear ³	129.1	.6	1.7	161.2	4.6	4.4	146.6	-2.3	5.3	149.3	-.3	5.4
Transportation	144.4	.0	-.3	141.4	-.2	-1.3	140.2	.4	-1.0	141.2	-.8	-.2
Private transportation	141.0	-.5	-.4	140.4	-.6	-1.1	141.0	.5	-1.2	138.3	-1.1	-.4
Motor fuel	105.7	-7.0	-.7	104.2	-8.4	-3.6	106.3	-4.2	-4.0	106.8	-6.6	.7
Gasoline	105.2	-7.1	-.6	101.6	-8.9	-3.8	104.8	-4.4	-3.7	106.1	-7.1	.9
Gasoline, unleaded regular	103.2	-7.5	-.5	101.9	-9.1	-4.2	102.1	-5.4	-4.3	104.4	-7.4	.8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁹	109.4	-7.0	-.9	102.8	-7.7	-3.6	108.1	-4.8	-3.5	112.7	-6.8	1.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium	106.0	-6.7	-.9	99.2	-9.6	-3.0	106.9	-5.8	-3.2	107.0	-6.5	.7
Public transportation ³	188.1	4.4	.0	153.6	5.7	-3.2	135.2	-.1	1.0	163.7	1.6	.9
Medical care	234.2	3.0	.3	236.8	.3	-1.1	292.0	4.8	.8	235.3	3.1	.4
Entertainment ¹⁰	162.2	2.1	.1	168.8	1.4	-1.7	176.8	4.9	1.8	172.8	6.1	-.2
Other goods and services ⁴	223.1	4.2	.8	221.7	4.5	-.4	227.6	4.0	.6	232.4	5.4	1.5
Personal care ³	152.6	1.5	.5	139.8	9.8	-.4	155.2	5.4	1.5	161.9	9.0	1.3
Commodity and service group												
All items	160.1	2.2	.1	155.5	1.0	-1.0	166.7	3.0	-.8	161.1	2.7	.1
Commodities	142.1	1.2	.1	141.5	.3	-1.3	141.0	1.4	.0	143.5	1.8	.2
Food and beverages	157.1	3.0	.0	159.6	1.1	-1.3	159.6	1.7	-.3	159.6	3.6	-.1
Commodities less food and beverages	132.9	-.1	.0	131.7	-.2	-1.2	129.5	1.2	.2	133.0	.5	.5
Nondurables less food and beverages	135.4	-.1	.3	135.6	-.3	-1.5	134.8	1.7	.7	137.6	1.8	1.6
Durables	129.4	.1	-.4	128.4	-.2	-.9	126.0	.3	-.6	124.7	-2.0	-1.7
Services	178.4	3.1	.1	172.4	1.7	-.8	191.4	4.0	-1.3	178.2	3.2	-.1
Medical care services	238.5	3.0	.3	235.5	-1.5	-2.0	303.4	5.6	1.0	234.9	2.6	.1
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	155.7	1.9	.1	154.4	.8	-1.3	161.0	2.4	-.7	153.4	2.3	-.4
All items less medical care	155.9	2.2	.0	151.5	1.1	-1.0	160.8	2.9	-1.0	157.3	2.6	.0
All items less energy	166.8	2.6	.2	163.0	1.5	-.7	176.1	3.2	-.1	168.4	3.4	.4
All items less food and energy	169.3	2.5	.2	163.8	1.6	-.5	179.9	3.4	-.1	170.9	3.3	.5
Energy	109.9	-2.7	-1.2	103.9	-5.0	-5.8	102.7	1.0	-10.8	105.0	-6.8	-4.8
Commodities less food	134.1	.1	.0	132.6	-.2	-1.1	130.9	1.2	.2	134.8	.4	.3
Nondurables less food	137.0	.1	.3	136.8	-.1	-1.3	136.1	1.6	.5	139.9	1.7	1.3
Nondurables	146.4	1.5	.1	147.0	.5	-1.3	147.1	1.7	.2	149.0	2.8	.7
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	186.9	3.0	.1	189.4	1.8	-1.5	204.9	3.6	-1.5	178.6	3.0	-1.2
Services less medical care services	172.8	3.0	.1	167.2	2.0	-.7	182.6	3.8	-1.7	173.5	3.3	-.1

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Table 16. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 ¹											
	Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH			Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA			Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL			N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	155.6	2.5	0.1	159.5	1.3	-0.2	157.9	3.5	-0.4	169.9	2.1	-0.5
All items (1967=100) ¹¹	498.5	-	-	471.3	-	-	254.5	-	-	491.3	-	-
Food and beverages	157.5	2.7	.4	161.6	3.4	-1.0	166.0	4.1	.4	162.8	2.5	-.1
Food	158.5	2.8	.4	159.6	3.4	-1.2	166.2	4.4	.4	162.1	2.3	-.1
Food at home	154.5	4.0	1.0	166.2	3.6	-2.1	164.6	5.7	.1	163.3	2.4	-.4
Cereals and bakery products ³	174.6	1.1	-.4	176.9	1.4	.4	170.9	6.5	-1.0	185.9	1.6	-.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	149.8	3.7	.5	159.5	8.1	-.8	142.9	4.8	-1.0	153.5	3.0	-1.3
Meats, poultry, and fish	152.4	4.5	.9	157.1	8.1	-.3	145.1	5.3	-.9	153.9	3.1	-1.3
Dairy products ³	147.3	7.2	-.7	164.3	1.8	-2.1	146.1	2.9	.8	138.6	4.4	.0
Fruits and vegetables ^{3,4}	192.3	8.0	7.9	198.9	2.3	-7.1	248.9	11.7	.5	193.3	1.5	-1.1
Other food at home ³	129.1	1.5	.4	147.6	1.9	-.3	138.2	.6	1.6	153.9	1.9	1.5
Food away from home	167.2	.8	-.7	150.2	3.1	.3	171.0	3.2	.6	164.0	2.1	.2
Alcoholic beverages	148.3	1.4	.7	181.2	3.5	1.1	161.6	2.0	.6	170.2	4.9	.8
Housing ⁴	151.8	2.7	-.3	156.1	1.8	.4	149.6	4.3	-.5	170.2	2.1	-.6
Shelter	169.7	1.5	-.6	166.0	2.0	-.1	156.8	2.8	-1.2	197.7	3.1	-.3
Renters' costs ^{5,6}	177.0	-1.7	-.4	175.6	2.6	-.8	158.4	2.9	-5.2	204.2	3.9	-1.6
Rent, residential	161.3	2.9	1.1	159.1	1.5	.4	148.1	1.9	.3	183.6	3.6	.5
Other renters' costs ^{3,7}	199.5	-11.1	-16.0	219.2	7.2	-4.5	214.6	7.4	-22.9	252.8	4.9	-7.2
Homeowners' costs ^{5,6}	167.8	2.8	1.0	175.3	1.6	.3	161.7	2.7	.6	204.3	2.7	.4
Owners' equivalent rent ⁶	168.7	2.8	1.0	174.8	1.5	.3	158.6	2.1	.6	205.2	2.6	.3
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	128.0	6.2	-1.0	152.6	.9	1.7	120.1	2.4	-.6	117.7	1.5	-2.1
Fuels	125.1	11.2	-1.7	149.4	-.1	3.6	111.6	2.7	-1.1	114.9	.6	-3.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ⁹	99.1	-1.0	-2.3	126.5	8.0	-1.1	169.4	8.5	-.8	107.6	3.3	-3.2
Fuel oil ³	92.2	-1.8	-3.2	NA	-	-	NA	-	-	106.9	3.0	-3.3
Other household fuel commodities ^{3,8}	117.5	.0	-1.3	126.5	7.9	-1.1	153.0	8.6	-.8	130.5	8.2	-1.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	127.2	11.7	-1.7	149.7	-.2	3.6	110.6	2.6	-1.0	122.1	-.2	-3.7
Electricity	133.4	.3	.0	168.3	.7	.8	108.7	2.5	-1.1	123.4	-.6	-3.1
Utility (piped) gas	122.3	24.5	-3.2	132.5	-2.1	10.7	159.9	2.2	-.2	120.0	.6	-4.7
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	129.0	3.9	1.3	122.1	1.2	1.3	153.0	12.2	2.8	130.3	-3.1	-.3
Apparel and upkeep	128.6	-3.8	-.2	123.6	-1.7	-.7	151.1	3.9	-1.0	130.9	.6	-2.6
Apparel commodities ^{3,7}	125.7	-4.8	-.4	118.6	-2.6	-.8	143.2	4.4	-1.2	126.7	.7	-3.0
Men's and boys' apparel ³	144.4	2.3	2.7	124.1	-2.7	-1.1	135.7	-5.2	.7	122.0	2.6	-1.1
Women's and girls' apparel ³	128.7	-6.9	.9	115.8	1.4	-.2	157.9	10.3	-4.6	125.7	1.1	-3.8
Footwear ³	80.9	-13.5	-3.7	102.9	-10.9	.5	158.1	17.0	2.7	134.3	.8	-3.0
Transportation	142.5	2.7	.0	145.0	-2.4	-.7	146.7	1.0	-1.5	153.6	.4	-1.0
Private transportation	142.5	2.8	.8	140.4	-3.2	-.6	146.6	.7	-1.5	145.8	-.1	-.8
Motor fuel	114.9	-5.0	3.6	106.6	-12.6	2.9	115.7	-2.7	-1.9	98.2	-7.2	-3.4
Gasoline	114.2	-5.3	3.9	104.2	-13.9	2.9	114.7	-3.4	-2.1	97.8	-7.3	-3.6
Gasoline, unleaded regular	113.6	-5.4	4.4	102.2	-14.5	2.9	113.0	-2.8	-2.2	96.7	-7.6	-3.8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁹	116.7	-5.2	3.7	101.6	-13.2	2.3	109.0	-3.4	-1.8	100.6	-7.0	-3.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium	115.6	-5.0	2.8	104.9	-12.9	2.9	115.4	-4.4	-2.0	99.4	-7.4	-3.2
Public transportation ³	144.8	.9	-9.0	206.8	3.6	-1.3	145.3	4.5	-.2	188.2	2.6	-1.5
Medical care	210.5	.4	-.3	231.2	1.0	-.3	219.6	2.2	.2	243.5	4.0	.0
Entertainment ¹⁰	158.4	2.5	.4	148.1	2.3	-.3	152.6	5.5	-.5	167.9	3.1	.5
Other goods and services ⁴	205.0	7.8	2.9	239.7	4.3	.3	179.7	4.5	.7	228.3	3.9	1.0
Personal care ³	142.1	2.6	1.9	160.6	-1.8	1.1	102.0	7.8	-1.4	165.7	-.1	-1.0
Commodity and service group												
All items	155.6	2.5	.1	159.5	1.3	-.2	157.9	3.5	-.4	169.9	2.1	-.5
Commodities	143.5	1.0	.4	141.8	.5	-.1	152.5	4.2	.1	146.1	.6	-.7
Food and beverages	157.5	2.7	.4	161.6	3.4	-1.0	166.0	4.1	.4	162.8	2.5	-.1
Commodities less food and beverages	134.4	-.1	.4	129.0	-1.7	.5	142.9	4.2	-.2	133.1	-.9	-1.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	138.1	-.8	1.0	132.4	-3.4	.7	136.4	3.4	-.7	134.5	-.2	-1.2
Durables	124.0	1.1	-.5	123.8	.9	.3	152.8	5.1	.3	130.4	-2.3	-1.1
Services	168.9	3.9	-.2	175.3	1.8	-.2	163.0	2.9	-.8	191.1	3.1	-.3
Medical care services	206.3	.0	-.4	232.7	.6	-.5	224.4	2.1	.3	250.2	4.9	.1
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	151.1	2.9	.4	157.9	1.0	-.3	158.3	3.7	-.1	159.7	1.7	-.6
All items less medical care	152.8	2.6	.1	155.6	1.3	-.2	154.3	3.6	-.4	166.4	2.0	-.5
All items less energy	160.6	2.5	.0	163.8	1.9	-.4	163.0	3.8	-.3	176.8	2.4	-.3
All items less food and energy	160.9	2.4	.0	165.1	1.5	-.2	162.2	3.6	-.4	180.6	2.4	-.3
Energy	121.7	2.4	.9	121.2	-7.2	3.2	111.9	-.3	-1.6	108.5	-2.1	-3.6
Commodities less food	135.0	.0	.5	131.8	-1.3	.6	144.1	4.0	-.1	134.7	-.6	-1.1
Nondurables less food	138.3	-.6	1.0	136.6	-2.5	.7	138.6	3.3	-.4	136.7	.3	-1.1
Nondurables	148.2	1.0	.7	147.8	.4	-.3	152.4	3.8	.0	150.0	1.3	-.6
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	171.5	6.1	.2	195.0	1.8	-.4	175.8	3.4	-.3	191.5	3.2	-.3
Services less medical care services	165.6	4.2	-.2	170.5	2.0	-.2	157.1	2.9	-.9	186.5	2.9	-.4

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Table 16. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 ¹											
	Phil.- Wilmington- Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ¹²			St. Louis- East St. Louis, MO-IL ¹³			San Francisco- Oakland- San Jose, CA ¹²			Washington, DC-MD-VA ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1997	May 1996		Mar. 1997	May 1997		May 1996	Mar. 1997		May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	166.0	2.6	-0.1	152.1	2.7	-0.1	159.8	3.0	0.4	162.1	1.9	0.1
All items (1967=100)	479.5	-	-	451.7	-	-	491.2	-	-	478.5	-	-
Food and beverages	155.4	2.5	.9	154.3	2.7	.3	158.8	3.1	-.7	154.9	1.6	.3
Food	154.6	2.7	1.0	152.4	2.1	.0	159.0	3.2	-1.0	155.3	1.6	.2
Food at home	164.3	3.5	1.4	148.5	1.9	.4	163.3	3.0	-1.6	158.8	.3	.4
Cereals and bakery products ³	187.3	.3	-3.7	158.1	2.1	.2	179.1	3.9	.6	182.8	.1	.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	152.1	4.9	2.8	134.2	4.3	.6	151.3	4.2	-2.3	142.8	-2.1	-.4
Meats, poultry, and fish	152.5	4.7	3.0	136.8	4.2	.8	147.3	5.3	-1.3	144.1	-2.0	-.2
Dairy products ³	140.2	5.4	-.5	149.2	4.7	2.2	150.6	2.2	.2	163.0	7.8	4.4
Fruits and vegetables ^{3,4}	192.3	4.1	3.6	165.3	-6.0	-3.4	185.3	-6	-7.4	182.6	-1.7	-.6
Other food at home ³	160.7	2.8	2.5	150.5	3.8	2.2	158.1	4.6	2.6	148.3	1.4	.3
Food away from home	138.0	1.2	.3	159.5	2.4	-.6	154.2	3.5	-.2	152.7	3.5	-.1
Alcoholic beverages	167.1	1.0	.1	168.6	7.9	2.6	158.0	3.3	2.1	152.3	.9	.3
Housing ⁴	166.5	3.9	-.1	143.6	2.5	-.7	164.5	4.9	1.1	156.7	1.5	.2
Shelter	195.5	4.3	.2	162.2	2.7	.0	180.3	5.7	1.0	172.5	1.8	-.2
Renters' costs ^{5,6}	220.1	7.6	-.5	168.0	2.1	-1.0	205.8	6.1	.9	185.5	1.8	-2.1
Rent, residential	175.2	2.5	.2	146.8	2.7	.8	182.8	5.8	1.2	171.0	1.3	.9
Other renters' costs ^{3,7}	301.2	14.7	-1.4	202.8	1.0	-4.4	215.6	7.3	.3	188.7	3.5	-10.9
Homeowners' costs ^{5,6}	197.6	2.9	.4	169.7	3.0	.3	194.4	5.5	.9	174.8	1.6	1.1
Owners' equivalent rent ⁶	198.6	2.9	.5	171.0	3.0	.3	194.6	5.0	.9	175.6	1.7	1.0
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	130.4	3.7	.0	115.7	.2	-4.2	149.4	2.0	2.2	126.9	2.8	1.0
Fuels	120.8	5.0	-.3	101.7	-1.9	-7.4	149.6	1.4	4.0	109.6	4.0	.6
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	104.4	-4.0	-2.3	91.9	4.8	-6.4	153.9	5.3	3.1	104.6	.7	.9
Fuel oil ³	98.0	-4.0	-2.3	83.2	-3.0	-4.0	111.5	-19.9	-3.5	99.6	3.2	1.2
Other household fuel commodities ^{3,8}	NA	-	-	115.3	10.7	-8.0	176.2	8.1	3.6	163.9	-6.7	-.3
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	136.9	6.5	.0	104.0	-2.4	-7.5	149.7	1.4	4.0	116.5	4.5	.7
Electricity	148.6	1.4	.0	122.3	.7	.5	176.0	.0	.6	119.2	2.6	.8
Utility (piped) gas	121.9	18.7	.1	87.0	-6.4	-16.2	120.5	4.2	11.8	112.4	7.5	.3
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	120.8	1.7	-1.4	124.6	3.7	.3	119.6	2.6	1.0	131.6	-.8	.9
Apparel and upkeep	102.9	-1.6	-1.4	128.7	6.6	2.5	115.7	-4.8	-1.4	147.1	5.4	1.4
Apparel commodities ^{3,7}	97.5	-2.0	-1.7	126.7	7.2	2.7	110.2	-5.8	-1.7	142.6	5.8	1.6
Men's and boys' apparel ³	119.3	.1	3.6	142.4	9.0	5.7	112.8	8.0	3.8	166.9	9.4	9.2
Women's and girls' apparel ³	70.1	-8.8	-7.4	108.6	9.1	-3.7	89.8	-10.1	-4.3	142.8	9.5	-3.6
Footwear ³	115.6	7.9	-.5	109.3	16.6	6.0	150.6	-3.1	9.3	136.9	7.0	5.8
Transportation	151.9	.5	-1.1	144.5	1.3	-.1	134.7	-.8	.0	145.6	-.1	-.6
Private transportation	149.7	.3	-1.1	144.6	.9	.1	128.4	-2.1	.3	146.3	-.8	-.3
Motor fuel	105.7	-6.6	-3.4	108.2	-5.3	3.7	113.7	-10.0	3.0	108.6	-8.7	-3.6
Gasoline	104.1	-6.6	-3.3	107.2	-5.2	4.7	112.1	-10.2	3.2	107.6	-9.4	-3.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular	102.1	-8.0	-4.5	104.0	-5.1	5.2	109.6	-11.0	3.3	105.8	-10.0	-3.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁹	101.9	-7.7	-3.8	122.1	-5.9	4.3	107.4	-9.4	3.4	102.2	-9.2	-3.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium	98.5	-7.3	-3.1	107.3	-5.0	3.6	112.8	-8.3	3.4	106.7	-8.3	-3.4
Public transportation ³	175.3	2.3	-1.9	155.8	6.9	-2.9	186.6	6.0	-1.5	146.3	4.6	-3.2
Medical care	246.8	2.8	-.1	226.3	4.4	.8	222.2	4.2	1.3	230.4	4.3	-.6
Entertainment ¹⁰	181.2	1.7	-1.5	162.2	2.4	-.9	168.0	.5	.2	173.3	2.6	.1
Other goods and services ⁴	241.5	3.5	1.4	189.2	2.9	.5	235.9	4.8	-.4	235.9	4.0	.5
Personal care ³	195.9	1.2	-.2	100.5	-5.8	.0	162.4	2.0	-.8	168.8	.6	-.8

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 16. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 ¹											
	Phil.- Wilmington- Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ¹²			St. Louis- East St. Louis, MO-IL ¹³			San Francisco- Oakland- San Jose, CA ¹²			Washington, DC-MD-VA ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1997	May 1996		Mar. 1997	May 1997		May 1996	Mar. 1997		May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997
Commodity and service group												
All items	166.0	2.6	-0.1	152.1	2.7	-0.1	159.8	3.0	0.4	162.1	1.9	0.1
Commodities	136.8	.8	-2	140.8	2.4	.9	140.0	.5	-4	143.2	.6	.0
Food and beverages	155.4	2.5	.9	154.3	2.7	.3	158.8	3.1	-7	154.9	1.6	.3
Commodities less food and beverages	125.1	-.4	-1.0	132.5	2.3	1.3	127.2	-1.7	.1	136.7	.1	-.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	125.0	-1.4	-.6	134.0	1.9	1.9	129.8	-3.1	.6	139.1	1.9	.3
Durables	126.5	1.0	-1.6	128.9	2.9	.4	122.8	.7	-8	134.4	-2.6	-1.0
Services	196.6	3.8	-.1	164.9	2.9	-.8	176.4	4.6	.8	179.4	2.8	.2
Medical care services	253.0	3.0	-.2	232.0	4.8	.8	220.5	2.8	.7	234.3	4.8	-.4
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	157.5	1.9	-.2	149.9	2.7	-.1	153.4	1.7	.1	158.5	2.0	.3
All items less medical care	162.0	2.5	-.1	147.8	2.5	-.1	156.9	3.0	.3	158.6	1.7	.2
All items less energy	173.0	2.7	.0	158.8	3.3	.1	163.9	3.5	.2	168.7	2.2	.2
All items less food and energy	178.1	2.8	-.2	160.4	3.5	.1	165.2	3.6	.4	171.7	2.3	.2
Energy	114.5	.5	-1.4	105.0	-3.7	-2.1	126.8	-4.5	3.5	108.5	-2.9	-1.6
Commodities less food	126.8	-.3	-.9	134.2	2.7	1.4	129.1	-1.2	.3	137.4	.1	-.2
Nondurables less food	127.7	-1.2	-.5	136.4	2.5	1.9	132.1	-2.3	.8	139.8	1.8	.3
Nondurables	140.6	.7	.2	144.8	2.3	1.0	145.0	.5	-.2	146.9	1.7	.3
Services less rent of shelter ⁸	203.3	3.3	-.2	171.4	2.9	-1.6	180.5	3.6	.6	193.8	3.7	.5
Services less medical care services	192.1	3.8	-.1	158.3	2.6	-1.1	173.5	4.6	.8	174.8	2.6	.3

¹ Areas on pricing schedule 2 (see table 10) will appear next month.

² Indexes for the cities of Washington and Baltimore will no longer be published separately after December, 1997. Beginning in January, 1998 the two cities will be published as a Washington-Baltimore combined metropolitan area.

³ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997 below the U.S. city average level.

⁴ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁵ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

⁶ Indexes are on a November 1982=100 base in Baltimore, Boston, Miami, St. Louis, Washington. Indexes are on a December 1982=100 base in the U.S., Chicago, Cleveland, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco.

⁷ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997 for the U.S. city average. See Table X for a comparable index series.

⁸ Indexes on a November 1986=100 base in Baltimore, Boston, Cleveland, Miami, St. Louis, and Washington. Indexes on a December 1986=100 base in U.S., Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹⁰ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

¹¹ Index on a November 1977=100 base in Miami.

¹² Indexes for the cities of Philadelphia and San Francisco will no longer be published on a monthly basis starting in January, 1998. Beginning in February, 1998 they will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

¹³ Indexes for the cities of Pittsburgh and St. Louis will no longer be published on a bi-monthly basis after December, 1997. Beginning in July, 1998 they will be published semi-annually, each January and July.

^{NA} Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.

Table 17. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) Selected areas, all items index

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Pricing schedule ¹	Indexes				Percent change to May 1997 from—			Percent change to Apr. 1997 from—		
		Feb. 1997	Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997	Apr. 1996	Feb. 1997	Mar. 1997
U.S. city average	M	156.8	157.0	157.2	157.2	2.1	0.1	0.0	2.3	0.3	0.1
Region and area size ²											
Northeast urban	M	164.2	164.5	164.4	164.1	2.2	-.2	-.2	2.6	.1	-.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	163.9	164.2	163.9	163.8	2.2	-.2	-.1	2.4	.0	-.2
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000 ³	M	161.9	162.6	163.1	162.3	2.1	-.2	-.5	2.9	.7	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000 ³	M	166.8	167.0	167.0	166.9	2.6	-.1	-.1	2.5	.1	.0
North Central urban	M	152.4	152.4	152.6	152.8	2.3	.3	.1	2.4	.1	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	152.3	152.3	152.6	152.7	2.3	.3	.1	2.4	.2	.2
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000 ³	M	150.5	150.5	150.8	151.5	2.5	.7	.5	2.4	.2	.2
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000 ³	M	155.6	155.3	155.4	155.6	2.3	.2	.1	2.7	-.1	.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	150.3	150.1	150.0	150.2	2.0	.1	.1	2.0	-.2	-.1
South urban	M	154.5	154.8	155.1	155.1	2.0	.2	.0	2.2	.4	.2
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	153.2	153.4	153.6	153.6	1.7	.1	.0	2.0	.3	.1
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000 ³	M	155.0	155.6	155.8	155.7	2.2	.1	-.1	2.6	.5	.1
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000 ³	M	155.5	155.5	155.8	156.0	1.9	.3	.1	1.8	.2	.2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	155.8	156.1	156.3	156.3	1.8	.1	.0	2.2	.3	.1
West urban	M	156.8	157.4	157.8	157.8	2.0	.3	.0	2.3	.6	.3
Size A - More than 1,250,000	M	155.2	155.9	156.2	156.1	1.9	.1	-.1	2.2	.6	.2
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000 ³	M	162.1	163.1	163.3	163.2	2.4	.1	-.1	2.6	.7	.1
Size classes											
A ⁴	M	143.0	143.2	143.4	143.3	2.1	.1	-.1	2.3	.3	.1
B ³	M	156.5	157.0	157.3	157.3	2.3	.2	.0	2.6	.5	.2
C ³	M	158.7	158.8	159.0	159.1	2.2	.2	.1	2.3	.2	.1
D	M	155.4	155.4	155.6	155.6	1.8	.1	.0	2.1	.1	.1
Selected local areas ⁵											
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	M	155.9	155.6	155.3	155.5	2.4	-.1	.1	2.5	-.4	-.2
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	M	153.6	154.2	154.3	154.0	1.1	-.1	-.2	1.2	.5	.1
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	M	166.2	166.6	166.1	166.0	2.0	-.4	-.1	2.4	-.1	-.3
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ⁶	M	164.9	165.3	165.1	165.2	2.4	-.1	.1	2.4	.1	-.1
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA ⁶	M	155.0	156.2	156.7	156.8	2.5	.4	.1	3.2	1.1	.3
Baltimore, MD ⁷	1	-	155.9	-	154.3	1.0	-1.0	-	-	-	-
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1	-	166.8	-	165.6	3.0	-.7	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1	-	147.5	-	147.8	2.6	.2	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1	-	156.2	-	155.6	3.0	-.4	-	-	-	-
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL ⁸	1	-	151.1	-	151.2	2.6	.1	-	-	-	-
Washington, DC-MD-VA ⁷	1	-	159.1	-	159.7	1.9	.4	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	2	150.8	-	150.4	-	-	-	-	1.2	-.3	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	2	150.3	-	151.0	-	-	-	-	2.3	.5	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	143.6	-	144.1	-	-	-	-	1.3	.3	-
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA ⁸	2	149.6	-	150.1	-	-	-	-	2.5	.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.

² Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

³ Starting in January, 1998, a new Size Class B/C will be introduced, composed of current Size Class B and Size Class C cities. There will be no individual Size Class B or Size Class C.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁵ In addition, the following metropolitan areas are published semiannually and appear in tables 34 and 39 of the January and July issues of the CPI Detailed Report: Anchorage, AK; Atlanta, GA; Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY; Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN; Denver-Boulder, CO; Honolulu, HI; Kansas City, MO-KS; Milwaukee, WI; Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI; Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA; San Diego, CA; and Seattle-Tacoma, WA.

The following metropolitan areas are published annually and appear in tables 16A and 23A of the January issue of the CPI Detailed Report: New

Orleans, LA and Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL.

⁶ Indexes for the cities of Philadelphia and San Francisco will no longer be published on a monthly basis starting in January, 1998. Beginning in February, 1998 they will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

⁷ Indexes for the cities of Washington and Baltimore will no longer be published separately after December, 1997. Beginning in January, 1998 the two cities will be published as a Washington-Baltimore combined metropolitan area.

⁸ Indexes for the cities of Pittsburgh and St. Louis will no longer be published on a bi-monthly basis after December, 1997. Beginning in July, 1998 they will be published semi-annually, each January and July.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Local area CPI indexes are byproducts of the national CPI program. Each local index has a smaller sample size than the national index and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in their escalator clauses.

Table 18. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Regions ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast			North Central			South			West			
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		
		May 1997	May 1996		Apr. 1997	May 1997		May 1996	Apr. 1997		May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997
Expenditure category													
All items	164.1	2.2	-0.2	152.8	2.3	0.1	155.1	2.0	0.0	157.8	2.0	0.0	
All items (December 1977=100)	256.4	-	-	247.1	-	-	251.1	-	-	253.8	-	-	
Food and beverages	159.7	2.3	.1	154.0	3.2	.2	154.5	3.1	.1	158.2	3.5	-.3	
Food	159.3	2.4	.1	153.3	3.2	.2	154.7	3.3	.1	157.3	3.6	-.4	
Food at home	160.6	2.4	.1	153.4	3.5	.3	153.4	3.4	.1	160.1	3.7	-.6	
Cereals and bakery products ²	182.0	2.0	-.3	176.7	2.0	.1	171.1	1.4	.5	176.5	2.5	-.1	
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ²	152.1	3.0	-.1	144.6	5.1	.4	143.3	4.6	.2	150.1	6.8	-.5	
Dairy products ²	138.4	6.5	-.1	143.7	4.2	-1.0	145.7	7.4	.1	154.9	4.2	.2	
Fruits and vegetables ²	187.9	.1	1.1	178.8	1.8	2.1	184.0	1.0	-1.0	191.9	1.3	-1.9	
Other food at home ²	154.0	1.9	-.1	142.9	3.6	.1	143.9	2.9	.6	146.8	2.7	-.1	
Sugar and sweets ²	154.9	1.8	-.6	146.8	4.1	-.1	144.2	3.4	.8	148.0	2.6	-.2	
Fats and oils ²	149.7	1.2	-.2	135.6	1.6	-.7	139.4	1.7	.1	143.7	1.1	-.3	
Nonalcoholic beverages ²	142.1	2.4	.9	127.8	3.3	.7	128.2	3.0	1.4	132.6	2.6	1.2	
Other prepared food ²	167.0	1.8	-.7	156.9	4.1	-.1	160.3	3.2	-.1	158.9	3.1	-1.1	
Food away from home	159.2	2.2	.1	153.6	2.7	-.1	158.3	3.1	.1	153.2	3.2	-.1	
Alcoholic beverages	165.8	2.6	.0	162.9	3.0	.2	152.4	2.0	-.1	167.0	3.8	1.0	
Housing ³	164.1	2.5	-.2	146.0	2.5	.1	146.7	2.2	.1	155.5	2.8	.4	
Shelter	191.1	3.0	.1	164.1	3.1	-.2	158.1	2.7	.1	168.4	3.2	.2	
Renters' costs ^{2 4}	176.0	3.6	-.2	160.0	3.4	-.2	150.6	2.6	-.3	158.9	3.7	.1	
Rent, residential	178.1	3.1	.3	163.1	3.1	.3	153.9	2.6	.2	166.2	2.9	.2	
Other renters' costs ²	253.2	5.3	-2.0	199.0	4.6	-1.7	213.8	2.2	-3.2	227.5	8.1	-.1	
Homeowners' costs ^{2 4}	178.7	2.7	-.2	163.7	3.0	.2	150.4	2.7	.2	164.6	2.8	.1	
Owners' equivalent rent ⁴	179.5	2.7	-.2	164.2	3.0	.3	150.3	2.8	.2	164.5	2.7	.2	
Maintenance and repairs ²	137.2	2.2	.1	140.7	2.9	.5	144.2	3.7	1.2	143.6	3.2	.0	
Maintenance and repair services ²	148.8	-	.0	156.3	4.4	.0	148.1	4.8	2.1	146.5	1.2	.5	
Maintenance and repair commodities ²	119.9	1.7	.2	123.2	1.4	1.2	139.0	2.1	.1	136.9	5.0	-.5	
Fuel and other utilities ³	124.6	2.6	-1.0	123.4	2.0	-.1	135.3	1.5	.4	137.6	1.5	1.3	
Fuels	115.0	2.6	-1.8	106.5	-.1	-.3	119.3	1.5	.8	127.1	.2	2.7	
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ²	98.1	-.3	-1.2	96.0	2.9	-1.9	107.1	2.7	-2.5	110.6	4.1	-1.8	
Fuel oil ²	98.4	-.4	-1.2	94.5	.1	-1.3	95.1	1.4	-2.5	120.8	-2.9	-3.4	
Other household fuel commodities ^{2 5}	121.7	.1	-1.2	126.7	5.6	-2.6	139.5	3.4	-2.6	126.2	8.0	-.9	
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	129.0	3.4	-2.0	111.3	-.3	-.3	122.1	1.5	.9	129.6	.1	2.9	
Electricity	135.8	.4	-.1	124.2	1.6	1.1	124.4	2.1	1.5	145.3	-1.2	.9	
Utility (piped) gas	119.2	9.2	-5.0	99.0	-2.6	-1.9	114.8	-1.2	-1.5	111.3	3.1	7.6	
Other utilities and public services ²	161.5	2.5	.3	161.7	4.7	.2	165.7	1.4	.2	157.3	2.8	.1	
Household furnishings and operation ³	123.6	-.5	-.1	121.9	.9	.1	126.5	1.9	.2	125.5	1.9	1.0	
Housefurnishings ²	104.7	-2.2	.0	107.8	.2	.0	114.7	1.2	.3	113.1	1.8	1.6	
Housekeeping supplies ²	152.1	1.3	-.5	143.6	.9	.0	137.8	3.4	-.1	142.2	.9	-.2	
Housekeeping services ²	159.3	2.2	-.2	147.1	2.7	.2	160.4	2.2	.1	148.9	2.9	.1	
Apparel and upkeep	129.1	1.7	-.8	134.7	2.2	-.6	146.0	1.2	.0	126.5	-1.1	-1.0	
Apparel commodities ²	125.2	1.7	-.9	133.0	2.2	-.6	142.3	1.1	-.1	122.5	-1.5	-1.1	
Men's and boys' apparel ²	130.9	2.3	-.3	130.4	3.2	.8	140.2	2.3	1.8	124.3	-.6	-.7	
Women's and girls' apparel ²	117.0	.9	-1.3	131.5	2.4	-1.1	146.0	1.5	-1.4	117.8	.9	-1.6	
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ²	131.2	3.1	.0	142.7	5.8	1.9	138.2	3.0	-1.5	122.2	-3.6	.2	
Footwear ²	131.7	4.1	-.8	134.0	-.1	-.3	129.5	.3	.5	122.4	-2.6	-.1	
Other apparel commodities ²	151.6	-1.0	-1.0	149.7	.9	-5.3	155.5	-2.4	.5	132.6	-8.0	-2.3	
Apparel services ²	166.4	1.2	.1	150.4	2.0	.3	172.6	2.1	.2	158.5	2.7	.1	
Transportation	146.5	.1	-.3	142.2	.0	.4	142.6	-.6	-.4	144.7	-1.2	-.6	
Private transportation	142.7	-.1	-.3	139.8	-.3	.4	141.7	-.8	-.4	142.3	-1.6	-.6	
New vehicles	144.9	1.0	-.3	144.2	.7	-.3	147.8	.7	-.4	146.9	1.7	-.3	
New cars	141.3	.7	-.3	138.5	.4	-.4	146.4	.8	-.5	140.8	1.1	-.2	
Used cars	157.6	-2.1	-.1	156.2	-2.5	-.3	155.7	-2.2	-.3	152.3	-1.7	-.3	
Motor fuel	102.7	-5.9	-1.1	106.5	-5.7	2.1	103.3	-6.5	-1.2	110.4	-9.9	-1.1	
Gasoline	102.2	-5.9	-1.1	106.3	-5.8	2.3	102.9	-6.8	-1.2	109.5	-10.2	-1.1	
Gasoline, unleaded regular	100.8	-6.4	-1.2	104.8	-6.1	2.2	100.2	-7.0	-1.3	106.7	-10.9	-1.2	
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁶	105.9	-5.8	-1.1	116.3	-6.1	1.9	109.2	-6.7	-1.4	106.4	-9.6	-1.2	
Gasoline, unleaded premium	102.0	-6.3	-1.3	109.4	-5.4	2.3	105.8	-6.6	-1.1	110.6	-9.1	-.6	
Maintenance and repairs	172.4	3.2	.3	154.8	4.2	.5	161.0	2.3	.1	166.1	2.5	-.2	
Other private transportation ²	176.4	2.3	-.2	167.4	3.3	.0	180.6	2.3	.1	167.6	.6	-.8	
Other private transportation commodities	106.3	.1	.0	105.1	1.4	-.4	101.4	-1.0	.1	101.9	-1.1	.5	
Other private transportation services ⁷	190.3	2.6	-.3	181.7	3.6	.1	204.1	2.9	.1	185.9	1.0	-1.0	
Public transportation ²	184.8	2.5	-.5	195.9	4.6	-1.0	169.1	4.5	-1.4	188.7	3.7	-.7	

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 18. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Regions ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast			North Central			South			West		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1997	May 1996		Apr. 1997	May 1997		May 1996	Apr. 1997		May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997
Expenditure category												
Medical care	242.2	3.2	0.1	227.0	2.5	0.1	233.3	2.9	0.1	233.3	3.5	0.4
Medical care commodities	215.9	2.2	-.7	210.9	2.6	.4	209.3	2.7	.4	220.1	3.6	.8
Medical care services	247.8	3.4	.2	230.6	2.5	.1	239.0	2.9	.1	236.4	3.5	.3
Professional medical services	225.7	3.3	.4	211.1	3.8	.1	221.8	4.3	.4	205.7	2.9	.1
Entertainment ⁷	167.8	2.1	-.3	160.0	3.4	.0	156.0	1.6	.0	154.5	.7	.1
Entertainment commodities ²	146.5	.7	-.1	145.0	2.4	.2	141.2	.6	.1	137.8	-1.4	.1
Entertainment services ²	196.5	3.5	.5	180.2	4.6	-.2	180.8	2.7	-.1	178.0	2.8	.0
Other goods and services ³	231.5	4.5	.3	214.8	4.2	.4	211.4	3.9	.0	225.4	4.6	.1
Tobacco and smoking products ²	238.6	5.9	.8	252.2	4.3	.4	227.0	2.4	.0	266.9	6.2	-.2
Personal care ²	163.3	.7	-.4	148.2	3.0	.3	145.0	1.5	-.2	155.4	.6	.1
Personal and educational expenses ²	265.5	4.8	.1	236.5	4.7	.5	249.3	5.5	.2	261.7	5.3	.3
Commodity and service group												
All items	164.1	2.2	-.2	152.8	2.3	.1	155.1	2.0	.0	157.8	2.0	.0
Commodities	143.4	1.1	-.2	140.4	1.4	.2	142.3	1.1	-.1	142.3	.9	-.2
Food and beverages	159.7	2.3	.1	154.0	3.2	.2	154.5	3.1	.1	158.2	3.5	-.3
Commodities less food and beverages	131.9	.1	-.5	132.7	.2	.2	135.2	-.2	-.3	132.6	-1.0	-.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	131.8	.2	-.7	136.8	.5	.4	137.4	-.3	-.3	134.5	-2.1	-.5
Apparel commodities ²	125.2	1.7	-.9	133.0	2.2	-.6	142.3	1.1	-.1	122.5	-1.5	-1.1
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	138.7	-.4	-.6	141.3	-.1	.9	138.1	-1.0	-.4	143.3	-2.4	-.3
Durables	129.4	-.2	-.2	125.9	-.2	-.1	131.3	-.2	-.2	130.1	.5	.2
Services	188.9	3.1	-.1	168.4	3.2	.1	170.9	2.8	.1	174.6	2.9	.2
Rent of shelter ⁴	178.4	3.0	.0	163.1	3.2	.2	150.5	2.8	.1	162.2	3.1	.1
Household services less rent of shelter ⁴	133.9	2.8	-.8	125.2	2.1	.1	135.4	1.4	.5	137.0	2.1	1.1
Transportation services	185.0	2.7	-.2	177.2	3.9	.0	187.7	2.9	-.1	181.3	1.8	-.8
Medical care services	247.8	3.4	.2	230.6	2.5	.1	239.0	2.9	.1	236.4	3.5	.3
Other services	222.7	4.1	.2	192.3	4.6	.3	202.7	4.3	.1	201.7	4.0	.2
Special indexes												
All items less food	165.2	2.2	-.2	152.6	2.1	.1	155.0	1.6	.0	157.9	1.7	.1
All items less shelter	156.3	1.9	-.2	150.3	2.0	.1	154.5	1.6	-.1	154.7	1.5	-.1
All items less homeowners' costs ^{2 4}	151.1	2.1	-.3	144.8	2.1	.1	146.7	1.8	-.1	148.1	1.8	-.1
All items less medical care	160.9	2.2	-.2	149.4	2.3	.1	150.6	1.8	.0	154.3	1.8	-.1
Commodities less food	133.4	.2	-.4	133.8	.4	.1	135.7	-.1	-.3	134.3	-.6	-.1
Nondurables less food	133.9	.5	-.6	138.3	.7	.4	138.0	-.1	-.2	136.9	-1.4	-.4
Nondurables less food and apparel	140.4	-.1	-.5	142.6	.2	.8	138.5	-.6	-.3	144.7	-1.4	-.1
Nondurables	146.4	1.4	-.3	145.6	2.0	.3	146.0	1.5	-.1	146.9	1.0	-.4
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	171.4	3.3	-.2	158.9	3.2	.1	168.2	2.7	.2	169.2	2.7	.2
Services less medical care services	184.6	3.1	-.1	163.1	3.2	.1	163.7	2.7	.1	169.9	2.9	.2
Energy	109.0	-1.0	-1.5	106.1	-3.0	.9	109.2	-2.6	-.3	116.9	-6.0	.4
All items less energy	171.9	2.5	.0	159.8	2.8	.1	161.6	2.3	.0	162.7	2.6	-.1
All items less food and energy	175.6	2.5	-.1	161.4	2.7	.0	163.4	2.1	.0	164.1	2.4	.0
Commodities less food and energy commodities	143.7	1.1	-.3	141.7	1.4	-.1	144.6	.9	-.1	141.4	.9	.1
Energy commodities	101.5	-4.7	-1.2	106.3	-5.3	1.9	103.9	-6.0	-1.3	111.5	-9.6	-1.1
Services less energy services	195.2	3.1	.1	175.9	3.4	.1	176.8	2.9	.1	178.1	3.1	.0

¹ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

² This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁷ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- Data not available.

Table 19. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Population size classes ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Size class A ²			Size class B ³			Size class C ³			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1997	May 1996		Apr. 1997	May 1997		May 1996	Apr. 1997		May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997
	Expenditure category											
All items	143.3	2.1	-0.1	157.3	2.3	0.0	159.1	2.2	0.1	155.6	1.8	0.0
All items (December 1977=100)	143.3	-	-	253.9	-	-	254.9	-	-	251.5	-	-
Food and beverages	141.7	3.1	.1	156.1	3.0	.2	155.3	2.9	-1	152.6	3.7	.1
Food	141.2	3.1	.0	156.1	3.0	.2	154.7	2.9	-2	152.1	3.8	.2
Food at home	145.0	3.3	.0	158.0	3.0	.3	152.8	2.8	-3	150.1	4.1	.3
Cereals and bakery products ⁴	158.6	1.9	.1	176.2	2.6	.8	171.6	2.3	-4	176.5	.6	-4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ⁴	136.6	4.6	-1	149.1	4.1	.2	142.3	5.1	.6	137.8	5.0	-7
Dairy products ⁴	140.3	4.9	-6	147.1	7.1	.4	137.4	4.6	-1	141.3	9.0	.7
Fruits and vegetables ⁴	171.2	2.3	.5	189.1	-5	.2	181.2	-1.6	-2.0	171.6	1.2	1.6
Other food at home ⁴	134.1	2.4	.0	148.0	2.8	.2	148.0	2.9	-1	144.2	5.1	.9
Sugar and sweets ⁴	137.6	3.1	-1	146.2	2.1	.1	144.8	3.0	.6	139.6	5.4	-6
Fats and oils ⁴	134.5	1.5	.0	138.0	.6	-8	140.8	1.3	-8	138.8	3.0	.6
Nonalcoholic beverages ⁴	122.8	2.2	1.1	130.4	3.0	1.9	136.8	3.2	.4	125.1	5.5	.8
Other prepared food ⁴	143.1	2.7	-7	168.1	3.3	-7	160.8	2.9	-6	161.6	5.3	1.5
Food away from home	135.2	2.7	.0	154.0	2.8	.0	159.3	3.0	.0	156.5	3.2	.0
Alcoholic beverages	146.2	2.9	.6	157.5	3.3	-1	162.8	2.9	.1	159.6	1.9	-6
Housing ⁵	138.0	2.4	.1	153.9	2.7	.1	156.2	2.9	.3	150.0	1.1	.1
Shelter	145.9	3.0	.1	170.6	2.9	.1	176.7	3.0	.0	171.4	2.3	.2
Renters' costs ^{4 6}	144.0	3.5	-3	171.3	3.1	.3	155.7	3.0	-4	154.2	2.3	.0
Rent, residential	137.7	3.1	.3	164.8	2.5	.2	160.1	2.6	-1	158.2	2.0	.2
Other renters' costs ⁴	183.4	5.7	-2.7	262.9	4.6	.5	202.3	4.4	-2.1	200.8	3.5	-1.3
Homeowners' costs ^{4 6}	147.1	2.8	.3	164.7	2.9	.1	168.7	3.1	.2	162.8	2.3	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ⁶	147.4	2.8	.3	165.1	2.9	.1	169.2	3.0	.1	162.6	2.3	.2
Maintenance and repairs ⁴	126.1	3.7	.2	137.4	1.6	.4	156.7	3.1	1.2	140.7	1.2	.5
Maintenance and repair services ⁴	130.2	3.7	.1	147.5	1.8	1.0	172.5	4.9	2.3	156.3	1.4	.0
Maintenance and repair commodities ⁴	121.3	3.8	.5	129.3	1.4	.0	136.1	.1	-8	121.6	.9	1.2
Fuel and other utilities ⁵	127.7	1.6	-2	134.9	2.9	.0	134.9	3.5	1.0	126.2	-1.7	.0
Fuels	124.7	.1	-5	113.7	2.4	-1	122.0	4.2	1.6	105.2	-1.7	-5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ⁴	144.4	1.5	-6	97.0	1.1	-2.5	99.2	-5	-3.0	92.9	.5	-1.7
Fuel oil ⁴	147.9	.7	-3	97.0	.7	-2.2	92.4	-3.8	-4.1	92.4	-6	-1.1
Other household fuel commodities ^{2 4}	133.8	4.4	-1.5	126.3	1.7	-2.8	130.6	4.1	-1.7	125.0	1.8	-2.3
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	123.1	-1	-5	120.0	2.7	.3	130.7	4.6	2.0	112.7	-1.9	-4
Electricity	128.6	.5	.9	128.5	1.0	.9	139.0	3.3	1.8	120.3	-1.5	-4
Utility (piped) gas	114.5	-1.2	-2.6	106.6	7.6	-1.5	118.2	8.4	2.8	101.7	-2.9	.0
Other utilities and public services ⁴	131.5	3.5	.2	179.1	3.3	.1	162.7	2.9	.4	167.2	-1.8	.4
Household furnishings and operation ⁵	117.1	.9	.5	126.1	1.6	.1	123.2	1.4	.1	124.8	1.2	-3
Housefurnishings ⁴	106.3	.0	.9	114.2	1.1	.3	109.2	.9	.3	110.3	.4	-6
Housekeeping supplies ⁴	135.5	1.1	-1	135.6	2.2	-9	142.5	2.4	-1	137.3	2.5	.1
Housekeeping services ⁴	136.2	2.8	.3	159.6	2.6	.2	155.7	1.8	-4	160.8	2.2	.0
Apparel and upkeep	123.6	.5	-5	135.2	2.9	-1.4	143.6	1.3	-1	137.3	1.5	-5
Apparel commodities ⁴	122.4	.3	-5	131.4	3.0	-1.6	141.3	1.4	-2	134.3	1.2	-7
Men's and boys' apparel ⁴	121.3	1.8	.9	136.2	2.4	-1.2	138.7	.9	-7	128.0	4.2	4.3
Women's and girls' apparel ⁴	117.6	.7	-1.2	136.0	3.9	-2.2	140.6	1.5	-6	138.7	1.2	-2.3
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ⁴	112.6	-4	.5	130.1	11.3	-1.6	157.4	2.3	.6	129.4	2.9	-8
Footwear ⁴	128.9	.4	.2	116.4	.3	-1.8	132.8	2.3	1.6	133.6	-5	-3.4
Other apparel commodities ⁴	143.6	-4.4	-2.6	124.9	-1.3	1.6	165.7	.2	-1.0	142.3	-3.8	-9
Apparel services ⁴	136.2	2.4	.1	168.4	1.9	.3	168.4	-2	.3	164.9	3.5	.2
Transportation	143.1	-5	-3	143.4	-2	-1	142.3	-4	.1	143.0	-7	-5
Private transportation	142.7	-7	-3	141.3	-6	-1	140.3	-6	.1	140.4	-8	-4
New vehicles	128.1	1.2	-5	145.0	.5	-2	146.2	.9	-1	147.7	.5	-5
New cars	125.0	.9	-5	138.2	.0	-2	142.7	.9	-2	143.2	.4	-4
Used cars	146.6	-2.1	-3	155.6	-2.0	-2	155.2	-1.9	-3	149.1	-3.2	-4
Motor fuel	154.3	-7.5	-1	105.3	-5.9	-5	104.7	-6.3	.0	104.0	-5.8	-4
Gasoline	153.5	-7.9	-1	105.0	-6.1	-3	104.7	-6.3	.1	103.6	-6.1	-4
Gasoline, unleaded regular	153.9	-8.3	-1	102.6	-6.3	-2	102.1	-6.4	.2	99.9	-6.3	-4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	106.7	-7.8	-5	110.2	-5.7	-7	113.9	-6.6	-4	114.0	-6.1	-6
Gasoline, unleaded premium	142.8	-7.4	-4	107.3	-5.8	-5	108.3	-5.5	-1	105.1	-5.7	-8
Maintenance and repairs	145.8	3.3	.1	166.5	2.9	.5	159.1	1.5	.3	149.8	4.0	.5
Other private transportation ⁴	147.2	2.2	-4	171.3	2.0	.1	174.3	2.4	.4	170.9	2.6	-3
Other private transportation commodities	106.9	-3	.1	99.0	-2	.1	104.7	.2	-1	120.9	-6	.1
Other private transportation services ⁶	156.7	2.6	-5	189.9	2.3	.1	194.3	2.8	.5	184.1	3.1	-5
Public transportation ⁴	148.4	2.8	-7	202.1	7.3	-8	208.3	5.7	-1	214.9	1.3	-4.3

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 19. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Population size classes ¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Size class A ²			Size class B ³			Size class C ³			Size class D		
	Index May 1997	Percent change from—		Index May 1997	Percent change from—		Index May 1997	Percent change from—		Index May 1997	Percent change from—	
		May 1996	Apr. 1997		May 1996	Apr. 1997		May 1996	Apr. 1997		May 1996	Apr. 1997
Expenditure category												
Medical care	184.7	2.4	0.1	233.2	3.8	0.3	238.3	3.5	0.2	226.7	3.2	0.2
Medical care commodities	172.5	2.1	.5	212.5	4.2	.3	206.1	3.2	-.4	213.9	3.1	.3
Medical care services	187.5	2.5	.1	237.7	3.7	.3	245.1	3.5	.2	229.8	3.2	.2
Professional medical services	171.2	3.0	.2	213.2	5.3	.6	225.4	3.5	.0	222.3	4.2	.4
Entertainment ⁸	143.1	2.7	.1	154.4	.5	-.2	163.8	1.6	-.2	145.0	2.2	-.5
Entertainment commodities ⁴	132.1	1.2	-.2	137.1	-1.4	-.4	147.0	.4	.0	136.2	1.9	.0
Entertainment services ⁴	155.1	4.0	.3	181.7	2.5	.0	191.1	3.1	-.3	159.0	2.6	-1.2
Other goods and services ⁵	178.2	4.4	.2	220.7	3.9	.2	216.5	3.8	.0	218.8	5.5	.6
Tobacco and smoking products ⁴	191.1	4.7	.4	250.7	3.9	.6	242.7	3.2	-.5	234.0	6.6	.9
Personal care ⁴	136.5	1.6	-.1	149.4	.3	.1	153.3	1.8	-.1	137.6	2.2	.4
Personal and educational expenses ⁴	188.9	5.1	.3	252.2	5.0	-.1	245.1	4.8	.2	262.5	5.8	.5
Commodity and service group												
All items	143.3	2.1	-.1	157.3	2.3	.0	159.1	2.2	.1	155.6	1.8	.0
Commodities	136.8	1.0	.0	141.2	1.3	-.1	143.0	1.1	-.1	141.3	1.4	-.1
Food and beverages	141.7	3.1	.1	156.1	3.0	.2	155.3	2.9	-.1	152.6	3.7	.1
Commodities less food and beverages	133.4	-.4	-.1	132.7	.2	-.4	135.7	-.1	-.1	134.6	.1	-.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	141.6	-.7	-.1	134.6	.4	-.6	137.8	-.1	-.1	135.6	.5	-.1
Apparel commodities ⁴	122.4	.3	-.5	131.4	3.0	-1.6	141.3	1.4	-.2	134.3	1.2	-.7
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	152.8	-1.3	-.1	138.8	-.7	-.2	139.2	-.6	-.1	137.5	.2	.0
Durables	122.7	.2	.0	128.6	-.1	-.1	131.4	.1	-.2	130.8	-.6	-.4
Services	149.5	3.0	.0	176.8	3.2	.2	180.1	3.3	.3	174.6	2.1	.1
Rent of shelter ⁶	146.2	3.0	.1	167.0	3.0	.1	165.3	3.1	.0	160.2	2.4	.2
Household services less rent of shelter ⁶	128.5	1.8	-.1	137.4	2.8	.1	135.4	3.5	1.0	130.3	-1.2	.1
Transportation services	152.5	2.8	-.4	185.0	3.1	.1	185.7	2.9	.4	179.5	3.1	-.8
Medical care services	187.5	2.5	.1	237.7	3.7	.3	245.1	3.5	.2	229.8	3.2	.2
Other services	168.2	4.4	.3	205.6	3.8	.0	203.9	3.9	.0	201.6	4.7	.0
Special indexes												
All items less food	143.8	1.8	.0	157.5	2.1	-.1	159.9	2.0	.1	156.2	1.4	-.1
All items less shelter	142.4	1.7	-.1	154.0	2.1	-.1	154.4	1.9	.1	151.9	1.7	-.1
All items less homeowners' costs ^{4 6}	142.5	1.9	-.1	148.2	2.1	-.1	147.5	2.0	.1	144.9	1.7	-.1
All items less medical care	141.4	2.0	.0	153.6	2.2	.0	155.1	2.1	.1	151.3	1.7	-.1
Commodities less food	134.1	-.2	-.1	133.5	.3	-.4	136.7	.1	-.1	135.4	.1	-.2
Nondurables less food	142.0	-.4	-.1	135.8	.6	-.5	139.1	.1	-.1	136.8	.7	-.1
Nondurables less food and apparel	151.8	-.7	.0	139.6	-.3	-.1	140.4	-.3	-.1	138.7	.4	-.1
Nondurables	141.6	1.3	-.1	145.5	1.7	-.1	146.5	1.5	-.2	144.4	2.2	.1
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	152.9	2.9	-.1	169.0	3.3	.1	168.9	3.4	.5	163.6	1.9	-.1
Services less medical care services	146.6	3.0	.0	171.2	3.1	.1	173.9	3.3	.3	168.2	1.9	.0
Energy	138.0	-.4	-.4	108.3	-1.8	-.3	111.8	-1.0	.8	103.8	-3.8	-.4
All items less energy	143.8	2.6	.1	164.1	2.6	.0	166.1	2.5	-.1	163.0	2.3	.0
All items less food and energy	144.4	2.5	.0	166.3	2.5	.0	169.1	2.4	.0	165.9	2.0	-.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities	131.5	1.0	.0	141.6	1.3	-.4	146.1	1.2	-.1	144.0	1.1	-.3
Energy commodities	153.5	-.9	-.1	104.5	-5.3	-.7	104.5	-5.8	-.3	103.0	-5.3	-.5
Services less energy services	151.6	3.2	.1	183.3	3.2	.1	186.3	3.2	.1	182.4	2.5	.1

¹ See region and area size on table 10 for information about population size classes.

² Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

³ Starting in January, 1998, a new Size Class B/C will be introduced, composed of current Size Class B and Size Class C cities. There will be no individual Size Class B or Size Class C.

⁴ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

⁵ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁸ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- Data not available.

Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes,¹ by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast								
	Size class A			Size class B ²			Size class C ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1997	May 1996		Apr. 1997	May 1997		May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997
Expenditure category									
All items	163.8	2.2	-0.1	162.3	2.1	-0.5	166.9	2.6	-0.1
All items (December 1977=100)	250.3	-	-	259.0	-	-	277.5	-	-
Food and beverages	159.4	2.4	.3	163.0	2.3	-2	157.1	2.1	-4
Food	158.9	2.3	.3	162.8	2.3	-2	156.5	2.3	-4
Food at home	160.5	2.4	.4	166.3	2.3	-2	153.6	2.5	-9
Cereals and bakery products ³	183.3	1.3	-1	172.2	3.1	.5	184.2	4.4	-2.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	151.1	3.1	.2	161.6	2.9	-1.2	149.5	2.3	-5
Dairy products ³	139.4	6.1	-2	142.2	6.7	-4	122.5	5.2	1.7
Fruits and vegetables ³	188.7	.3	1.6	190.5	-1.9	1.0	181.2	1.7	-1.3
Other food at home ³	152.7	2.1	.3	167.4	2.0	-2	143.3	.6	-1.8
Food away from home	158.0	2.1	.2	160.6	2.3	-2	163.6	1.8	.4
Alcoholic beverages	166.2	3.3	.1	167.7	1.9	-4	163.8	.8	-2
Housing ⁴	161.8	2.5	-2	163.3	2.7	-4	172.8	2.7	.0
Shelter	186.0	3.3	.1	189.4	2.5	-2	211.3	2.7	.3
Renters' costs ^{3 5}	175.5	4.3	-3	190.8	1.4	.1	161.9	2.9	-2
Rent, residential	179.3	3.3	.2	170.5	2.8	.2	174.0	2.3	.5
Other renters' costs ³	252.8	8.2	-2.5	272.7	-3	.1	198.1	6.7	-5.4
Homeowners' costs ^{3 5}	175.0	2.8	.2	179.3	3.2	-4	191.9	2.7	.5
Owners' equivalent rent ⁵	175.7	2.7	.2	180.2	3.3	-4	192.6	2.6	.4
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	122.6	2.6	-1.1	135.1	3.0	-1.2	120.1	2.5	-2
Fuels	116.9	2.7	-1.9	118.2	3.1	-2.0	101.4	2.3	-1.0
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	104.6	1.2	-3	92.0	-2.1	-2.0	86.6	-2.6	-3.1
Fuel oil ³	103.0	.9	-1	94.9	.2	-2.5	88.6	-4.1	-3.8
Other household fuel commodities ^{3 6}	142.0	3.9	-1.3	109.6	-8.7	-1.0	102.6	2.7	-7
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	128.2	3.1	-2.3	138.2	4.6	-2.0	118.3	4.3	-2
Electricity	133.6	.3	-3	149.1	1.2	.3	120.3	-2	.0
Utility (piped) gas	121.0	7.7	-5.0	118.6	14.6	-7.5	117.8	18.0	-8
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	124.6	-2.1	-1	120.4	3.2	.2	119.1	3.5	-9
Apparel and upkeep	124.8	.9	-1	132.7	3.3	-3.5	146.0	5.6	-9
Apparel commodities ³	120.1	.9	-1	129.8	3.3	-3.8	143.5	6.1	-1.0
Men's and boys' apparel ³	121.4	1.1	-2	149.0	4.4	-1.6	159.5	4.9	-1.0
Women's and girls' apparel ³	111.5	.7	.5	125.3	.3	-7.0	129.2	5.6	-1.7
Footwear ³	130.9	4.0	-1.0	128.7	8.4	-5	145.7	2.9	.0
Transportation	149.5	.1	-4	142.2	.0	-4	139.9	.4	-1
Private transportation	145.1	-1	-5	139.9	-8	-3	136.4	.1	.0
Motor fuel	101.5	-6.3	-1.4	104.2	-5.5	-1.2	103.1	-5.5	.2
Gasoline	100.9	-6.3	-1.4	103.9	-5.7	-1.2	102.7	-5.2	.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular	99.4	-6.8	-1.5	101.5	-6.3	-1.4	102.6	-5.7	.3
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	103.2	-6.5	-1.4	111.0	-4.3	-1.1	111.0	-4.6	.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	100.5	-6.9	-1.5	105.3	-5.0	-8	105.5	-5.4	-8
Public transportation ³	178.9	1.0	-1	193.4	10.8	-2.0	232.8	5.4	-2.8
Medical care	245.0	3.6	.1	238.0	2.0	.0	232.5	3.1	-1
Entertainment ⁸	170.4	2.3	-2	156.9	.7	-1.1	171.1	3.9	.1
Other goods and services ⁴	230.2	4.6	.3	226.7	4.3	.0	235.6	4.7	.6
Personal care ³	168.0	1.2	-6	149.1	-1.3	.0	150.8	-1.0	.3
Commodity and service group									
All items	163.8	2.2	-1	162.3	2.1	-5	166.9	2.6	-1
Commodities	143.2	.8	.0	142.5	1.7	-8	144.4	1.6	-4
Food and beverages	159.4	2.4	.3	163.0	2.3	-2	157.1	2.1	-4
Commodities less food and beverages	131.2	-4	-3	129.5	1.2	-1.1	136.0	1.3	-3
Nondurables less food and beverages	131.0	.0	-3	130.8	1.2	-2.0	136.4	1.1	-4
Durables	129.3	-1.2	-4	125.6	1.4	.2	131.4	1.5	-2
Services	186.7	3.3	-1	189.3	2.5	-3	196.9	3.4	.2
Medical care services	251.3	4.1	.4	242.5	1.5	-1	237.3	2.6	-1
Special indexes									
All items less shelter	156.9	1.8	-1	155.2	2.0	-6	154.1	2.5	-2
All items less medical care	160.5	2.2	-1	159.3	2.1	-6	163.9	2.5	-1
All items less energy	171.0	2.5	.1	170.2	2.4	-4	176.6	2.9	-1
All items less food and energy	174.5	2.5	.0	172.4	2.4	-4	182.2	3.1	.1
Energy	110.0	-9	-1.6	111.6	-4	-1.7	100.7	-1.1	-5
Commodities less food	132.7	-2	-3	131.0	1.2	-1.1	137.4	1.3	-3
Nondurables less food	133.2	.3	-2	132.8	1.2	-1.8	138.1	1.1	-4
Nondurables	146.2	1.3	.1	147.2	1.8	-1.0	146.7	1.7	-4
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	170.5	3.3	-2	172.8	2.5	-3	171.8	4.2	.1
Services less medical care services	182.0	3.2	-1	185.1	2.7	-3	193.6	3.4	.2

See footnote at end of table.

Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes,¹ by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	North Central											
	Size class A			Size class B ²			Size class C ²			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	152.7	2.3	0.1	151.5	2.5	0.5	155.6	2.3	0.1	150.2	2.0	0.1
All items (December 1977=100)	249.7	-	-	244.0	-	-	244.6	-	-	243.3	-	-
Food and beverages	156.3	3.4	.3	150.2	3.3	.9	153.4	2.8	-.3	147.9	3.3	.1
Food	155.7	3.5	.3	150.3	3.2	.9	152.1	2.7	-.3	146.8	3.2	.1
Food at home	156.9	4.1	.5	151.2	2.9	1.2	150.9	2.4	-.3	144.2	3.5	.1
Cereals and bakery products ³	178.0	1.1	.3	183.6	4.7	1.2	171.0	2.2	-.9	173.2	2.8	-1.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	150.4	5.4	-.2	138.3	3.9	2.2	137.3	5.0	1.3	135.4	4.8	-.1
Dairy products ³	148.1	4.9	-1.4	142.6	1.2	.3	138.1	2.8	-.7	136.3	6.6	-1.1
Fruits and vegetables ³	185.2	4.9	3.6	165.2	.4	3.1	178.7	-4.7	-2.0	161.7	-.1	.7
Other food at home ³	142.0	3.3	.2	146.6	3.3	-.3	147.8	4.4	-.5	134.7	3.2	.9
Food away from home	154.1	2.4	-.1	148.8	3.4	.3	155.4	3.5	-.3	152.0	2.5	.2
Alcoholic beverages	163.4	2.3	.2	148.6	5.2	.1	169.5	3.7	.5	164.4	4.0	-.6
Housing ⁴	144.2	2.3	-.1	146.7	3.8	.5	152.5	2.6	.2	143.3	1.9	.1
Shelter	162.2	2.9	.1	168.1	4.1	.7	170.6	3.1	.0	158.9	2.8	.3
Renters' costs ^{3 5}	157.8	2.7	-.6	175.1	6.9	1.4	165.0	3.3	-.5	147.4	3.4	.3
Rent, residential	166.0	3.2	.4	168.3	3.1	.3	159.5	3.2	.1	147.9	2.2	.3
Other renters' costs ³	181.7	1.0	-.3	244.4	14.1	3.4	218.7	3.7	-2.0	187.1	11.0	-.1
Homeowners' costs ^{3 5}	162.4	3.0	.3	167.3	3.2	.4	170.0	3.1	.2	157.4	2.5	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ⁵	162.6	3.0	.3	168.2	3.3	.4	170.9	3.1	.2	157.6	2.5	.2
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	120.5	1.5	-.8	117.3	3.4	.0	131.4	2.6	1.4	129.9	1.5	.4
Fuels	105.2	-2.0	-1.5	101.7	3.5	-.2	117.2	2.5	2.2	99.8	-1.4	.0
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	96.4	4.4	-1.1	92.5	2.5	-3.0	98.4	-.1	-3.9	95.4	4.8	1.2
Fuel oil ²	95.7	1.8	.3	97.3	-.8	-1.1	88.9	-4.4	-5.3	97.3	5.2	2.3
Other household fuel commodities ^{3 5}	121.4	6.9	-2.6	124.6	4.8	-.4	135.4	4.6	-2.4	130.2	4.5	-.4
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	108.1	-2.2	-1.5	107.3	3.5	.0	126.5	2.8	2.6	106.4	-1.8	-.1
Electricity	123.0	2.0	.9	126.7	1.7	.0	135.2	.5	1.8	109.3	2.8	1.8
Utility (piped) gas	94.6	-6.9	-4.3	90.3	6.1	.0	116.2	6.8	3.9	105.3	-7.2	-2.4
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	116.7	.5	.5	125.7	2.9	.0	132.5	.8	-.6	123.7	-.2	-.7
Apparel and upkeep	133.4	2.1	-.7	133.9	.9	-.7	134.4	2.6	.1	144.7	3.3	-.8
Apparel commodities ³	132.2	2.1	-.8	131.1	.6	-.8	131.1	2.9	.0	144.1	3.2	-.9
Men's and boys' apparel ²	130.3	2.4	.7	126.0	-.4	-.9	124.5	4.9	-.3	146.7	14.2	5.4
Women's and girls' apparel ³	124.7	3.1	-1.1	147.4	3.2	-.9	137.0	1.4	-.6	139.3	-.6	-2.9
Footwear ³	134.5	-.7	.1	104.4	-1.0	-.4	127.1	3.2	1.4	166.0	-1.2	-4.9
Transportation	142.5	.1	.3	143.0	.2	.8	142.2	.1	.6	139.7	-1.3	-.2
Private transportation	140.4	-.2	.4	140.7	.1	.9	140.1	-.1	.5	135.0	-1.3	.1
Motor fuel	107.7	-5.6	2.3	108.9	-5.5	2.8	104.1	-5.9	1.8	102.7	-5.3	1.2
Gasoline	107.3	-5.8	2.4	109.1	-5.8	2.9	103.9	-6.0	1.9	102.1	-5.6	1.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	106.3	-6.0	2.5	106.2	-6.1	3.1	102.3	-6.1	1.9	99.5	-6.1	.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	115.5	-6.2	2.1	118.4	-5.4	2.7	116.3	-6.5	1.3	118.0	-5.8	1.6
Gasoline, unleaded premium	108.3	-5.5	2.3	114.4	-5.5	2.5	105.6	-4.9	2.4	105.7	-3.3	1.8
Public transportation ³	176.4	5.1	-1.1	245.6	2.7	.1	224.6	7.5	1.6	317.8	-1.4	-4.3
Medical care	225.8	1.9	.2	225.0	2.6	.1	240.6	4.3	.1	216.7	2.8	.0
Entertainment ⁸	163.0	4.6	.1	146.2	-.1	-.3	169.9	3.9	.0	147.1	1.7	-.1
Other goods and services ⁴	220.0	5.2	.5	212.2	2.2	.4	206.5	2.0	-.5	206.8	5.8	1.4
Personal care ³	142.3	3.3	.6	166.2	3.6	.1	162.7	1.6	.0	134.6	3.1	.0
Commodity and service group												
All items	152.7	2.3	.1	151.5	2.5	.5	155.6	2.3	.1	150.2	2.0	.1
Commodities	140.8	1.5	.3	137.0	1.0	.6	141.5	1.4	-.1	140.5	1.4	.0
Food and beverages	156.3	3.4	.3	150.2	3.3	.9	153.4	2.8	-.3	147.9	3.3	.1
Commodities less food and beverages	131.8	.3	.3	130.0	-.5	.4	135.1	.6	.0	136.5	.3	.0
Nondurables less food and beverages	137.9	.7	.4	132.2	-1.0	.7	135.9	.6	.2	139.5	1.1	.3
Durables	123.4	-.3	.1	126.2	.2	.0	131.6	.5	-.5	128.0	-.9	-.5
Services	167.3	3.1	-.1	168.9	3.8	.4	174.5	3.1	.3	163.0	2.4	.2
Medical care services	229.1	1.9	.0	226.1	2.4	.0	247.6	3.9	.2	218.9	3.3	.2
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	150.8	2.2	.1	147.8	1.9	.4	152.0	2.0	.1	148.5	1.7	.0
All items less medical care	149.5	2.4	.1	148.0	2.5	.5	152.1	2.1	-.1	146.5	1.9	.1
All items less energy	159.5	2.9	.1	159.4	2.8	.4	162.8	2.7	-.1	157.0	2.5	.0
All items less food and energy	160.4	2.8	.0	161.7	2.8	.3	165.7	2.7	.0	159.6	2.3	.0
Energy	106.6	-4.0	.5	103.5	-1.2	1.3	109.4	-1.6	2.0	101.3	-3.4	.6
Commodities less food	133.0	.4	.2	130.6	-.3	.4	136.3	.7	.0	137.4	.4	.0
Nondurables less food	139.6	.9	.4	133.0	-.5	.7	137.8	.9	.3	141.1	1.3	.3
Nondurables	147.5	2.1	.3	141.0	1.1	.8	144.4	1.7	-.1	144.3	2.2	.2
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	159.8	3.4	-.2	158.3	3.5	.1	160.4	3.1	-.6	153.0	2.2	.2
Services less medical care services	162.2	3.2	-.1	164.0	4.0	.4	168.8	3.1	.4	157.0	2.3	.1

See footnote at end of table.

Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes,¹ by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	South											
	Size class A			Size class B ²			Size class C ²			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	153.6	1.7	0.0	155.7	2.2	-0.1	156.0	1.9	0.1	156.3	1.8	0.0
All items (December 1977=100)	248.8	-	-	252.3	-	-	252.6	-	-	252.9	-	-
Food and beverages	154.9	3.5	.2	155.1	2.6	.1	155.4	3.0	-1	151.2	3.7	.0
Food	155.2	3.6	.2	155.2	2.6	.1	155.4	3.1	-1	151.5	4.0	.0
Food at home	154.2	3.7	.2	154.8	2.8	.2	153.7	3.2	-1	148.5	4.2	.1
Cereals and bakery products ³	170.0	3.8	.8	173.7	.5	1.0	166.9	1.2	.5	176.3	-1.9	-1.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	143.6	3.8	.1	144.1	4.3	.3	142.6	5.9	.8	141.3	4.5	-9
Dairy products ³	150.6	5.5	.1	147.0	9.2	-1	144.1	6.0	-7	136.9	11.8	1.9
Fruits and vegetables ³	186.6	4.3	-5	196.0	-1.6	-1.3	178.0	-1.6	-2.5	167.7	2.6	1.1
Other food at home ³	142.0	2.2	.6	140.7	2.6	.6	152.6	2.9	.2	139.1	5.8	1.1
Food away from home	158.3	3.5	.1	157.0	2.5	.0	160.1	2.8	.0	159.4	3.5	-3
Alcoholic beverages	151.8	2.4	.2	154.0	2.5	.3	155.3	1.8	-8	145.6	-4	-7
Housing ⁴	143.0	2.0	.1	148.9	2.5	.0	147.6	3.2	.5	150.5	.5	.0
Shelter	155.0	2.3	-2	156.0	3.0	.1	157.9	2.7	.2	175.7	2.9	.3
Renters' costs ^{3 5}	147.0	2.4	-7	163.0	3.1	-1	142.7	2.3	-3	153.9	2.1	.2
Rent, residential	154.2	2.3	.1	156.5	3.2	.3	148.0	2.5	.2	157.7	2.9	.3
Other renters' costs ³	193.1	3.3	-6.2	278.5	2.7	-1.1	179.6	1.0	-2.9	205.2	-1.1	.0
Homeowners' costs ^{3 5}	149.1	2.3	.1	152.2	3.0	.2	146.8	2.9	.3	161.1	3.1	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ⁵	149.3	2.5	.1	152.2	3.0	.1	146.4	3.0	.3	160.0	3.2	.3
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	120.3	.4	.9	146.7	2.9	-2	146.8	4.7	1.2	125.3	-5.3	-6
Fuels	107.7	-1.7	1.4	118.0	2.2	-5	141.8	6.3	1.9	106.9	-2.7	-1.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	98.4	-2	-2.8	112.2	4.5	-2.8	130.4	5.1	-1.8	92.5	-1.1	-2.7
Fuel oil ³	94.8	.0	-3.1	97.8	2.0	-2.2	86.7	11.0	-3.7	91.3	-4	-2.2
Other household fuel commodities ^{3 6}	132.1	-4	-2.4	143.0	6.1	-3.2	157.2	4.7	-1.6	115.2	-1.4	-2.9
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	111.1	-1.8	1.6	117.8	1.9	-3	143.8	6.3	2.1	111.6	-2.8	-1.3
Electricity	113.0	1.1	3.6	117.4	.9	.2	148.5	6.0	2.1	115.2	-2.4	-1.7
Utility (piped) gas	103.1	-9.6	-4.2	125.3	6.9	-2.0	134.1	8.0	2.2	100.9	-6.1	2.7
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	129.9	2.3	.0	132.3	.5	.0	118.3	2.6	.9	120.9	2.1	-2
Apparel and upkeep	151.0	.9	.2	140.2	3.0	-8	150.5	-4	.1	135.1	2.3	.8
Apparel commodities ³	146.7	.6	.3	135.5	3.2	-1.0	148.8	-5	.1	130.3	2.3	.9
Men's and boys' apparel ³	149.5	4.1	2.8	139.9	3.7	-3	134.5	-1.4	1.3	119.3	-2	5.0
Women's and girls' apparel ³	147.0	-9	-1.8	140.3	5.3	-1.0	152.6	.6	-9	145.2	3.7	-1.0
Footwear ³	139.4	1.4	1.8	120.4	-2.3	-3.0	133.5	.3	3.1	108.9	5.9	-1.9
Transportation	143.6	-5	-4	142.3	-4	-4	141.9	-1.0	-3	142.6	-1	-6
Private transportation	143.2	-7	-3	141.2	-7	-4	140.4	-1.1	-3	141.7	-1	-4
Motor fuel	105.1	-8.0	-1.2	103.8	-5.5	-1.2	103.7	-5.8	-1.1	96.6	-5.8	-1.5
Gasoline	104.2	-8.4	-1.2	103.4	-5.7	-1.1	104.3	-5.9	-1.2	95.8	-6.1	-1.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular	102.2	-8.7	-1.4	101.1	-5.8	-1.1	100.0	-6.1	-1.3	91.7	-6.0	-1.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	105.7	-8.3	-1.3	108.8	-6.1	-1.4	113.0	-5.4	-1.1	113.3	-6.2	-1.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium	105.8	-7.9	-1.1	105.4	-5.6	-1.1	109.2	-5.3	-8	102.4	-6.1	-1.1
Public transportation ³	150.7	4.7	-1.2	182.5	7.7	-1.6	198.6	2.7	-4	169.5	.1	-4.1
Medical care	233.2	1.7	.0	231.7	4.8	.5	235.7	2.0	-1	232.3	3.8	.2
Entertainment ⁸	166.0	2.3	-1	153.8	1.1	.3	150.7	.1	.0	147.9	3.9	-6
Other goods and services ⁴	202.0	2.7	.2	225.0	4.3	-2	210.7	4.5	-1	212.9	5.6	.4
Personal care ³	149.8	3.2	-3	148.9	-1.3	.0	143.4	2.2	-1	124.6	-1	-8
Commodity and service group												
All items	153.6	1.7	.0	155.7	2.2	-1	156.0	1.9	.1	156.3	1.8	.0
Commodities	142.8	1.1	.0	142.0	1.1	-2	143.5	.8	-1	139.2	1.5	-1
Food and beverages	154.9	3.5	.2	155.1	2.6	.1	155.4	3.0	-1	151.2	3.7	.0
Commodities less food and beverages	135.7	-4	-1	134.8	.1	-4	136.4	-4	-1	132.4	.3	-2
Nondurables less food and beverages	137.9	-1.1	-1	137.6	.5	-7	138.8	-4	-1	132.6	.9	.0
Durables	132.4	.4	-3	129.2	-5	-1	133.0	-2	-1	129.9	-6	-5
Services	166.8	2.4	.1	172.0	3.4	.1	172.0	2.9	.3	178.6	2.0	.0
Medical care services	237.5	1.3	-3	238.2	5.0	.5	242.9	2.3	.1	235.8	3.9	.1
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	153.6	1.5	.0	156.3	2.0	-1	155.5	1.7	.1	151.8	1.5	-1
All items less medical care	149.6	1.7	.0	151.5	2.0	-1	151.3	2.0	.1	150.7	1.6	-1
All items less energy	160.6	2.3	.0	161.9	2.6	.0	161.9	2.1	.1	164.5	2.4	.1
All items less food and energy	162.0	2.0	-1	163.7	2.6	.0	163.6	1.9	.1	168.0	2.0	.1
Energy	105.7	-5.1	.1	108.1	-1.8	-9	119.7	.5	.5	99.4	-4.1	-1.5
Commodities less food	136.2	-4	-2	135.3	.2	-4	137.0	-3	-1	132.6	.2	-3
Nondurables less food	138.5	-8	-1	138.3	.7	-6	139.5	-4	-1	132.9	.8	.0
Nondurables	146.5	1.2	.1	146.5	1.7	-3	147.1	1.2	-1	141.9	2.4	.0
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	163.8	2.2	.2	171.1	3.6	.1	171.3	3.1	.5	167.7	1.5	-2
Services less medical care services	160.4	2.5	.1	165.3	3.1	.0	164.0	3.1	.4	170.4	1.7	.0

See footnote at end of table.

Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes,¹ by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	West					
	Size class A			Size class C ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1997	May 1996		Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997
Expenditure category						
All items	156.1	1.9	-0.1	163.2	2.4	-0.1
All items (December 1977=100)	252.7	-	-	251.7	-	-
Food and beverages	158.8	3.2	-6	156.6	4.0	.3
Food	157.7	3.1	-8	155.9	3.8	.2
Food at home	160.7	3.2	-1.1	153.4	3.7	.1
Cereals and bakery products ³	178.5	2.0	-5	168.7	3.9	.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	151.3	6.7	-5	142.1	7.0	-8
Dairy products ³	157.6	3.3	-6	141.7	4.1	.0
Fruits and vegetables ³	189.4	.9	-2.9	194.4	1.5	-1.6
Other food at home ³	146.6	2.1	-9	140.4	1.8	2.7
Food away from home	153.3	3.0	-2.3	160.2	3.8	.1
Alcoholic beverages	168.2	3.5	1.5	165.0	5.0	.7
Housing ⁴	154.1	3.0	.5	162.4	2.9	-.4
Shelter	164.2	3.4	.3	184.0	4.1	-.8
Renters' costs ^{3 5}	160.5	4.1	.3	160.9	4.2	-.9
Rent, residential	169.7	3.3	.4	165.3	2.8	-1.5
Other renters' costs ³	226.8	8.2	-.4	227.7	11.0	1.9
Homeowners' costs ^{3 5}	162.0	3.0	.3	185.0	4.0	-.8
Owners' equivalent rent ⁵	161.7	2.9	.4	186.0	4.0	-.9
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	141.5	1.1	.9	132.3	3.5	1.4
Fuels	133.0	-4	1.9	112.0	2.7	2.7
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ^{3 9}	106.5	2.2	-1.0	278.5	4.2	-3.8
Fuel oil ^{3 9}	102.2	-4.9	-3.8	355.7	-3.1	-1.2
Other household fuel commodities ^{3 9}	141.3	7.2	.8	120.9	6.4	-4.6
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	134.9	-5	2.0	110.7	2.7	2.9
Electricity	151.6	-1.2	-.4	125.1	1.6	2.3
Utility (piped) gas	117.0	1.3	8.1	94.5	4.8	4.2
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	127.8	2.6	1.3	120.0	-2.8	.4
Apparel and upkeep	123.5	-2.1	-1.0	140.5	-.3	-1.0
Apparel commodities ³	118.6	-2.8	-1.1	139.5	-.4	-1.1
Men's and boys' apparel ³	121.2	.1	1.0	150.0	-3.1	-4.5
Women's and girls' apparel ³	110.5	-.8	-2.7	131.3	1.1	1.9
Footwear ³	125.3	-4.2	.3	129.8	6.5	-.7
Transportation	143.6	-1.6	-.8	143.6	-.2	.3
Private transportation	141.1	-1.9	-.8	142.2	-.7	.2
Motor fuel	109.9	-10.5	-1.0	110.1	-9.2	-.7
Gasoline	108.7	-11.2	-1.2	109.3	-9.0	-.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular	106.0	-12.0	-1.4	105.9	-8.9	.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁷	104.5	-9.7	-.9	115.5	-11.4	-2.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium	111.0	-10.0	-.8	110.2	-6.5	.5
Public transportation ³	190.3	2.6	-.8	176.6	9.6	1.0
Medical care	229.3	2.7	.3	251.3	6.8	1.0
Entertainment ⁸	152.9	1.2	.4	169.4	-2.0	-1.2
Other goods and services ⁴	227.2	4.6	-.1	229.6	4.0	.0
Personal care ³	161.2	-.7	-.1	159.1	4.4	-1.0

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes,¹ by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	West					
	Size class A			Size class C ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1997	May 1996		Apr. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Apr. 1997
Commodity and service group						
All items	156.1	1.9	-0.1	163.2	2.4	-0.1
Commodities	141.2	.6	-.4	142.4	.4	-.1
Food and beverages	158.8	3.2	-.6	156.6	4.0	.3
Commodities less food and beverages	130.4	-1.1	-.2	134.3	-1.7	-.3
Nondurables less food and beverages	131.9	-2.9	-.7	141.9	-1.8	-.6
Durables	129.0	1.3	.5	125.3	-1.5	.2
Services	171.8	2.9	.2	188.1	4.2	-.1
Medical care services	231.3	2.5	.0	259.4	7.4	1.2
Special indexes						
All items less shelter	154.2	1.2	-.2	157.0	1.7	.2
All items less medical care	153.1	1.9	-.1	158.5	2.1	-.1
All items less energy	160.8	2.6	-.1	169.4	2.9	-.1
All items less food and energy	161.7	2.4	.1	172.5	2.7	-.1
Energy	117.1	-6.5	.3	111.0	-4.6	.6
Commodities less food	132.3	-.8	-.1	135.7	-1.1	-.1
Nondurables less food	134.7	-2.2	-.4	142.8	-.9	-.4
Nondurables	146.0	.5	-.5	149.7	1.2	-.1
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	168.2	2.4	.1	175.0	4.2	.7
Services less medical care services	167.7	2.9	.2	181.0	3.8	-.2

¹ See region and area size on table 10 for information about cross classifications.

² Starting in January, 1998, a new Size Class B/C will be introduced, composed of current Size Class B and Size Class C cities. There will be no individual Size Class B or Size Class C.

³ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

⁴ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁸ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

⁹ Indexes on a June 1978=100 base in West size class C.

- Data not available.

Table 21. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Food at home expenditure categories, selected areas

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Total food at home	Cereals and bakery products ¹	Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ¹	Dairy products ¹	Fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	Other food at home ¹
Indexes, May 1997						
U.S. city average	156.6	176.7	147.4	145.1	185.4	146.6
Region and area size ³						
Northeast urban	160.6	182.0	152.1	138.4	187.9	154.0
Size A - More than 1,200,000	160.5	183.3	151.1	139.4	188.7	152.7
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	166.3	172.2	161.6	142.2	190.5	167.4
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000 ⁴	153.6	184.2	149.5	122.5	181.2	143.3
North Central urban	153.4	176.7	144.6	143.7	178.8	142.9
Size A - More than 1,200,000	156.9	178.0	150.4	148.1	185.2	142.0
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	151.2	183.6	138.3	142.6	165.2	146.6
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000 ⁴	150.9	171.0	137.3	138.1	178.7	147.8
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	144.2	173.2	135.4	136.3	161.7	134.7
South urban	153.4	171.1	143.3	145.7	184.0	143.9
Size A - More than 1,200,000	154.2	170.0	143.6	150.6	186.6	142.0
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	154.8	173.7	144.1	147.0	196.0	140.7
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000 ⁴	153.7	166.9	142.6	144.1	178.0	152.6
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	148.5	176.3	141.3	136.9	167.7	139.1
West urban	160.1	176.5	150.1	154.9	191.9	146.8
Size A - More than 1,200,000	160.7	178.5	151.3	157.6	189.4	146.6
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000 ⁴	153.4	168.7	142.1	141.7	194.4	140.4
Size classes						
A ⁵	145.0	158.6	136.6	140.3	171.2	134.1
B ⁴	158.0	176.2	149.1	147.1	189.1	148.0
C ⁴	152.8	171.6	142.3	137.4	181.2	148.0
D	150.1	176.5	137.8	141.3	171.6	144.2
Selected local areas						
Baltimore, MD ⁶	159.9	196.5	138.1	152.2	187.8	153.5
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	155.5	173.4	148.5	143.0	198.0	134.3
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	165.5	180.4	164.3	157.8	199.0	143.7
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	153.5	173.9	148.8	147.2	192.0	128.6
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	147.7	162.1	140.1	151.7	161.9	139.6
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	149.7	170.2	143.3	133.5	179.5	138.1
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	155.4	170.9	145.2	140.4	186.4	149.9
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	165.3	177.3	159.0	165.1	196.9	146.8
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	162.4	166.9	143.1	146.8	246.7	138.5
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	162.4	185.7	153.3	137.8	192.5	152.7
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ⁷	163.3	187.0	153.7	138.8	190.3	159.3
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA ⁸	149.4	161.2	136.3	148.3	154.0	157.6
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL ⁸	148.4	158.0	134.6	149.6	161.4	152.6
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA ⁷	162.8	178.2	150.5	151.6	186.1	158.4
Washington, DC-MD-VA ⁶	158.3	182.4	142.2	162.3	184.1	147.1

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 21. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Food at home expenditure categories, selected areas—Continued

Area	Total food at home	Cereals and bakery products ¹	Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ¹	Dairy products ¹	Fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	Other food at home ¹
Percent change, April 1997 to May 1997						
U.S. city average	0.0	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.1
Region and area size ³						
Northeast urban .....	.1	-.3	-.1	-.1	1.1	-.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	.4	-.1	.2	-.2	1.6	.3
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	-.2	.5	-1.2	-.4	1.0	-.2
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000 ⁴	-.9	-2.1	-.5	1.7	-1.3	-1.8
North Central urban .....	.3	.1	.4	-1.0	2.1	.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	.5	.3	-.2	-1.4	3.6	.2
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴	1.2	1.2	2.2	.3	3.1	-.3
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000 ⁴	-.3	-.9	1.3	-.7	-2.0	-.5
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	.1	-1.0	-.1	-1.1	.7	.9
South urban .....	.1	.5	.2	.1	-1.0	.6
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	.2	.8	.1	.1	-.5	.6
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000 ⁴ .....	.2	1.0	.3	-.1	-1.3	.6
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000 ⁴	-.1	.5	.8	-.7	-2.5	.2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	.1	-1.6	-.9	1.9	1.1	1.1
West urban	-.6	-.1	-.5	.2	-1.9	-.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	-1.1	-.5	-.5	-.6	-2.9	-.9
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000 ⁴ .....	.1	.5	-.8	.0	-1.6	2.7
Size classes						
A .....	.0	.1	-.1	-.6	.5	.0
B ⁴ .....	.3	.8	.2	.4	.2	.2
C ⁴	-.3	-.4	.6	-.1	-2.0	-.1
D .....	.3	-.4	-.7	.7	1.6	.9
Selected local areas						
Baltimore, MD ⁶	-1.2	1.3	-3.3	.1	-4.8	1.3
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH .....	.5	.1	1.0	-2.0	2.4	-.4
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI .....	.6	1.0	-.9	.8	3.9	.0
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH .....	.4	1.9	-1.2	-4.3	5.0	.9
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1.1	.7	.0	.5	2.9	2.0
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	-.4	-2.6	.6	-4.2	1.2	.6
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	.5	2.2	.0	-1.5	3.4	-.9
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	-1.5	-.1	-.9	-1.3	-3.6	-1.5
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	.6	.2	-1.4	.7	2.0	2.0
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT .....	.2	-.3	-.2	.4	1.6	-.3
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ⁷	1.6	-.6	3.8	-1.4	.6	2.3
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA ⁸	-.2	2.3	-5.2	-.1	5.3	1.0
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL ⁸ .....	.6	.3	-1.0	2.1	1.4	1.3
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA ⁷	-1.3	-1.1	-1.1	.3	-4.9	.3
Washington, DC-MD-VA ⁶	-.9	-.9	-.4	2.3	-4.4	-.5

¹ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997 below the U.S. city average level.

² This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

³ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

⁴ Starting in January, 1998, a new Size Class B/C will be introduced, composed of current Size Class B and Size Class C cities. There will be no individual Size Class B or Size Class C.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes for the cities of Washington and Baltimore will no longer be published separately after December, 1997. Beginning in January, 1998 the two cities will be published as a Washington-Baltimore combined metropolitan area.

⁷ Indexes for the cities of Philadelphia and San Francisco will no longer be published on a monthly basis starting in January, 1998. Beginning in February, 1998 they will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

⁸ Indexes for the cities of Pittsburgh and St. Louis will no longer be published on a bi-monthly basis after December, 1997. Beginning in July, 1998 they will be published semi-annually, each January and July.

Table 22. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Areas priced monthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group, percent change, April 1997 to May 1997

Group	U.S. city average	Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ¹	San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA ¹
Expenditure category						
All items	0.0	0.1	-0.2	-0.1	0.1	0.1
Food and beverages .....	.1	.3	-.8	.3	1.1	-.7
Food .....	.0	.5	-1.0	.2	1.2	-1.0
Food at home .....	.0	.6	-1.5	.2	1.6	-1.3
Cereals and bakery products ² .....	.1	1.0	-.1	-.3	-.6	-1.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ² .....	.1	-.9	-.9	-.2	3.8	-1.1
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	.3	-.9	-.9	-.2	4.1	-.6
Dairy products ²	-.2	.8	-1.3	.4	-1.4	.3
Fruits and vegetables ^{2,3} .....	.1	3.9	-3.6	1.6	.6	-4.9
Other food at home ² .....	.1	.0	-1.5	-.3	2.3	.3
Food away from home .....	.0	.2	-.1	.2	.1	-.3
Alcoholic beverages .....	.3	-.9	.8	.6	.1	2.3
Housing ³ .....	.1	.1	.7	.1	-.1	.9
Shelter .....	.1	.5	.2	.1	-.1	.4
Renters' costs ^{2,4}	-.1	.9	.1	-.3	.1	.2
Rent, residential .....	.2	.4	.1	.2	.0	.6
Other renters' costs ^{2,4}	-1.8	4.8	-.1	-3.4	.0	-1.8
Homeowners' costs ^{2,4} .....	.2	.4	.2	.2	-.1	.6
Owners' equivalent rent .....	.2	.4	.2	.2	-.1	.6
Fuel and other utilities ³ .....	.1	-2.0	1.3	.0	-.1	3.4
Fuels .....	.0	-3.9	3.1	-.2	.0	6.6
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ²	-1.7	-.8	.0	.5	-.3	3.2
Fuel oil ²	-1.4	.3	-	.5	-.3	-4.0
Other household fuel commodities ^{2,5}	-2.0	-2.6	.0	-.5	-	3.6
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	.2	-4.0	3.2	-.4	.0	6.6
Electricity .....	.9	.9	.1	-.2	.0	4.5
Utility (piped) gas	-1.4	-9.7	10.7	-.7	-.1	11.8
Household furnishings and operation ³ .....	.2	1.3	2.4	.3	-1.0	.8
Apparel and upkeep	-.6	-3.1	-.9	-.9	-1.3	-2.4
Apparel commodities ^{2,4}	-.6	-3.3	-1.0	-1.0	-1.4	-2.6
Men's and boys' apparel ² .....	.5	-1.3	.5	-1.7	2.6	4.0
Women's and girls' apparel ²	-1.3	-5.6	-3.1	-.6	-2.8	-4.7
Footwear ²	-.2	-2.4	-4.0	-1.0	-3.4	2.0
Transportation	-.3	.4	-1.1	-.3	-.7	-.7
Private transportation	-.2	.2	-1.1	-.4	-.8	-.6
Motor fuel	-.2	2.7	-.8	-1.8	-.8	-1.7
Gasoline	-.2	3.0	-1.2	-1.8	-.7	-1.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular	-.1	3.3	-1.5	-2.0	-1.3	-2.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁶	-.5	2.8	-1.3	-1.8	-1.2	-1.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium	-.5	2.7	-.9	-1.6	-1.4	-1.3
Public transportation ²	-.9	1.6	-.7	-.2	-.2	-.2
Medical care .....	.2	.3	-.1	.0	-.1	.8
Entertainment ⁷ .....	.0	-.6	-.2	-.6	.2	.8
Other goods and services ³ .....	.2	.7	-.3	.0	.9	-1.4
Personal care ² .....	.0	.8	-1.5	-1.2	.0	-2.0

Table 22. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Areas priced monthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group, percent change, April 1997 to May 1997 —Continued

Group	U.S. city average	Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ¹	San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA ¹
Commodity and service group						
All items	0.0	0.1	-0.2	-0.1	0.1	0.1
Commodities	-1	.3	-3	-2	.3	-8
Food and beverages .....	.1	.3	-8	.3	1.1	-7
Commodities less food and beverages	-1	.1	.2	-6	-4	-1.0
Nondurables less food and beverages	-2	-2	-6	-7	-3	-1.7
Durables	-1	.8	1.1	-4	-5	.0
Services .....	.1	-1	-1	.1	-1	.6
Medical care services .....	.1	.0	-3	.4	-1	.0
Special indexes						
All items less shelter .....	.0	-1	-3	-1	.1	-1
All items less medical care .....	.0	.1	-2	-1	.1	.0
All items less energy .....	.0	.1	-3	.1	.1	-1
All items less food and energy .....	.0	.0	-1	.0	-2	.1
Energy	-1	-6	.8	-8	-4	1.8
Commodities less food	-1	.1	.2	-5	-4	-8
Nondurables less food	-1	-3	-4	-6	-3	-1.1
Nondurables	-1	.1	-7	-1	.4	-1.0
Services less rent of shelter .....	.1	-7	-5	.1	-2	1.0
Services less medical care services .....	.1	-1	-1	.1	-2	.7

¹ Indexes for the cities of Philadelphia and San Francisco will no longer be published on a monthly basis starting in January, 1998. Beginning in February, 1998 they will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

² This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997 below the U.S. city average level.

³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁴ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after

December, 1997 for the U.S. city average. See Table X for a comparable index series.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁷ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

- Data not available.

Table 23. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 ¹											
	U.S. city average			Baltimore, MD ²			Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH			Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	157.2	2.1	0.1	154.3	1.0	-1.0	165.6	3.0	-0.7	155.5	2.4	-0.1
All items (1967=100)	468.3	-	-	459.8	-	-	478.7	-	-	456.6	-	-
Food and beverages	156.6	3.1	.1	159.2	1.4	-1.1	157.9	1.5	-3	159.8	3.8	-1
Food	156.1	3.0	.0	159.6	1.3	-1.3	158.1	1.7	-1	158.8	4.1	.1
Food at home	156.6	3.2	-.1	159.9	1.3	-2.1	155.5	1.7	-3	165.5	4.8	-.1
Cereals and bakery products ³	176.7	2.0	.2	196.5	3.0	1.0	173.4	2.0	.2	180.4	.3	.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	147.4	4.7	.0	138.1	-2.1	-3.0	148.5	.9	1.6	164.3	7.2	-1.3
Meats, poultry, and fish	148.3	4.9	.3	140.2	-1.8	-2.8	149.4	.8	2.1	167.2	7.2	-1.1
Dairy products ³	145.1	5.6	-.5	152.2	3.3	-2.7	143.0	9.7	.0	157.8	3.4	-.4
Fruits and vegetables ^{3,4}	185.4	1.0	-1.5	187.8	2.3	-6.8	198.0	2.6	-6.5	199.0	5.6	1.1
Other food at home ³	146.6	2.9	1.0	153.5	2.3	.5	134.3	-2.4	2.5	143.7	4.7	.6
Food away from home	156.2	2.8	.1	159.4	1.2	.4	164.6	1.9	.1	146.2	2.5	.3
Alcoholic beverages	162.2	2.9	.4	153.7	3.1	.9	158.4	-2	-1.8	172.8	1.1	-1.3
Housing ⁴	152.6	2.5	.1	142.6	.9	-1.0	158.5	3.6	-2.4	148.3	2.2	-.6
Shelter	170.3	3.0	.2	161.7	1.6	-.1	184.7	4.3	-6	170.5	3.5	.9
Renters' costs ^{5,6}	161.6	3.3	-.2	146.5	1.7	-.4	169.1	4.6	-1.7	167.3	3.8	1.3
Rent, residential	165.6	2.9	.5	161.9	1.5	.0	175.7	4.3	.3	181.4	3.8	.6
Other renters' costs ^{3,7}	222.9	5.1	-3.0	133.5	3.9	-3.5	227.0	5.8	-9.6	180.3	3.3	6.1
Homeowners' costs ^{5,6}	164.6	2.8	.4	152.8	1.3	.1	167.8	4.2	-2	171.6	3.5	.7
Owners' equivalent rent ⁶	164.9	2.8	.4	154.0	1.3	.1	167.7	4.2	-2	170.8	3.5	.8
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	128.7	1.9	-.7	113.0	-.3	-4.7	122.0	3.7	-9.5	120.1	.6	-5.2
Fuels	114.7	1.1	-1.5	102.2	-1.6	-7.8	100.2	4.9	-14.9	103.6	-7.3	-9.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	100.0	.9	-5.0	91.0	-2.9	-6.2	96.2	-2.9	-4.6	99.8	4.3	-4.0
Fuel oil ³	98.4	-.2	-4.5	94.2	-2.9	-6.2	98.0	-3.5	-4.1	99.1	3.2	-2.4
Other household fuel commodities ^{3,8}	129.6	3.2	-6.0	NA	-	-	108.0	6.9	-10.6	129.0	6.4	-6.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	121.5	1.3	-1.1	118.2	-1.5	-8.0	118.1	7.2	-17.2	106.8	-7.4	-9.6
Electricity	130.3	1.1	.9	123.7	.1	.0	140.9	3.2	-1.1	128.4	9.1	2.0
Utility (piped) gas	108.6	1.5	-5.5	106.6	-5.2	-23.2	87.9	16.0	-37.5	87.2	-23.0	-21.5
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	124.3	1.1	.3	124.1	-.3	-.8	118.2	-.9	-.6	110.4	-2.2	-1.8
Apparel and upkeep	134.7	1.1	.7	132.6	.6	-.5	157.0	4.7	6.9	123.7	2.5	.8
Apparel commodities ^{3,7}	131.5	1.1	.8	127.0	.6	-.5	147.9	5.2	8.3	123.6	2.5	1.0
Men's and boys' apparel ³	131.7	1.9	2.3	126.0	-2.2	1.8	134.5	-3.7	3.6	123.9	5.3	4.3
Women's and girls' apparel ³	129.0	1.5	-.2	112.9	-1.9	-4.8	132.5	16.2	18.7	107.6	2.7	-3.5
Footwear ³	130.1	.6	1.7	165.6	4.3	4.7	149.5	-1.4	7.4	148.9	.5	5.1
Transportation	143.8	-.4	-.3	142.1	-.8	-1.4	143.6	.1	-1.2	138.4	-1.3	-.2
Private transportation	141.5	-.7	-.3	141.4	-1.2	-1.1	143.9	.1	-1.4	135.9	-1.5	-.3
Motor fuel	105.7	-6.9	-.6	104.2	-8.4	-3.6	106.3	-4.2	-4.0	106.8	-6.6	.7
Gasoline	105.2	-7.1	-.5	101.6	-8.9	-3.8	104.8	-4.4	-3.7	106.1	-7.1	.9
Gasoline, unleaded regular	103.2	-7.4	-.5	101.9	-9.1	-4.2	102.1	-5.4	-4.3	104.4	-7.4	.8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁹	109.4	-7.0	-.9	102.8	-7.7	-3.6	108.1	-4.8	-3.5	112.7	-6.8	1.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium	105.9	-6.7	-.9	99.2	-9.6	-3.0	106.9	-5.8	-3.2	107.0	-6.5	.7
Public transportation ³	185.2	3.7	.1	157.9	6.3	-5.5	138.9	.1	.7	163.1	1.1	.6
Medical care	233.6	3.0	.3	231.1	-.2	-1.3	284.3	4.5	.9	240.1	3.2	.3
Entertainment ¹⁰	159.7	2.0	.1	174.2	2.1	-1.2	177.7	4.0	1.1	171.4	5.8	-.1
Other goods and services ⁴	220.2	4.3	1.0	222.9	5.2	-.6	228.6	5.4	1.0	232.2	5.6	2.1
Personal care ³	152.6	1.5	.7	140.6	10.4	-.4	150.0	4.4	1.3	161.1	8.8	1.3
Commodity and service group												
All items	157.2	2.1	.1	154.3	1.0	-1.0	165.6	3.0	-.7	155.5	2.4	-.1
Commodities	142.1	1.1	.1	141.6	.3	-1.2	144.0	1.6	-.3	140.9	1.5	-.1
Food and beverages	156.6	3.1	.1	159.2	1.4	-1.1	157.9	1.5	-3	159.8	3.8	-.1
Commodities less food and beverages	133.2	-.2	.1	132.1	-.5	-1.3	135.5	1.6	.7	129.0	-.2	.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	135.3	-.3	.4	135.3	-.4	-1.7	140.0	2.3	1.5	137.1	1.1	1.3
Durables	129.2	.0	-.3	126.1	-.7	-.6	128.2	.3	-.7	119.4	-2.1	-1.5
Services	175.5	3.0	.2	172.4	1.7	-1.0	190.2	4.0	-1.5	172.0	3.1	-.2
Medical care services	238.2	3.0	.3	229.6	-2.1	-2.3	297.7	5.4	1.2	240.9	2.8	.1
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	153.8	1.8	.1	152.9	.8	-1.4	160.9	2.4	-.7	151.4	1.9	-.5
All items less medical care	153.6	2.1	.1	150.8	1.1	-1.0	160.3	2.9	-.9	151.3	2.2	-.1
All items less energy	163.9	2.6	.2	162.2	1.5	-.7	175.4	3.1	.2	162.6	3.1	.2
All items less food and energy	165.9	2.4	.2	162.8	1.6	-.5	180.0	3.4	.3	163.5	2.9	.3
Energy	109.5	-2.9	-1.1	102.7	-5.3	-5.8	102.3	1.1	-10.7	104.6	-6.9	-4.5
Commodities less food	134.4	.0	.1	132.9	-.3	-1.2	136.2	1.5	.5	131.0	-.1	.1
Nondurables less food	136.9	.0	.4	136.4	-.1	-1.5	140.2	2.1	1.2	139.6	1.1	1.0
Nondurables	146.2	1.5	.1	146.6	.5	-1.4	148.3	1.9	.5	148.9	2.5	.5
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	166.5	3.0	.1	166.8	1.8	-1.7	184.1	3.6	-2.2	162.1	2.7	-1.3
Services less medical care services	170.1	3.0	.1	167.7	2.1	-.8	181.8	3.8	-1.8	165.9	3.2	-.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 23. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 ¹											
	Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH			Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA			Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL			N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1997	May 1996		Mar. 1997	May 1997		May 1996	Mar. 1997		May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	147.8	2.6	0.2	154.0	1.1	-0.1	155.6	3.0	-0.4	166.0	2.0	-0.4
All items (1967=100) ¹¹	461.9	-	-	455.1	-	-	252.8	-	-	472.7	-	-
Food and beverages	156.9	2.6	.4	161.7	3.3	-1.0	165.0	4.2	.4	161.9	2.5	-.1
Food	157.7	2.8	.4	159.3	3.3	-1.3	165.8	4.2	.3	161.5	2.3	-.2
Food at home	153.5	4.0	.9	165.3	3.4	-2.1	162.4	4.8	.1	162.4	2.4	-.4
Cereals and bakery products ³	173.9	1.2	-.3	177.3	1.4	.3	166.9	6.3	-1.1	185.7	1.6	-.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	148.8	3.8	.5	159.0	8.0	-.9	143.1	5.0	-.7	153.3	3.1	-1.2
Meats, poultry, and fish	151.3	4.6	.9	156.4	8.0	-.4	145.4	5.5	-.5	153.8	3.2	-1.1
Dairy products ³	147.2	7.3	-4.7	165.1	1.8	-1.9	146.8	2.2	.5	137.8	4.7	.5
Fruits and vegetables ^{3,4}	192.0	8.0	7.6	196.9	2.0	-6.9	246.7	9.9	.3	192.5	1.3	-1.4
Other food at home ³	128.6	1.3	.3	146.8	1.7	-.7	138.5	-.4	1.5	152.7	1.8	1.3
Food away from home	166.4	.7	-.7	150.3	3.0	.2	173.3	3.3	.7	163.4	2.1	.2
Alcoholic beverages	149.7	1.1	.6	181.7	2.8	.9	151.6	3.2	1.1	166.5	4.3	.8
Housing ⁴	140.3	2.9	-.2	150.2	1.8	.5	148.7	3.9	-.3	164.8	2.1	-.3
Shelter	150.8	1.9	-.2	156.8	2.0	.0	156.8	2.8	-.8	191.0	3.1	.1
Renters' costs ^{5,6}	158.9	-.4	-3.3	151.2	2.3	-.5	150.2	2.5	-3.4	175.6	3.8	-.5
Rent, residential	161.3	2.9	1.1	159.1	1.4	.3	148.1	1.9	.3	183.3	3.5	.5
Other renters' costs ^{3,7}	188.2	-7.3	-12.3	218.2	7.3	-4.6	210.9	7.5	-23.3	252.8	6.0	-6.7
Homeowners' costs ^{5,6}	156.0	2.8	1.0	156.1	1.6	.3	155.8	2.8	.6	181.6	2.7	.3
Owners' equivalent rent ⁶	156.8	2.8	1.0	155.6	1.5	.3	152.5	2.1	.6	182.4	2.6	.3
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	129.1	6.5	-1.0	151.9	.9	1.7	120.2	2.4	-.7	115.6	1.5	-2.0
Fuels	125.0	11.6	-1.8	149.7	-.1	3.7	111.9	2.8	-1.0	114.1	.7	-3.4
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ³	97.6	-.7	-2.0	126.6	7.8	-1.1	175.9	8.6	-.8	107.2	3.2	-3.2
Fuel oil ²	92.2	-1.8	-3.2	NA	-	-	NA	-	-	106.7	2.7	-3.4
Other household fuel commodities ^{3,8}	117.5	.0	-1.3	126.7	7.8	-1.1	153.0	8.6	-.8	128.6	7.8	-1.5
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	127.1	12.2	-1.8	150.1	-.2	3.7	110.7	2.6	-1.0	122.1	-.1	-3.5
Electricity	133.4	.3	.0	168.4	.7	.8	108.7	2.5	-1.1	123.3	-.6	-2.9
Utility (piped) gas	122.3	24.5	-3.2	132.4	-2.1	10.7	159.9	2.2	-.2	120.2	.9	-4.4
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	125.4	3.3	.6	124.7	1.9	1.8	153.0	11.5	2.6	127.2	-3.6	-.1
Apparel and upkeep	125.7	-4.3	.2	123.9	-1.4	-.4	153.4	3.7	-1.0	126.9	.4	-2.7
Apparel commodities ^{3,7}	123.2	-5.2	.1	119.0	-2.1	-.3	145.1	4.2	-1.2	123.0	.3	-3.0
Men's and boys' apparel ³	135.4	1.3	2.3	125.0	-3.8	-1.2	134.2	-8.8	.9	117.1	.9	-1.2
Women's and girls' apparel ³	132.7	-6.5	2.2	116.5	4.3	1.0	154.3	9.7	-4.2	121.7	1.2	-3.9
Footwear ³	80.9	-13.1	-3.5	101.8	-12.2	.2	166.3	18.8	2.8	133.8	1.3	-2.8
Transportation	138.1	2.4	.1	141.0	-2.6	-.6	144.8	.2	-1.3	154.2	-.1	-.9
Private transportation	137.8	2.5	.7	137.8	-3.0	-.6	144.8	.1	-1.3	147.2	-.5	-.9
Motor fuel	114.9	-5.0	3.6	106.6	-12.6	3.0	115.7	-2.7	-1.9	98.1	-7.2	-3.4
Gasoline	114.3	-5.2	4.0	104.1	-13.9	2.9	114.7	-3.4	-2.1	97.7	-7.3	-3.6
Gasoline, unleaded regular	113.6	-5.4	4.4	102.1	-14.5	2.9	113.0	-2.8	-2.2	96.7	-7.6	-3.8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁹	116.7	-5.2	3.7	101.6	-13.2	2.3	109.0	-3.4	-1.8	100.6	-7.0	-3.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium	115.6	-5.0	2.8	104.9	-12.9	2.9	115.4	-4.4	-2.0	99.2	-7.5	-3.3
Public transportation ³	143.8	.8	-7.5	208.0	3.4	-1.1	142.7	3.9	-.2	187.0	1.6	-1.0
Medical care	208.2	.8	-.2	228.8	1.1	-.3	216.5	2.2	.2	243.8	3.8	-.1
Entertainment ¹⁰	153.9	2.5	.3	147.8	1.9	-.3	155.8	6.3	-.4	165.3	2.3	.1
Other goods and services ⁴	207.1	9.1	3.2	226.8	4.4	.4	172.8	4.9	1.1	229.4	4.6	1.2
Personal care ³	143.0	2.4	1.8	163.6	-1.6	1.3	101.2	8.0	-1.7	167.6	.0	-1.1
Commodity and service group												
All items	147.8	2.6	.2	154.0	1.1	-.1	155.6	3.0	-.4	166.0	2.0	-.4
Commodities	138.2	.9	.5	140.5	.6	-.1	151.2	3.6	-.1	145.2	.5	-.7
Food and beverages	156.9	2.6	.4	161.7	3.3	-1.0	165.0	4.2	.4	161.9	2.5	-.1
Commodities less food and beverages	127.6	-.2	.6	127.7	-1.2	.7	142.5	3.2	-.3	132.2	-1.2	-1.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	137.3	-1.1	1.4	131.3	-3.3	.9	135.5	3.0	-.7	132.1	-.4	-1.2
Durables	116.4	1.1	-.6	124.8	1.3	.5	151.3	3.3	-.1	129.5	-2.8	-1.0
Services	159.5	4.4	.0	168.2	1.6	-.2	161.2	2.6	-.6	188.3	3.1	-.1
Medical care services	203.7	.4	-.4	231.8	.6	-.5	218.2	2.3	.3	250.6	4.6	.0
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	148.8	2.8	.3	154.1	.9	-.2	155.4	3.2	-.2	157.7	1.5	-.5
All items less medical care	145.2	2.7	.3	150.9	1.1	-.1	152.5	3.1	-.4	162.9	1.9	-.4
All items less energy	151.9	2.6	.1	158.2	1.8	-.3	161.5	3.4	-.2	173.3	2.4	-.1
All items less food and energy	150.8	2.7	.1	158.2	1.5	-.1	160.7	3.1	-.4	176.7	2.4	-.1
Energy	121.8	1.9	1.1	119.8	-7.7	3.3	110.3	-.3	-1.5	107.4	-2.5	-3.4
Commodities less food	128.5	-.1	.5	130.6	-.9	.8	142.8	3.2	-.3	133.7	-.8	-1.0
Nondurables less food	137.8	-.9	1.2	135.8	-2.5	.9	136.3	3.0	-.6	134.1	-.1	-1.0
Nondurables	147.6	.8	.8	147.3	.3	-.2	151.3	3.6	-.1	148.3	1.2	-.5
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	157.7	6.8	.2	170.0	1.4	-.5	155.3	2.9	-.3	168.7	3.2	-.3
Services less medical care services	155.7	4.7	.1	164.0	1.7	-.2	156.0	2.6	-.7	183.9	3.0	-.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 23. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 ¹											
	Phil.- Wilmington- Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ¹²			St. Louis- East St. Louis, MO-IL ¹³			San Francisco- Oakland- San Jose, CA ¹²			Washington, DC-MD-VA ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items	165.2	2.4	-0.1	151.2	2.6	0.1	156.8	2.5	0.4	159.7	1.9	0.4
All items (1967=100)	479.9	-	-	444.9	-	-	477.3	-	-	478.3	-	-
Food and beverages	156.5	2.5	.8	154.5	2.8	.3	159.1	3.1	-0.7	155.2	1.6	.3
Food	155.6	2.6	.8	152.6	2.1	.0	159.4	3.0	-1.1	155.6	1.6	.3
Food at home	163.3	3.2	1.1	148.4	2.0	.5	162.8	2.9	-1.5	158.3	.5	.6
Cereals and bakery products ³	187.0	.3	-3.8	158.0	1.8	.1	178.2	3.8	.5	182.4	.2	.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ³	153.7	5.3	3.2	134.6	4.2	.7	150.5	4.0	-2.3	142.2	-1.3	-3
Meats, poultry, and fish	154.4	5.3	3.4	137.1	4.1	1.0	146.7	5.0	-1.4	143.7	-1.0	-1
Dairy products ³	138.8	4.7	-1.0	149.6	4.6	2.2	151.6	2.5	.1	162.3	7.3	4.4
Fruits and vegetables ^{3,4}	190.3	2.8	2.5	161.4	-6.2	-3.6	186.1	-1.0	-7.2	184.1	-1.6	-3
Other food at home ³	159.3	2.2	1.8	152.6	3.7	2.1	158.4	4.6	2.8	147.1	1.0	.3
Food away from home	138.4	1.0	.2	159.5	2.4	-6	154.0	3.4	-2	153.6	3.6	-2
Alcoholic beverages	171.1	1.2	-1	165.2	8.1	2.5	157.0	3.7	2.3	152.5	.6	.3
Housing ⁴	167.9	3.5	-1	145.9	2.7	-7	160.7	4.8	1.2	153.6	1.3	.5
Shelter	198.6	3.9	.2	162.6	2.7	.0	173.9	5.7	1.0	169.2	1.7	.5
Renters' costs ^{5,6}	190.5	6.8	-4	152.0	2.0	-1.0	168.3	6.0	1.0	157.8	1.4	-2
Rent, residential	175.2	2.5	.2	146.8	2.7	.8	182.8	5.8	1.2	171.0	1.3	.9
Other renters' costs ^{3,7}	300.8	14.3	-1.3	207.2	.8	-4.5	221.2	7.4	.3	190.1	2.6	-11.9
Homeowners' costs ^{5,6}	175.7	2.9	.4	155.8	2.9	.3	163.6	5.4	.9	159.4	1.7	1.1
Owners' equivalent rent ⁶	176.6	2.9	.5	156.6	3.0	.3	163.5	5.0	1.0	160.1	1.8	1.1
Fuel and other utilities ⁴	130.7	3.9	-1	116.3	.5	-3.9	147.1	2.4	2.2	128.5	3.1	1.1
Fuels	120.5	5.3	-2	101.2	-1.7	-7.0	151.1	1.4	3.8	110.0	4.2	.6
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities ⁹	104.4	-4.0	-2.3	91.7	5.5	-6.6	162.6	6.1	3.2	105.9	-2	.8
Fuel oil ³	98.0	-4.0	-2.3	83.2	-3.0	-4.0	111.5	-19.9	-3.5	99.6	3.2	1.2
Other household fuel commodities ^{3,8}	NA	-	-	115.3	10.7	-8.0	176.2	8.1	3.6	163.9	-6.7	-3
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	136.8	6.8	.1	103.5	-2.3	-7.1	150.8	1.3	3.8	116.2	4.6	.6
Electricity	148.6	1.4	.0	122.3	.7	.5	176.0	.0	.6	119.2	2.6	.8
Utility (piped) gas	121.9	18.7	.1	87.0	-6.4	-16.2	120.5	4.2	11.8	112.4	7.5	.3
Household furnishings and operation ⁴	119.9	.1	-1.9	129.8	5.4	.5	120.4	2.2	1.2	127.1	-2.2	.1
Apparel and upkeep	99.9	-2	-1.2	129.0	6.2	2.7	120.4	-6.2	-2.0	152.8	8.0	2.4
Apparel commodities ^{3,7}	94.2	-3	-1.3	127.4	6.6	2.8	115.9	-7.1	-2.3	149.0	8.7	2.7
Men's and boys' apparel ³	126.0	2.7	3.8	146.2	8.4	6.4	117.0	7.1	4.3	162.4	8.3	9.4
Women's and girls' apparel ³	64.9	-8.1	-6.1	111.1	8.8	-3.9	93.0	-10.1	-4.0	143.4	11.7	-2.7
Footwear ³	120.1	10.4	.3	111.4	16.3	5.9	163.7	-1.9	10.9	138.3	8.0	5.3
Transportation	152.5	.2	-1.0	144.7	.5	.3	137.2	-1.8	.4	150.4	-1	-4
Private transportation	150.8	.1	-1.1	144.4	.3	.5	133.1	-2.3	.6	149.5	-9	-3
Motor fuel	105.7	-6.6	-3.4	108.2	-5.3	3.7	113.7	-10.0	3.0	108.6	-8.7	-3.6
Gasoline	104.1	-6.6	-3.3	107.2	-5.2	4.7	112.1	-10.2	3.2	107.6	-9.4	-3.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular	102.1	-8.0	-4.5	104.0	-5.1	5.2	109.6	-11.0	3.3	105.8	-10.0	-3.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁹	101.9	-7.7	-3.8	122.1	-5.9	4.3	107.4	-9.4	3.4	102.2	-9.2	-3.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium	98.5	-7.3	-3.1	107.3	-5.0	3.6	112.8	-8.3	3.4	106.7	-8.3	-3.4
Public transportation ³	177.3	.8	-6	155.9	6.1	-2.4	194.2	3.2	-1.0	163.1	8.8	-2.1
Medical care	242.7	2.8	-1	225.0	4.7	.9	219.7	4.0	1.3	231.0	4.6	-6
Entertainment ¹⁰	176.0	1.6	-1.5	155.9	2.4	-4	156.7	-2	.6	166.3	2.1	.1
Other goods and services ⁴	236.0	3.3	1.8	182.8	2.7	.8	226.5	4.1	-7	223.8	4.1	.7
Personal care ³	195.0	.7	-2	100.7	-6.2	.0	158.3	1.1	-1.4	168.5	.6	-9

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 23. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 ¹											
	Phil.- Wilmington- Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD ¹²			St. Louis- East St. Louis, MO-IL ¹³			San Francisco- Oakland- San Jose, CA ¹²			Washington, DC-MD-VA ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997	May 1997	May 1996	Mar. 1997
Commodity and service group												
All items	165.2	2.4	-0.1	151.2	2.6	0.1	156.8	2.5	0.4	159.7	1.9	0.4
Commodities	139.0	.8	-.1	142.3	2.4	.9	141.4	.1	-.3	144.2	.8	.1
Food and beverages	156.5	2.5	.8	154.5	2.8	.3	159.1	3.1	-.7	155.2	1.6	.3
Commodities less food and beverages	126.4	-.6	-.9	135.0	2.0	1.4	129.7	-2.6	.1	138.2	.5	.0
Nondurables less food and beverages	122.8	-1.1	-.2	131.6	2.0	2.0	129.1	-4.2	.3	142.8	2.7	.6
Durables	130.0	.5	-1.8	137.3	2.2	.4	128.4	.2	-.4	129.4	-2.9	-1.0
Services	196.5	3.6	.1	163.1	2.8	-.7	172.5	4.4	.9	176.4	2.7	.6
Medical care services	250.0	2.9	-.1	231.1	5.1	1.0	221.1	2.9	.7	236.9	5.0	-.5
Special indexes												
All items less shelter	156.4	1.9	-.1	148.5	2.5	.1	151.2	1.0	.1	157.0	2.1	.4
All items less medical care	161.9	2.4	.0	147.6	2.4	.1	154.4	2.4	.3	156.4	1.8	.4
All items less energy	172.8	2.6	.1	158.4	3.1	.3	161.0	3.0	.2	166.2	2.3	.5
All items less food and energy	178.3	2.6	-.1	159.8	3.4	.3	161.4	2.9	.4	168.7	2.4	.5
Energy	112.8	.4	-1.5	103.7	-3.6	-1.6	127.1	-5.3	3.3	108.6	-3.0	-1.7
Commodities less food	128.2	-.5	-.9	136.6	2.5	1.4	131.0	-2.0	.2	138.7	.5	.0
Nondurables less food	125.7	-.9	-.3	134.3	2.8	2.1	130.8	-3.2	.6	143.0	2.4	.5
Nondurables	140.5	.9	.3	143.5	2.5	1.1	144.9	.1	-.3	148.9	2.1	.4
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	176.9	3.3	-.1	156.7	2.8	-1.3	158.4	2.9	.7	166.8	3.9	.7
Services less medical care services	192.5	3.7	.1	156.8	2.5	-.9	169.7	4.4	.8	171.6	2.5	.6

¹ Areas on pricing schedule 2 (see table 10) will appear next month.

² Indexes for the cities of Washington and Baltimore will no longer be published separately after December, 1997. Beginning in January, 1998 the two cities will be published as a Washington-Baltimore combined metropolitan area.

³ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997 below the U.S. city average level.

⁴ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁵ This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

⁶ Indexes are on a November 1984=100 base in Baltimore, Boston, Miami, St. Louis, Washington. Indexes are on a December 1984=100 base in the U.S., Chicago, Cleveland, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco.

⁷ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997 for the U.S. city average. See Table X for a comparable index series.

⁸ Indexes on a November 1986=100 base in Baltimore, Boston, Cleveland, Miami, St. Louis, and Washington. Indexes on a December 1986=100 base in U.S., Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹⁰ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

¹¹ Index on a November 1977=100 base in Miami.

¹² Indexes for the cities of Philadelphia and San Francisco will no longer be published on a monthly basis starting in January, 1998. Beginning in February, 1998 they will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

¹³ Indexes for the cities of Pittsburgh and St. Louis will no longer be published on a bi-monthly basis after December, 1997. Beginning in July, 1998 they will be published semi-annually, each January and July.

^{NA} Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.

Table 24. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U. S. city average, all items

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Semiannual averages		Annual avg.	Percent change from previous	
													1st half	2nd half		Dec.	Annual avg.
1913	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.9	9.9	10.0	10.0	10.1	10.0	-	-	9.9	-	-
1914	10.0	9.9	9.9	9.8	9.9	9.9	10.0	10.2	10.2	10.1	10.2	10.1	-	-	10.0	1.0	1.0
1915	10.1	10.0	9.9	10.0	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.2	10.3	10.3	-	-	10.1	2.0	1.0
1916	10.4	10.4	10.5	10.6	10.7	10.8	10.8	10.9	11.1	11.3	11.5	11.6	-	-	10.9	12.6	7.9
1917	11.7	12.0	12.0	12.6	12.8	13.0	12.8	13.0	13.3	13.5	13.5	13.7	-	-	12.8	18.1	17.4
1918	14.0	14.1	14.0	14.2	14.5	14.7	15.1	15.4	15.7	16.0	16.3	16.5	-	-	15.1	20.4	18.0
1919	16.5	16.2	16.4	16.7	16.9	16.9	17.4	17.7	17.8	18.1	18.5	18.9	-	-	17.3	14.5	14.6
1920	19.3	19.5	19.7	20.3	20.6	20.9	20.8	20.3	20.0	19.9	19.8	19.4	-	-	20.0	2.6	15.6
1921	19.0	18.4	18.3	18.1	17.7	17.6	17.7	17.7	17.5	17.5	17.4	17.3	-	-	17.9	-10.8	-10.5
1922	16.9	16.9	16.7	16.7	16.7	16.7	16.8	16.6	16.6	16.7	16.8	16.9	-	-	16.8	-2.3	-6.1
1923	16.8	16.8	16.8	16.9	16.9	17.0	17.2	17.1	17.2	17.3	17.3	17.3	-	-	17.1	2.4	1.8
1924	17.3	17.2	17.1	17.0	17.0	17.0	17.1	17.0	17.1	17.2	17.2	17.3	-	-	17.1	.0	.0
1925	17.3	17.2	17.3	17.2	17.3	17.5	17.7	17.7	17.7	17.7	18.0	17.9	-	-	17.5	3.5	2.3
1926	17.9	17.9	17.8	17.9	17.8	17.7	17.5	17.4	17.5	17.6	17.7	17.7	-	-	17.7	-1.1	1.1
1927	17.5	17.4	17.3	17.3	17.4	17.6	17.3	17.2	17.3	17.4	17.3	17.3	-	-	17.4	-2.3	-1.7
1928	17.3	17.1	17.1	17.1	17.2	17.1	17.1	17.1	17.3	17.2	17.2	17.1	-	-	17.1	-1.2	-1.7
1929	17.1	17.1	17.0	16.9	17.0	17.1	17.3	17.3	17.3	17.3	17.3	17.2	-	-	17.1	.6	.0
1930	17.1	17.0	16.9	17.0	16.9	16.8	16.6	16.5	16.6	16.5	16.4	16.1	-	-	16.7	-6.4	-2.3
1931	15.9	15.7	15.6	15.5	15.3	15.1	15.1	15.1	15.0	14.9	14.7	14.6	-	-	15.2	-9.3	-9.0
1932	14.3	14.1	14.0	13.9	13.7	13.6	13.6	13.5	13.4	13.3	13.2	13.1	-	-	13.7	-10.3	-9.9
1933	12.9	12.7	12.6	12.6	12.6	12.7	13.1	13.2	13.2	13.2	13.2	13.2	-	-	13.0	.8	-5.1
1934	13.2	13.3	13.3	13.3	13.3	13.4	13.4	13.4	13.6	13.5	13.5	13.4	-	-	13.4	1.5	3.1
1935	13.6	13.7	13.7	13.8	13.8	13.7	13.7	13.7	13.7	13.7	13.8	13.8	-	-	13.7	3.0	2.2
1936	13.8	13.8	13.7	13.7	13.7	13.8	13.9	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	-	-	13.9	1.4	1.5
1937	14.1	14.1	14.2	14.3	14.4	14.4	14.5	14.5	14.6	14.6	14.5	14.4	-	-	14.4	2.9	3.6
1938	14.2	14.1	14.1	14.2	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.0	14.0	14.0	-	-	14.1	-2.8	-2.1
1939	14.0	13.9	13.9	13.8	13.8	13.8	13.8	13.8	14.1	14.0	14.0	14.0	-	-	13.9	.0	-1.4
1940	13.9	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.1	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.1	-	-	14.0	.7	.7
1941	14.1	14.1	14.2	14.3	14.4	14.7	14.7	14.9	15.1	15.3	15.4	15.5	-	-	14.7	9.9	5.0
1942	15.7	15.8	16.0	16.1	16.3	16.3	16.4	16.5	16.5	16.7	16.8	16.9	-	-	16.3	9.0	10.9
1943	16.9	16.9	17.2	17.4	17.5	17.5	17.4	17.3	17.4	17.4	17.4	17.4	-	-	17.3	3.0	6.1
1944	17.4	17.4	17.4	17.5	17.5	17.6	17.7	17.7	17.7	17.7	17.7	17.8	-	-	17.6	2.3	1.7
1945	17.8	17.8	17.8	17.8	17.9	18.1	18.1	18.1	18.1	18.1	18.1	18.2	-	-	18.0	2.2	2.3
1946	18.2	18.1	18.3	18.4	18.5	18.7	19.8	20.2	20.4	20.8	21.3	21.5	-	-	19.5	18.1	8.3
1947	21.5	21.5	21.9	21.9	21.9	22.0	22.2	22.5	23.0	23.0	23.1	23.4	-	-	22.3	8.8	14.4
1948	23.7	23.5	23.4	23.8	23.9	24.1	24.4	24.5	24.5	24.4	24.2	24.1	-	-	24.1	3.0	8.1
1949	24.0	23.8	23.8	23.9	23.8	23.9	23.7	23.8	23.9	23.7	23.8	23.6	-	-	23.8	-2.1	-1.2
1950	23.5	23.5	23.6	23.6	23.7	23.8	24.1	24.3	24.4	24.6	24.7	25.0	-	-	24.1	5.9	1.3
1951	25.4	25.7	25.8	25.8	25.9	25.9	25.9	25.9	26.1	26.2	26.4	26.5	-	-	26.0	6.0	7.9
1952	26.5	26.3	26.3	26.4	26.4	26.5	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	-	-	26.5	.8	1.9
1953	26.6	26.5	26.6	26.6	26.7	26.8	26.8	26.9	26.9	27.0	26.9	26.9	-	-	26.7	.7	.8
1954	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.8	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.8	26.8	26.8	26.7	-	-	26.9	-7	.7
1955	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.8	26.8	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.8	-	-	26.8	.4	-4
1956	26.8	26.8	26.8	26.9	27.0	27.2	27.4	27.3	27.4	27.5	27.5	27.6	-	-	27.2	3.0	1.5
1957	27.6	27.7	27.8	27.9	28.0	28.1	28.3	28.3	28.3	28.3	28.4	28.4	-	-	28.1	2.9	3.3
1958	28.6	28.6	28.8	28.9	28.9	28.9	29.0	28.9	28.9	28.9	29.0	28.9	-	-	28.9	1.8	2.8
1959	29.0	28.9	28.9	29.0	29.0	29.1	29.2	29.2	29.3	29.4	29.4	29.4	-	-	29.1	1.7	.7

Table 24. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U. S. city average, all items—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Semiannual averages		Annual avg.	Percent change from previous	
													1st half	2nd half		Dec.	Annual avg.
1960	29.3	29.4	29.4	29.5	29.5	29.6	29.6	29.6	29.6	29.8	29.8	29.8	-	-	29.6	1.4	1.7
1961	29.8	29.8	29.8	29.8	29.8	29.8	30.0	29.9	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	-	-	29.9	.7	1.0
1962	30.0	30.1	30.1	30.2	30.2	30.2	30.3	30.3	30.4	30.4	30.4	30.4	-	-	30.2	1.3	1.0
1963	30.4	30.4	30.5	30.5	30.5	30.6	30.7	30.7	30.7	30.8	30.8	30.9	-	-	30.6	1.6	1.3
1964	30.9	30.9	30.9	30.9	30.9	31.0	31.1	31.0	31.1	31.1	31.2	31.2	-	-	31.0	1.0	1.3
1965	31.2	31.2	31.3	31.4	31.4	31.6	31.6	31.6	31.6	31.7	31.7	31.8	-	-	31.5	1.9	1.6
1966	31.8	32.0	32.1	32.3	32.3	32.4	32.5	32.7	32.7	32.9	32.9	32.9	-	-	32.4	3.5	2.9
1967	32.9	32.9	33.0	33.1	33.2	33.3	33.4	33.5	33.6	33.7	33.8	33.9	-	-	33.4	3.0	3.1
1968	34.1	34.2	34.3	34.4	34.5	34.7	34.9	35.0	35.1	35.3	35.4	35.5	-	-	34.8	4.7	4.2
1969	35.6	35.8	36.1	36.3	36.4	36.6	36.8	37.0	37.1	37.3	37.5	37.7	-	-	36.7	6.2	5.5
1970	37.8	38.0	38.2	38.5	38.6	38.8	39.0	39.0	39.2	39.4	39.6	39.8	-	-	38.8	5.6	5.7
1971	39.8	39.9	40.0	40.1	40.3	40.6	40.7	40.8	40.8	40.9	40.9	41.1	-	-	40.5	3.3	4.4
1972	41.1	41.3	41.4	41.5	41.6	41.7	41.9	42.0	42.1	42.3	42.4	42.5	-	-	41.8	3.4	3.2
1973	42.6	42.9	43.3	43.6	43.9	44.2	44.3	45.1	45.2	45.6	45.9	46.2	-	-	44.4	8.7	6.2
1974	46.6	47.2	47.8	48.0	48.6	49.0	49.4	50.0	50.6	51.1	51.5	51.9	-	-	49.3	12.3	11.0
1975	52.1	52.5	52.7	52.9	53.2	53.6	54.2	54.3	54.6	54.9	55.3	55.5	-	-	53.8	6.9	9.1
1976	55.6	55.8	55.9	56.1	56.5	56.8	57.1	57.4	57.6	57.9	58.0	58.2	-	-	56.9	4.9	5.8
1977	58.5	59.1	59.5	60.0	60.3	60.7	61.0	61.2	61.4	61.6	61.9	62.1	-	-	60.6	6.7	6.5
1978	62.5	62.9	63.4	63.9	64.5	65.2	65.7	66.0	66.5	67.1	67.4	67.7	-	-	65.2	9.0	7.6
1979	68.3	69.1	69.8	70.6	71.5	72.3	73.1	73.8	74.6	75.2	75.9	76.7	-	-	72.6	13.3	11.3
1980	77.8	78.9	80.1	81.0	81.8	82.7	82.7	83.3	84.0	84.8	85.5	86.3	-	-	82.4	12.5	13.5
1981	87.0	87.9	88.5	89.1	89.8	90.6	91.6	92.3	93.2	93.4	93.7	94.0	-	-	90.9	8.9	10.3
1982	94.3	94.6	94.5	94.9	95.8	97.0	97.5	97.7	97.9	98.2	98.0	97.6	-	-	96.5	3.8	6.2
1983	97.8	97.9	97.9	98.6	99.2	99.5	99.9	100.2	100.7	101.0	101.2	101.3	-	-	99.6	3.8	3.2
1984	101.9	102.4	102.6	103.1	103.4	103.7	104.1	104.5	105.0	105.3	105.3	105.3	102.9	104.9	103.9	3.9	4.3
1985	105.5	106.0	106.4	106.9	107.3	107.6	107.8	108.0	108.3	108.7	109.0	109.3	106.6	108.5	107.6	3.8	3.6
1986	109.6	109.3	108.8	108.6	108.9	109.5	109.5	109.7	110.2	110.3	110.4	110.5	109.1	110.1	109.6	1.1	1.9
1987	111.2	111.6	112.1	112.7	113.1	113.5	113.8	114.4	115.0	115.3	115.4	115.4	112.4	114.9	113.6	4.4	3.6
1988	115.7	116.0	116.5	117.1	117.5	118.0	118.5	119.0	119.8	120.2	120.3	120.5	116.8	119.7	118.3	4.4	4.1
1989	121.1	121.6	122.3	123.1	123.8	124.1	124.4	124.6	125.0	125.6	125.9	126.1	122.7	125.3	124.0	4.6	4.8
1990	127.4	128.0	128.7	128.9	129.2	129.9	130.4	131.6	132.7	133.5	133.8	133.8	128.7	132.6	130.7	6.1	5.4
1991	134.6	134.8	135.0	135.2	135.6	136.0	136.2	136.6	137.2	137.4	137.8	137.9	135.2	137.2	136.2	3.1	4.2
1992	138.1	138.6	139.3	139.5	139.7	140.2	140.5	140.9	141.3	141.8	142.0	141.9	139.2	141.4	140.3	2.9	3.0
1993	142.6	143.1	143.6	144.0	144.2	144.4	144.4	144.8	145.1	145.7	145.8	145.8	143.7	145.9	144.5	2.7	3.0
1994	146.2	146.7	147.2	147.4	147.5	148.0	148.4	149.0	149.4	149.5	149.7	149.7	147.2	149.3	148.2	2.7	2.6
1995	150.3	150.9	151.4	151.9	152.2	152.5	152.5	152.9	153.2	153.7	153.6	153.5	151.5	153.2	152.4	2.5	2.8
1996	154.4	154.9	155.7	156.3	156.6	156.7	157.0	157.3	157.8	158.3	158.6	158.6	155.8	157.9	156.9	3.3	3.0
1997	159.1	159.6	160.0	160.2	160.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Data not available.

Table 25. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										May
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Commodity and service group											
All items	115.4	120.5	126.1	133.8	137.9	141.9	145.8	149.7	153.5	158.6	160.1
Commodities	109.3	113.5	118.2	126.0	127.5	130.1	132.0	135.1	137.0	141.4	142.1
Food and beverages	114.8	120.6	127.2	133.9	137.3	139.5	143.3	147.2	150.3	156.6	157.1
Commodities less food and beverages	105.7	109.0	112.6	121.1	121.5	124.3	125.1	127.6	128.9	132.1	132.9
Nondurables less food and beverages	103.1	106.9	112.0	125.8	124.5	127.4	126.5	128.1	128.8	133.7	135.4
Apparel commodities ¹	111.0	116.3	117.1	123.0	127.2	128.7	129.7	127.2	127.1	126.5	131.8
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	101.5	104.5	112.0	130.1	126.0	129.6	127.7	131.5	132.7	140.5	140.4
Durables	109.5	112.2	113.5	114.5	117.2	120.1	123.3	126.9	129.0	129.9	129.4
Services	122.2	128.1	134.6	142.3	148.8	154.2	160.0	164.7	170.4	176.1	178.4
Rent of shelter ²	128.5	134.3	140.9	148.4	154.2	158.7	163.5	168.3	174.2	179.3	182.4
Household services less rent of shelter ^{1,2}	112.3	116.2	119.0	122.2	127.8	131.4	134.9	135.9	138.6	143.4	144.0
Transportation services	124.6	132.1	138.6	150.0	153.7	159.2	166.9	171.1	176.3	184.1	184.9
Medical care services	132.7	141.9	154.1	169.3	182.8	195.6	207.1	218.2	227.8	235.0	238.5
Other services	129.0	136.2	145.1	154.5	164.1	172.8	181.6	188.9	197.3	205.0	208.0
Special indexes											
All items less food	115.5	120.4	125.8	133.7	138.1	142.5	146.4	150.2	154.2	159.0	160.7
All items less shelter	113.2	118.1	123.5	131.5	135.0	139.1	142.7	146.3	149.6	154.7	155.7
All items less homeowners' costs ^{1,2}	116.6	121.6	127.1	135.5	139.3	143.4	147.2	150.8	154.3	159.6	161.1
All items less medical care	114.3	119.1	124.4	131.8	135.3	138.9	142.5	146.0	149.6	154.5	155.9
Commodities less food	106.0	109.4	113.0	121.4	122.4	125.3	126.1	128.5	129.9	133.3	134.1
Nondurables less food	103.7	107.5	112.6	125.7	125.5	128.5	127.8	129.5	130.4	135.3	137.0
Nondurables less food and apparel	102.1	105.3	112.5	129.0	126.9	130.5	129.1	132.6	134.0	141.5	141.7
Nondurables	109.1	113.9	119.8	130.0	131.1	133.6	135.1	137.8	139.7	145.3	146.4
Services less rent of shelter ²	124.6	131.1	137.8	146.4	153.9	160.7	167.8	172.7	178.5	185.2	186.9
Services less medical care services	121.0	126.6	132.6	139.7	145.5	150.3	155.6	159.7	165.0	170.6	172.8
Energy	88.3	88.7	93.2	110.1	101.9	103.9	102.4	104.7	103.3	112.2	109.9
All items less energy	119.2	124.8	130.6	137.4	142.8	147.1	151.7	155.7	160.2	164.8	166.8
All items less food and energy	120.4	126.0	131.5	138.3	144.4	149.2	153.9	157.9	162.7	167.0	169.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities	113.5	118.0	121.2	125.3	130.3	133.6	135.7	137.6	140.0	141.5	143.3
Energy commodities	82.0	80.1	86.4	117.0	98.2	99.4	94.3	99.2	95.9	109.1	105.3
Services less energy services	124.4	130.6	137.5	145.8	152.5	158.2	164.3	169.6	175.7	181.5	184.1
Expenditure category											
Food and beverages	114.8	120.6	127.2	133.9	137.3	139.5	143.3	147.2	150.3	156.6	157.1
Food	114.7	120.7	127.4	134.2	136.7	138.7	142.7	146.8	149.9	156.3	156.6
Food at home	112.8	119.1	126.5	133.8	135.5	137.5	142.3	147.3	150.3	157.7	157.5
Cereals and bakery products	116.8	126.6	136.1	142.4	147.4	153.3	158.9	164.2	169.5	175.7	176.9
Cereals and cereal products	116.1	127.2	136.5	143.7	148.8	154.4	159.6	164.5	168.6	166.6	169.7
Flour and prepared flour mixes	105.8	113.1	121.2	124.0	123.5	130.2	129.9	132.3	140.6	151.2	157.6
Cereal	126.7	138.8	152.4	163.5	171.4	178.1	186.5	191.0	194.1	186.0	187.7
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	106.3	118.4	120.1	122.7	126.3	128.9	131.7	139.5	142.8	144.0	148.0
Bakery products	117.0	126.1	135.6	141.5	146.4	152.5	158.2	163.8	169.6	179.8	180.0
White bread	113.1	125.5	133.2	138.3	140.4	146.1	156.2	160.4	169.3	183.4	182.8
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins	113.2	124.1	132.7	139.0	143.7	151.2	155.8	163.0	170.3	179.3	179.4
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes	121.1	128.7	139.0	147.2	154.2	157.7	163.2	169.2	171.6	178.8	179.5
Other bakery products	120.3	126.3	137.5	141.8	147.6	154.9	158.0	163.1	168.0	178.1	178.9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	110.3	116.1	123.8	133.6	131.6	132.1	137.1	136.4	142.0	150.0	147.7
Meats, poultry, and fish	111.9	117.1	123.0	133.8	132.0	133.0	138.4	137.6	141.7	149.0	148.6
Meats	110.4	112.7	120.0	133.6	130.8	131.1	135.9	133.7	137.2	144.4	143.9
Beef and veal	108.5	114.6	122.1	133.0	131.7	132.8	137.7	134.7	134.6	137.8	136.9
Ground beef other than canned	102.0	104.5	112.2	120.8	119.1	118.4	123.0	117.7	115.7	117.6	116.7
Chuck roast ¹	105.0	112.4	123.4	136.1	137.7	139.2	142.7	140.3	141.7	146.3	141.1
Round roast ¹	101.8	107.0	113.9	124.9	124.1	126.5	127.2	126.9	124.4	131.6	128.0
Round steak ¹	108.1	111.9	118.8	130.2	129.9	129.9	133.3	131.7	129.1	133.9	131.0
Sirloin steak ¹	112.9	120.8	123.4	131.5	127.5	129.1	137.6	135.8	133.4	139.1	140.0
Other beef and veal ¹	115.1	125.4	133.3	146.6	145.3	148.6	154.3	153.0	156.5	159.2	159.8
Pork	113.1	109.6	117.2	136.8	128.5	127.4	133.1	130.1	139.6	155.4	154.3
Bacon	108.2	96.9	105.0	122.9	108.6	104.8	117.1	114.8	130.2	161.5	160.6
Chops	114.3	114.7	123.7	142.5	136.1	139.5	145.8	138.8	146.2	156.0	153.7
Ham	118.1	115.9	121.9	144.4	137.3	134.9	137.1	134.8	144.2	157.4	153.8
Other pork, including sausage ¹	111.4	108.5	115.9	134.9	127.7	125.8	129.9	128.8	136.8	150.3	151.3
Other meats	112.1	113.1	119.5	131.6	132.7	133.0	136.4	137.3	141.4	146.2	147.8
Poultry	107.8	127.1	127.8	129.7	130.2	133.7	141.1	140.4	146.3	157.8	156.6
Fresh whole chicken	107.7	131.0	130.4	130.6	129.9	135.4	141.3	139.4	144.8	158.2	158.6
Fresh and frozen chicken parts	110.8	131.5	130.2	133.2	134.8	136.9	146.8	143.2	150.2	161.5	157.2
Other poultry ¹	103.8	113.3	121.1	123.0	122.8	126.6	130.9	138.9	143.1	152.3	155.6
Fish and seafood	133.3	138.9	143.0	148.5	150.4	152.0	158.7	166.9	172.1	175.1	176.5
Canned fish and seafood	110.0	124.8	119.4	118.8	118.2	119.9	122.8	124.5	125.5	126.5	127.7
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood ¹	146.2	148.5	156.3	164.1	167.0	168.7	177.0	187.9	194.8	198.6	200.1
Eggs	85.5	99.6	134.9	128.7	123.5	117.7	116.0	116.4	145.5	162.9	133.4

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 25. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										May
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Dairy products	106.7	111.4	122.9	126.7	127.4	129.1	130.2	131.6	135.0	148.6	145.4
Fresh milk and cream ¹	105.0	109.9	122.6	125.6	125.3	128.4	131.1	132.0	134.5	149.9	144.9
Fresh whole milk	104.8	110.1	123.0	126.0	125.5	127.8	130.6	131.1	133.7	148.3	142.5
Other fresh milk and cream ¹	105.3	109.5	122.0	124.9	124.9	129.1	131.8	133.2	135.4	151.8	148.1
Processed dairy products ¹	108.8	113.3	123.7	128.4	130.2	130.4	129.8	131.8	136.2	147.9	146.6
Cheese ¹	107.0	112.6	126.9	132.7	135.1	135.4	134.6	136.0	139.0	150.1	147.8
Ice cream and related products	111.0	114.8	123.1	128.5	130.1	130.6	131.5	136.1	139.7	150.5	150.7
Other dairy products, including butter ¹	109.9	112.1	113.4	113.4	113.7	113.5	111.4	111.9	121.4	136.2	135.4
Fruits and vegetables ³	123.4	131.0	136.7	146.5	152.9	156.2	166.5	180.3	177.9	187.2	186.4
Fresh fruits and vegetables	133.2	138.1	145.6	157.6	169.6	173.9	190.1	212.8	206.3	216.2	213.4
Fresh fruits	126.3	143.2	154.8	171.2	188.6	181.8	205.4	213.1	224.2	251.1	239.4
Apples	103.6	132.4	124.7	151.6	169.9	154.1	166.9	163.2	187.6	194.1	198.4
Bananas	107.4	115.9	122.6	128.3	128.3	124.3	127.6	143.1	146.5	157.5	158.7
Oranges, including tangerines ¹	126.3	144.4	138.5	152.7	186.8	156.7	177.4	178.7	206.7	199.6	224.7
Other fresh fruits ¹	140.4	154.8	179.7	195.7	213.1	215.3	249.3	260.8	264.5	312.9	281.5
Fresh vegetables	140.2	133.0	136.5	144.0	150.7	166.1	174.9	212.7	188.4	181.2	187.3
Potatoes	103.8	128.5	140.0	133.9	129.0	137.2	165.0	154.2	175.3	160.2	167.3
Lettuce	272.7	174.3	135.8	152.0	170.1	183.0	152.1	273.4	172.2	184.6	174.8
Tomatoes	139.3	124.3	140.3	129.5	124.5	193.4	197.2	233.6	242.6	193.4	200.3
Other fresh vegetables	126.3	129.4	135.6	151.0	162.3	166.4	178.5	216.1	183.2	185.9	194.8
Processed fruits and vegetables ¹	110.0	121.9	124.9	131.6	129.7	131.4	133.2	133.8	137.5	146.2	148.3
Processed fruits ¹	112.3	124.4	125.2	134.6	131.5	134.8	133.7	133.3	138.1	147.3	149.3
Fruit juices and frozen fruit ¹	112.1	126.2	126.3	137.4	131.8	135.3	133.4	132.6	137.2	147.4	148.9
Canned and dried fruits ¹	111.5	115.9	119.6	122.5	128.5	130.7	132.9	133.8	139.0	144.8	148.4
Processed vegetables ¹	107.3	118.9	124.8	128.1	127.6	127.3	132.8	134.7	137.1	145.1	147.3
Frozen vegetables ¹	111.5	116.3	124.6	128.5	129.3	130.2	135.4	136.5	140.4	143.7	146.6
Processed vegetables excluding frozen ¹	105.7	120.7	125.4	128.5	127.3	126.6	132.1	134.4	136.2	146.5	148.3
Other food at home	110.0	115.3	120.1	125.2	127.1	128.3	130.9	138.8	140.5	143.6	147.1
Sugar and sweets	111.0	116.7	121.1	126.4	130.9	132.1	133.3	134.5	138.5	144.7	147.9
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	102.0	110.0	114.8	118.1	118.1	119.3	120.6	122.8	127.9	132.2	135.6
Sweets, including candy ¹	114.7	119.4	123.6	129.8	136.0	137.3	138.4	139.1	142.7	149.7	152.8
Fats and oils	107.7	118.5	121.6	131.0	129.3	128.4	129.4	134.2	137.5	140.7	142.0
Nonalcoholic beverages	104.8	107.8	111.0	113.1	112.5	112.3	114.8	131.7	129.5	126.9	133.4
Carbonated drinks	103.3	104.6	109.8	110.8	111.9	113.7	115.6	115.2	118.5	118.0	119.1
Coffee	110.5	116.9	115.7	117.4	111.3	105.4	111.1	172.7	156.1	145.6	167.2
Other noncarbonated drinks ¹	112.4	115.5	120.2	126.5	129.7	132.3	131.6	132.8	135.9	139.6	139.5
Other prepared food	115.0	120.7	127.6	134.2	138.2	141.2	144.9	148.1	152.1	158.9	160.4
Canned and packaged soup	118.9	123.2	132.4	140.2	148.6	157.0	163.9	170.7	176.5	184.9	190.2
Frozen prepared food	119.0	124.6	131.3	135.8	138.0	138.7	138.6	138.9	139.8	146.2	145.1
Snacks	115.7	121.2	126.2	131.1	132.8	132.5	136.3	138.7	143.4	151.7	153.6
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	113.2	118.3	124.9	132.6	137.9	143.6	147.4	150.9	156.8	163.9	166.9
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ¹	112.9	119.8	127.9	135.6	140.2	142.9	147.9	152.4	155.4	160.9	161.1
Food away from home	118.9	124.1	129.8	135.7	139.6	141.6	144.3	147.1	150.4	155.0	156.3
Lunch ¹	118.6	124.0	130.2	136.1	140.2	142.3	145.1	147.7	151.1	155.6	156.9
Dinner ¹	118.7	123.9	129.1	134.3	137.9	139.9	142.4	145.3	148.5	152.7	154.1
Other meals and snacks ¹	119.4	124.6	130.6	137.8	142.0	144.1	146.7	149.6	153.0	158.7	159.6
Alcoholic beverages	115.4	119.9	125.6	130.9	143.9	148.1	150.3	151.8	154.9	160.5	162.8
Alcoholic beverages at home	112.0	114.6	119.5	124.0	138.4	141.3	142.0	141.8	143.1	148.0	149.9
Beer and ale	111.5	114.6	120.0	124.3	139.0	142.9	143.3	143.2	144.1	148.3	149.1
Wine	106.1	107.8	111.6	114.5	130.5	132.4	133.1	131.3	133.4	141.7	145.7
Distilled spirits	114.8	117.0	122.1	128.1	139.9	141.8	143.1	144.2	145.5	148.5	150.5
Alcoholic beverages away from home	125.8	133.3	140.3	146.9	158.9	165.0	169.3	173.3	178.8	185.6	188.7

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 25. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes											
	December										May	
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category												
Housing ³	115.6	120.2	124.9	130.5	135.0	138.5	142.3	145.4	149.7	154.0	155.9	
Shelter	123.7	129.3	135.6	142.7	148.2	152.5	157.1	161.8	167.4	172.3	175.3	
Renters' costs ^{1 2}	129.1	134.1	140.1	149.5	155.8	160.2	164.4	168.2	173.2	179.1	185.3	
Rent, residential	125.6	130.1	135.5	141.1	145.2	148.6	151.9	155.7	159.6	164.0	165.9	
Other renters' costs ¹	124.1	130.0	137.2	157.0	169.7	176.7	183.3	186.2	194.2	203.8	222.9	
Lodging while out of town	121.5	127.0	133.8	154.9	168.0	174.3	181.0	183.3	191.2	201.0	222.0	
Lodging while at school ²	136.5	145.5	156.3	166.1	175.8	188.6	193.8	201.9	210.6	219.0	220.6	
Tenants' insurance ¹	122.5	126.6	129.7	131.6	134.4	138.3	142.8	148.7	152.0	155.8	158.5	
Homeowners' costs ^{1 2}	128.0	134.0	140.9	147.5	153.0	157.5	162.5	167.8	174.0	178.8	180.6	
Owners' equivalent rent ²	128.0	134.1	141.0	147.7	153.2	157.8	162.8	168.1	174.3	179.1	180.9	
Household insurance ^{1 2}	126.2	130.6	134.0	136.5	140.0	144.3	149.0	155.4	158.3	162.4	164.5	
Maintenance and repairs ¹	113.3	115.8	119.5	123.8	128.1	129.3	127.6	132.7	136.6	141.5	143.2	
Maintenance and repair services ¹	116.6	118.4	122.2	128.9	131.4	135.2	130.8	137.0	142.1	148.0	149.9	
Maintenance and repair commodities ¹	109.1	112.4	115.8	116.8	123.7	121.3	123.5	126.8	129.1	132.6	134.1	
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ^{1 4}	102.2	104.8	109.4	111.7	116.3	117.5	119.1	121.1	120.6	126.5	126.7	
Other maintenance and repair commodities ¹	105.7	109.5	111.7	111.5	119.7	114.5	117.0	121.1	125.6	126.7	129.1	
Fuel and other utilities ³	102.0	105.0	108.4	112.7	116.0	118.7	121.7	122.0	123.7	129.4	129.0	
Fuels	95.1	97.4	101.2	105.6	106.5	108.9	110.7	110.1	110.9	117.1	115.3	
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	80.5	76.8	88.7	114.1	94.7	91.8	88.3	88.4	89.6	110.3	100.4	
Fuel oil	79.2	74.2	88.7	115.2	92.3	89.2	85.1	85.1	86.4	106.5	98.0	
Other household fuel commodities ⁴	102.6	102.3	108.3	136.4	123.3	120.4	118.0	118.5	119.4	146.8	130.0	
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	100.9	104.1	107.0	108.6	112.4	115.6	118.1	117.4	118.3	122.8	121.9	
Electricity	107.3	110.3	113.4	115.0	120.8	122.9	123.6	124.4	127.8	128.7	130.6	
Utility (piped) gas	91.9	95.2	97.8	99.6	99.9	105.0	111.1	107.5	103.6	115.0	108.9	
Other utilities and public services ¹	120.9	125.5	128.2	132.7	140.2	143.6	148.8	150.6	153.9	159.1	161.1	
Telephone services ¹	115.7	117.2	116.9	116.4	120.5	120.1	122.3	123.1	124.6	127.2	128.0	
Local charges ¹	138.9	145.2	146.0	147.5	155.0	155.7	157.2	156.7	160.7	162.1	162.9	
Intrastate toll calls	74.0	70.9	70.0	67.4	68.3	67.4	71.8	75.7	75.8	78.6	78.8	
Intrastate toll calls	103.6	99.2	96.6	94.5	93.1	90.9	91.1	90.2	86.8	92.1	93.8	
Water and sewerage maintenance	128.0	135.8	144.7	153.7	165.7	176.1	185.2	193.0	198.6	205.5	207.9	
Cable television ⁵	127.9	141.4	146.8	166.1	180.4	187.0	200.1	194.9	202.8	218.6	226.6	
Refuse collection ⁵	136.1	146.9	161.1	176.9	197.3	214.0	225.2	236.4	243.3	247.8	249.5	
Household furnishings and operation ³	107.3	110.6	111.7	113.7	116.3	118.2	120.3	120.8	123.8	125.0	125.8	
Housefurnishings ¹	103.3	105.9	105.5	106.1	107.1	108.7	110.3	110.3	111.1	111.0	111.5	
Textile housefurnishings ¹	108.0	114.3	113.9	116.7	118.9	116.7	124.4	119.9	120.5	119.7	121.6	
Furniture and bedding	111.5	115.4	113.8	115.1	116.2	121.4	125.8	127.8	133.2	134.5	136.4	
Bedroom furniture	115.8	121.3	118.8	117.2	122.0	129.5	136.3	133.7	136.8	141.5	143.3	
Sofas ¹	116.0	116.9	116.1	116.6	117.3	121.3	119.5	127.4	140.5	143.0	144.2	
Living room chairs and tables ¹	109.4	113.0	112.5	118.7	116.1	120.3	129.6	130.2	137.9	136.4	137.9	
Other furniture ¹	105.5	109.7	107.9	110.0	109.7	113.9	117.4	120.8	122.7	121.6	123.9	
Appliances, including electronic equipment ¹	89.5	90.1	88.5	86.4	84.9	83.5	82.8	81.8	78.6	77.1	75.3	
Video and audio products ¹	83.9	82.7	82.3	79.3	78.7	77.3	76.7	75.1	72.2	70.6	69.1	
Televisions	77.9	76.8	75.8	73.1	72.3	71.4	70.2	69.2	66.4	62.9	62.2	
Video products other than televisions ^{1 6}	-	100.0	95.1	86.1	81.4	78.6	77.0	71.9	67.1	66.7	63.9	
Audio products ¹	92.3	91.9	94.3	93.3	95.0	93.6	94.0	93.1	90.7	90.2	88.3	
Major household appliances ^{1 4}	98.8	102.4	101.0	100.7	98.6	99.1	100.6	104.2	102.3	103.7	101.9	
Refrigerators and home freezers ¹	100.4	102.0	103.3	102.3	100.6	101.3	105.8	111.0	108.9	111.3	108.3	
Laundry equipment	102.7	107.0	105.9	107.2	105.6	106.3	107.1	110.6	109.8	113.2	111.8	
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ^{1 4}	97.2	101.9	98.5	97.4	94.5	94.7	94.8	97.1	94.5	93.8	92.4	
Information processing equipment ⁶	-	100.0	92.7	90.3	86.6	81.3	75.1	68.3	61.0	53.9	50.8	
Other housefurnishings ^{1 2}	116.6	121.6	127.1	135.5	139.3	143.4	147.2	150.8	154.3	159.6	161.1	
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ¹	115.3	114.6	119.8	128.6	126.2	128.8	132.1	132.6	138.8	142.2	143.6	
Clocks, lamps, and decor items	102.8	105.9	112.8	112.6	117.8	120.3	118.2	117.8	122.1	117.0	120.6	
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ¹	106.2	109.0	111.0	112.4	120.2	121.9	122.9	123.5	119.3	120.4	123.5	
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ¹	104.2	103.9	100.7	102.6	102.6	102.7	106.5	107.0	107.8	110.4	110.2	
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ^{1 4}	98.4	100.0	97.2	96.3	95.9	96.9	93.6	91.6	88.3	89.7	90.3	
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers ⁷	-	-	-	100.0	107.0	113.0	110.0	114.1	115.6	116.4	114.4	
Housekeeping supplies	112.5	117.0	123.6	127.5	129.8	129.5	131.9	132.9	139.8	141.4	143.0	
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ¹	116.8	121.7	127.3	132.4	138.0	137.4	137.2	139.3	141.4	145.3	146.5	
Household paper products and stationery supplies ¹	109.4	115.7	122.1	126.7	127.1	127.3	130.2	130.5	144.3	145.3	146.1	
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ¹	110.6	113.0	120.9	122.8	123.7	123.0	127.6	128.3	133.3	133.1	135.9	
Housekeeping services ¹	111.4	115.9	117.6	122.3	129.4	134.3	137.2	139.1	145.3	150.1	151.3	
Postage	110.2	125.1	125.1	125.1	145.3	145.3	145.3	145.3	160.3	160.3	160.3	
Appliance and furniture repair ¹	117.6	120.8	123.1	127.3	132.8	142.0	145.6	147.1	153.6	159.0	159.9	
Gardening and other household services ^{1 4}	104.9	109.2	113.2	117.7	120.2	126.1	128.4	129.2	131.6	138.4	138.9	

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 25. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										May
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Apparel and upkeep	112.7	118.0	119.2	125.3	129.6	131.4	132.6	130.5	130.6	130.3	135.3
Apparel commodities ¹	111.0	116.3	117.1	123.0	127.2	128.7	129.7	127.2	127.1	126.5	131.8
Apparel commodities less footwear	111.7	116.8	117.6	123.8	128.2	129.4	130.3	127.9	127.7	126.6	132.3
Men's and boys'	110.7	117.3	118.8	122.3	125.9	127.1	127.5	125.3	126.0	127.8	132.0
Men's	111.6	118.4	120.6	124.5	128.3	130.0	130.0	128.2	128.3	130.4	135.2
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	111.7	122.0	124.7	128.2	131.3	132.8	137.4	136.0	133.7	133.3	137.3
Furnishings and special clothing	110.1	113.7	117.4	119.8	122.2	123.6	123.0	122.7	120.0	124.6	127.8
Shirts ¹	115.3	122.6	122.9	127.9	133.1	134.6	130.8	127.3	132.0	134.5	141.7
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	109.4	114.6	116.7	121.9	126.1	129.2	127.8	125.8	127.0	129.2	134.2
Boys'	107.2	112.5	111.4	113.0	116.2	115.0	117.1	113.2	116.2	116.8	118.6
Women's and girls'	112.6	116.5	116.4	123.5	128.4	129.1	130.6	125.7	124.7	123.3	129.9
Women's	113.0	116.3	116.5	124.2	128.0	128.4	131.0	125.3	124.1	123.0	129.9
Coats and jackets	104.0	104.5	108.9	117.2	121.1	126.2	131.8	119.0	123.5	126.1	120.8
Dresses	119.9	123.5	122.5	131.1	128.0	130.7	127.2	113.1	114.7	108.1	116.4
Separates and sportswear ¹	116.8	119.3	118.7	126.0	131.2	129.5	133.3	128.6	124.9	124.7	135.7
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ¹	108.0	114.3	116.3	121.3	124.1	125.0	126.8	128.2	130.7	132.6	134.6
Suits ¹	114.1	120.1	117.4	131.2	144.5	145.8	152.1	152.5	144.8	139.1	145.9
Girls'	110.2	117.3	116.1	120.2	130.8	133.5	129.1	128.2	128.7	125.0	130.0
Infants' and toddlers'	114.5	117.3	115.3	125.6	129.2	130.7	127.1	131.3	128.7	126.9	133.8
Other apparel commodities ¹	111.3	119.1	122.8	130.8	135.4	138.9	140.5	146.5	148.6	141.6	146.0
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage ⁴	102.7	109.2	111.2	118.8	121.2	122.9	121.3	121.3	132.3	127.8	127.9
Watches and jewelry ⁴	109.7	117.6	121.5	129.4	134.4	138.2	140.6	147.7	147.7	140.3	145.6
Watches ⁴	103.4	107.9	107.7	110.4	114.1	112.7	118.7	124.6	130.6	122.6	127.6
Jewelry ⁴	111.5	120.3	125.5	134.9	140.2	145.5	148.8	154.3	152.6	145.4	150.7
Footwear	107.2	113.5	114.7	118.4	121.8	125.1	125.8	123.6	124.1	125.9	129.1
Men's	111.4	119.2	122.0	125.6	129.4	132.9	133.2	132.2	131.6	131.1	133.7
Boys' and girls'	110.0	114.7	118.5	122.9	122.7	121.5	122.1	123.3	125.2	130.4	132.3
Women's	102.4	108.3	107.5	110.9	115.5	120.6	121.5	117.1	117.8	119.6	123.6
Apparel services ¹	121.4	126.7	131.3	140.2	144.9	149.7	153.8	156.4	157.7	161.5	162.9
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ¹	122.5	129.1	134.1	141.3	145.5	150.2	155.0	157.8	159.1	164.8	166.0
Other apparel services ¹	120.4	124.4	128.6	139.5	144.5	149.5	152.9	155.1	156.6	158.2	159.8
Transportation	107.6	110.8	115.2	127.2	125.3	129.0	132.1	137.1	139.1	145.2	144.4
Private	106.5	109.6	113.9	125.1	123.4	126.7	128.6	134.9	136.6	141.7	141.0
New vehicles	116.4	119.0	121.9	124.3	128.3	131.3	135.6	140.1	142.8	145.4	144.6
New cars	116.6	119.1	121.8	123.5	127.6	130.5	134.2	138.5	140.7	143.0	142.1
Subcompact new cars ^{1,4}	101.9	104.1	105.1	105.5	109.8	112.8	116.7	120.6	122.9	124.0	123.2
Compact new cars ^{1,4}	101.4	102.5	104.7	106.5	109.0	109.8	113.3	118.2	120.1	124.0	122.9
Intermediate new cars ^{1,4}	100.5	101.9	105.6	107.3	111.2	113.5	115.9	119.8	121.5	122.5	122.0
Full-size new cars ^{1,4}	103.2	105.8	109.0	110.6	114.7	116.6	120.1	122.4	123.9	126.4	125.3
Luxury new cars ^{1,4}	104.1	109.5	111.7	114.5	117.6	121.8	124.0	127.5	130.2	133.6	132.5
New trucks ⁵	114.3	116.8	120.7	125.8	129.6	132.9	139.0	144.1	148.2	151.5	151.5
New motorcycles ⁴	104.1	109.6	114.2	117.4	123.7	128.7	138.0	148.9	156.5	162.4	162.9
Used cars	116.3	120.2	119.7	117.1	120.1	129.0	139.3	151.5	158.2	155.6	153.9
Motor fuel	82.0	80.3	85.8	117.1	98.4	100.2	94.8	100.4	96.4	108.6	105.7
Gasoline	81.8	80.3	85.5	117.0	98.1	100.1	94.2	100.2	96.0	107.9	105.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	80.8	78.8	83.1	115.4	96.1	97.9	91.3	97.9	93.6	106.1	103.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁸	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.3	100.6	112.4	109.4
Gasoline, unleaded premium	85.3	84.7	89.9	118.7	101.4	103.2	98.3	103.4	98.4	109.1	106.0
Automobile maintenance and repair	116.9	121.5	126.9	132.5	138.4	143.2	147.7	151.9	155.7	160.6	162.2
Body work	120.7	126.3	133.9	138.5	141.9	145.8	150.0	155.7	161.2	168.6	172.2
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ¹	118.3	123.4	129.6	136.7	142.1	148.3	154.1	159.8	163.0	167.6	170.6
Maintenance and servicing	115.0	118.8	122.5	127.0	133.8	136.6	139.4	141.3	144.2	148.2	148.3
Power plant repair ¹	116.8	121.4	127.3	133.1	139.5	145.7	151.2	156.2	161.2	166.6	167.8
Other private transportation ¹	123.8	132.5	139.0	146.7	152.0	155.5	159.0	167.6	172.4	176.0	177.0
Other private transportation commodities ¹	97.5	100.3	102.3	103.8	105.3	104.7	103.3	104.3	105.2	105.2	104.7
Motor oil, coolant, and other products	100.5	110.1	109.8	117.5	118.4	118.1	118.8	126.0	130.0	132.0	132.6
Automobile parts and equipment	96.7	98.9	101.1	102.0	103.6	103.0	101.4	101.9	102.4	102.3	101.7
Tires	93.2	96.9	99.1	99.0	101.3	100.8	99.4	101.6	101.8	101.8	100.2
Other parts and equipment ¹	104.3	105.1	107.3	109.4	110.2	109.5	107.7	106.3	107.3	107.0	107.4
Other private transportation services ¹	129.2	139.3	146.9	156.3	162.5	167.1	171.8	182.4	188.3	192.7	194.2
Automobile insurance	149.4	162.0	171.5	184.4	199.1	212.2	222.8	230.4	240.2	249.3	251.0
Automobile finance charges ¹	90.3	97.8	102.0	102.0	94.8	81.6	77.0	94.7	96.6	94.7	94.0
Automobile fees ¹	124.4	131.3	138.8	152.6	156.9	166.7	170.3	176.5	177.6	179.3	183.6
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ¹	119.9	127.2	135.4	158.7	165.4	175.6	179.8	180.6	183.7	183.9	183.6
Other automobile-related fees ¹	129.6	136.2	143.1	147.4	149.5	158.9	162.0	173.7	172.8	176.0	184.8
Public transportation	122.1	126.5	131.7	154.4	149.8	158.2	176.5	165.6	170.7	189.9	188.1
Airline fares	123.9	128.0	134.8	165.4	155.4	165.7	193.8	175.3	178.4	204.7	201.5
Other intercity transportation	127.8	136.9	139.2	148.4	152.0	152.2	148.0	151.4	152.6	155.2	155.0
Intracity public transportation	119.8	123.3	125.9	135.6	140.8	147.8	152.0	153.5	165.2	174.7	175.3

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 25. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										May
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Medical care	133.1	142.3	154.4	169.2	182.6	194.7	205.2	215.3	223.8	230.6	234.2
Medical care commodities	134.9	144.2	156.0	169.1	181.7	191.1	197.0	202.9	206.6	212.0	215.6
Prescription drugs	145.7	157.1	172.0	189.0	206.7	218.5	225.7	233.2	237.8	245.4	249.9
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ⁴	105.4	110.7	117.1	123.5	127.9	132.9	136.5	139.6	141.5	143.3	145.3
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs	127.2	134.0	141.5	150.0	153.7	160.5	164.9	166.3	167.6	171.2	173.1
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	121.1	126.7	134.4	140.4	148.4	152.7	156.6	164.3	168.2	168.0	171.1
Medical care services	132.7	141.9	154.1	169.3	182.8	195.6	207.1	218.2	227.8	235.0	238.5
Professional medical services	131.8	140.8	149.9	160.0	169.8	179.4	187.4	196.0	203.9	211.0	215.2
Physicians' services	133.4	143.4	153.7	165.1	174.2	185.1	194.5	203.1	212.1	218.5	222.9
Dental services	132.1	140.9	149.9	159.9	173.0	183.1	191.1	201.4	210.4	221.1	225.8
Eye care ⁴	105.3	110.3	114.1	119.2	123.5	128.1	130.7	135.0	138.3	139.9	141.3
Services by other medical professionals ⁴	104.5	110.3	116.6	122.5	129.2	133.2	137.5	143.0	144.1	148.4	152.1
Hospital and related services	135.9	150.8	167.9	186.9	203.5	221.4	238.2	251.3	262.8	273.7	277.3
Hospital services ⁹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.3
Inpatient hospital services ⁹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.0
Outpatient hospital services ⁴	107.1	117.0	130.7	145.4	159.7	175.4	189.2	199.7	209.2	219.2	223.6
Nursing home services ⁹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.8
Entertainment ¹	117.4	122.8	129.1	134.6	139.9	143.8	147.8	151.2	156.2	160.8	162.2
Entertainment commodities ¹	112.6	117.5	121.6	125.2	129.6	131.9	134.4	136.8	140.7	144.1	143.9
Reading materials	121.4	126.5	132.4	138.5	147.3	152.8	158.2	163.9	173.6	178.2	178.4
Newspapers ¹	120.8	126.6	131.6	137.8	151.1	157.2	164.0	172.2	185.3	190.8	191.3
Magazines, periodicals, and books ¹	122.1	126.6	133.3	139.4	144.0	149.0	153.1	156.4	162.8	166.7	166.6
Sporting goods and equipment	106.3	111.0	113.3	115.3	119.6	119.7	120.0	123.8	123.1	123.0	121.9
Sport vehicles, including bicycles	106.8	111.1	113.6	115.9	117.6	120.1	120.0	124.7	124.8	124.9	124.1
Other sporting goods	103.4	108.3	110.4	112.0	118.3	116.5	117.1	120.0	118.7	118.4	117.2
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ¹	110.6	115.6	119.5	122.3	123.9	125.2	126.9	126.3	128.9	133.2	133.3
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ¹	108.0	112.4	115.1	116.8	118.1	121.1	122.9	121.8	123.0	126.4	126.3
Photographic supplies and equipment	116.3	123.0	127.2	129.0	130.1	132.9	135.2	130.9	133.4	132.9	134.2
Pet supplies and expense	112.5	117.7	122.9	127.4	129.6	128.3	129.5	130.8	135.4	142.6	142.6
Entertainment services ¹	124.3	130.0	138.8	146.3	152.7	158.3	163.9	168.3	174.6	180.5	183.5
Club memberships ^{1 4}	101.7	109.1	113.5	119.1	123.2	126.0	130.1	129.3	132.3	131.4	132.7
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ^{1 4}	107.0	113.2	121.9	128.6	134.9	141.5	152.8	156.7	160.4	167.1	173.4
Admissions	128.4	133.3	146.0	153.6	161.0	167.3	170.3	177.1	186.4	193.8	197.3
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁴	105.0	109.8	119.6	125.4	132.4	139.2	144.7	151.8	156.3	165.5	166.9
Other entertainment services ^{1 4}	101.7	105.1	109.6	116.2	120.6	124.3	127.9	131.2	136.3	141.3	142.6
Other goods and services ³	132.1	141.3	152.9	164.5	177.6	189.1	194.2	202.4	211.1	218.7	223.1
Tobacco and smoking products	137.0	149.9	171.9	190.5	211.7	228.9	215.5	222.0	228.1	234.3	243.8
Personal care	116.5	122.4	127.1	132.4	135.7	139.6	143.1	145.8	148.9	150.5	152.6
Toilet goods and personal care appliances	115.0	121.6	124.7	129.9	133.4	137.8	140.1	142.6	144.1	142.8	144.1
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements	115.5	121.6	123.9	131.2	135.1	137.0	143.4	144.8	146.9	150.6	150.8
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products	114.8	121.7	125.4	129.1	132.3	136.6	137.9	141.1	142.2	137.2	139.4
Personal care services	117.9	123.1	129.7	135.0	138.0	141.3	146.1	149.2	154.3	159.2	162.3
Beauty parlor services for females ¹	117.7	122.7	129.7	135.2	137.9	140.9	146.0	149.0	153.9	158.2	161.4
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ¹	118.6	124.0	129.2	133.7	137.6	142.4	145.9	149.7	155.2	162.4	165.1
Personal and educational expenses ¹	143.4	153.0	164.0	176.3	191.1	204.2	217.5	229.2	241.8	252.9	256.6
School books and supplies	142.4	152.2	164.0	174.7	184.7	193.8	200.4	207.4	219.0	231.1	235.9
Personal and educational services ¹	143.6	153.2	164.2	176.6	191.8	205.3	219.0	231.1	243.7	254.8	258.3
Tuition and other school fees	146.5	157.6	170.0	183.5	201.4	218.5	234.0	247.8	261.6	274.3	275.9
College tuition	145.3	156.5	169.1	183.0	205.1	225.7	243.5	258.9	273.7	288.3	289.5
Elementary and high school tuition	150.3	163.0	177.4	192.8	207.3	223.7	237.0	251.6	268.2	280.5	280.6
Day care and nursery school ⁷	-	-	-	100.0	106.3	111.0	116.7	122.2	126.9	131.6	133.0
Personal expenses	136.2	143.1	151.4	162.0	172.4	179.8	190.3	199.4	210.0	218.3	225.0
Legal service fees ⁴	105.2	109.9	116.8	124.8	131.9	137.2	145.1	147.9	153.5	159.3	161.5
Personal financial services ⁴	104.1	111.3	117.9	127.0	137.5	144.4	153.9	165.9	177.6	183.6	191.6
Funeral expenses ⁴	103.9	108.2	113.4	120.9	128.0	133.2	140.4	148.6	156.6	164.0	170.0
Special indexes											
Domestically produced farm food	112.7	119.4	127.4	135.4	137.2	139.6	144.5	148.1	151.5	160.1	159.1
Selected beef cuts	107.6	112.0	119.6	129.5	128.2	128.4	133.0	129.2	127.6	131.1	129.4
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	82.3	80.8	86.2	117.2	98.7	100.5	95.2	100.8	97.0	109.0	106.2
Utilities and public transportation	110.1	113.9	117.1	122.9	126.7	130.7	136.5	135.1	137.5	144.4	144.4
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ¹	111.9	116.2	118.1	123.0	129.7	134.5	136.9	139.1	145.3	150.1	151.4

¹ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

² Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

Table 26. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										May
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Commodity and service group											
All items	4.4	4.4	4.6	6.1	3.1	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.5	3.3	0.9
Commodities	4.6	3.8	4.1	6.6	1.2	2.0	1.5	2.3	1.4	3.2	.5
Food and beverages	3.5	5.1	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.7	2.1	4.2	.3
Commodities less food and beverages	5.2	3.1	3.3	7.5	.3	2.3	.6	2.0	1.0	2.5	.6
Nondurables less food and beverages	7.5	3.7	4.8	12.3	-1.0	2.3	-7	1.3	.5	3.8	1.3
Apparel commodities ¹	4.9	4.8	.7	5.0	3.4	1.2	.8	-1.9	-1	-5	4.2
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	9.1	3.0	7.2	16.2	-3.2	2.9	-1.5	3.0	.9	5.9	-1
Durables	2.1	2.5	1.2	.9	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.9	1.7	.7	-4
Services	4.3	4.8	5.1	5.7	4.6	3.6	3.8	2.9	3.5	3.3	1.3
Rent of shelter	4.9	4.5	4.9	5.3	3.9	2.9	3.0	2.9	3.5	2.9	1.7
Household services less rent of shelter ¹	1.4	3.5	2.4	2.7	4.6	2.8	2.7	.7	2.0	3.5	.4
Transportation services	4.3	6.0	4.9	8.2	2.5	3.6	4.8	2.5	3.0	4.4	.4
Medical care services	5.6	6.9	8.6	9.9	8.0	7.0	5.9	5.4	4.4	3.2	1.5
Other services	5.2	5.6	6.5	6.5	6.2	5.3	5.1	4.0	4.4	3.9	1.5
Special indexes											
All items less food	4.6	4.2	4.5	6.3	3.3	3.2	2.7	2.6	2.7	3.1	1.1
All items less shelter	4.2	4.3	4.6	6.5	2.7	3.0	2.6	2.5	2.3	3.4	.6
All items less homeowners' costs ¹	4.2	4.3	4.5	6.6	2.8	2.9	2.6	2.4	2.3	3.4	.9
All items less medical care	4.3	4.2	4.5	5.9	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.5	3.3	.9
Commodities less food	5.1	3.2	3.3	7.4	.8	2.4	.6	1.9	1.1	2.6	.6
Nondurables less food	7.2	3.7	4.7	11.6	-.2	2.4	-.5	1.3	.7	3.8	1.3
Nondurables less food and apparel	8.3	3.1	6.8	14.7	-1.6	2.8	-1.1	2.7	1.1	5.6	.1
Nondurables	5.4	4.4	5.2	8.5	.8	1.9	1.1	2.0	1.4	4.0	.8
Services less rent of shelter	3.7	5.2	5.1	6.2	5.1	4.4	4.4	2.9	3.4	3.8	.9
Services less medical care services	4.1	4.6	4.7	5.4	4.2	3.3	3.5	2.6	3.3	3.4	1.3
Energy	8.2	.5	5.1	18.1	-7.4	2.0	-1.4	2.2	-1.3	8.6	-2.0
All items less energy	4.1	4.7	4.6	5.2	3.9	3.0	3.1	2.6	2.9	2.9	1.2
All items less food and energy	4.2	4.7	4.4	5.2	4.4	3.3	3.2	2.6	3.0	2.6	1.4
Commodities less food and energy commodities	3.5	4.0	2.7	3.4	4.0	2.5	1.6	1.4	1.7	1.1	1.3
Energy commodities	17.8	-2.3	7.9	35.4	-16.1	1.2	-5.1	5.2	-3.3	13.8	-3.5
Services less energy services	4.5	5.0	5.3	6.0	4.6	3.7	3.9	3.2	3.6	3.3	1.4
Expenditure category											
Food and beverages	3.5	5.1	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.7	2.1	4.2	.3
Food	3.5	5.2	5.6	5.3	1.9	1.5	2.9	2.9	2.1	4.3	.2
Food at home	3.5	5.6	6.2	5.8	1.3	1.5	3.5	3.5	2.0	4.9	-1
Cereals and bakery products	4.1	8.4	7.5	4.6	3.5	4.0	3.7	3.3	3.2	3.7	.7
Cereals and cereal products	4.9	9.6	7.3	5.3	3.5	3.8	3.4	3.1	2.5	-1.2	1.9
Flour and prepared flour mixes	1.3	6.9	7.2	2.3	-.4	5.4	-.2	1.8	6.3	7.5	4.2
Cereal	6.0	9.6	9.8	7.3	4.8	3.9	4.7	2.4	1.6	-4.2	.9
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	4.7	11.4	1.4	2.2	2.9	2.1	2.2	5.9	2.4	.8	2.8
Bakery products	3.8	7.8	7.5	4.4	3.5	4.2	3.7	3.5	3.5	6.0	.1
White bread	4.4	11.0	6.1	3.8	1.5	4.1	6.9	2.7	5.5	8.3	-3
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins	3.4	9.6	6.9	4.7	3.4	5.2	3.0	4.6	4.5	5.3	.1
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes	4.1	6.3	8.0	5.9	4.8	2.3	3.5	3.7	1.4	4.2	.4
Other bakery products	3.4	5.0	8.9	3.1	4.1	4.9	2.0	3.2	3.0	6.0	.4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	1.1	5.3	6.6	7.9	-1.5	.4	3.8	-.5	4.1	5.6	-1.5
Meats, poultry, and fish	2.3	4.6	5.0	8.8	-1.3	.8	4.1	-.6	3.0	5.2	-3
Meats	3.6	2.1	6.5	11.3	-2.1	.2	3.7	-1.6	2.6	5.2	-3
Beef and veal	6.7	5.6	6.5	8.9	-1.0	.8	3.7	-2.2	-.1	2.4	-.7
Ground beef other than canned	5.8	2.5	7.4	7.7	-1.4	-.6	3.9	-4.3	-1.7	1.6	-.8
Chuck roast ¹	5.1	7.0	9.8	10.3	1.2	1.1	2.5	-1.7	1.0	3.2	-3.6
Round roast ¹	6.0	5.1	6.4	9.7	-.6	1.9	.6	-.2	-2.0	5.8	-2.7
Round steak ¹	6.9	3.5	6.2	9.6	-.2	.0	2.6	-1.2	-2.0	3.7	-2.2
Sirloin steak ¹	9.5	7.0	2.2	6.6	-3.0	1.3	6.6	-1.3	-1.8	4.3	.6
Other beef and veal ¹	7.5	8.9	6.3	10.0	-.9	2.3	3.8	-.8	2.3	1.7	.4
Pork	-1.8	-3.1	6.9	16.7	-6.1	-.9	4.5	-2.3	7.3	11.3	-.7
Bacon	-4.3	-10.4	8.4	17.0	-11.6	-3.5	11.7	-2.0	13.4	24.0	-.6
Chops	-1.8	.3	7.8	15.2	-4.5	2.5	4.5	-4.8	5.3	6.7	-1.5
Ham	-2.6	-1.9	5.2	18.5	-4.9	-1.7	1.6	-1.7	7.0	9.2	-2.3
Other pork, including sausage ¹ .....	.1	-2.6	6.8	16.4	-5.3	-1.5	3.3	-.8	6.2	9.9	.7
Other meats	4.2	.9	5.7	10.1	.8	.2	2.6	.7	3.0	3.4	1.1
Poultry	-9.3	17.9	.6	1.5	.4	2.7	5.5	-.5	4.2	7.9	-.8
Fresh whole chicken	-11.0	21.6	-.5	.2	-.5	4.2	4.4	-1.3	3.9	9.3	.3
Fresh and frozen chicken parts	-8.5	18.7	-1.0	2.3	1.2	1.6	7.2	-2.5	4.9	7.5	-2.7
Other poultry ¹	-7.6	9.2	6.9	1.6	-.2	3.1	3.4	6.1	3.0	6.4	2.2
Fish and seafood	10.0	4.2	3.0	3.8	1.3	1.1	4.4	5.2	3.1	1.7	.8
Canned fish and seafood	10.2	13.5	-.4	-.5	-.5	1.4	2.4	1.4	.8	.8	.9
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood ¹	9.9	1.6	5.3	5.0	1.8	1.0	4.9	6.2	3.7	2.0	.8
Eggs	-17.6	16.5	35.4	-4.6	-4.0	-4.7	-1.4	.3	25.0	12.0	-18.1

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Table 26. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										May
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Dairy products	1.7	4.4	10.3	3.1	0.6	1.3	0.9	1.1	2.6	10.1	-2.2
Fresh milk and cream ¹	1.6	4.7	11.6	2.4	-2	2.5	2.1	.7	1.9	11.4	-3.3
Fresh whole milk	1.4	5.1	11.7	2.4	-4	1.8	2.2	.4	2.0	10.9	-3.9
Other fresh milk and cream ¹	2.2	4.0	11.4	2.4	.0	3.4	2.1	1.1	1.7	12.1	-2.4
Processed dairy products ¹	1.8	4.1	9.2	3.8	1.4	.2	-5	1.5	3.3	8.6	-9
Cheese ¹	2.4	5.2	12.7	4.6	1.8	.2	-6	1.0	2.2	8.0	-1.5
Ice cream and related products	1.4	3.4	7.2	4.4	1.2	.4	.7	3.5	2.6	7.7	.1
Other dairy products, including butter ¹ .....	.7	2.0	1.2	.0	.3	-2	-1.9	.4	8.5	12.2	-6
Fruits and vegetables ²	12.8	6.2	4.4	7.2	4.4	2.2	6.6	8.3	-1.3	5.2	-4
Fresh fruits and vegetables	17.9	3.7	5.4	8.2	7.6	2.5	9.3	11.9	-3.1	4.8	-1.3
Fresh fruits	10.5	13.4	8.1	10.6	10.2	-3.6	13.0	3.7	5.2	12.0	-4.7
Apples	-11.4	27.8	-5.8	21.6	12.1	-9.3	8.3	-2.2	15.0	3.5	2.2
Bananas	17.0	7.9	5.8	4.6	.0	-3.1	2.7	12.1	2.4	7.5	.8
Oranges, including tangerines ¹	14.4	14.3	-4.1	10.3	22.3	-16.1	13.2	.7	15.7	-3.4	12.6
Other fresh fruits ¹	16.0	10.3	16.1	8.9	8.9	1.0	15.8	4.6	1.4	18.3	-10.0
Fresh vegetables	25.5	-5.1	2.6	5.5	4.7	10.2	5.3	21.6	-11.4	-3.8	3.4
Potatoes	-.1	23.8	8.9	-4.4	-3.7	6.4	20.3	-6.5	13.7	-8.6	4.4
Lettuce	-	-36.1	-22.1	11.9	11.9	7.6	-16.9	79.8	-37.0	7.2	-5.3
Tomatoes	10.4	-10.8	12.9	-7.7	-3.9	55.3	2.0	18.5	3.9	-20.3	3.6
Other fresh vegetables	14.1	2.5	4.8	11.4	7.5	2.5	7.3	21.1	-15.2	1.5	4.8
Processed fruits and vegetables ¹	4.6	10.8	2.5	5.4	-1.4	1.3	1.4	.5	2.8	6.3	1.4
Processed fruits ¹	5.8	10.8	.6	7.5	-2.3	2.5	-8	-3	3.6	6.7	1.4
Fruit juices and frozen fruit ¹	6.7	12.6	.1	8.8	-4.1	2.7	-1.4	-6	3.5	7.4	1.0
Canned and dried fruits ¹	3.0	3.9	3.2	2.4	4.9	1.7	1.7	.7	3.9	4.2	2.5
Processed vegetables ¹	3.0	10.8	5.0	2.6	-4	-2	4.3	1.4	1.8	5.8	1.5
Frozen vegetables ¹	3.0	4.3	7.1	3.1	.6	.7	4.0	.8	2.9	2.4	2.0
Processed vegetables excluding frozen ¹	2.9	14.2	3.9	2.5	-9	-5	4.3	1.7	1.3	7.6	1.2
Other food at home .....	.9	4.8	4.2	4.2	1.5	.9	2.0	6.0	1.2	2.2	2.4
Sugar and sweets	1.6	5.1	3.8	4.4	3.6	.9	.9	.9	3.0	4.5	2.2
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	1.2	7.8	4.4	2.9	.0	1.0	1.1	1.8	4.2	3.4	2.6
Sweets, including candy ¹	1.9	4.1	3.5	5.0	4.8	1.0	.8	.5	2.6	4.9	2.1
Fats and oils	1.7	10.0	2.6	7.7	-1.3	-7	.8	3.7	2.5	2.3	.9
Nonalcoholic beverages	-3.5	2.9	3.0	1.9	-5	-2	2.2	14.7	-1.7	-2.0	5.1
Carbonated drinks	1.6	1.3	5.0	.9	1.0	1.6	1.7	-3	2.9	-.4	.9
Coffee	-14.3	5.8	-1.0	1.5	-5.2	-5.3	5.4	55.4	-9.6	-6.7	14.8
Other noncarbonated drinks ¹	2.3	2.8	4.1	5.2	2.5	2.0	-5	.9	2.3	2.7	-.1
Other prepared food	4.2	5.0	5.7	5.2	3.0	2.2	2.6	2.2	2.7	4.5	.9
Canned and packaged soup	6.1	3.6	7.5	5.9	6.0	5.7	4.4	4.1	3.4	4.8	2.9
Frozen prepared food	5.8	4.7	5.4	3.4	1.6	.5	-1	.2	.6	4.6	-.8
Snacks	3.1	4.8	4.1	3.9	1.3	-2	2.9	1.8	3.4	5.8	1.3
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	2.8	4.5	5.6	6.2	4.0	4.1	2.6	2.4	3.9	4.5	1.8
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ¹	4.7	6.1	6.8	6.0	3.4	1.9	3.5	3.0	2.0	3.5	.1
Food away from home	3.7	4.4	4.6	4.5	2.9	1.4	1.9	1.9	2.2	3.1	.8
Lunch ¹	3.9	4.6	5.0	4.5	3.0	1.5	2.0	1.8	2.3	3.0	.8
Dinner ¹	3.5	4.4	4.2	4.0	2.7	1.5	1.8	2.0	2.2	2.8	.9
Other meals and snacks ¹	3.3	4.4	4.8	5.5	3.0	1.5	1.8	2.0	2.3	3.7	.6
Alcoholic beverages	3.3	3.9	4.8	4.2	9.9	2.9	1.5	1.0	2.0	3.6	1.4
Alcoholic beverages at home	2.3	2.3	4.3	3.8	11.6	2.1	.5	-.1	.9	3.4	1.3
Beer and ale	2.1	2.8	4.7	3.6	11.8	2.8	.3	-.1	.6	2.9	.5
Wine	3.8	1.6	3.5	2.6	14.0	1.5	.5	-1.4	1.6	6.2	2.8
Distilled spirits	1.2	1.9	4.4	4.9	9.2	1.4	.9	.8	.9	2.1	1.3
Alcoholic beverages away from home	4.6	6.0	5.3	4.7	8.2	3.8	2.6	2.4	3.2	3.8	1.7

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Table 26. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										May
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Housing ²	3.7	4.0	3.9	4.5	3.4	2.6	2.7	2.2	3.0	2.9	1.2
Shelter	4.8	4.5	4.9	5.2	3.9	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.5	2.9	1.7
Renters' costs ¹	3.9	3.9	4.5	6.7	4.2	2.8	2.6	2.3	3.0	3.4	3.5
Rent, residential	4.0	3.6	4.2	4.1	2.9	2.3	2.2	2.5	2.5	2.8	1.2
Other renters' costs ¹	4.1	4.8	5.5	14.4	8.1	4.1	3.7	1.6	4.3	4.9	9.4
Lodging while out of town	3.9	4.5	5.4	15.8	8.5	3.8	3.8	1.3	4.3	5.1	10.4
Lodging while at school	6.2	6.6	7.4	6.3	5.8	7.3	2.8	4.2	4.3	4.0	.7
Tenants' insurance ¹	3.6	3.3	2.4	1.5	2.1	2.9	3.3	4.1	2.2	2.5	1.7
Homeowners' costs ¹	5.3	4.7	5.1	4.7	3.7	2.9	3.2	3.3	3.7	2.8	1.0
Owners' equivalent rent	5.3	4.8	5.1	4.8	3.7	3.0	3.2	3.3	3.7	2.8	1.0
Household insurance ¹	3.8	3.5	2.6	1.9	2.6	3.1	3.3	4.3	1.9	2.6	1.3
Maintenance and repairs ¹	3.3	2.2	3.2	3.6	3.5	.9	-1.3	4.0	2.9	3.6	1.2
Maintenance and repair services ¹	4.3	1.5	3.2	5.5	1.9	2.9	-3.3	4.7	3.7	4.2	1.3
Maintenance and repair commodities ¹	2.0	3.0	3.0	.9	5.9	-1.9	1.8	2.7	1.8	2.7	1.1
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ¹	2.2	2.5	4.4	2.1	4.1	1.0	1.4	1.7	-.4	4.9	.2
Other maintenance and repair commodities ¹	1.6	3.6	2.0	-.2	7.4	-4.3	2.2	3.5	3.7	.9	1.9
Fuel and other utilities ²	1.6	2.9	3.2	4.0	2.9	2.3	2.5	.2	1.4	4.6	-3
Fuels	1.4	2.4	3.9	4.3	.9	2.3	1.7	-.5	.7	5.6	-1.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	12.9	-4.6	15.5	28.6	-17.0	-3.1	-3.8	.1	1.4	23.1	-9.0
Fuel oil	17.9	-6.3	19.5	29.9	-19.9	-3.4	-4.6	.0	1.5	23.3	-8.0
Other household fuel commodities	2.6	-.3	5.9	25.9	-9.6	-2.4	-2.0	.4	.8	22.9	-11.4
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	.2	3.2	2.8	1.5	3.5	2.8	2.2	-.6	.8	3.8	-.7
Electricity	1.8	2.8	2.8	1.4	5.0	1.7	.6	.6	2.7	.7	1.5
Utility (piped) gas	-2.9	3.6	2.7	1.8	.3	5.1	5.8	-3.2	-3.6	11.0	-5.3
Other utilities and public services ¹	1.9	3.8	2.2	3.5	5.7	2.4	3.6	1.2	2.2	3.4	1.3
Telephone services ¹	-1.3	1.3	-.3	-.4	3.5	-.3	1.8	.7	1.2	2.1	.6
Local charges ¹	3.3	4.5	.6	1.0	5.1	.5	1.0	-.3	2.6	.9	.5
Interstate toll calls	-12.4	-4.2	-1.3	-3.7	1.3	-1.3	6.5	5.4	.1	3.7	.3
Intrastate toll calls	-3.0	-4.2	-2.6	-2.2	-1.5	-2.4	.2	-1.0	-3.8	6.1	1.8
Water and sewerage maintenance	5.2	6.1	6.6	6.2	7.8	6.6	4.8	4.2	2.9	3.5	1.2
Cable television	9.5	10.6	3.8	13.1	8.6	3.7	7.0	-2.6	4.1	7.8	3.7
Refuse collection	10.2	7.9	9.7	9.8	11.5	8.5	5.2	5.0	2.9	1.8	.7
Household furnishings and operation ²	1.1	3.1	1.0	1.8	2.3	1.6	1.8	.4	2.5	1.0	.6
Housefurnishings ¹ .....	.4	2.5	-.4	.6	.9	1.5	1.5	.0	.7	-.1	.5
Textile housefurnishings ¹ .....	.2	5.8	-.3	2.5	1.9	-1.9	6.6	-3.6	.5	-.7	1.6
Furniture and bedding	2.1	3.5	-1.4	1.1	1.0	4.5	3.6	1.6	4.2	1.0	1.4
Bedroom furniture .....	.2	4.7	-2.1	-1.3	4.1	6.1	5.3	-1.9	2.3	3.4	1.3
Sofas ¹	4.5	.8	-.7	.4	.6	3.4	-1.5	6.6	10.3	1.8	.8
Living room chairs and tables ¹	2.2	3.3	-.4	5.5	-2.2	3.6	7.7	.5	5.9	-1.1	1.1
Other furniture ¹	2.4	4.0	-1.6	1.9	-.3	3.8	3.1	2.9	1.6	-.9	1.9
Appliances, including electronic equipment ¹	-2.7	.7	-1.8	-2.4	-1.7	-1.6	-.8	-1.2	-3.9	-1.9	-2.3
Video and audio products ¹	-3.7	-1.4	-.5	-3.6	-.8	-1.8	-.8	-2.1	-3.9	-2.2	-2.1
Televisions	-4.4	-1.4	-1.3	-3.6	-1.1	-1.2	-1.7	-1.4	-4.0	-5.3	-1.1
Video products other than televisions ¹	-.4	-.4	-4.9	-9.5	-5.5	-3.4	-2.0	-6.6	-6.7	-.6	-4.2
Audio products ¹	1.0	-.4	2.6	-1.1	1.8	-1.5	.4	-1.0	-2.6	-.6	-2.1
Major household appliances ¹	-1.2	3.6	-1.4	-.3	-2.1	.5	1.5	3.6	-1.8	1.4	-1.7
Refrigerators and home freezers ¹ .....	.9	1.6	1.3	-1.0	-1.7	.7	4.4	4.9	-1.9	2.2	-2.7
Laundry equipment	-1.3	4.2	-1.0	1.2	-1.5	.7	.8	3.3	-.7	3.1	-1.2
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ¹	-2.8	4.8	-3.3	-1.1	-3.0	.2	.1	2.4	-2.7	-.7	-1.5
Information processing equipment	-	-	-7.3	-2.6	-4.1	-6.1	-7.6	-9.1	-10.7	-11.6	-5.8
Other housefurnishings ¹	1.8	2.2	1.8	2.0	3.0	2.1	.0	.4	.8	.3	1.0
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ¹	5.5	-.6	4.5	7.3	-1.9	2.1	2.6	.4	4.7	2.4	1.0
Clocks, lamps, and decor items	1.7	3.0	6.5	-.2	4.6	2.1	-1.7	-.3	3.7	-4.2	3.1
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ¹	1.3	2.6	1.8	1.3	6.9	1.4	.8	.5	-3.4	.9	2.6
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ¹	1.3	-.3	-3.1	1.9	.0	.1	3.7	.5	.7	2.4	-.2
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ¹	-1.6	1.6	-2.8	-.9	-.4	1.0	-3.4	-2.1	-3.6	1.6	.7
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers	-	-	-	-	7.0	5.6	-2.7	3.7	1.3	.7	-1.7
Housekeeping supplies	2.9	4.0	5.6	3.2	1.8	-.2	1.9	.8	5.2	1.1	1.1
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ¹	4.6	4.2	4.6	4.0	4.2	-.4	-.1	1.5	1.5	2.8	.8
Household paper products and stationery supplies .....	.7	5.8	5.5	3.8	.3	.2	2.3	.2	10.6	.7	.6
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ¹	3.2	2.2	7.0	1.6	.7	-.6	3.7	.5	3.9	-.2	2.1
Housekeeping services ¹	1.8	4.0	1.5	4.0	5.8	3.8	2.2	1.4	4.5	3.3	.8
Postage .....	.0	13.5	.0	.0	16.1	.0	.0	.0	10.3	.0	.0
Appliance and furniture repair ¹	3.1	2.7	1.9	3.4	4.3	6.9	2.5	1.0	4.4	3.5	.6
Gardening and other household services ¹	4.9	4.1	3.7	4.0	2.1	4.9	1.8	.6	1.9	5.2	.4

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Table 26. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										May
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Apparel and upkeep	4.8	4.7	1.0	5.1	3.4	1.4	0.9	-1.6	0.1	-0.2	3.8
Apparel commodities ¹	4.9	4.8	.7	5.0	3.4	1.2	.8	-1.9	-.1	-.5	4.2
Apparel commodities less footwear	5.1	4.6	.7	5.3	3.6	.9	.7	-1.8	-.2	-.9	4.5
Men's and boys'	3.1	6.0	1.3	2.9	2.9	1.0	.3	-1.7	.6	1.4	3.3
Men's	4.0	6.1	1.9	3.2	3.1	1.3	.0	-1.4	.1	1.6	3.7
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	3.4	9.2	2.2	2.8	2.4	1.1	3.5	-1.0	-1.7	-.3	3.0
Furnishings and special clothing .....	.6	3.3	3.3	2.0	2.0	1.1	-.5	-.2	-2.2	3.8	2.6
Shirts ¹	6.4	6.3	.2	4.1	4.1	1.1	-2.8	-2.7	3.7	1.9	5.4
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	5.8	4.8	1.8	4.5	3.4	2.5	-1.1	-1.6	1.0	1.7	3.9
Boys'	-.5	4.9	-1.0	1.4	2.8	-1.0	1.8	-3.3	2.7	.5	1.5
Women's and girls'	5.9	3.5	-.1	6.1	4.0	.5	1.2	-3.8	-.8	-1.1	5.4
Women's	6.0	2.9	.2	6.6	3.1	.3	2.0	-4.4	-1.0	-.9	5.6
Coats and jackets	4.5	.5	4.2	7.6	3.3	4.2	4.4	-9.7	3.8	2.1	-4.2
Dresses	13.3	3.0	-.8	7.0	-2.4	2.1	-2.7	-11.1	1.4	-5.8	7.7
Separates and sportswear ¹	5.1	2.1	-.5	6.1	4.1	-1.3	2.9	-3.5	-2.9	-.2	8.8
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ¹ .....	.5	5.8	1.7	4.3	2.3	.7	1.4	1.1	2.0	1.5	1.5
Suits ¹	10.2	5.3	-2.2	11.8	10.1	.9	4.3	.3	-5.0	-3.9	4.9
Girls'	4.8	6.4	-1.0	3.5	8.8	2.1	-3.3	-.7	.4	-2.9	4.0
Infants' and toddlers'	2.4	2.4	-1.7	8.9	2.9	1.2	-2.8	3.3	-2.0	-1.4	5.4
Other apparel commodities ¹	8.4	7.0	3.1	6.5	3.5	2.6	1.2	4.3	1.4	-4.7	3.1
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage	2.7	6.3	1.8	6.8	2.0	1.4	-1.3	.0	9.1	-3.4	.1
Watches and jewelry	9.7	7.2	3.3	6.5	3.9	2.8	1.7	5.0	.0	-5.0	3.8
Watches	3.4	4.4	-.2	2.5	3.4	-1.2	5.3	5.0	4.8	-6.1	4.1
Jewelry	11.5	7.9	4.3	7.5	3.9	3.8	.9	5.1	-1.1	-4.7	3.6
Footwear	3.8	5.9	1.1	3.2	2.9	2.7	.6	-1.7	.4	1.5	2.5
Men's	2.6	7.0	2.3	3.0	3.0	2.7	.2	-.8	-.5	-.4	2.0
Boys' and girls'	7.0	4.3	3.3	3.7	-.2	-1.0	.5	1.0	1.5	4.2	1.5
Women's	3.3	5.8	-.7	3.2	4.1	4.4	.7	-3.6	.6	1.5	3.3
Apparel services ¹	3.9	4.4	3.6	6.8	3.4	3.3	2.7	1.7	.8	2.4	.9
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ¹	5.2	5.4	3.9	5.4	3.0	3.2	3.2	1.8	.8	3.6	.7
Other apparel services ¹	2.6	3.3	3.4	8.5	3.6	3.5	2.3	1.4	1.0	1.0	1.0
Transportation	6.1	3.0	4.0	10.4	-1.5	3.0	2.4	3.8	1.5	4.4	-6
Private	6.5	2.9	3.9	9.8	-1.4	2.7	1.5	4.9	1.3	3.7	-.5
New vehicles	1.8	2.2	2.4	2.0	3.2	2.3	3.3	3.3	1.9	1.8	-6
New cars	1.8	2.1	2.3	1.4	3.3	2.3	2.8	3.2	1.6	1.6	-6
Subcompact new cars ¹	1.9	2.2	1.0	.4	4.1	2.7	3.5	3.3	1.9	.9	-6
Compact new cars ¹	1.4	1.1	2.1	1.7	2.3	.7	3.2	4.3	1.6	3.2	-.9
Intermediate new cars ¹ .....	.5	1.4	3.6	1.6	3.6	2.1	2.1	3.4	1.4	.8	-.4
Full-size new cars ¹	3.2	2.5	3.0	1.5	3.7	1.7	3.0	1.9	1.2	2.0	-.9
Luxury new cars ¹	4.1	5.2	2.0	2.5	2.7	3.6	1.8	2.8	2.1	2.6	-.8
New trucks	1.3	2.2	3.3	4.2	3.0	2.5	4.6	3.7	2.8	2.2	.0
New motorcycles	4.1	5.3	4.2	2.8	5.4	4.0	7.2	7.9	5.1	3.8	.3
Used cars	8.9	3.4	-.4	-2.2	2.6	7.4	8.0	8.8	4.4	-1.6	-1.1
Motor fuel	18.7	-2.1	6.8	36.5	-16.0	1.8	-5.4	5.9	-4.0	12.7	-2.7
Gasoline	18.6	-1.8	6.5	36.8	-16.2	2.0	-5.9	6.4	-4.2	12.4	-2.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular	18.5	-2.5	5.5	38.9	-16.7	1.9	-6.7	7.2	-4.4	13.4	-2.7
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	-4.5	11.7	-2.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium	15.6	-.7	6.1	32.0	-14.6	1.8	-4.7	5.2	-4.8	10.9	-2.8
Automobile maintenance and repair	3.8	3.9	4.4	4.4	4.5	3.5	3.1	2.8	2.5	3.1	1.0
Body work	5.5	4.6	6.0	3.4	2.5	2.7	2.9	3.8	3.5	4.6	2.1
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ¹	3.1	4.3	5.0	5.5	4.0	4.4	3.9	3.7	2.0	2.8	1.8
Maintenance and servicing	4.0	3.3	3.1	3.7	5.4	2.1	2.0	1.4	2.1	2.8	.1
Power plant repair ¹	3.6	3.9	4.9	4.6	4.8	4.4	3.8	3.3	3.2	3.3	.7
Other private transportation ¹	4.7	7.0	4.9	5.5	3.6	2.3	2.3	5.4	2.9	2.1	.6
Other private transportation commodities ¹	1.8	2.9	2.0	1.5	1.4	-.6	-1.3	1.0	.9	.0	-.5
Motor oil, coolant, and other products	-2.0	9.6	-.3	7.0	.8	-.3	.6	6.1	3.2	1.5	.5
Automobile parts and equipment	2.1	2.3	2.2	.9	1.6	-.6	-1.6	.5	.5	-.1	-.6
Tires	1.4	4.0	2.3	-.1	2.3	-.5	-1.4	2.2	.2	.0	-1.6
Other parts and equipment ¹	2.7	.8	2.1	2.0	.7	-.6	-1.6	-1.3	.9	-.3	.4
Other private transportation services ¹	5.4	7.8	5.5	6.4	4.0	2.8	2.8	6.2	3.2	2.3	.8
Automobile insurance	5.8	8.4	5.9	7.5	8.0	6.6	5.0	3.4	4.3	3.8	.7
Automobile finance charges ¹	5.9	8.3	4.3	.0	-7.1	-13.9	-5.6	23.0	2.0	-2.0	-.7
Automobile fees ¹	3.5	5.5	5.7	9.9	2.8	6.2	2.2	3.6	.6	1.0	2.4
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ¹	1.7	6.1	6.4	17.2	4.2	6.2	2.4	.4	1.7	.1	-.2
Other automobile-related fees ¹	5.2	5.1	5.1	3.0	1.4	6.3	2.0	7.2	-.5	1.9	5.0
Public transportation	1.8	3.6	4.1	17.2	-3.0	5.6	11.6	-6.2	3.1	11.2	-.9
Airline fares	1.6	3.3	5.3	22.7	-6.0	6.6	17.0	-9.5	1.8	14.7	-1.6
Other intercity transportation	2.0	7.1	1.7	6.6	2.4	.1	-2.8	2.3	.8	1.7	-.1
Intracity public transportation	2.4	2.9	2.1	7.7	3.8	5.0	2.8	1.0	7.6	5.8	.3

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 26. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										May
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Medical care	5.8	6.9	8.5	9.6	7.9	6.6	5.4	4.9	3.9	3.0	1.6
Medical care commodities	7.1	6.9	8.2	8.4	7.5	5.2	3.1	3.0	1.8	2.6	1.7
Prescription drugs	8.0	7.8	9.5	9.9	9.4	5.7	3.3	3.3	2.0	3.2	1.8
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies	5.4	5.0	5.8	5.5	3.6	3.9	2.7	2.3	1.4	1.3	1.4
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs	6.1	5.3	5.6	6.0	2.5	4.4	2.7	.8	.8	2.1	1.1
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	3.9	4.6	6.1	4.5	5.7	2.9	2.6	4.9	2.4	-1	1.8
Medical care services	5.6	6.9	8.6	9.9	8.0	7.0	5.9	5.4	4.4	3.2	1.5
Professional medical services	6.3	6.8	6.5	6.7	6.1	5.7	4.5	4.6	4.0	3.5	2.0
Physicians' services	6.3	7.5	7.2	7.4	5.5	6.3	5.1	4.4	4.4	3.0	2.0
Dental services	7.2	6.7	6.4	6.7	8.2	5.8	4.4	5.4	4.5	5.1	2.1
Eye care	5.3	4.7	3.4	4.5	3.6	3.7	2.0	3.3	2.4	1.2	1.0
Services by other medical professionals	4.5	5.6	5.7	5.1	5.5	3.1	3.2	4.0	.8	3.0	2.5
Hospital and related services	7.0	11.0	11.3	11.3	8.9	8.8	7.6	5.5	4.6	4.1	1.3
Hospital services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.3
Inpatient hospital services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0
Outpatient hospital services	7.1	9.2	11.7	11.2	9.8	9.8	7.9	5.5	4.8	4.8	2.0
Nursing home services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.8
Entertainment ¹	4.0	4.6	5.1	4.3	3.9	2.8	2.8	2.3	3.3	2.9	.9
Entertainment commodities ¹	3.8	4.4	3.5	3.0	3.5	1.8	1.9	1.8	2.9	2.4	-1
Reading materials	3.7	4.2	4.7	4.6	6.4	3.7	3.5	3.6	5.9	2.6	.1
Newspapers ¹	4.6	4.8	3.9	4.7	9.7	4.0	4.3	5.0	7.6	3.0	.3
Magazines, periodicals, and books ¹	2.7	3.7	5.3	4.6	3.3	3.5	2.8	2.2	4.1	2.4	-1
Sporting goods and equipment	3.6	4.4	2.1	1.8	3.7	.1	.3	3.2	-6	-1	-9
Sport vehicles, including bicycles	3.0	4.0	2.3	2.0	1.5	2.1	-1	3.9	.1	.1	-6
Other sporting goods	4.2	4.7	1.9	1.4	5.6	-1.5	.5	2.5	-1.1	-3	-1.0
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ¹	3.8	4.5	3.4	2.3	1.3	1.0	1.4	-5	2.1	3.3	.1
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ¹	4.5	4.1	2.4	1.5	1.1	2.5	1.5	-9	1.0	2.8	-1
Photographic supplies and equipment	6.3	5.8	3.4	1.4	.9	2.2	1.7	-3.2	1.9	-4	1.0
Pet supplies and expense	2.2	4.6	4.4	3.7	1.7	-1.0	.9	1.0	3.5	5.3	.0
Entertainment services ¹	4.3	4.6	6.8	5.4	4.4	3.7	3.5	2.7	3.7	3.4	1.7
Club memberships ¹	1.7	7.3	4.0	4.9	3.4	2.3	3.3	-6	2.3	-7	1.0
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ¹	7.0	5.8	7.7	5.5	4.9	4.9	8.0	2.6	2.4	4.2	3.8
Admissions	6.8	3.8	9.5	5.2	4.8	3.9	1.8	4.0	5.3	4.0	1.8
Fees for lessons or instructions	5.0	4.6	8.9	4.8	5.6	5.1	4.0	4.9	3.0	5.9	.8
Other entertainment services ¹	1.7	3.3	4.3	6.0	3.8	3.1	2.9	2.6	3.9	3.7	.9
Other goods and services ²	6.1	7.0	8.2	7.6	8.0	6.5	2.7	4.2	4.3	3.6	2.0
Tobacco and smoking products	7.9	9.4	14.7	10.8	11.1	8.1	-5.9	3.0	2.7	2.7	4.1
Personal care	3.3	5.1	3.8	4.2	2.5	2.9	2.5	1.9	2.1	1.1	1.4
Toilet goods and personal care appliances	2.8	5.7	2.5	4.2	2.7	3.3	1.7	1.8	1.1	-9	.9
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements	2.8	5.3	1.9	5.9	3.0	1.4	4.7	1.0	1.5	2.5	.1
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products	2.7	6.0	3.0	3.0	2.5	4.8	-5	2.3	.8	-3.5	1.6
Personal care services	3.8	4.4	5.4	4.1	2.2	2.4	3.4	2.1	3.4	3.2	1.9
Beauty parlor services for females ¹	3.9	4.2	5.7	4.2	2.0	2.2	3.6	2.1	3.3	2.8	2.0
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ¹	3.9	4.6	4.2	3.5	2.9	3.5	2.5	2.6	3.7	4.6	1.7
Personal and educational expenses ¹	6.5	6.7	7.2	7.5	8.4	6.9	6.5	5.4	5.5	4.6	1.5
School books and supplies	7.6	6.9	7.8	6.5	5.7	4.9	3.4	3.5	5.6	5.5	2.1
Personal and educational services ¹	6.4	6.7	7.2	7.6	8.6	7.0	6.7	5.5	5.5	4.6	1.4
Tuition and other school fees	7.6	7.6	7.9	7.9	9.8	8.5	7.1	5.9	5.6	4.9	.6
College tuition	7.0	7.7	8.1	8.2	12.1	10.0	7.9	6.3	5.7	5.3	.4
Elementary and high school tuition	9.8	8.4	8.8	8.7	7.5	7.9	5.9	6.2	6.6	4.6	.0
Day care and nursery school	-	-	-	-	6.3	4.4	5.1	4.7	3.8	3.7	1.1
Personal expenses	4.4	5.1	5.8	7.0	6.4	4.3	5.8	4.8	5.3	4.0	3.1
Legal service fees	5.2	4.5	6.3	6.8	5.7	4.0	5.8	1.9	3.8	3.8	1.4
Personal financial services	4.1	6.9	5.9	7.7	8.3	5.0	6.6	7.8	7.1	3.4	4.4
Funeral expenses	3.9	4.1	4.8	6.6	5.9	4.1	5.4	5.8	5.4	4.7	3.7
Special indexes											
Domestically produced farm food	3.8	5.9	6.7	6.3	1.3	1.7	3.5	2.5	2.3	5.7	-6
Selected beef cuts	6.3	4.1	6.8	8.3	-1.0	.2	3.6	-2.9	-1.2	2.7	-1.3
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	18.1	-1.8	6.7	36.0	-15.8	1.8	-5.3	5.9	-3.8	12.4	-2.6
Utilities and public transportation	1.1	3.5	2.8	5.0	3.1	3.2	4.4	-1.0	1.8	5.0	.0
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ¹	2.0	3.8	1.6	4.1	5.4	3.7	1.8	1.6	4.5	3.3	.9

¹ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

² This index series will undergo a change in composition in January,

1998.

- Data not available.

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

Table 27. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U. S. City Average, all items

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Semiannual averages		Annual avg.	Percent change from previous	
													1st half	2nd half		Dec.	Annual avg.
1913	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.9	10.0	10.0	10.1	10.1	10.1	-	-	10.0	-	-
1914	10.1	10.0	10.0	9.9	9.9	10.0	10.1	10.2	10.3	10.2	10.2	10.2	-	-	10.1	1.0	1.0
1915	10.2	10.1	10.0	10.1	10.1	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.3	10.4	10.4	-	-	10.2	2.0	1.0
1916	10.5	10.5	10.6	10.7	10.7	10.9	10.9	11.0	11.2	11.3	11.5	11.6	-	-	11.0	11.5	7.8
1917	11.8	12.0	12.1	12.6	12.9	13.0	12.9	13.1	13.3	13.6	13.6	13.8	-	-	12.9	19.0	17.3
1918	14.0	14.2	14.1	14.3	14.5	14.8	15.2	15.4	15.8	16.1	16.3	16.6	-	-	15.1	20.3	17.1
1919	16.6	16.2	16.5	16.8	17.0	17.0	17.5	17.8	17.9	18.2	18.6	19.0	-	-	17.4	14.5	15.2
1920	19.4	19.6	19.8	20.4	20.7	21.0	20.9	20.4	20.1	20.0	19.9	19.5	-	-	20.1	2.6	15.5
1921	19.1	18.5	18.4	18.2	17.8	17.7	17.8	17.8	17.6	17.6	17.5	17.4	-	-	18.0	-10.8	-10.4
1922	17.0	17.0	16.8	16.8	16.8	16.8	16.9	16.7	16.7	16.8	16.9	17.0	-	-	16.9	-2.3	-6.1
1923	16.9	16.9	16.9	17.0	17.0	17.1	17.3	17.2	17.3	17.4	17.4	17.4	-	-	17.2	2.4	1.8
1924	17.4	17.3	17.2	17.1	17.1	17.1	17.2	17.1	17.2	17.3	17.3	17.4	-	-	17.2	.0	.0
1925	17.4	17.3	17.4	17.3	17.4	17.6	17.8	17.8	17.8	17.8	18.1	18.0	-	-	17.6	3.4	2.3
1926	18.0	18.0	17.9	18.0	17.9	17.8	17.6	17.5	17.6	17.7	17.8	17.8	-	-	17.8	-1.1	1.1
1927	17.6	17.5	17.4	17.4	17.5	17.7	17.4	17.3	17.4	17.5	17.4	17.4	-	-	17.5	-2.2	-1.7
1928	17.4	17.2	17.2	17.2	17.3	17.2	17.2	17.2	17.4	17.3	17.3	17.2	-	-	17.2	-1.1	-1.7
1929	17.2	17.2	17.1	17.0	17.1	17.2	17.4	17.4	17.4	17.4	17.4	17.3	-	-	17.2	.6	.0
1930	17.2	17.1	17.0	17.1	17.0	16.9	16.7	16.6	16.7	16.6	16.5	16.2	-	-	16.8	-6.4	-2.3
1931	16.0	15.7	15.6	15.5	15.4	15.2	15.2	15.1	15.1	15.0	14.8	14.7	-	-	15.3	-9.3	-8.9
1932	14.4	14.2	14.1	14.0	13.8	13.7	13.7	13.5	13.5	13.4	13.3	13.2	-	-	13.7	-10.2	-10.5
1933	13.0	12.8	12.7	12.6	12.7	12.8	13.2	13.3	13.3	13.3	13.3	13.2	-	-	13.0	.0	-5.1
1934	13.3	13.4	13.4	13.4	13.4	13.4	13.4	13.5	13.7	13.6	13.5	13.5	-	-	13.5	2.3	3.8
1935	13.7	13.8	13.8	13.9	13.8	13.8	13.7	13.7	13.8	13.8	13.9	13.9	-	-	13.8	3.0	2.2
1936	13.9	13.8	13.8	13.8	13.8	13.9	14.0	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	-	-	13.9	1.4	.7
1937	14.2	14.2	14.3	14.4	14.4	14.5	14.5	14.6	14.7	14.6	14.5	14.5	-	-	14.4	2.8	3.6
1938	14.3	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.1	14.1	14.1	-	-	14.2	-2.8	-1.4
1939	14.0	14.0	13.9	13.9	13.9	13.9	13.9	13.9	14.2	14.1	14.1	14.0	-	-	14.0	-7	-1.4
1940	14.0	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.1	14.2	-	-	14.1	1.4	.7
1941	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.4	14.5	14.7	14.8	14.9	15.2	15.4	15.5	15.5	-	-	14.8	9.2	5.0
1942	15.7	15.9	16.1	16.2	16.3	16.4	16.5	16.6	16.6	16.8	16.9	17.0	-	-	16.4	9.7	10.8
1943	17.0	17.0	17.3	17.5	17.6	17.6	17.5	17.4	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	-	-	17.4	2.9	6.1
1944	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.6	17.6	17.7	17.8	17.8	17.8	17.8	17.8	17.9	-	-	17.7	2.3	1.7
1945	17.9	17.9	17.9	17.9	18.0	18.2	18.2	18.2	18.2	18.2	18.2	18.3	-	-	18.1	2.2	2.3
1946	18.3	18.2	18.4	18.5	18.6	18.8	19.9	20.3	20.5	20.9	21.5	21.6	-	-	19.6	18.0	8.3
1947	21.6	21.6	22.1	22.1	22.0	22.2	22.4	22.6	23.1	23.1	23.3	23.6	-	-	22.5	9.3	14.8
1948	23.8	23.6	23.6	23.9	24.1	24.2	24.5	24.6	24.6	24.5	24.4	24.2	-	-	24.2	2.5	7.6
1949	24.2	23.9	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	23.8	23.9	24.0	23.9	23.9	23.8	-	-	24.0	-1.7	-8
1950	23.7	23.6	23.7	23.7	23.8	24.0	24.2	24.4	24.6	24.7	24.8	25.1	-	-	24.2	5.5	.8
1951	25.5	25.9	26.0	26.0	26.1	26.1	26.1	26.1	26.3	26.4	26.5	26.6	-	-	26.1	6.0	7.9
1952	26.6	26.5	26.5	26.6	26.6	26.7	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.9	-	-	26.7	1.1	2.3
1953	26.8	26.7	26.7	26.8	26.8	26.9	27.0	27.1	27.1	27.2	27.1	27.0	-	-	26.9	.4	.7
1954	27.1	27.1	27.0	27.0	27.1	27.1	27.1	27.1	27.0	26.9	27.0	26.9	-	-	27.0	-4	.4
1955	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.9	26.9	27.0	26.9	27.0	27.0	27.1	27.0	-	-	26.9	.4	-4
1956	27.0	27.0	27.0	27.0	27.2	27.3	27.5	27.5	27.5	27.7	27.7	27.8	-	-	27.3	3.0	1.5
1957	27.8	27.9	28.0	28.1	28.1	28.3	28.4	28.5	28.5	28.5	28.6	28.6	-	-	28.3	2.9	3.7
1958	28.8	28.8	29.0	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	-	-	29.1	1.7	2.8
1959	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.2	29.3	29.4	29.3	29.4	29.5	29.5	29.5	-	-	29.3	1.4	.7

Table 27. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U. S. City Average, all Items—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Semiannual averages		Annual avg.	Percent change from previous	
													1st half	2nd half		Dec.	Annual avg.
1960	29.5	29.5	29.5	29.7	29.7	29.8	29.8	29.8	29.8	29.9	30.0	30.0	-	-	29.8	1.7	1.7
1961	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.1	30.1	30.2	30.2	30.2	30.2	-	-	30.1	.7	1.0
1962	30.2	30.2	30.3	30.4	30.4	30.4	30.4	30.4	30.6	30.6	30.6	30.6	-	-	30.4	1.3	1.0
1963	30.6	30.6	30.7	30.7	30.7	30.8	30.9	30.9	30.9	31.0	31.0	31.1	-	-	30.8	1.6	1.3
1964	31.1	31.1	31.1	31.1	31.1	31.2	31.3	31.2	31.3	31.3	31.4	31.4	-	-	31.2	1.0	1.3
1965	31.4	31.4	31.5	31.6	31.6	31.8	31.8	31.8	31.8	31.9	31.9	32.0	-	-	31.7	1.9	1.6
1966	32.0	32.2	32.3	32.5	32.5	32.6	32.7	32.9	32.9	33.1	33.1	33.1	-	-	32.6	3.4	2.8
1967	33.1	33.1	33.2	33.3	33.4	33.5	33.6	33.7	33.8	33.9	34.0	34.1	-	-	33.6	3.0	3.1
1968	34.2	34.3	34.5	34.6	34.7	34.9	35.1	35.2	35.3	35.5	35.6	35.7	-	-	35.0	4.7	4.2
1969	35.8	36.0	36.3	36.5	36.6	36.8	37.0	37.2	37.3	37.5	37.7	37.9	-	-	36.9	6.2	5.4
1970	38.0	38.2	38.4	38.7	38.8	39.0	39.2	39.2	39.4	39.6	39.8	40.0	-	-	39.0	5.5	5.7
1971	40.0	40.1	40.2	40.4	40.6	40.8	40.9	41.0	41.0	41.1	41.2	41.3	-	-	40.7	3.3	4.4
1972	41.4	41.6	41.6	41.7	41.9	42.0	42.1	42.2	42.4	42.5	42.6	42.7	-	-	42.1	3.4	3.4
1973	42.9	43.2	43.6	43.9	44.1	44.4	44.5	45.4	45.5	45.9	46.2	46.5	-	-	44.7	8.9	6.2
1974	46.9	47.5	48.0	48.3	48.8	49.3	49.7	50.3	50.9	51.4	51.8	52.2	-	-	49.6	12.3	11.0
1975	52.4	52.8	53.0	53.2	53.5	53.9	54.5	54.7	54.9	55.3	55.6	55.8	-	-	54.1	6.9	9.1
1976	56.0	56.1	56.2	56.5	56.8	57.1	57.4	57.7	57.9	58.2	58.3	58.5	-	-	57.2	4.8	5.7
1977	58.9	59.5	59.8	60.3	60.6	61.0	61.3	61.5	61.8	61.9	62.2	62.5	-	-	60.9	6.8	6.5
1978	62.8	63.2	63.7	64.3	64.9	65.6	66.0	66.4	66.8	67.4	67.7	68.1	-	-	65.6	9.0	7.7
1979	68.7	69.5	70.3	71.1	71.9	72.8	73.7	74.4	75.1	75.7	76.4	77.2	-	-	73.1	13.4	11.4
1980	78.3	79.4	80.5	81.4	82.3	83.2	83.3	83.8	84.6	85.3	86.1	86.9	-	-	82.9	12.6	13.4
1981	87.5	88.5	89.0	89.6	90.3	91.1	92.2	92.8	93.7	93.9	94.1	94.4	-	-	91.4	8.6	10.3
1982	94.7	95.0	94.8	95.2	96.2	97.4	98.0	98.2	98.3	98.6	98.4	98.0	-	-	96.9	3.8	6.0
1983	98.1	98.1	98.4	99.0	99.5	99.8	100.1	100.5	101.0	101.2	101.2	101.2	-	-	99.8	3.3	3.0
1984	101.6	101.8	101.8	102.1	102.5	102.8	103.2	104.2	104.8	104.8	104.7	104.8	102.1	104.4	103.3	3.6	3.5
1985	104.9	105.4	105.9	106.3	106.7	107.0	107.1	107.3	107.6	107.9	108.3	108.6	106.0	107.8	106.9	3.6	3.5
1986	108.9	108.5	107.9	107.6	107.9	108.4	108.4	108.6	109.1	109.1	109.2	109.3	108.2	109.0	108.6	.6	1.6
1987	110.0	110.5	111.0	111.6	111.9	112.4	112.7	113.3	113.8	114.1	114.3	114.2	111.2	113.7	112.5	4.5	3.6
1988	114.5	114.7	115.1	115.7	116.2	116.7	117.2	117.7	118.5	118.9	119.0	119.2	115.5	118.4	117.0	4.4	4.0
1989	119.7	120.2	120.8	121.8	122.5	122.8	123.2	123.2	123.6	124.2	124.4	124.6	121.3	123.9	122.6	4.5	4.8
1990	125.9	126.4	127.1	127.3	127.5	128.3	128.7	129.9	131.1	131.9	132.2	132.2	127.1	131.0	129.0	6.1	5.2
1991	132.8	132.8	133.0	133.3	133.8	134.1	134.3	134.6	135.2	135.4	135.8	135.9	133.3	135.2	134.3	2.8	4.1
1992	136.0	136.4	137.0	137.3	137.6	138.1	138.4	138.8	139.1	139.6	139.8	139.8	137.1	139.3	138.2	2.9	2.9
1993	140.3	140.7	141.1	141.6	141.9	142.0	142.1	142.4	142.6	143.3	143.4	143.3	141.3	142.9	142.1	2.5	2.8
1994	143.6	144.0	144.4	144.7	144.9	145.4	145.8	146.5	146.9	147.0	147.3	147.2	144.5	146.8	145.6	2.7	2.5
1995	147.8	148.3	148.7	149.3	149.6	149.9	149.9	150.2	150.6	151.0	150.9	150.9	148.9	150.6	149.8	2.5	2.9
1996	151.7	152.2	152.9	153.6	154.0	154.1	154.3	154.5	155.1	155.5	155.9	155.9	153.1	155.2	154.1	3.3	2.9
1997	156.3	156.8	157.0	157.2	157.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Data not available.

Table 28. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										May
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Commodity and service group											
All items	114.2	119.2	124.6	132.2	135.9	139.8	143.3	147.2	150.9	155.9	157.2
Commodities	108.9	113.0	117.8	125.8	127.0	129.8	131.6	134.8	136.9	141.4	142.1
Food and beverages	114.5	120.3	126.9	133.6	136.9	139.1	142.9	146.6	149.8	156.1	156.6
Commodities less food and beverages	105.4	108.6	112.1	121.0	120.9	124.1	124.7	127.6	129.0	132.4	133.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	102.8	106.3	111.6	126.2	124.2	127.3	125.7	127.7	128.3	133.6	135.3
Apparel commodities ¹	111.1	116.0	116.6	122.3	126.1	127.8	128.5	126.1	126.2	125.7	131.5
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	101.2	104.1	111.7	131.0	126.2	129.9	127.2	131.3	132.1	140.4	140.2
Durables	108.0	110.7	112.0	112.6	115.3	118.7	122.3	126.5	128.9	129.6	129.2
Services	121.3	127.2	133.4	140.7	147.0	152.1	157.6	162.4	167.9	173.4	175.5
Rent of shelter ²	116.4	121.5	127.5	133.9	139.1	143.0	147.3	151.7	156.9	161.4	163.9
Household services less rent of shelter ^{1 2}	103.1	106.8	109.3	112.2	117.6	120.8	124.2	124.9	127.2	131.7	132.3
Transportation services	123.6	131.2	137.8	147.9	152.5	157.2	163.3	169.2	174.9	181.5	182.4
Medical care services	133.2	142.7	154.7	169.0	182.4	195.4	206.6	217.7	227.4	234.7	238.2
Other services	127.9	135.0	143.8	152.8	162.0	169.9	178.5	185.9	194.0	201.7	205.0
Special indexes											
All items less food	114.1	118.8	124.0	131.7	135.7	140.0	143.4	147.4	151.1	155.8	157.3
All items less shelter	112.5	117.4	122.6	130.6	133.7	137.6	140.8	144.6	147.8	152.8	153.8
All items less homeowners' costs ^{1 2}	107.8	112.4	117.4	124.9	128.1	131.8	134.9	138.4	141.5	146.4	147.6
All items less medical care	113.2	117.9	123.1	130.4	133.6	137.2	140.4	144.0	147.5	152.4	153.6
Commodities less food	105.6	108.9	112.6	121.2	121.8	125.0	125.7	128.5	130.0	133.5	134.4
Nondurables less food	103.3	106.9	112.2	126.0	125.3	128.4	127.1	129.0	129.8	135.2	136.9
Nondurables less food and apparel	101.8	104.9	112.2	129.7	127.0	130.7	128.6	132.4	133.4	141.3	141.4
Nondurables	108.8	113.5	119.5	130.1	130.8	133.4	134.5	137.4	139.3	145.2	146.2
Services less rent of shelter ²	112.2	118.1	123.9	131.1	137.9	143.5	149.5	154.0	159.2	165.0	166.5
Services less medical care services	120.1	125.6	131.4	138.1	143.9	148.4	153.4	157.6	162.8	168.1	170.1
Energy	87.8	88.1	92.7	110.5	101.6	103.5	101.7	104.2	102.6	112.0	109.5
All items less energy	118.0	123.6	129.1	135.5	140.8	144.9	149.1	153.3	157.6	162.1	163.9
All items less food and energy	119.0	124.4	129.7	136.0	142.0	146.6	150.9	155.1	159.7	163.7	165.9
Commodities less food and energy commodities	112.6	117.0	120.2	124.0	128.9	132.7	134.7	137.1	139.6	141.0	142.9
Energy commodities	82.1	80.3	86.4	117.1	98.4	99.5	94.3	99.4	96.0	109.4	105.5
Services less energy services	123.7	129.8	136.4	144.3	151.0	156.3	162.1	167.5	173.4	179.0	181.4
Expenditure category											
Food and beverages	114.5	120.3	126.9	133.6	136.9	139.1	142.9	146.6	149.8	156.1	156.6
Food	114.5	120.4	127.1	133.9	136.3	138.3	142.2	146.2	149.4	155.8	156.1
Food at home	112.5	118.8	126.2	133.5	135.0	137.0	141.7	146.3	149.5	156.9	156.6
Cereals and bakery products	116.9	126.7	136.0	142.3	147.2	153.0	158.6	163.9	169.2	175.4	176.7
Cereals and cereal products	115.8	126.8	136.1	143.1	148.2	153.5	158.7	163.6	167.8	165.7	169.0
Flour and prepared flour mixes	105.5	112.6	120.8	123.5	123.3	129.5	129.3	131.5	140.0	150.6	157.1
Cereal	126.7	138.9	152.4	163.3	171.1	177.7	186.1	190.5	193.6	185.4	187.2
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	106.6	118.7	120.4	122.9	126.4	128.9	131.7	139.6	143.1	144.2	148.4
Bakery products	117.2	126.4	135.7	141.6	146.4	152.5	158.2	163.8	169.5	179.7	180.0
White bread	113.1	125.7	133.3	138.2	140.2	145.9	155.9	160.2	169.4	183.5	182.8
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins	113.4	124.3	132.7	139.1	144.1	151.6	155.8	163.2	170.7	179.3	179.6
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes	121.3	128.7	138.8	146.7	153.7	157.3	162.5	168.5	170.7	177.8	178.4
Other bakery products	120.7	126.7	137.8	142.4	147.9	155.5	158.4	163.6	168.0	178.4	179.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	110.1	115.8	123.8	133.6	131.5	132.1	136.9	136.0	141.7	149.8	147.4
Meats, poultry, and fish	111.7	116.9	123.0	133.9	132.0	133.1	138.2	137.3	141.4	148.9	148.3
Meats	110.4	112.7	120.1	133.8	130.8	131.2	136.0	133.7	137.3	144.5	143.9
Beef and veal	108.6	114.6	122.3	133.2	131.7	132.8	137.7	134.7	134.4	137.8	136.8
Ground beef other than canned	102.2	104.7	112.6	121.2	119.5	118.8	123.2	117.7	115.7	117.6	116.6
Chuck roast ¹	105.5	112.9	123.9	136.6	138.5	140.1	143.5	141.2	142.2	147.2	141.6
Round roast ¹	101.9	108.1	116.2	128.0	125.9	129.1	130.1	132.3	128.6	135.9	133.0
Round steak ¹	108.5	112.0	118.9	130.3	130.1	129.8	133.3	131.5	128.9	134.1	131.3
Sirloin steak ¹	113.4	121.3	124.6	131.9	128.5	130.4	138.8	137.2	134.9	141.8	142.1
Other beef and veal ¹	115.2	125.7	133.4	147.0	145.4	148.6	154.5	153.0	156.7	159.5	160.1
Pork	112.9	109.6	117.3	136.8	128.6	127.7	133.4	130.3	140.0	155.5	154.3
Bacon	107.9	96.7	105.0	123.0	108.5	104.8	117.1	114.8	130.0	161.4	160.6
Chops	114.5	114.7	124.1	142.6	136.4	140.0	146.5	139.3	146.9	156.9	154.3
Ham	117.5	115.7	121.6	143.7	136.8	134.9	136.9	134.9	144.6	156.9	153.2
Other pork, including sausage ¹	111.3	108.5	115.8	135.1	127.8	126.0	130.2	128.8	137.2	150.5	151.5
Other meats	111.8	112.7	119.0	131.3	132.3	132.6	136.1	136.9	141.2	146.0	147.4
Poultry	107.4	126.9	127.4	129.2	129.8	133.4	140.7	140.2	146.0	157.5	156.4
Fresh whole chicken	107.4	131.0	130.0	130.3	129.8	135.4	141.3	139.7	145.2	158.9	159.1
Fresh and frozen chicken parts	110.2	131.1	129.7	132.7	134.3	136.5	146.4	143.0	150.0	160.8	157.0
Other poultry ¹	103.6	112.5	120.1	121.8	122.2	125.7	129.7	138.2	141.8	151.2	154.1
Fish and seafood	133.6	139.7	144.8	148.8	151.2	153.8	158.8	167.1	172.3	176.5	176.8
Canned fish and seafood	110.2	124.8	119.4	119.1	118.4	119.8	122.8	124.5	125.7	126.8	127.7
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood ¹	147.0	150.0	159.3	165.2	168.7	172.0	177.8	189.0	195.9	201.4	201.5
Eggs	84.9	99.0	134.3	128.0	122.7	117.0	114.8	115.3	144.8	162.3	132.3

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 28. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										May
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Dairy products	106.4	111.2	122.8	126.5	127.2	128.9	130.0	131.4	134.7	148.5	145.1
Fresh milk and cream ¹	104.9	109.9	122.5	125.6	125.3	128.2	131.0	131.9	134.3	149.7	144.6
Fresh whole milk	104.7	110.0	122.7	125.8	125.3	127.6	130.3	130.8	133.6	148.3	142.3
Other fresh milk and cream ¹	105.3	109.7	122.1	125.0	125.1	129.2	132.1	133.5	135.3	152.0	148.2
Processed dairy products ¹	108.5	113.1	123.5	128.1	129.8	130.1	129.3	131.3	135.8	147.6	146.2
Cheese ¹	106.7	112.3	126.8	132.7	134.9	135.1	134.0	135.2	138.4	149.8	147.2
Ice cream and related products	110.8	114.9	123.1	128.5	129.9	130.5	131.2	136.0	139.7	150.4	150.7
Other dairy products, including butter ¹	109.3	111.5	113.0	112.8	113.0	112.8	111.0	111.5	120.9	135.5	134.8
Fruits and vegetables ³	123.0	130.8	135.8	145.7	152.1	155.3	165.4	178.8	177.0	186.0	185.4
Fresh fruits and vegetables	132.7	137.6	144.0	156.1	168.5	172.8	188.6	210.8	205.2	214.3	212.1
Fresh fruits	126.0	143.1	152.3	169.5	186.1	180.0	202.6	209.8	222.0	248.1	237.6
Apples	104.3	133.0	124.6	151.9	170.4	154.2	167.2	163.5	188.0	195.2	199.7
Bananas	107.4	115.9	122.7	128.1	127.6	124.0	127.2	142.7	146.4	157.2	158.5
Oranges, including tangerines ¹	126.4	144.2	137.8	151.9	187.0	156.8	177.0	178.1	204.2	198.1	224.3
Other fresh fruits ¹	139.9	154.5	176.9	194.4	213.1	214.5	247.8	259.1	263.8	313.2	280.5
Fresh vegetables	139.5	132.3	135.9	143.1	149.3	166.0	175.1	212.0	189.0	181.2	187.1
Potatoes	102.7	127.7	139.3	135.5	128.2	136.8	164.9	154.1	175.2	160.2	167.9
Lettuce	272.4	173.6	135.3	151.3	169.6	180.7	151.4	269.0	171.1	183.1	173.7
Tomatoes	137.9	123.0	139.2	128.2	123.1	190.9	194.6	229.9	239.2	190.5	196.5
Other fresh vegetables	126.1	129.2	135.0	150.8	162.4	167.4	179.6	217.6	184.1	187.5	196.0
Processed fruits and vegetables ¹	109.9	122.0	125.0	131.7	129.6	131.0	132.9	133.6	137.2	146.0	148.0
Processed fruits ¹	112.4	124.5	125.2	134.9	131.4	134.3	133.1	132.6	137.4	146.7	148.4
Fruit juices and frozen fruit ¹	112.5	126.6	126.4	137.9	132.0	135.0	133.1	132.1	136.8	147.0	148.3
Canned and dried fruits ¹	111.0	115.4	119.0	122.0	127.9	130.0	131.9	133.2	138.2	144.0	147.4
Processed vegetables ¹	107.3	119.3	125.1	128.4	127.7	127.6	132.9	135.0	137.4	145.6	147.8
Frozen vegetables ¹	111.7	116.6	124.9	128.6	129.6	130.7	135.5	136.6	140.6	144.0	146.9
Processed vegetables excluding frozen ¹	105.8	121.1	125.8	129.0	127.4	126.8	132.3	134.9	136.5	147.0	148.9
Other food at home	109.8	115.1	120.1	125.1	127.0	128.2	130.8	138.3	140.1	143.2	146.6
Sugar and sweets	110.9	116.7	121.1	126.3	130.6	131.9	133.1	134.4	138.4	144.5	147.9
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	102.1	110.3	115.2	118.4	118.4	119.6	120.8	123.2	128.3	132.7	135.9
Sweets, including candy ¹	114.6	119.2	123.5	129.6	135.8	137.2	138.3	139.1	142.6	149.5	153.0
Fats and oils	107.6	118.3	121.5	130.8	129.1	128.3	129.3	134.1	137.3	140.4	141.7
Nonalcoholic beverages	104.9	107.8	111.2	113.3	112.9	112.7	115.1	130.6	128.8	126.5	132.4
Carbonated drinks	103.6	105.2	110.4	111.3	112.3	114.0	116.0	115.7	119.1	118.5	119.4
Coffee	110.3	116.6	115.2	117.0	111.0	104.9	110.5	172.3	155.6	144.9	166.7
Other noncarbonated drinks ¹	112.6	115.5	120.1	126.5	129.9	132.4	131.5	132.6	135.7	139.5	139.3
Other prepared food	114.8	120.5	127.4	134.0	138.1	141.0	144.7	148.0	151.9	158.8	160.3
Canned and packaged soup	119.0	123.4	132.6	140.7	149.0	157.5	164.3	171.3	177.4	185.6	190.8
Frozen prepared food	118.7	124.0	130.8	135.3	137.4	138.1	137.5	137.9	138.4	145.3	144.3
Snacks	115.6	121.4	126.1	131.1	132.6	132.1	136.0	138.5	143.3	151.5	153.6
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	113.1	118.1	124.7	132.5	137.8	143.5	147.3	150.8	156.8	163.9	167.0
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ¹	112.5	119.4	127.7	135.2	140.2	142.8	147.9	152.5	155.1	160.6	160.9
Food away from home	118.8	124.0	129.7	135.6	139.4	141.6	144.1	147.0	150.3	155.0	156.2
Lunch ¹	118.3	123.7	129.9	135.7	139.7	141.9	144.6	147.4	150.8	155.4	156.6
Dinner ¹	118.7	123.8	129.1	134.3	137.9	140.0	142.5	145.4	148.7	152.9	154.2
Other meals and snacks ¹	119.3	124.4	130.3	137.5	141.6	143.7	146.1	149.1	152.5	158.2	159.2
Alcoholic beverages	115.1	119.5	125.2	130.5	143.5	147.7	150.0	151.4	154.3	159.9	162.2
Alcoholic beverages at home	111.8	114.4	119.4	123.9	138.2	141.3	142.0	141.7	143.0	147.7	149.4
Beer and ale	111.3	114.3	119.7	124.1	138.9	142.8	143.2	142.9	144.1	148.1	149.0
Wine	105.6	107.5	110.8	114.0	129.3	131.3	131.6	130.0	131.7	139.9	143.6
Distilled spirits	114.6	116.7	121.9	127.9	139.3	141.3	142.8	143.8	145.0	147.9	149.9
Alcoholic beverages away from home	125.4	132.6	139.5	146.3	158.0	164.0	168.8	172.5	178.0	185.2	188.3

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 28. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes											
	December										May	
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category												
Housing ³	114.1	118.5	123.1	128.3	132.7	136.1	139.7	142.7	146.7	151.0	152.6	
Shelter	121.2	126.5	132.6	139.3	144.6	148.7	153.1	157.7	163.1	167.7	170.3	
Renters' costs ^{1,2}	115.9	120.0	125.4	132.6	137.7	141.4	144.9	148.5	152.5	157.3	161.6	
Rent, residential	125.3	129.7	135.0	140.6	144.8	148.2	151.6	155.4	159.3	163.7	165.6	
Other renters' costs ¹	124.5	129.2	137.6	157.2	170.2	176.9	183.3	187.2	194.1	203.7	222.9	
Lodging while out of town	121.8	126.2	134.4	155.2	168.6	174.5	181.2	184.4	191.1	201.1	222.1	
Lodging while at school ⁴	136.9	144.9	155.5	165.0	175.7	189.7	193.8	202.9	211.8	219.2	222.2	
Tenants' insurance ¹	122.6	126.0	128.9	130.4	133.6	137.0	141.2	147.9	150.8	151.5	154.1	
Homeowners' costs ^{1,2}	116.6	122.2	128.3	134.3	139.5	143.5	148.2	153.1	158.7	163.0	164.6	
Owners' equivalent rent ²	116.6	122.2	128.3	134.5	139.7	143.8	148.4	153.3	159.0	163.4	164.9	
Household insurance ^{1,2}	116.1	119.6	122.7	124.9	128.4	132.0	136.4	142.9	145.6	147.2	149.1	
Maintenance and repairs ¹	112.5	115.2	119.0	123.6	130.6	129.8	127.7	132.4	135.8	140.1	141.7	
Maintenance and repair services ¹	115.9	117.8	122.4	129.8	135.7	139.0	134.0	140.3	144.7	150.1	151.9	
Maintenance and repair commodities ¹	107.1	110.6	113.6	115.2	123.1	118.0	119.0	121.9	124.2	127.1	128.6	
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ^{1,5}	101.9	104.0	109.4	112.3	117.1	116.3	116.4	117.5	118.3	124.4	125.3	
Other maintenance and repair commodities ¹	105.4	109.8	110.8	111.1	121.2	112.9	114.5	117.2	121.2	123.2	124.2	
Fuel and other utilities ³	101.7	104.8	108.0	112.1	115.7	118.4	121.5	121.6	123.3	129.0	128.7	
Fuels	94.8	97.2	100.7	104.7	105.9	108.4	110.2	109.5	110.2	116.5	114.7	
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	80.2	76.7	88.1	113.4	94.4	91.7	88.2	88.3	89.5	110.6	100.0	
Fuel oil	79.5	74.4	89.0	115.6	92.5	89.5	85.4	85.4	86.8	106.9	98.4	
Other household fuel commodities ⁵	102.4	102.2	108.3	136.6	123.2	120.3	117.8	118.2	119.2	147.9	129.6	
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	100.7	103.9	106.7	108.2	111.9	115.1	117.7	116.8	117.5	122.3	121.5	
Electricity	107.0	110.2	113.1	114.5	120.4	122.4	123.0	123.8	127.2	128.1	130.3	
Utility (piped) gas	91.8	95.2	97.7	99.4	99.3	104.7	110.9	107.0	102.8	114.9	108.6	
Other utilities and public services ¹	120.9	125.6	128.4	133.2	140.7	144.2	149.6	151.1	154.3	159.6	161.8	
Telephone services ¹	115.6	117.1	116.7	116.4	120.4	120.1	122.3	123.1	124.4	127.0	127.8	
Local charges ¹	138.5	144.8	145.5	147.0	154.7	155.3	156.9	156.3	159.9	161.3	162.1	
Intrastate toll calls	74.0	70.9	70.0	67.4	68.3	67.4	71.8	75.7	75.8	78.7	78.8	
Intrastate toll calls	103.5	99.2	96.7	94.6	93.2	91.0	91.1	90.3	87.1	92.5	94.3	
Water and sewerage maintenance	127.9	135.1	144.1	152.6	163.8	174.3	182.9	190.5	195.9	202.6	205.0	
Cable television ⁶	127.9	141.6	147.1	166.9	181.2	188.4	201.7	195.8	203.5	219.5	227.8	
Refuse collection ⁶	136.1	146.7	161.0	177.1	197.6	214.6	225.7	236.8	243.3	247.9	249.5	
Household furnishings and operation ³	106.9	110.2	111.1	113.0	115.4	117.2	119.0	119.7	122.4	123.5	124.3	
Housefurnishings ¹	102.9	105.4	104.7	105.2	106.0	107.7	109.1	109.1	109.7	109.8	110.2	
Textile housefurnishings ¹	108.6	115.5	114.7	117.6	119.2	117.6	124.8	121.0	121.1	119.9	122.0	
Furniture and bedding	111.5	115.0	113.0	114.2	115.5	120.5	123.9	125.4	130.7	131.9	134.1	
Bedroom furniture	115.5	121.6	118.8	117.1	122.0	128.3	134.6	132.2	134.8	139.6	142.0	
Sofas ¹	115.7	114.7	113.5	113.7	113.6	117.7	116.3	123.5	136.9	138.6	140.5	
Living room chairs and tables ¹	109.3	112.7	111.4	117.4	115.6	119.9	125.7	126.7	134.6	132.8	134.1	
Other furniture ¹	105.5	109.1	107.1	109.8	109.2	114.0	115.8	118.3	119.9	118.2	120.6	
Appliances, including electronic equipment ¹	90.1	90.8	89.2	87.1	85.9	84.8	84.4	83.6	80.5	79.2	77.5	
Video and audio products ¹	83.8	82.8	82.1	79.1	78.6	77.5	77.1	75.2	72.3	70.6	69.2	
Televisions	77.3	76.4	74.8	72.2	71.4	70.9	69.4	68.2	65.2	61.7	61.3	
Video products other than televisions ^{1,7}	-	100.0	94.9	85.8	80.9	79.2	78.1	72.8	67.8	67.3	64.5	
Audio products ¹	91.9	91.9	94.0	93.1	94.9	93.5	94.2	93.2	90.8	90.2	88.2	
Major household appliances ^{1,5}	98.8	102.2	101.0	101.0	98.9	99.3	101.1	104.4	102.3	103.9	101.8	
Refrigerators and home freezers ¹	100.6	102.4	103.6	102.7	101.0	101.7	106.5	111.9	109.5	111.8	108.3	
Laundry equipment	102.9	106.6	106.0	107.9	105.8	106.3	106.9	109.9	109.5	113.1	111.7	
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ^{1,5}	97.1	101.5	97.9	96.9	94.6	94.6	95.3	97.3	93.8	93.3	91.9	
Information processing equipment ⁷	-	100.0	92.7	89.7	86.9	80.6	74.2	68.2	61.4	54.9	51.8	
Other housefurnishings ^{1,2}	107.8	112.4	117.4	124.9	128.1	131.8	134.9	138.4	141.5	146.4	147.6	
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ¹	113.7	112.6	117.8	126.6	124.1	128.2	129.1	131.7	137.3	139.5	140.7	
Clocks, lamps, and decor items	102.5	105.8	112.2	112.3	116.2	119.0	115.0	114.5	118.7	114.1	117.9	
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ¹	106.3	109.5	111.9	113.5	120.6	122.5	123.8	124.6	120.7	122.9	125.4	
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ¹	102.9	103.0	100.3	102.1	101.5	102.6	106.6	107.2	108.0	110.6	110.4	
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ^{1,5}	98.3	100.1	97.1	96.3	95.8	97.1	93.5	91.6	88.2	89.9	90.5	
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers ⁸	-	-	-	100.0	107.3	113.2	110.4	114.7	116.3	117.0	115.1	
Housekeeping supplies	112.9	117.4	123.8	127.8	130.4	130.0	131.9	133.3	139.9	142.0	143.7	
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ¹	116.9	121.8	127.3	132.3	137.9	137.3	136.9	139.2	141.2	145.1	146.3	
Household paper products and stationery supplies ¹	109.5	115.6	121.8	126.8	127.2	127.1	129.8	130.6	144.3	145.4	146.2	
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ¹	111.2	113.6	121.3	123.1	124.0	123.7	127.4	128.4	133.4	134.3	137.4	
Housekeeping services ¹	111.6	116.5	117.8	122.7	131.3	135.9	139.1	141.5	148.6	152.9	153.9	
Postage	110.4	125.4	125.4	125.4	145.7	145.7	145.7	145.7	160.8	160.8	160.8	
Appliance and furniture repair ¹	117.3	120.0	122.1	126.9	132.3	140.1	143.8	144.6	151.6	156.5	157.4	
Gardening and other household services ^{1,5}	104.7	109.0	112.1	116.4	119.0	124.9	127.0	127.7	130.2	137.1	137.2	

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Table 28. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										May
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Apparel and upkeep	112.6	117.6	118.5	124.5	128.4	130.4	131.3	129.3	129.5	129.3	134.7
Apparel commodities ¹	111.1	116.0	116.6	122.3	126.1	127.8	128.5	126.1	126.2	125.7	131.5
Apparel commodities less footwear	111.7	116.4	116.9	122.9	126.8	128.3	128.9	126.5	126.5	125.5	131.7
Men's and boys'	110.4	116.5	118.0	121.4	124.9	126.4	127.0	124.5	125.8	127.5	131.7
Men's	111.5	117.8	120.1	123.9	127.7	129.9	130.3	128.2	128.7	130.9	135.9
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	111.3	121.5	124.6	127.8	131.0	133.6	140.4	137.3	135.5	134.7	138.8
Furnishings and special clothing	110.0	113.4	116.8	119.5	122.1	123.2	123.1	123.9	120.5	125.7	129.3
Shirts ¹	116.1	123.3	123.7	129.0	133.8	135.8	132.1	127.8	133.4	135.7	142.5
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	109.3	113.8	116.3	120.7	124.9	128.2	127.2	125.6	127.1	129.0	134.2
Boys'	107.1	112.4	111.5	113.3	116.3	115.3	116.6	112.9	116.4	116.7	118.4
Women's and girls'	112.6	116.2	115.5	122.6	126.7	127.6	128.4	124.0	123.3	121.7	129.0
Women's	112.7	115.8	115.1	122.8	125.7	126.1	128.1	123.2	122.2	120.8	128.3
Coats and jackets	105.0	102.7	104.0	115.2	118.4	121.9	128.9	118.6	121.3	126.1	121.8
Dresses	122.5	126.2	123.0	132.7	128.4	132.4	128.8	114.2	116.7	105.9	115.7
Separates and sportswear ¹	116.7	119.2	118.3	125.3	129.9	128.6	131.6	127.7	124.3	124.1	135.3
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ¹	107.6	113.7	115.8	120.9	123.7	124.4	125.8	128.1	130.2	131.9	134.3
Suits ¹	107.2	113.4	110.3	122.0	132.8	131.1	136.9	138.6	131.5	128.7	133.9
Girls'	112.0	117.9	117.4	121.6	131.7	135.1	130.0	127.6	128.6	126.2	132.2
Infants' and toddlers'	116.4	120.3	119.3	127.9	131.8	133.1	128.1	132.9	129.8	128.1	134.9
Other apparel commodities ¹	110.6	117.8	121.5	128.8	132.6	137.3	140.1	144.1	145.3	139.7	146.8
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage ⁵	102.7	109.1	110.8	118.2	120.6	122.1	120.9	120.9	130.8	126.9	127.1
Watches and jewelry ⁵	109.0	116.2	120.3	127.3	131.3	136.6	140.1	144.9	144.2	138.4	146.8
Watches ⁵	103.6	107.8	107.5	110.7	113.6	111.9	118.6	122.9	129.3	120.9	126.2
Jewelry ⁵	110.6	118.6	124.0	132.0	136.4	143.6	146.3	151.2	148.5	143.4	152.7
Footwear	108.0	114.0	115.4	119.3	122.5	125.6	126.6	124.2	125.0	127.0	130.1
Men's	111.9	119.8	122.2	125.6	129.6	132.6	134.1	132.1	132.3	131.4	135.0
Boys' and girls'	110.6	114.7	118.6	123.5	123.0	122.7	122.7	123.9	125.8	131.2	132.6
Women's	102.6	108.3	107.4	111.0	115.8	120.7	121.9	117.3	118.0	120.2	123.8
Apparel services ¹	120.9	125.8	130.6	139.6	144.4	149.2	153.4	155.9	157.1	160.5	161.9
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ¹	122.3	128.8	133.8	140.8	145.2	149.9	154.8	157.6	158.7	164.4	165.7
Other apparel services ¹	120.2	124.0	128.4	139.0	144.1	149.1	152.8	155.0	156.4	158.0	159.6
Transportation	107.3	110.4	114.8	126.7	124.5	128.2	130.8	136.7	138.9	144.8	143.8
Private	106.4	109.5	113.8	125.3	123.2	126.6	128.5	135.2	137.2	142.4	141.5
New vehicles	116.1	118.8	122.0	124.4	128.5	131.7	136.2	140.9	143.7	146.5	145.9
New cars	116.3	118.9	121.7	123.3	127.2	130.1	133.9	138.1	140.4	142.7	141.8
Subcompact new cars ^{1 5}	101.8	104.2	105.4	105.6	109.6	112.6	116.5	120.5	122.7	123.7	122.9
Compact new cars ^{1 5}	101.2	102.5	104.9	106.6	109.2	109.8	113.2	117.8	119.9	123.8	122.8
Intermediate new cars ^{1 5}	100.4	101.9	105.9	107.6	111.3	113.7	116.2	120.1	121.7	122.6	122.2
Full-size new cars ^{1 5}	103.1	105.6	109.1	110.5	114.3	116.0	119.7	122.0	123.4	125.9	124.7
Luxury new cars ^{1 5}	103.8	109.2	111.6	114.6	117.2	121.7	124.3	128.1	130.5	134.2	133.2
New trucks ⁶	114.3	116.9	121.0	125.9	130.3	133.8	140.0	145.1	149.3	153.0	153.2
New motorcycles ⁵	104.0	109.4	114.1	117.4	123.7	128.9	138.3	149.4	156.5	163.1	163.4
Used cars	116.2	120.1	119.5	116.9	120.2	129.7	140.2	152.1	159.1	156.8	155.3
Motor fuel	82.0	80.4	85.9	117.1	98.5	99.9	94.6	100.2	96.4	108.9	105.7
Gasoline	81.9	80.4	85.6	117.0	98.3	99.9	94.0	100.0	95.9	108.3	105.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	80.8	78.8	83.2	115.4	96.2	97.6	91.1	97.6	93.5	106.5	103.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁹	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.3	100.6	112.4	109.4
Gasoline, unleaded premium	85.3	84.7	90.0	118.7	101.5	103.0	98.1	103.2	98.3	109.2	105.9
Automobile maintenance and repair	117.0	121.5	126.9	132.8	138.8	143.9	148.3	152.6	156.6	161.4	163.2
Body work	121.3	126.5	134.0	139.5	142.9	147.0	150.8	155.7	161.4	168.6	172.6
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ¹	118.6	123.8	129.9	137.1	143.0	149.3	155.2	160.8	164.2	168.7	171.8
Maintenance and servicing	114.7	118.3	122.0	126.8	133.7	136.5	139.3	141.4	144.4	148.6	148.8
Power plant repair ¹	116.8	121.6	127.4	133.3	139.4	145.9	151.2	156.3	161.4	166.5	167.9
Other private transportation ¹	122.0	130.4	136.8	144.2	149.2	151.9	154.9	163.4	168.4	171.6	172.5
Other private transportation commodities ¹	97.4	99.9	101.9	103.2	104.8	104.0	102.6	103.5	104.4	104.3	103.8
Motor oil, coolant, and other products	100.6	109.4	109.1	116.7	117.9	117.4	117.7	125.0	129.0	130.6	131.1
Automobile parts and equipment	96.5	98.4	100.6	101.5	103.0	102.2	100.7	101.0	101.6	101.4	100.7
Tires	93.3	96.8	98.8	98.6	100.8	100.4	98.9	101.1	101.2	101.2	99.4
Other parts and equipment ¹	103.9	104.4	106.8	108.6	109.7	108.5	106.8	105.3	106.4	106.0	106.4
Other private transportation services ¹	127.1	137.1	144.7	153.8	159.8	163.5	167.6	178.4	184.5	188.6	189.9
Automobile insurance	148.1	160.9	170.6	183.7	198.6	211.5	221.9	229.5	239.6	249.0	250.6
Automobile finance charges ¹	90.4	98.1	102.3	102.5	95.3	81.9	76.7	94.4	96.5	93.9	93.3
Automobile fees ¹	123.3	130.5	137.9	151.4	156.8	166.4	170.1	175.2	177.0	178.3	182.2
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ¹	119.3	126.6	134.5	156.0	163.4	173.0	177.4	178.1	181.3	181.4	181.2
Other automobile-related fees ¹	129.3	136.5	143.2	146.2	149.1	158.6	161.4	172.3	172.2	175.4	184.8
Public transportation	121.3	125.4	130.1	150.3	147.8	155.5	171.1	162.5	169.0	186.9	185.2
Airline fares	122.7	126.5	133.1	163.4	154.0	163.6	191.8	173.5	177.2	204.5	200.8
Other intercity transportation	128.0	136.8	140.5	149.3	154.2	155.4	149.6	152.3	154.9	157.9	157.0
Intracity public transportation	120.2	123.5	125.9	135.7	140.7	147.6	152.0	153.3	164.9	174.1	174.9

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Table 28. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										May
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Medical care	133.4	142.8	154.7	168.8	182.0	194.3	204.5	214.6	223.1	230.1	233.6
Medical care commodities	134.1	143.1	154.8	168.0	180.3	189.4	195.1	200.8	204.2	209.4	212.9
Prescription drugs	145.7	156.9	171.8	189.0	206.8	218.3	225.2	233.2	237.8	244.9	249.5
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ⁵	105.3	110.4	116.8	123.6	127.7	133.0	136.5	138.7	140.4	142.5	144.2
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs	126.9	133.2	140.3	148.9	152.7	159.2	163.3	164.7	165.9	169.0	171.0
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	120.9	126.6	135.7	142.4	150.5	156.1	160.4	167.0	171.2	171.6	173.9
Medical care services	133.2	142.7	154.7	169.0	182.4	195.4	206.6	217.7	227.4	234.7	238.2
Professional medical services	132.0	141.0	150.2	160.3	170.2	180.0	188.0	196.9	204.9	212.3	216.5
Physicians' services	133.6	143.6	154.0	165.4	174.5	185.5	194.8	203.6	212.5	219.1	223.6
Dental services	132.0	140.8	150.0	159.7	172.9	182.8	190.9	201.3	210.1	220.9	225.5
Eye care ⁵	105.3	109.8	113.8	119.0	123.2	127.8	130.5	135.2	138.5	140.4	141.4
Services by other medical professionals ⁵	105.0	110.8	117.2	122.8	129.2	133.9	138.1	144.3	146.8	151.5	156.1
Hospital and related services	135.4	150.0	166.8	184.4	201.2	218.9	235.1	248.5	260.0	270.4	273.6
Hospital services ¹⁰	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.1
Inpatient hospital services ¹⁰	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.9
Outpatient hospital services ⁵	107.2	117.1	131.1	145.9	160.4	176.0	189.3	200.2	209.4	219.5	223.7
Nursing home services ¹⁰	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.9
Entertainment ¹	116.9	122.2	128.4	133.3	138.4	142.2	146.1	149.2	153.8	158.4	159.7
Entertainment commodities ¹	112.6	117.6	121.7	124.8	129.0	131.5	133.9	136.1	139.4	142.9	142.8
Reading materials	121.4	126.7	132.5	138.6	147.8	153.4	159.0	164.8	174.5	179.3	179.6
Newspapers ¹	120.9	126.8	131.8	138.2	151.4	157.9	164.8	173.2	186.5	191.9	192.5
Magazines, periodicals, and books ¹	122.3	127.0	133.6	139.5	144.4	149.1	153.4	156.5	162.5	166.6	166.6
Sporting goods and equipment	107.8	112.5	115.9	116.5	120.5	121.6	122.6	126.1	124.5	126.6	124.0
Sport vehicles, including bicycles	108.9	113.2	117.7	117.8	120.4	123.5	124.9	128.8	127.3	127.4	127.2
Other sporting goods	103.9	109.0	110.8	112.1	118.0	116.3	116.7	119.7	118.0	118.0	116.9
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ¹	110.5	115.6	119.2	122.1	123.8	125.4	126.9	126.4	129.2	133.8	133.8
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ¹	107.8	112.3	114.8	116.6	117.9	121.3	123.2	122.2	123.5	127.4	127.1
Photographic supplies and equipment	116.3	123.5	127.8	129.7	131.1	134.1	136.5	131.4	133.8	133.9	135.5
Pet supplies and expense	112.6	117.7	122.8	127.3	129.5	128.5	129.3	130.7	135.4	142.4	142.4
Entertainment services ¹	124.0	129.7	138.7	146.1	152.5	158.1	163.8	168.3	174.6	180.7	183.8
Club memberships ^{1 5}	102.0	110.5	115.3	120.7	125.3	128.0	132.6	131.8	134.8	133.5	135.4
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ^{1 5}	106.9	113.2	121.9	128.6	134.2	140.6	152.1	155.6	159.3	165.9	171.9
Admissions	128.1	132.8	145.8	153.1	160.5	166.6	169.9	176.2	185.7	193.3	196.7
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁵	105.3	110.6	119.6	126.1	133.6	140.7	146.3	154.0	158.6	167.3	168.5
Other entertainment services ^{1 5}	101.6	105.2	109.9	116.3	120.8	124.4	127.6	130.9	135.7	140.3	141.6
Other goods and services ³	131.3	140.6	152.7	164.4	177.7	189.0	192.0	200.0	208.1	215.2	220.2
Tobacco and smoking products	137.2	150.2	171.8	190.1	211.5	229.0	215.4	222.2	228.4	233.9	243.4
Personal care	116.4	122.3	126.9	132.2	135.7	139.9	143.2	146.1	148.9	150.4	152.6
Toilet goods and personal care appliances	115.1	121.5	124.7	130.0	133.7	138.6	140.7	143.5	144.7	143.5	145.0
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements	116.1	122.2	124.8	132.0	136.0	138.5	144.7	146.8	148.9	153.1	153.4
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products	114.6	121.3	124.9	128.9	132.5	138.9	138.3	141.7	142.3	137.7	140.1
Personal care services	117.8	123.0	129.4	134.9	137.9	141.3	146.2	149.2	154.2	159.4	162.4
Beauty parlor services for females ¹	117.5	122.7	129.4	135.2	137.9	140.8	146.1	148.9	153.7	158.4	161.5
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ¹	118.4	123.8	128.7	133.2	137.4	142.5	145.6	149.6	155.3	162.3	164.9
Personal and educational expenses ¹	143.0	152.3	163.1	174.7	188.7	200.5	213.3	224.9	237.3	248.3	252.5
School books and supplies	141.9	151.1	162.9	173.9	184.4	194.9	202.3	208.5	220.3	232.9	237.5
Personal and educational services ¹	143.3	152.7	163.4	175.0	189.3	201.2	214.5	226.5	238.9	249.8	254.0
Tuition and other school fees	146.3	157.1	169.6	182.7	199.4	214.4	228.7	242.0	255.8	267.9	270.3
College tuition	145.4	156.2	169.3	183.6	205.0	223.8	240.3	253.3	271.2	286.1	288.6
Elementary and high school tuition	149.3	161.9	176.2	191.4	206.2	222.7	235.4	250.2	266.9	279.3	279.5
Day care and nursery school ⁶	-	-	-	100.0	106.3	110.8	116.7	122.7	127.5	132.1	133.7
Personal expenses	136.0	143.0	151.0	160.1	170.5	177.6	188.9	198.8	208.9	217.8	224.6
Legal service fees ⁵	105.2	109.8	116.4	121.7	129.2	133.6	144.0	147.2	153.1	159.7	162.5
Personal financial services ⁵	104.5	111.7	117.9	127.1	136.8	143.9	153.3	166.5	177.7	183.2	190.6
Funeral expenses ⁵	104.6	109.6	115.1	122.6	130.1	135.1	142.1	150.6	158.1	165.9	171.7
Special indexes											
Domestically produced farm food	112.4	119.1	127.0	135.0	136.7	139.0	143.9	147.1	150.7	159.3	158.3
Selected beef cuts	107.8	112.1	120.0	129.9	128.5	128.8	133.3	129.7	127.8	131.6	129.8
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	82.3	80.9	86.3	117.1	98.8	100.3	95.0	100.6	96.9	109.3	106.1
Utilities and public transportation	109.6	113.4	116.3	121.2	125.6	129.4	134.4	133.6	135.9	142.4	142.5
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ¹	113.1	117.9	119.4	124.6	133.1	137.6	140.1	142.9	149.9	154.3	155.3

¹ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

² Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

³ This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹⁰ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										May
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Commodity and service group											
All items	4.5	4.4	4.5	6.1	2.8	2.9	2.5	2.7	2.5	3.3	0.8
Commodities	4.7	3.8	4.2	6.8	1.0	2.2	1.4	2.4	1.6	3.3	.5
Food and beverages	3.4	5.1	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.6	2.2	4.2	.3
Commodities less food and beverages	5.6	3.0	3.2	7.9	-.1	2.6	.5	2.3	1.1	2.6	.6
Nondurables less food and beverages	8.0	3.4	5.0	13.1	-1.6	2.5	-1.3	1.6	.5	4.1	1.3
Apparel commodities ¹	5.0	4.4	.5	4.9	3.1	1.3	.5	-1.9	.1	-.4	4.6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	9.6	2.9	7.3	17.3	-3.7	2.9	-2.1	3.2	.6	6.3	-.1
Durables	2.6	2.5	1.2	.5	2.4	2.9	3.0	3.4	1.9	.5	-.3
Services	4.2	4.9	4.9	5.5	4.5	3.5	3.6	3.0	3.4	3.3	1.2
Rent of shelter	4.8	4.4	4.9	5.0	3.9	2.8	3.0	3.0	3.4	2.9	1.5
Household services less rent of shelter ¹	1.3	3.6	2.3	2.7	4.8	2.7	2.8	.6	1.8	3.5	.5
Transportation services	4.3	6.1	5.0	7.3	3.1	3.1	3.9	3.6	3.4	3.8	.5
Medical care services	6.0	7.1	8.4	9.2	7.9	7.1	5.7	5.4	4.5	3.2	1.5
Other services	5.2	5.6	6.5	6.3	6.0	4.9	5.1	4.1	4.4	4.0	1.6
Special indexes											
All items less food	4.7	4.1	4.4	6.2	3.0	3.2	2.4	2.8	2.5	3.1	1.0
All items less shelter	4.4	4.4	4.4	6.5	2.4	2.9	2.3	2.7	2.2	3.4	.7
All items less homeowners' costs ¹	4.3	4.3	4.4	6.4	2.6	2.9	2.4	2.6	2.2	3.5	.8
All items less medical care	4.4	4.2	4.4	5.9	2.5	2.7	2.3	2.6	2.4	3.3	.8
Commodities less food	5.4	3.1	3.4	7.6	.5	2.6	.6	2.2	1.2	2.7	.7
Nondurables less food	7.5	3.5	5.0	12.3	-.6	2.5	-1.0	1.5	.6	4.2	1.3
Nondurables less food and apparel	8.8	3.0	7.0	15.6	-2.1	2.9	-1.6	3.0	.8	5.9	.1
Nondurables	5.4	4.3	5.3	8.9	.5	2.0	.8	2.2	1.4	4.2	.7
Services less rent of shelter	3.6	5.3	4.9	5.8	5.2	4.1	4.2	3.0	3.4	3.6	.9
Services less medical care services	4.1	4.6	4.6	5.1	4.2	3.1	3.4	2.7	3.3	3.3	1.2
Energy	8.8	.3	5.2	19.2	-8.1	1.9	-1.7	2.5	-1.5	9.2	-2.2
All items less energy	4.1	4.7	4.4	5.0	3.9	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.9	1.1
All items less food and energy	4.3	4.5	4.3	4.9	4.4	3.2	2.9	2.8	3.0	2.5	1.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities	3.7	3.9	2.7	3.2	4.0	2.9	1.5	1.8	1.8	1.0	1.3
Energy commodities	18.0	-2.2	7.6	35.5	-16.0	1.1	-5.2	5.4	-3.4	14.0	-3.6
Services less energy services	4.7	4.9	5.1	5.8	4.6	3.5	3.7	3.3	3.5	3.2	1.3
Expenditure category											
Food and beverages	3.4	5.1	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.6	2.2	4.2	.3
Food	3.4	5.2	5.6	5.4	1.8	1.5	2.8	2.8	2.2	4.3	.2
Food at home	3.3	5.6	6.2	5.8	1.1	1.5	3.4	3.2	2.2	4.9	-.2
Cereals and bakery products	4.2	8.4	7.3	4.6	3.4	3.9	3.7	3.3	3.2	3.7	.7
Cereals and cereal products	4.9	9.5	7.3	5.1	3.6	3.6	3.4	3.1	2.6	-1.3	2.0
Flour and prepared flour mixes	1.2	6.7	7.3	2.2	-.2	5.0	-.2	1.7	6.5	7.6	4.3
Cereal	5.9	9.6	9.7	7.2	4.8	3.9	4.7	2.4	1.6	-4.2	1.0
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal	4.9	11.4	1.4	2.1	2.8	2.0	2.2	6.0	2.5	.8	2.9
Bakery products	3.9	7.8	7.4	4.3	3.4	4.2	3.7	3.5	3.5	6.0	.2
White bread	4.3	11.1	6.0	3.7	1.4	4.1	6.9	2.8	5.7	8.3	-.4
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins	3.6	9.6	6.8	4.8	3.6	5.2	2.8	4.7	4.6	5.0	.2
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes	4.2	6.1	7.8	5.7	4.8	2.3	3.3	3.7	1.3	4.2	.3
Other bakery products	3.4	5.0	8.8	3.3	3.9	5.1	1.9	3.3	2.7	6.2	.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	1.0	5.2	6.9	7.9	-1.6	.5	3.6	-.7	4.2	5.7	-1.6
Meats, poultry, and fish	2.2	4.7	5.2	8.9	-1.4	.8	3.8	-.7	3.0	5.3	-.4
Meats	3.5	2.1	6.6	11.4	-2.2	.3	3.7	-1.7	2.7	5.2	-.4
Beef and veal	6.7	5.5	6.7	8.9	-1.1	.8	3.7	-2.2	-.2	2.5	-.7
Ground beef other than canned	5.9	2.4	7.5	7.6	-1.4	-.6	3.7	-4.5	-1.7	1.6	-.9
Chuck roast ¹	5.1	7.0	9.7	10.3	1.4	1.2	2.4	-1.6	.7	3.5	-3.8
Round roast ¹	6.1	6.1	7.5	10.2	-1.6	2.5	.8	1.7	-2.8	5.7	-2.1
Round steak ¹	7.0	3.2	6.2	9.6	-.2	-.2	2.7	-1.4	-2.0	4.0	-2.1
Sirloin steak ¹	9.8	7.0	2.7	5.9	-2.6	1.5	6.4	-1.2	-1.7	5.1	.2
Other beef and veal ¹	7.5	9.1	6.1	10.2	-1.1	2.2	4.0	-1.0	2.4	1.8	.4
Pork	-1.8	-2.9	7.0	16.6	-6.0	-.7	4.5	-2.3	7.4	11.1	-.8
Bacon	-4.3	-10.4	8.6	17.1	-11.8	-3.4	11.7	-2.0	13.2	24.2	-.5
Chops	-1.5	.2	8.2	14.9	-4.3	2.6	4.6	-4.9	5.5	6.8	-1.7
Ham	-3.0	-1.5	5.1	18.2	-4.8	-1.4	1.5	-1.5	7.2	8.5	-2.4
Other pork, including sausage ¹ .....	.1	-2.5	6.7	16.7	-5.4	-1.4	3.3	-1.1	6.5	9.7	.7
Other meats	4.0	.8	5.6	10.3	.8	.2	2.6	.6	3.1	3.4	1.0
Poultry	-9.4	18.2	.4	1.4	.5	2.8	5.5	-.4	4.1	7.9	-.7
Fresh whole chicken	-11.4	22.0	-.8	.2	-.4	4.3	4.4	-1.1	3.9	9.4	.1
Fresh and frozen chicken parts	-8.8	19.0	-1.1	2.3	1.2	1.6	7.3	-2.3	4.9	7.2	-2.4
Other poultry ¹	-7.3	8.6	6.8	1.4	.3	2.9	3.2	6.6	2.6	6.6	1.9
Fish and seafood	10.0	4.6	3.7	2.8	1.6	1.7	3.3	5.2	3.1	2.4	.2
Canned fish and seafood	10.4	13.2	-4.3	-.3	-.6	1.2	2.5	1.4	1.0	.9	.7
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood ¹	9.9	2.0	6.2	3.7	2.1	2.0	3.4	6.3	3.7	2.8	.0
Eggs	-17.9	16.6	35.7	-4.7	-4.1	-4.6	-1.9	.4	25.6	12.1	-18.5

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										May
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Dairy products	1.6	4.5	10.4	3.0	0.6	1.3	0.9	1.1	2.5	10.2	-2.3
Fresh milk and cream ¹	1.6	4.8	11.5	2.5	-2	2.3	2.2	.7	1.8	11.5	-3.4
Fresh whole milk	1.4	5.1	11.5	2.5	-4	1.8	2.1	.4	2.1	11.0	-4.0
Other fresh milk and cream ¹	2.2	4.2	11.3	2.4	.1	3.3	2.2	1.1	1.3	12.3	-2.5
Processed dairy products ¹	1.6	4.2	9.2	3.7	1.3	.2	-.6	1.5	3.4	8.7	-.9
Cheese ¹	2.1	5.2	12.9	4.7	1.7	.1	-.8	.9	2.4	8.2	-1.7
Ice cream and related products	1.4	3.7	7.1	4.4	1.1	.5	.5	3.7	2.7	7.7	.2
Other dairy products, including butter ¹ .....	.6	2.0	1.3	-.2	.2	-.2	-1.6	.5	8.4	12.1	-.5
Fruits and vegetables ²	12.5	6.3	3.8	7.3	4.4	2.1	6.5	8.1	-1.0	5.1	-.3
Fresh fruits and vegetables	17.6	3.7	4.7	8.4	7.9	2.6	9.1	11.8	-2.7	4.4	-1.0
Fresh fruits	10.3	13.6	6.4	11.3	11.0	-4.3	12.6	3.6	5.8	11.8	-4.2
Apples	-11.0	27.5	-6.3	21.9	12.2	-9.5	8.4	-2.2	15.0	3.8	2.3
Bananas	17.4	7.9	5.9	4.4	-.4	-2.8	2.6	12.2	2.6	7.4	.8
Oranges, including tangerines ¹	14.7	14.1	-4.4	10.2	23.1	-16.1	12.9	.6	14.7	-3.0	13.2
Other fresh fruits ¹	15.9	10.4	14.5	9.9	9.6	.7	15.5	4.6	1.8	18.7	-10.4
Fresh vegetables	25.1	-5.2	2.7	5.3	4.3	11.2	5.5	21.1	-10.8	-4.1	3.3
Potatoes	-.3	24.3	9.1	-4.2	-4.0	6.7	20.5	-6.5	13.7	-8.6	4.8
Lettuce	-	-36.3	-22.1	11.8	12.1	6.5	-16.2	77.7	-36.4	7.0	-5.1
Tomatoes	10.3	-10.8	13.2	-7.9	-4.0	55.1	1.9	18.1	4.0	-20.4	3.1
Other fresh vegetables	14.2	2.5	4.5	11.7	7.7	3.1	7.3	21.2	-15.4	1.8	4.5
Processed fruits and vegetables ¹	4.5	11.0	2.5	5.4	-1.6	1.1	1.5	.5	2.7	6.4	1.4
Processed fruits ¹	5.7	10.8	.6	7.7	-2.6	2.2	-.9	-.4	3.6	6.8	1.2
Fruit juices and frozen fruit ¹	6.6	12.5	-.2	9.1	-4.3	2.3	-1.4	-.8	3.6	7.5	.9
Canned and dried fruits ¹	2.9	4.0	3.1	2.5	4.8	1.6	1.5	1.0	3.8	4.2	2.4
Processed vegetables ¹	3.0	11.2	4.9	2.6	-.5	-.1	4.2	1.6	1.8	6.0	1.5
Frozen vegetables ¹	2.9	4.4	7.1	3.0	.8	.8	3.7	.8	2.9	2.4	2.0
Processed vegetables excluding frozen ¹	3.0	14.5	3.9	2.5	-1.2	-.5	4.3	2.0	1.2	7.7	1.3
Other food at home .....	.9	4.8	4.3	4.2	1.5	.9	2.0	5.7	1.3	2.2	2.4
Sugar and sweets	1.6	5.2	3.8	4.3	3.4	1.0	.9	1.0	3.0	4.4	2.4
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	1.3	8.0	4.4	2.8	.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	4.1	3.4	2.4
Sweets, including candy ¹	1.7	4.0	3.6	4.9	4.8	1.0	.8	.6	2.5	4.8	2.3
Fats and oils	1.8	9.9	2.7	7.7	-1.3	-.6	.8	3.7	2.4	2.3	.9
Nonalcoholic beverages	-3.0	2.8	3.2	1.9	-.4	-.2	2.1	13.5	-1.4	-1.8	4.7
Carbonated drinks	1.7	1.5	4.9	.8	.9	1.5	1.8	-.3	2.9	-.5	.8
Coffee	-14.4	5.7	-1.2	1.6	-5.1	-5.5	5.3	55.9	-9.7	-6.9	15.0
Other noncarbonated drinks ¹	2.3	2.6	4.0	5.3	2.7	1.9	-.7	.8	2.3	2.8	-.1
Other prepared food	4.1	5.0	5.7	5.2	3.1	2.1	2.6	2.3	2.6	4.5	.9
Canned and packaged soup	6.2	3.7	7.5	6.1	5.9	5.7	4.3	4.3	3.6	4.6	2.8
Frozen prepared food	5.7	4.5	5.5	3.4	1.6	.5	-.4	.3	.4	5.0	-.7
Snacks	3.1	5.0	3.9	4.0	1.1	-.4	3.0	1.8	3.5	5.7	1.4
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices	2.7	4.4	5.6	6.3	4.0	4.1	2.6	2.4	4.0	4.5	1.9
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food ¹	4.6	6.1	7.0	5.9	3.7	1.9	3.6	3.1	1.7	3.5	.2
Food away from home	3.7	4.4	4.6	4.5	2.8	1.6	1.8	2.0	2.2	3.1	.8
Lunch ¹	3.8	4.6	5.0	4.5	2.9	1.6	1.9	1.9	2.3	3.1	.8
Dinner ¹	3.5	4.3	4.3	4.0	2.7	1.5	1.8	2.0	2.3	2.8	.9
Other meals and snacks ¹	3.3	4.3	4.7	5.5	3.0	1.5	1.7	2.1	2.3	3.7	.6
Alcoholic beverages	3.0	3.8	4.8	4.2	10.0	2.9	1.6	.9	1.9	3.6	1.4
Alcoholic beverages at home	2.2	2.3	4.4	3.8	11.5	2.2	.5	-.2	.9	3.3	1.2
Beer and ale	2.1	2.7	4.7	3.7	11.9	2.8	.3	-.2	.8	2.8	.6
Wine	3.4	1.8	3.1	2.9	13.4	1.5	.2	-1.2	1.3	6.2	2.6
Distilled spirits	1.1	1.8	4.5	4.9	8.9	1.4	1.1	.7	.8	2.0	1.4
Alcoholic beverages away from home	4.2	5.7	5.2	4.9	8.0	3.8	2.9	2.2	3.2	4.0	1.7

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Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										May
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Housing ²	3.5	3.9	3.9	4.2	3.4	2.6	2.6	2.1	2.8	2.9	1.1
Shelter	4.8	4.4	4.8	5.1	3.8	2.8	3.0	3.0	3.4	2.8	1.6
Renters' costs ¹	3.9	3.5	4.5	5.7	3.8	2.7	2.5	2.5	2.7	3.1	2.7
Rent, residential	3.7	3.5	4.1	4.1	3.0	2.3	2.3	2.5	2.5	2.8	1.2
Other renters' costs ¹	4.3	3.8	6.5	14.2	8.3	3.9	3.6	2.1	3.7	4.9	9.4
Lodging while out of town	4.1	3.6	6.5	15.5	8.6	3.5	3.8	1.8	3.6	5.2	10.4
Lodging while at school	5.9	5.8	7.3	6.1	6.5	8.0	2.2	4.7	4.4	3.5	1.4
Tenants' insurance ¹	3.5	2.8	2.3	1.2	2.5	2.5	3.1	4.7	2.0	.5	1.7
Homeowners' costs ¹	5.2	4.8	5.0	4.7	3.9	2.9	3.3	3.3	3.7	2.7	1.0
Owners' equivalent rent	5.2	4.8	5.2	4.7	3.9	2.9	3.2	3.3	3.7	2.8	.9
Household insurance ¹	3.9	3.0	2.6	1.8	2.8	2.8	3.3	4.8	1.9	1.1	1.3
Maintenance and repairs ¹	3.0	2.4	3.3	3.9	5.7	-.6	-.6	3.7	2.6	3.2	1.1
Maintenance and repair services ¹	4.2	1.6	3.9	6.0	4.5	2.4	-.6	4.7	3.1	3.7	1.2
Maintenance and repair commodities ¹	1.7	3.3	2.7	1.4	6.9	-.4	.8	2.4	1.9	2.3	1.2
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs ¹	1.9	2.1	5.2	2.7	4.3	-.7	.1	.9	.7	5.2	.7
Other maintenance and repair commodities ¹	1.5	4.2	.9	.3	9.1	-.8	1.4	3.7	2.9	.2	1.6
Fuel and other utilities ²	1.6	3.0	3.1	3.8	3.2	2.3	2.6	.1	1.4	4.6	-.2
Fuels	1.2	2.5	3.6	4.0	1.1	2.4	1.7	-.6	.6	5.7	-.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	12.2	-.4	14.9	28.7	-.16	-.2	-.3	-.1	1.4	23.6	-.9
Fuel oil	18.0	-.6	19.6	29.9	-.2	-.3	-.4	.0	1.6	23.2	-.8
Other household fuel commodities	2.4	-.2	6.0	26.1	-.9	-.2	-.1	.3	.8	24.1	-.2
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	2	3.2	2.7	1.4	3.4	2.9	2.3	-.8	.6	4.1	-.7
Electricity	1.7	3.0	2.6	1.2	5.2	1.7	.5	.7	2.7	.7	1.7
Utility (piped) gas	-.9	3.7	2.6	1.7	-.1	5.4	5.9	-.3	-.9	11.8	-.5
Other utilities and public services ¹	2.0	3.9	2.2	3.7	5.6	2.5	3.7	1.0	2.1	3.4	1.4
Telephone services ¹	-.1	1.3	-.3	-.3	3.4	-.2	1.8	.7	1.1	2.1	.6
Local charges ¹	3.6	4.5	.5	1.0	5.2	.4	1.0	-.4	2.3	.9	.5
Interstate toll calls	-.1	-.4	-.1	-.3	1.3	-.1	6.5	5.4	.1	3.8	.1
Intrastate toll calls	-.3	-.4	-.2	-.2	-.1	-.2	.1	-.9	-.3	6.2	1.9
Water and sewerage maintenance	5.2	5.6	6.7	5.9	7.3	6.4	4.9	4.2	2.8	3.4	1.2
Cable television	9.7	10.7	3.9	13.5	8.6	4.0	7.1	-.2	3.9	7.9	3.8
Refuse collection	9.9	7.8	9.7	10.0	11.6	8.6	5.2	4.9	2.7	1.9	.6
Household furnishings and operation ²	1.0	3.1	.8	1.7	2.1	1.6	1.5	.6	2.3	.9	.6
Housefurnishings ¹ .....	.4	2.4	-.7	.5	.8	1.6	1.3	.0	.5	-.1	.4
Textile housefurnishings ¹ .....	.9	6.4	-.7	2.5	1.4	-.1	6.1	-.3	.1	-.1	1.8
Furniture and bedding	2.0	3.1	-.1	1.1	1.1	4.3	2.8	1.2	4.2	.9	1.7
Bedroom furniture .....	.3	5.3	-.2	-.1	4.2	5.2	4.9	-.1	2.0	3.6	1.7
Sofas ¹	5.0	-.9	-.1	.2	-.1	3.6	-.1	6.2	10.9	1.2	1.4
Living room chairs and tables ¹	1.9	3.1	-.2	5.4	-.1	3.7	4.8	.8	6.2	-.1	1.0
Other furniture ¹	2.5	3.4	-.1	2.5	-.5	4.4	1.6	2.2	1.4	-.1	2.0
Appliances, including electronic equipment ¹	-.2	.8	-.1	-.2	-.1	-.1	-.5	-.9	-.3	-.1	-.2
Video and audio products ¹	-.3	-.2	-.8	-.3	-.6	-.4	-.5	-.2	-.3	-.2	-.2
Televisions	-.4	-.1	-.2	-.3	-.1	-.7	-.2	-.1	-.4	-.4	-.6
Video products other than televisions ¹	-	-	-.5	-.6	-.5	-.2	-.1	-.6	-.9	-.7	-.4
Audio products ¹ .....	.9	.0	2.3	-.1	1.9	-.1	.7	-.1	-.2	-.7	-.2
Major household appliances ¹	-.1	3.4	-.1	.0	-.2	.4	1.8	3.3	-.2	1.6	-.2
Refrigerators and home freezers ¹	1.1	1.8	1.2	-.9	-.1	.7	4.7	5.1	-.2	2.1	-.3
Laundry equipment	-.1	3.6	-.6	1.8	-.1	.5	.6	2.8	-.4	3.3	-.1
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners ¹	-.2	4.5	-.3	-.1	-.2	.0	.7	2.1	-.3	-.5	-.1
Information processing equipment	-	-	-.7	-.3	-.3	-.7	-.7	-.8	-.1	-.1	-.5
Other housefurnishings ¹	1.7	2.2	1.3	2.2	2.2	2.5	-.3	.7	.6	.7	.9
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment ¹	6.2	-.1	4.6	7.5	-.2	3.3	.7	2.0	4.3	1.6	.9
Clocks, lamps, and decor items	1.4	3.2	6.0	.1	3.5	2.4	-.3	-.4	3.7	-.3	3.3
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware ¹	1.4	3.0	2.2	1.4	6.3	1.6	1.1	.6	-.3	1.8	2.0
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware ¹ .....	.9	.1	-.2	1.8	-.6	1.1	3.9	.6	.7	2.4	-.2
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances ¹	-.1	1.8	-.3	-.8	-.5	1.4	-.3	-.2	-.3	1.9	.7
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers	-	-	-	-	7.3	5.5	-.2	3.9	1.4	.6	-.1
Housekeeping supplies	2.9	4.0	5.5	3.2	2.0	-.3	1.5	1.1	5.0	1.5	1.2
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap ¹	4.6	4.2	4.5	3.9	4.2	-.4	-.3	1.7	1.4	2.8	.8
Household paper products and stationery supplies ¹ .....	.9	5.6	5.4	4.1	.3	-.1	2.1	.6	10.5	.8	.6
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies ¹	2.8	2.2	6.8	1.5	.7	-.2	3.0	.8	3.9	.7	2.3
Housekeeping services ¹	1.5	4.4	1.1	4.2	7.0	3.5	2.4	1.7	5.0	2.9	.7
Postage .....	.0	13.6	.0	.0	16.2	.0	.0	.0	10.4	.0	.0
Appliance and furniture repair ¹	2.9	2.3	1.8	3.9	4.3	5.9	2.6	.6	4.8	3.2	.6
Gardening and other household services ¹	4.7	4.1	2.8	3.8	2.2	5.0	1.7	.6	2.0	5.3	.1

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Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										May
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Apparel and upkeep	4.8	4.4	0.8	5.1	3.1	1.6	0.7	-1.5	0.2	-0.2	4.2
Apparel commodities ¹	5.0	4.4	.5	4.9	3.1	1.3	.5	-1.9	.1	-.4	4.6
Apparel commodities less footwear	5.2	4.2	.4	5.1	3.2	1.2	.5	-1.9	.0	-.8	4.9
Men's and boys'	3.1	5.5	1.3	2.9	2.9	1.2	.5	-2.0	1.0	1.4	3.3
Men's	4.3	5.7	2.0	3.2	3.1	1.7	.3	-1.6	.4	1.7	3.8
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets	3.4	9.2	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.0	5.1	-2.2	-1.3	-.6	3.0
Furnishings and special clothing .....	.9	3.1	3.0	2.3	2.2	.9	-.1	.6	-2.7	4.3	2.9
Shirts ¹	6.6	6.2	.3	4.3	3.7	1.5	-2.7	-3.3	4.4	1.7	5.0
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers	5.9	4.1	2.2	3.8	3.5	2.6	-.8	-1.3	1.2	1.5	4.0
Boys'	-7	4.9	-.8	1.6	2.6	-.9	1.1	-3.2	3.1	.3	1.5
Women's and girls'	6.1	3.2	-.6	6.1	3.3	.7	.6	-3.4	-.6	-1.3	6.0
Women's	6.3	2.8	-.6	6.7	2.4	.3	1.6	-3.8	-.8	-1.1	6.2
Coats and jackets	4.9	-2.2	1.3	10.8	2.8	3.0	5.7	-8.0	2.3	4.0	-3.4
Dresses	15.3	3.0	-2.5	7.9	-3.2	3.1	-2.7	-11.3	2.2	-9.3	9.3
Separates and sportswear ¹	5.4	2.1	-.8	5.9	3.7	-1.0	2.3	-3.0	-2.7	-.2	9.0
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories ¹ .....	.4	5.7	1.8	4.4	2.3	.6	1.1	1.8	1.6	1.3	1.8
Suits ¹	8.8	5.8	-2.7	10.6	8.9	-1.3	4.4	1.2	-5.1	-2.1	4.0
Girls'	5.2	5.3	-.4	3.6	8.3	2.6	-3.8	-1.8	.8	-1.9	4.8
Infants' and toddlers'	2.6	3.4	-.8	7.2	3.0	1.0	-3.8	3.7	-2.3	-1.3	5.3
Other apparel commodities ¹	7.9	6.5	3.1	6.0	3.0	3.5	2.0	2.9	.8	-3.9	5.1
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage	2.7	6.2	1.6	6.7	2.0	1.2	-1.0	.0	8.2	-3.0	.2
Watches and jewelry	9.0	6.6	3.5	5.8	3.1	4.0	2.6	3.4	-.5	-4.0	6.1
Watches	3.6	4.1	-.3	3.0	2.6	-1.5	6.0	3.6	5.2	-6.5	4.4
Jewelry	10.6	7.2	4.6	6.5	3.3	5.3	1.9	3.3	-1.8	-3.4	6.5
Footwear	4.2	5.6	1.2	3.4	2.7	2.5	.8	-1.9	.6	1.6	2.4
Men's	2.9	7.1	2.0	2.8	3.2	2.3	1.1	-1.5	.2	-.7	2.7
Boys' and girls'	7.4	3.7	3.4	4.1	-.4	-.2	.0	1.0	1.5	4.3	1.1
Women's	3.4	5.6	-.8	3.4	4.3	4.2	1.0	-3.8	.6	1.9	3.0
Apparel services ¹	3.7	4.1	3.8	6.9	3.4	3.3	2.8	1.6	.8	2.2	.9
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated ¹	5.2	5.3	3.9	5.2	3.1	3.2	3.3	1.8	.7	3.6	.8
Other apparel services ¹	2.6	3.2	3.5	8.3	3.7	3.5	2.5	1.4	.9	1.0	1.0
Transportation	6.7	2.9	4.0	10.4	-1.7	3.0	2.0	4.5	1.6	4.2	-.7
Private	6.9	2.9	3.9	10.1	-1.7	2.8	1.5	5.2	1.5	3.8	-.6
New vehicles	1.8	2.3	2.7	2.0	3.3	2.5	3.4	3.5	2.0	1.9	-.4
New cars	1.7	2.2	2.4	1.3	3.2	2.3	2.9	3.1	1.7	1.6	-.6
Subcompact new cars ¹	1.8	2.4	1.2	.2	3.8	2.7	3.5	3.4	1.8	.8	-.6
Compact new cars ¹	1.2	1.3	2.3	1.6	2.4	.5	3.1	4.1	1.8	3.3	-.8
Intermediate new cars ¹ .....	.4	1.5	3.9	1.6	3.4	2.2	2.2	3.4	1.3	.7	-.3
Full-size new cars ¹	3.1	2.4	3.3	1.3	3.4	1.5	3.2	1.9	1.1	2.0	-1.0
Luxury new cars ¹	3.8	5.2	2.2	2.7	2.3	3.8	2.1	3.1	1.9	2.8	-.7
New trucks	1.3	2.3	3.5	4.0	3.5	2.7	4.6	3.6	2.9	2.5	.1
New motorcycles	4.0	5.2	4.3	2.9	5.4	4.2	7.3	8.0	4.8	4.2	.2
Used cars	8.8	3.4	-.5	-2.2	2.8	7.9	8.1	8.5	4.6	-1.4	-1.0
Motor fuel	18.5	-2.0	6.8	36.3	-15.9	1.4	-5.3	5.9	-3.8	13.0	-2.9
Gasoline	18.7	-1.8	6.5	36.7	-16.0	1.6	-5.9	6.4	-4.1	12.9	-2.9
Gasoline, unleaded regular	18.5	-2.5	5.6	38.7	-16.6	1.5	-6.7	7.1	-4.2	13.9	-3.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	-4.5	11.7	-2.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium	15.6	-.7	6.3	31.9	-14.5	1.5	-4.8	5.2	-4.7	11.1	-3.0
Automobile maintenance and repair	3.6	3.8	4.4	4.6	4.5	3.7	3.1	2.9	2.6	3.1	1.1
Body work	5.5	4.3	5.9	4.1	2.4	2.9	2.6	3.2	3.7	4.5	2.4
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair ¹	3.1	4.4	4.9	5.5	4.3	4.4	4.0	3.6	2.1	2.7	1.8
Maintenance and servicing	3.7	3.1	3.1	3.9	5.4	2.1	2.1	1.5	2.1	2.9	.1
Power plant repair ¹	3.5	4.1	4.8	4.6	4.6	4.7	3.6	3.4	3.3	3.2	.8
Other private transportation ¹	4.5	6.9	4.9	5.4	3.5	1.8	2.0	5.5	3.1	1.9	.5
Other private transportation commodities ¹	1.7	2.6	2.0	1.3	1.6	-.8	-1.3	.9	.9	-.1	-.5
Motor oil, coolant, and other products	-2.0	8.7	-.3	7.0	1.0	-.4	.3	6.2	3.2	1.2	.4
Automobile parts and equipment	1.9	2.0	2.2	.9	1.5	-.8	-1.5	.3	.6	-.2	-.7
Tires	1.5	3.8	2.1	-.2	2.2	-.4	-1.5	2.2	.1	.0	-1.8
Other parts and equipment ¹	2.5	.5	2.3	1.7	1.0	-1.1	-1.6	-1.4	1.0	-.4	.4
Other private transportation services ¹	5.3	7.9	5.5	6.3	3.9	2.3	2.5	6.4	3.4	2.2	.7
Automobile insurance	5.6	8.1	6.0	7.7	8.1	6.5	4.9	3.4	4.4	3.9	.6
Automobile finance charges ¹	6.0	8.5	4.3	.2	-7.0	-14.1	-6.3	23.1	2.2	-2.7	-.6
Automobile fees ¹	3.3	5.8	5.7	9.8	3.6	6.1	2.2	3.0	1.0	.7	2.2
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees ¹	1.6	6.1	6.2	16.0	4.7	5.9	2.5	.4	1.8	.1	-.1
Other automobile-related fees ¹	5.5	5.6	4.9	2.1	2.0	6.4	1.8	6.8	-.1	1.9	5.4
Public transportation	1.6	3.4	3.7	15.5	-1.7	5.2	10.0	-5.0	4.0	10.6	-.9
Airline fares	1.1	3.1	5.2	22.8	-5.8	6.2	17.2	-9.5	2.1	15.4	-1.8
Other intercity transportation	2.1	6.9	2.7	6.3	3.3	.8	-3.7	1.8	1.7	1.9	-.6
Intracity public transportation	2.2	2.7	1.9	7.8	3.7	4.9	3.0	.9	7.6	5.6	.5

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories—Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										May
	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Expenditure category											
Medical care	6.1	7.0	8.3	9.1	7.8	6.8	5.2	4.9	4.0	3.1	1.5
Medical care commodities	7.0	6.7	8.2	8.5	7.3	5.0	3.0	2.9	1.7	2.5	1.7
Prescription drugs	8.1	7.7	9.5	10.0	9.4	5.6	3.2	3.6	2.0	3.0	1.9
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies	5.3	4.8	5.8	5.8	3.3	4.2	2.6	1.6	1.2	1.5	1.2
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs	6.0	5.0	5.3	6.1	2.6	4.3	2.6	.9	.7	1.9	1.2
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	2.9	4.7	7.2	4.9	5.7	3.7	2.8	4.1	2.5	.2	1.3
Medical care services	6.0	7.1	8.4	9.2	7.9	7.1	5.7	5.4	4.5	3.2	1.5
Professional medical services	6.5	6.8	6.5	6.7	6.2	5.8	4.4	4.7	4.1	3.6	2.0
Physicians' services	6.5	7.5	7.2	7.4	5.5	6.3	5.0	4.5	4.4	3.1	2.1
Dental services	7.2	6.7	6.5	6.5	8.3	5.7	4.4	5.4	4.4	5.1	2.1
Eye care	5.3	4.3	3.6	4.6	3.5	3.7	2.1	3.6	2.4	1.4	.7
Services by other medical professionals	5.0	5.5	5.8	4.8	5.2	3.6	3.1	4.5	1.7	3.2	3.0
Hospital and related services	7.0	10.8	11.2	10.6	9.1	8.8	7.4	5.7	4.6	4.0	1.2
Hospital services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1
Inpatient hospital services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.9
Outpatient hospital services	7.2	9.2	12.0	11.3	9.9	9.7	7.6	5.8	4.6	4.8	1.9
Nursing home services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.9
Entertainment ¹	3.9	4.5	5.1	3.8	3.8	2.7	2.7	2.1	3.1	3.0	.8
Entertainment commodities ¹	3.6	4.4	3.5	2.5	3.4	1.9	1.8	1.6	2.4	2.5	-.1
Reading materials	3.8	4.4	4.6	4.6	6.6	3.8	3.7	3.6	5.9	2.8	.2
Newspapers ¹	4.6	4.9	3.9	4.9	9.6	4.3	4.4	5.1	7.7	2.9	.3
Magazines, periodicals, and books ¹	2.9	3.8	5.2	4.4	3.5	3.3	2.9	2.0	3.8	2.5	.0
Sporting goods and equipment	3.5	4.4	3.0	.5	3.4	.9	.8	2.9	-1.3	.1	-.5
Sport vehicles, including bicycles	2.9	3.9	4.0	.1	2.2	2.6	1.1	3.1	-1.2	.1	-.2
Other sporting goods	4.2	4.9	1.7	1.2	5.3	-1.4	.3	2.6	-1.4	.0	-.9
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment ¹	3.4	4.6	3.1	2.4	1.4	1.3	1.2	-.4	2.2	3.6	.0
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment ¹	3.8	4.2	2.2	1.6	1.1	2.9	1.6	-.8	1.1	3.2	-.2
Photographic supplies and equipment	6.4	6.2	3.5	1.5	1.1	2.3	1.8	-3.7	1.8	.1	1.2
Pet supplies and expense	2.2	4.5	4.3	3.7	1.7	-.8	.6	1.1	3.6	5.2	.0
Entertainment services ¹	4.3	4.6	6.9	5.3	4.4	3.7	3.6	2.7	3.7	3.5	1.7
Club memberships ¹	2.0	8.3	4.3	4.7	3.8	2.2	3.6	-.6	2.3	-1.0	1.4
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships ¹	6.9	5.9	7.7	5.5	4.4	4.8	8.2	2.3	2.4	4.1	3.6
Admissions	6.4	3.7	9.8	5.0	4.8	3.8	2.0	3.7	5.4	4.1	1.8
Fees for lessons or instructions	5.3	5.0	8.1	5.4	5.9	5.3	4.0	5.3	3.0	5.5	.7
Other entertainment services ¹	1.6	3.5	4.5	5.8	3.9	3.0	2.6	2.6	3.7	3.4	.9
Other goods and services ²	6.2	7.1	8.6	7.7	8.1	6.4	1.6	4.2	4.1	3.4	2.3
Tobacco and smoking products	7.9	9.5	14.4	10.7	11.3	8.3	-5.9	3.2	2.8	2.4	4.1
Personal care	3.2	5.1	3.8	4.2	2.6	3.1	2.4	2.0	1.9	1.0	1.5
Toilet goods and personal care appliances	2.9	5.6	2.6	4.3	2.8	3.7	1.5	2.0	.8	-.8	1.0
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements	2.9	5.3	2.1	5.8	3.0	1.8	4.5	1.5	1.4	2.8	.2
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products	2.8	5.8	3.0	3.2	2.8	4.8	-.4	2.5	.4	-3.2	1.7
Personal care services	3.6	4.4	5.2	4.3	2.2	2.5	3.5	2.1	3.4	3.4	1.9
Beauty parlor services for females ¹	3.6	4.4	5.5	4.5	2.0	2.1	3.8	1.9	3.2	3.1	2.0
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males ¹	3.7	4.6	4.0	3.5	3.2	3.7	2.2	2.7	3.8	4.5	1.6
Personal and educational expenses ¹	6.6	6.5	7.1	7.1	8.0	6.3	6.4	5.4	5.5	4.6	1.7
School books and supplies	7.6	6.5	7.8	6.8	6.0	5.7	3.8	3.1	5.7	5.7	2.0
Personal and educational services ¹	6.5	6.6	7.0	7.1	8.2	6.3	6.6	5.6	5.5	4.6	1.7
Tuition and other school fees	7.5	7.4	8.0	7.7	9.1	7.5	6.7	5.8	5.7	4.7	.9
College tuition	7.0	7.4	8.4	8.4	11.7	9.2	7.4	6.2	6.2	5.5	.9
Elementary and high school tuition	9.5	8.4	8.8	8.6	7.7	8.0	5.7	6.3	6.7	4.6	.1
Day care and nursery school	-	-	-	-	6.3	4.2	5.3	5.1	3.9	3.6	1.2
Personal expenses	4.7	5.1	5.6	6.0	6.5	4.2	6.4	5.2	5.1	4.3	3.1
Legal service fees	5.2	4.4	6.0	4.6	6.2	3.4	7.8	2.2	4.0	4.3	1.8
Personal financial services	4.5	6.9	5.6	7.8	7.6	5.2	6.5	8.6	6.7	3.1	4.0
Funeral expenses	4.6	4.8	5.0	6.5	6.1	3.8	5.2	6.0	5.0	4.9	3.5
Special indexes											
Domestically produced farm food	3.6	6.0	6.6	6.3	1.3	1.7	3.5	2.2	2.4	5.7	-.6
Selected beef cuts	6.4	4.0	7.0	8.3	-1.1	.2	3.5	-2.7	-1.5	3.0	-1.4
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products ¹	17.9	-1.7	6.7	35.7	-15.6	1.5	-5.3	5.9	-3.7	12.8	-2.9
Utilities and public transportation	1.2	3.5	2.6	4.2	3.6	3.0	3.9	-.6	1.7	4.8	.1
Housekeeping and home maintenance services ¹	1.7	4.2	1.3	4.4	6.8	3.4	1.8	2.0	4.9	2.9	.6

¹ This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

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- Data not available.

² This index series will undergo a change in composition in January,

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

Table P1. Average residential prices for utility (piped) gas, electricity, and fuel oil, U.S. city average and selected areas

Area, region and population size class	Utility (piped) gas				Electricity		Fuel oil #2	
	per 40 therms		per 100 therms		per 500 KWH		per gallon (3.785 liters)	
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997
U.S. city average	\$30.512	\$30.383	\$65.777	\$64.794	\$49.271	\$49.399	\$1.046	\$1.031
Region and area size ¹								
Northeast urban	41.488	39.255	86.628	82.104	64.236	64.098	1.044	1.032
Size A - More than 1,200,000	41.789	39.560	87.204	82.460	67.095	66.890	1.093	1.095
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	40.947	37.098	83.797	79.113	56.651	56.785	.962	.938
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	40.136	39.903	86.849	86.840	50.470	50.492	1.011	.972
North Central urban	27.165	26.512	55.087	53.690	45.808	46.329	.995	.973
Size A - More than 1,200,000	27.249	26.221	54.847	52.564	47.529	48.112	.996	.988
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	28.089	28.096	55.118	55.146	48.421	48.421	1.018	1.007
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	27.936	28.848	60.012	62.189	41.829	42.419	.986	.933
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	24.637	25.183	51.267	52.622	37.237	37.871	NA	NA
South urban	31.549	31.198	65.347	64.359	42.518	42.481	1.076	1.048
Size A - More than 1,200,000	31.502	30.522	63.296	60.841	44.183	43.972	1.202	1.166
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	34.991	34.977	72.920	72.873	42.221	42.275	1.007	.985
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	30.724	31.373	66.581	68.257	43.119	43.633	NA	NA
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	25.312	27.108	60.259	62.920	36.123	35.496	1.023	1.000
West urban	24.306	27.419	61.204	65.788	49.904	50.150	1.162	1.123
Size A - More than 1,250,000	24.244	27.665	62.599	67.591	50.354	50.251	1.161	1.118
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	21.107	22.458	48.392	50.275	37.152	37.866	1.163	1.131
Size classes								
A	30.921	30.597	66.761	65.085	52.408	52.410	1.094	1.092
B	32.110	32.000	68.239	68.204	47.571	48.036	.976	.954
C	28.527	29.339	62.451	64.186	43.204	43.691	1.021	.980
D	25.560	26.498	53.673	55.764	39.292	39.084	.975	.958
Selected local areas								
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	27.632	26.147	53.276	48.243	60.391	61.061	NA	NA
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	25.835	30.188	66.916	73.092	64.008	64.008	NA	NA
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	42.842	42.409	86.905	86.752	71.707	71.606	1.135	1.153
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD	38.300	38.287	84.422	84.394	62.809	62.809	.969	.966
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	21.100	24.907	62.164	69.460	58.650	61.380	NA	NA
Baltimore, MD	33.170	32.000	67.930	64.990	47.870	47.870	1.176	1.130
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	46.277	30.330	102.042	64.147	64.788	63.419	1.093	1.062
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	29.231	29.231	65.141	65.141	60.602	60.602	NA	NA
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	46.867	46.867	104.527	104.527	45.446	45.446	NA	NA
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	28.836	29.085	51.916	52.511	36.936	36.936	NA	NA
Washington, DC-MD-VA	43.110	43.169	87.283	87.531	40.873	40.999	1.227	1.202
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	19.578	20.281	41.147	42.545	45.460	45.430	NA	NA
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	26.018	25.169	52.162	50.573	47.323	47.323	NA	NA
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	27.257	27.257	53.177	53.177	41.222	41.163	NA	NA
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	40.475	40.475	83.392	83.392	52.891	52.866	.857	.852

¹ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

Table P2. Average residential unit prices and consumption ranges for utility (piped) gas and electricity for U.S. city average and selected areas

Area, region and population size class	Average price per therm of utility (piped) gas		Range of therm consumption for May 1997		Average price per KWH of electricity		Range of KWH consumption for May 1997	
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Low	High	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Low	High
U.S. city average	\$0.664	\$0.651	1	2,800	\$0.092	\$0.093	5	6,301
Region and area size ¹								
Northeast urban .....	.876	.829	1	2,800	.122	.122	110	5,069
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	.887	.839	5	862	.127	.127	110	3,750
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000 .....	.833	.770	1	505	.108	.108	173	5,069
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000 .....	.813	.807	19	328	.092	NA	227	2,865
North Central urban .....	.537	.520	6	1,124	.086	.087	5	4,517
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	.530	.505	6	1,124	.092	.092	5	3,785
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000 .....	.573	.573	20	380	.087	.087	220	4,517
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000 .....	.576	.598	12	623	.077	.078	39	3,404
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	.526	.514	22	668	.066	.067	252	2,397
South urban .....	.739	.724	1	1,230	.077	.078	32	6,301
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	.716	.686	7	394	.078	.081	148	6,301
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000 .....	.846	.829	1	1,230	.077	.077	112	6,229
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000 .....	.776	.793	3	278	.078	.080	94	4,249
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	.603	.620	5	283	.071	.069	32	5,536
West urban .....	.600	.647	5	1,557	.098	.099	101	5,033
Size A - More than 1,250,000 .....	.611	.662	15	1,557	.099	.098	103	5,033
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000 .....	.475	.494	24	606	.078	.080	101	3,146
Size classes								
A .....	.669	.651	5	1,557	.098	.099	5	6,301
B .....	.722	.713	1	1,230	.088	.089	112	6,229
C .....	.638	.656	3	623	.080	.081	39	4,249
D .....	.550	.554	5	2,800	.075	.075	32	5,536
Selected local areas								
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI .....	.460	.415	24	1,124	.122	.122	100	2,700
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA .....	.655	.725	17	447	.127	.127	164	2,454
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT .....	.899	.893	5	579	.138	.138	125	3,750
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD .....	.860	.859	19	862	.119	.119	110	2,451
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....	.598	.669	15	293	.122	.128	200	1,746
Baltimore, MD .....	.731	.701	34	125	.076	.076	541	4,252
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1.078	.674	16	232	.123	.121	279	1,533
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH .....	.642	.642	41	561	.107	.107	298	2,259
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1.808	1.808	7	13	.088	.088	380	2,607
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL .....	.481	.489	73	314	.069	.070	5	2,608
Washington, DC-MD-VA	1.087	1.089	20	68	.071	.071	415	3,401
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	.432	.443	20	394	.072	.072	242	6,250
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI .....	.529	.511	10	1,016	.097	.097	27	1,534
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	.644	.644	18	209	.075	.092	312	6,301
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA780	.780	72	632	.092	.092	245	2,808

¹ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

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**Table P3. Average prices for gasoline, U.S. city average and selected areas
(Per gallon/3.785 liters)**

Area, region and population size class	Gasoline All types ¹		Gasoline Unleaded regular		Gasoline Unleaded midgrade		Gasoline Unleaded premium	
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997
U.S. city average	\$1.288	\$1.284	\$1.231	\$1.226	\$1.324	\$1.318	\$1.413	\$1.409
Region and area size ²								
Northeast urban	1.319	1.304	1.249	1.234	1.361	1.346	1.439	1.422
Size A - More than 1,200,000	1.320	1.303	1.246	1.226	1.356	1.337	1.436	1.416
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	1.350	1.333	1.294	1.275	1.410	1.395	1.473	1.460
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	1.283	1.284	1.219	1.223	1.324	1.328	1.414	1.403
North Central urban	1.208	1.236	1.168	1.194	1.239	1.264	1.325	1.358
Size A - More than 1,200,000	1.227	1.259	1.185	1.213	1.275	1.305	1.348	1.384
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	1.190	1.226	1.137	1.174	1.243	1.279	1.319	1.354
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	1.180	1.202	1.144	1.166	1.198	1.213	1.286	1.317
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	1.186	1.200	1.161	1.172	1.177	1.196	1.291	1.314
South urban	1.241	1.225	1.178	1.162	1.277	1.260	1.359	1.345
Size A - More than 1,200,000	1.233	1.217	1.169	1.152	1.279	1.263	1.357	1.342
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	1.282	1.268	1.206	1.193	1.295	1.278	1.375	1.359
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	1.206	1.192	1.156	1.141	1.250	1.237	1.340	1.328
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	1.244	1.223	1.190	1.171	1.279	1.253	1.367	1.351
West urban	1.429	1.413	1.371	1.355	1.476	1.458	1.566	1.553
Size A - More than 1,250,000	1.447	1.430	1.388	1.368	1.483	1.469	1.585	1.570
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	1.363	1.359	1.310	1.310	1.412	1.379	1.500	1.508
Size classes								
A	1.311	1.306	1.251	1.246	1.353	1.348	1.439	1.434
B	1.305	1.297	1.242	1.235	1.339	1.329	1.407	1.399
C	1.234	1.233	1.185	1.183	1.273	1.266	1.363	1.365
D	1.246	1.240	1.208	1.203	1.255	1.251	1.368	1.365
Selected local areas								
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	1.312	1.354	1.252	1.294	1.365	1.405	1.444	1.486
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	1.446	1.427	1.391	1.369	1.467	1.450	1.564	1.548
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	1.338	1.313	1.266	1.241	1.387	1.362	1.462	1.440
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD	1.308	1.299	1.174	1.160	1.293	1.277	1.373	1.355
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	1.513	1.486	1.449	1.418	1.565	1.547	1.672	1.650
Baltimore, MD	1.291	1.268	1.232	1.208	1.338	1.310	1.392	1.377
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1.302	1.277	1.250	1.222	1.349	1.322	1.422	1.395
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1.215	1.240	1.166	1.192	1.250	1.273	1.351	1.374
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1.347	1.329	1.278	1.258	1.392	1.379	1.460	1.440
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	1.164	1.190	1.117	1.146	1.191	1.211	1.309	1.328
Washington, DC-MD-VA	1.286	1.262	1.221	1.195	1.321	1.294	1.407	1.387
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1.209	1.201	1.155	1.144	1.256	1.252	1.328	1.321
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	1.175	1.219	1.134	1.174	1.225	1.273	1.320	1.363
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	1.184	1.178	1.128	1.122	1.235	1.222	1.282	1.281
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	1.277	1.288	1.221	1.232	1.323	1.336	1.417	1.425

¹ Also includes types of gasoline not shown separately.

² Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

Table P4. Average retail food prices, U.S. city average and four regions ¹

Food and unit	U.S. average		Northeast		North Central		South		West	
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997
Cereals and bakery products:										
Flour, white, all purpose, per lb. (453.6 gm)	\$0.304	\$0.310	\$0.353	\$0.350	\$0.292	\$0.289	\$0.297	\$0.309	NA	NA
Rice, white, long grain, uncooked, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.558	.563	.535	.534	NA	NA	.556	.567	0.605	0.613
Spaghetti and macaroni, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.883	.861	.793	.796	.898	.872	.810	.755	1.073	1.060
Bread, white, pan, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.855	.854	.895	.883	.866	.900	.810	.820	.879	.838
Bread, French, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.500	1.543	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.586	1.660
Bread, whole wheat, pan, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.291	1.243	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.157	1.125	NA	NA
Cookies, chocolate chip, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.582	2.632	NA	NA	2.315	2.463	NA	NA	NA	NA
Crackers, soda, salted, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.581	1.530	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.504	1.438	NA	NA
Meats, poultry, fish and eggs:										
Meats:										
Beef and veal:										
Ground chuck, 100% beef, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.831	1.854	1.744	1.789	1.785	1.841	1.914	1.881	NA	NA
Ground beef, 100% beef, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.381	1.382	NA	NA	1.349	1.355	1.447	1.422	NA	NA
Ground beef, lean and extra lean, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.039	2.071	2.193	2.189	1.829	1.893	2.073	2.126	1.988	2.002
Chuck roast, USDA Choice, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Chuck roast, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.159	2.105	NA	NA	2.257	2.064	2.041	2.035	2.211	2.170
Chuck roast, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.422	2.419	2.584	2.699	2.342	2.273	2.346	2.317	2.383	2.282
Round roast, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.866	2.803	2.842	2.764	2.753	2.779	2.919	2.850	3.123	2.871
Round roast, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.713	2.696	NA	NA	2.586	2.742	2.596	2.575	2.893	2.769
Rib roast, USDA Choice, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	5.050	4.994	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Steak, T-Bone, USDA Choice, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	5.831	5.932	NA	NA	5.663	5.651	5.848	6.005	NA	NA
Steak, rib eye, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	5.712	5.766	NA	NA	6.147	6.225	6.033	6.198	NA	NA
Steak, round, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.079	3.168	3.302	3.430	2.749	2.931	3.151	3.159	3.083	3.033
Steak, round, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.010	2.945	NA	NA	2.949	2.848	2.977	2.930	3.068	2.989
Steak, sirloin, USDA Choice, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	3.213	3.330	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Steak, sirloin, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.548	3.682	NA	NA	3.259	3.284	3.295	3.612	3.738	3.796
Steak, sirloin, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	4.216	4.225	4.224	4.318	4.188	4.138	4.066	3.998	4.796	4.974
Short ribs, any primal source, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Beef for stew, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.524	2.542	NA	NA	2.527	2.622	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pork:										
Bacon, sliced, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.660	2.627	2.899	2.839	2.568	2.558	2.569	2.555	2.582	2.530
Chops, center cut, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.445	3.454	3.301	3.287	3.257	3.387	3.537	3.448	3.725	3.793
Chops, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	4.051	4.017	3.879	4.056	4.208	4.286	4.264	4.060	3.834	3.685
Ham, rump or shank half, bone-in, smoked, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.823	1.907	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.711	1.736	NA	NA
Ham, boneless, excluding canned, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.730	2.763	NA	NA	2.583	2.515	2.687	2.845	2.702	2.682
Ham, canned, 3 or 5 lbs, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Shoulder picnic, bone-in, smoked, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.242	1.283	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.243	1.282	NA	NA
Sausage, fresh, loose, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.157	2.151	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.185	2.179	NA	NA
Other meats:										
Frankfurters, all meat or all beef, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.244	2.254	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.176	2.149	NA	NA
Bologna, all beef or mixed, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.350	2.333	NA	NA	2.175	2.172	2.445	2.439	NA	NA
Lamb and mutton, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

See footnotes at end of table.

Table P4. Average retail food prices, U.S. city average and four regions ¹—Continued

Food and unit	U.S. average		Northeast		North Central		South		West	
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997
Poultry:										
Chicken, fresh, whole, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.002	1.007	1.054	1.058	0.980	0.994	0.917	0.926	1.109	1.102
Chicken breast, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.004	2.075	2.032	2.228	1.797	1.894	1.890	1.867	2.380	2.398
Chicken legs, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.215	1.221	1.245	1.230	1.107	1.154	1.190	1.193	1.326	1.338
Turkey, frozen, whole, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.032	1.045	1.048	1.040	1.035	1.058	.987	1.030	1.094	1.058
Fish and seafood:										
Tuna, light, chunk, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.005	1.999	2.059	2.048	2.096	2.094	1.857	1.852	2.118	2.109
Eggs:										
Grade A, large, per doz.	1.081	1.002	1.281	1.257	.965	.871	1.062	.967	NA	NA
Grade AA, large, per doz.	1.265	1.213	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.354	1.303
Dairy products:										
Milk, fresh, whole, fortified, per 1/2 gal. (1.9 lit)	1.601	1.587	1.454	1.412	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.697	1.731
Milk, fresh, whole, fortified, per gal. (3.8 lit)	2.606	2.608	2.625	2.633	2.500	2.481	2.564	2.559	2.780	2.810
Milk, fresh, low fat, per 1/2 gal. (1.9 lit)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Milk, fresh, low fat, per gal. (3.8 lit)	2.372	2.377	NA	NA	2.342	2.338	2.579	2.581	NA	NA
Butter, salted, grade AA, stick, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.177	2.121	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.020	1.981	NA	NA
American processed cheese, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.534	3.528	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cheddar cheese, natural, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.119	3.114	NA	NA	NA	NA	3.603	3.560	2.803	2.813
Ice cream, prepackaged, bulk, regular, per 1/2 gal. (1.9 lit)	2.903	2.876	2.962	3.038	2.717	2.592	2.821	2.709	3.162	3.247
Yogurt, natural, fruit flavored, per 8 oz. (226.8 gm) .....	.683	.669	.691	.648	NA	NA	.673	.663	NA	NA
Fruits and vegetables:										
Fresh fruits and vegetables:										
Apples, Red Delicious, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.895	.912	.942	.950	.897	.909	.899	.920	.854	.877
Bananas, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.512	.484	.574	.541	.451	.449	.482	.458	.565	.509
Oranges, Navel, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.598	.706	.638	.721	.587	.707	.610	.659	.567	.735
Oranges, Valencia, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cherries, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Grapes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.512	.518	.491	.519	.484	.534	.533	.489	.531	.542
Grapes, Thompson Seedless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.876	2.136	1.958	NA	1.852	2.078	1.846	NA	1.873	2.113
Lemons, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.990	1.059	1.065	1.129	.905	1.046	1.082	1.115	.892	.955
Peaches, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.486	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pears, Anjou, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.011	1.026	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Strawberries, dry pint, per 12 oz. (340.2 gm)	1.179	1.073	1.205	1.117	1.163	1.119	1.348	1.105	1.009	.953
Potatoes, white, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.335	.338	.376	.384	.279	.289	.338	.340	.355	.342
Lettuce, iceberg, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.666	.598	.719	.629	.624	.558	.699	.616	.609	.582
Tomatoes, field grown, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.348	1.175	1.453	1.268	1.279	1.183	1.329	1.105	1.338	1.169
Broccoli, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.922	.886	.937	.893	.949	.886	1.045	1.006	NA	NA
Cabbage, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.400	.396	.406	.450	.387	.417	.386	.355	NA	NA
Carrots, short trimmed and topped, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.519	.514	NA	NA	.478	.466	NA	NA	.438	.424
Celery, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.528	.594	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Corn on the cob, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cucumbers, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.693	.755	NA	NA	NA	NA	.768	.785	NA	NA
Onions, dry yellow, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.516	.497	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Peppers, sweet, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.314	1.340	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.238	1.147	NA	NA
Processed fruits and vegetables:										
Apple Sauce, any variety, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.851	.849	NA	NA	NA	NA	.819	.823	NA	NA
Orange juice, frozen concentrate, 12 oz. can, per 16 oz. (473.2 ml)	1.727	1.736	1.883	1.974	1.566	1.529	1.654	1.664	1.911	1.898
Peaches, any variety, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.955	.942	NA	NA	.918	.921	.936	.919	NA	NA
Beans, dried, any type, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.736	.726	NA	NA	.687	.687	.680	.668	NA	NA
Corn, canned, any style, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.734	.737	.836	.815	NA	NA	.685	.681	NA	NA
Potatoes, frozen, French fried, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.929	.912	NA	NA	.906	.834	.914	.896	NA	NA
Tomatoes, canned, whole, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Tomatoes, canned, any type, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.670	.674	.653	.668	NA	NA	.679	.663	.750	.752

See footnotes at end of table.

Table P4. Average retail food prices, U.S. city average and four regions ¹—Continued

Food and unit	U.S. average		Northeast		North Central		South		West	
	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997
Other foods at home:										
Sugar and sweets:										
Sugar, white, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	0.435	0.434	0.457	0.449	0.435	0.436	0.432	0.432	0.424	0.424
Sugar, white, 33-80 oz. pkg, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.424	.422	.440	.430	.419	.421	.414	.413	NA	NA
Fats and oils:										
Margarine, stick, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.847	.829	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Margarine, soft, tubs, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Shortening, vegetable oil blends, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.870	.871	1.039	1.037	.798	.793	.836	.833	.863	.883
Peanut butter, creamy, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.808	1.817	1.873	1.871	1.710	1.698	NA	NA	NA	NA
Nonalcoholic beverages:										
Cola, nondiet, cans, 72 oz. 6 pk., per 16 oz. (473.2 ml) ²	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cola, nondiet, per 2 liters (67.6 oz)	1.008	1.009	NA	NA	NA	NA	.963	.992	NA	NA
Coffee, 100%, ground roast, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.894	4.109	4.130	4.309	3.791	4.078	NA	NA	3.855	4.078
Coffee, 100%, ground roast, 13.1-20 oz. can, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Coffee, instant, plain, regular, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	10.263	10.365	NA	NA	10.259	10.316	9.567	9.657	NA	NA
Other prepared foods:										
Potato chips, per 16 oz. (453.6 gm)	3.184	3.056	3.011	2.748	3.251	3.265	3.282	3.133	3.134	2.998
Alcoholic Beverages at Home:										
Malt Beverages, all types, all sizes, any origin, per 16 oz. (473.2 ml) .....	.847	.853	.846	.902	.797	.794	.866	.835	.873	.897
Vodka, all types, all sizes, any origin, per 1 liter (33.8 oz)	9.407	9.446	NA	11.775	NA	9.331	NA	NA	8.380	NA
Wine, red and white table, all sizes, any origin, per 1 liter (33.8 oz)	4.933	5.320	4.549	5.881	4.976	4.869	6.103	4.968	4.441	5.438

¹ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

² Deposit may be included in price.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

Table NS1. New Series Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W), Washington-Baltimore CMSA

(Nov. 1996=100)

Washington-Baltimore	Pricing schedule ¹	Indexes				Percent Change to Current Month		
		Feb. 1997	Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Feb. 1997	Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997
CPI-U								
All items	1	-	100.8	-	100.5	-	-0.3	-
Food and beverages	1	-	100.0	-	99.7	-	-.3	-
Housing	1	-	100.6	-	100.4	-	-.2	-
Residential rent	M	99.6	99.7	100.5	100.5	0.9	.8	0.0
Apparel	1	-	100.3	-	101.4	-	1.1	-
Transportation	1	-	100.9	-	100.1	-	-.8	-
Medical care	1	-	102.5	-	101.7	-	-.8	-
Entertainment	1	-	101.1	-	100.6	-	-.5	-
Other goods and services	1	-	101.6	-	101.8	-	.2	-
All items less food and energy	1	-	100.9	-	100.9	-	.0	-
All items less medical care	1	-	100.7	-	100.4	-	-.3	-
Food	1	-	99.9	-	99.5	-	-.4	-
Energy	M	102.7	101.4	99.3	98.2	-4.4	-3.2	-1.1
CPI-W								
All items	1	-	100.8	-	100.5	-	-.3	-
Food and beverages	1	-	100.0	-	99.7	-	-.3	-
Housing	1	-	100.5	-	100.4	-	-.1	-
Residential rent	M	99.6	99.8	100.5	100.5	.9	.7	.0
Apparel	1	-	101.1	-	102.4	-	1.3	-
Transportation	1	-	101.0	-	100.2	-	-.8	-
Medical care	1	-	102.0	-	101.0	-	-1.0	-
Entertainment	1	-	100.9	-	100.5	-	-.4	-
Other goods and services	1	-	102.2	-	102.3	-	.1	-
All items less food and energy	1	-	100.9	-	101.0	-	.1	-
All items less medical care	1	-	100.7	-	100.5	-	-.2	-
Food	1	-	99.9	-	99.4	-	-.5	-
Energy	M	103.0	101.8	99.3	98.1	-4.8	-3.6	-1.2

¹ Residential rent and Energy are priced monthly in Washington-Baltimore as indicated:
M - Every month.
1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.
Data not available.

Table NS2. New Series Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W), Selected Areas, All Items Index

(Dec. 1996=100)

Region and Population Size Class	Indexes				Percent Change to Current Month		
	Feb. 1997	Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997	May 1997	Feb. 1997	Mar. 1997	Apr. 1997
CPI-U All Items							
Population Size Class							
B/C	100.5	100.7	100.9	100.9	0.4	0.2	0.0
Region/Population Size Cross - Classifications							
Northeast B/C	100.2	100.5	100.7	100.3	.1	-.2	-.4
North Central B/C	100.2	100.2	100.3	100.5	.3	.3	.2
South B/C	100.6	100.9	101.1	101.0	.4	.1	-.1
West B/C	100.8	101.2	101.4	101.5	.7	.3	.1
CPI-W All Items							
Population Size Class							
B/C	100.4	100.6	100.7	100.7	.3	.1	.0
Region/Population Size Cross - Classifications							
Northeast B/C	100.1	100.4	100.6	100.3	.2	-.1	-.3
North Central B/C	100.1	100.0	100.1	100.4	.3	.4	.3
South B/C	100.5	100.7	100.9	100.9	.4	.2	.0
West B/C	100.9	101.3	101.4	101.5	.6	.2	.1

Table X. New Consumer Price Index Publication Structure

Expenditure Category	
All items	Citrus fruits
All items - old base	<i>Oranges</i>
	Other fresh fruits
Food and beverages	Fresh vegetables
Food	Potatoes
Food at home	Lettuce
Cereals and bakery products	Tomatoes
Cereals and cereal products	Other fresh vegetables
Flour and prepared flour mixes	Processed fruits and vegetables
Breakfast cereal	Canned fruits and vegetables
Rice, pasta, cornmeal	<i>Canned fruits</i>
<i>Rice</i>	<i>Canned vegetables</i>
Bakery products	Frozen fruits and vegetables
Bread	<i>Frozen vegetables</i>
<i>White bread</i>	Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried
<i>Other breads</i>	<i>Dried beans</i>
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins	
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies	Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials
<i>Fresh cakes and cupcakes</i>	Juices and nonalcoholic drinks
Other bakery products	Carbonated drinks
<i>Cookies</i>	Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks
<i>Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, and doughnuts</i>	Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks
<i>Crackers, bread, and cracker products</i>	Beverage materials including coffee and tea
<i>Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers</i>	Coffee
	<i>Roasted coffee</i>
	<i>Instant and freeze dried coffee</i>
	Other beverage materials including tea
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	
Meats, poultry, and fish	Other food at home
Meats	Sugar and sweets
Beef and veal	Sugar and artificial sweeteners
Uncooked Ground beef	Candy and chewing gum
Uncooked Beef roasts	Other sweets
Uncooked Beef steaks	Fats and oils
Other uncooked beef and veal	Butter and margarine
Pork	<i>Butter</i>
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products	<i>Margarine</i>
<i>Bacon</i>	Salad dressings
<i>Breakfast sausage</i>	Other fats and oils including peanut butter
Ham	<i>Peanut butter</i>
<i>Ham, excluding canned</i>	Other foods
Pork chops	Soups
Other pork including roasts and picnics	Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods
Other meats	Snacks
<i>Frankfurters</i>	Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces
<i>Lunchmeats</i>	<i>Salt and other seasonings and spices</i>
<i>Lamb and organ meats</i>	<i>Olives, pickles, relishes</i>
<i>Lamb</i>	<i>Sauces and gravies</i>
Poultry	<i>Other condiments</i>
Chicken	Baby food
<i>Fresh whole chicken</i>	Other miscellaneous foods
<i>Fresh and frozen chicken parts</i>	<i>Prepared salads</i>
Other poultry including turkey	
Fish and seafood	Food away from home
Fresh fish and seafood	Full service meals and snacks
Processed fish and seafood	Limited service meals and snacks
<i>Canned fish and seafood</i>	Food at employee sites and schools
<i>Frozen fish and seafood</i>	Food from vending machines and snack bars
Eggs	Other food away from home
Dairy and related products	Alcoholic beverages
Milk	Alcoholic beverages at home
<i>Fresh whole milk</i>	Beer, ale, and malt beverages at home
<i>Other fresh milk</i>	Distilled spirits at home
Cheese and related products	<i>Whiskey at home</i>
Ice cream and related products	<i>Distilled spirits excluding whiskey at home</i>
Other dairy and related products	Wine at home
	Alcoholic beverages away from home
Fruits and vegetables	<i>Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home</i>
Fresh fruits and vegetables	<i>Wine away from home</i>
Fresh fruits	<i>Distilled spirits away from home</i>
Apples	
Bananas	

See note at end of table.

Table X. New Consumer Price Index Publication Structure—Continued

Expenditure Category	
Housing	Transportation
Shelter	Private transportation
Rent of primary residence	New and used motor vehicles
Lodging away from home	New vehicles
Housing at school, excluding board	<i>New cars and trucks</i>
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels	<i>New cars</i>
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence	<i>New trucks</i>
Tenants' and household insurance	<i>New motorcycles</i>
	Used cars and trucks
Fuels and utilities	Leased cars and trucks
Fuels	Car and truck rental
Fuel oil and other fuels	Motor fuel
Fuel oil	Gasoline
Other household fuels	<i>Regular unleaded gasoline</i>
Gas (piped) and electricity	<i>Midgrade unleaded gasoline</i>
Electricity	<i>Premium unleaded gasoline</i>
Utility natural gas service	Other motor fuels
Water and sewer and trash collection services	Motor vehicle parts and equipment
Water and sewerage maintenance	Tires
Garbage and trash collection	Vehicle accessories other than tires
	<i>Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires</i>
	<i>Motor oil, coolant, and fluids</i>
Household furnishings and operations	Motor vehicle maintenance and repair
Window and floor coverings and other linens	Motor vehicle body work
Floor coverings	Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing
Window coverings	Motor vehicle repair
Other linens	Motor vehicle insurance
Furniture and bedding	Motor vehicle fees
Bedroom furniture	State and local registration and license
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture	Motor vehicle property tax
Other furniture	Parking and other fees
Appliances	<i>Parking fees and tolls</i>
Major appliances	<i>Automobile service clubs</i>
<i>Laundry equipment</i>	Public transportation
Other appliances	Airline fare
Other household equipment and furnishings	Other intercity transportation
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items	<i>Intercity bus fare</i>
Indoor plants and flowers	<i>Intercity train fare</i>
Dishes and flatware	<i>Ship fares</i>
Nonelectric cookware and tableware	Intracity transportation
Tools/hardware and outdoor equipment and supplies	<i>Taxi fare</i>
Tools, hardware and supplies	<i>Car and van pools</i>
Outdoor equipment and supplies	
Housekeeping supplies	Medical care
Household cleaning products	Medical care commodities
Household paper products	Prescription drugs and medical supplies
Miscellaneous household products	Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies
Household operations	Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs
Housekeeping services	Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies
Gardening and lawn care services	Medical care services
Moving, storage, freight expense	Professional services
Repair of household items	Physicians' services
	Dental services
Apparel	Eyeglasses and eye care
Men's and boy's apparel	Services by other medical professionals
Men's apparel	Hospital and related services
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear	Hospital services
Men's furnishings	<i>Hospital inpatient services</i>
Men's shirts and sweaters	<i>Hospital outpatient services</i>
Men's pants and shorts	Nursing homes and adult daycare
Boy's apparel	
Women's and girls' apparel	Recreation
Women's apparel	Video and audio
Women's outerwear	Television sets
Women's dresses	Cable television
Women's suits and separates	Other video equipment
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories	Video cassettes and discs, and other media including rentals
Girls' apparel	<i>Video cassettes and discs, blank and prerecorded</i>
Footwear	<i>Rental of video tapes and discs</i>
Men's footwear	Audio equipment
Boys' and girls' footwear	Audio discs and tapes and other media
Women's footwear	Pets, pet products and services
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	Pets and pet products
Jewelry and watches	<i>Pet food</i>
Watches	
Jewelry	

Table X. New Consumer Price Index Publication Structure—Continued

Expenditure Category

<i>Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories</i>	Other goods and services
Pet services including veterinary services	Tobacco and smoking products
<i>Pet services</i>	Cigarettes
<i>Veterinarian services</i>	Tobacco products other than cigarettes
Sporting goods	Personal care
Sports vehicles including bicycles	Personal care products
Sports equipment	Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal c
Photography	Cosmetics/perfume/bath/nail preparations and impl
Photographic supplies and equipment	Personal care services
<i>Film and photographic supplies</i>	Haircuts and other personal care services
<i>Photographic equipment</i>	Miscellaneous personal services
Photographers and film processing	Legal services
<i>Photographer fees</i>	Funeral expenses
<i>Film processing</i>	Laundry and dry cleaning services
Other recreational goods	Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleanin
Toys and games	Financial services
<i>Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment</i>	<i>Checking account and other bank services</i>
<i>Video game hardware, software and accessories</i>	<i>Tax return preparation and other accounting 1</i>
Sewing machines, fabric, and supplies	Care of invalids and elderly at home
Music instruments and accessories	Miscellaneous personal goods
Recreation services	<i>Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap</i>
Club membership dues and fees for participant sports	<i>Luggage</i>
Admissions	
<i>Admission to movies, theaters, concerts</i>	SPECIAL AGGREGATE INDEXES
<i>Admission to sporting events</i>	Commodities
Fees for lessons or instructions	Commodities less food and beverages
Recreational reading materials	Nondurables less food and beverages
Newspapers and magazines	Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel
Recreational books	Durables
	Services
Education and communication	Rent of Shelter
Education	Transportation services
Educational books and supplies	Other services
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	All items less food
College tuition and fees	All items less shelter
Elementary and high school tuition and fees	All items less medical care
Child care and nursery school	Commodities less food
Technical and business school tuition and fees	Nondurables less food
Communication	Nondurables less food and apparel
Postage and delivery services	Nondurables
Postage	Apparel less footwear
Delivery services	Services less rent of shelter
Information and information processing	Services less medical care services
Telephone services	Energy
Telephone services, local charges	All items less energy
Telephone services, long distance charges	All items less food and energy
<i>Interstate toll calls</i>	Commodities less food and energy commodities
<i>Intrastate toll calls</i>	Energy commodities
Cellular telephone services	Services less energy services
Information and information processing other than telephone services	Domestically produced farm food
Personal computers, peripheral equipment	Selected beef cuts
Computer software and accessories	Utilities and public transportation
Computer information processing services	Purchasing power of the consumer dollar
Other information processing equipment	Purchasing power of the consumer dollar - old base

Italics denote substratum indexes.

Technical Notes

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. The Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes CPI's for two population groups: (1) a CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) which covers approximately 80 percent of the total population and (2), a CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) which covers 32 percent of the total population. The CPI-U includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups such as professional, managerial, and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force.

The CPI is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, medicine, and the other goods that people buy for day-to-day living. Prices are collected in 85 urban areas across the country from about 57,000 housing units and approximately 19,000 retail establishments—department stores, supermarkets, hospitals, gasoline stations and other types of stores and services establishments. All taxes directly associated with the purchase and use of items are included in the index. Prices of food, fuel, 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 either personal visits or telephone calls from the Bureau's trained representatives. Some data, such as used car prices, are obtained from secondary sources.

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 by size of city, by region of country, for cross-classifications of regions and population-size classes, and for 29 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 indexes measure price change from a designated reference date, usually 1982-84, which equals 100.0. An increase of 7 percent, for example, is shown as 107.0. 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 \$100 in 1982-84 to \$107.

For further details see *BLS Handbook of Methods*, BLS Bulletin 2414, September 1992.

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.

<i>Index point change</i>	
CPI	112.5
Less previous index	108.5
Equals index point change	4.0
<i>Percent change</i>	
Index point difference	4.0
Divided by the previous index	108.5
Equals	0.037
Results multiplied by one hundred	0.037×100
Equals percent change	3.7

Energy Prices

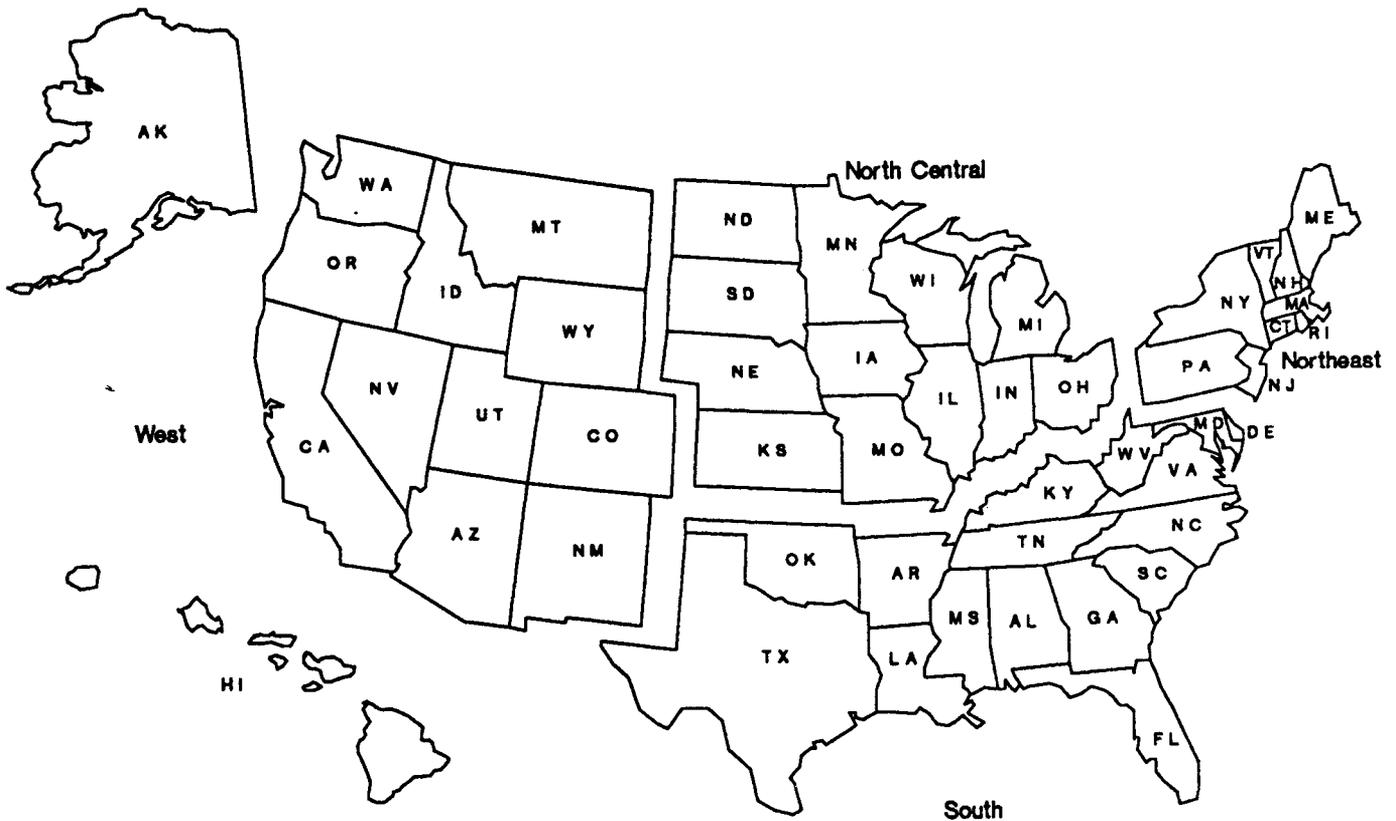
Prices are usually available for the U.S. city average, 15 large metropolitan areas, the four census regions, four size classifications, and 13 areas reflecting the four Census regions cross-classified by the four population sizes. However, not all energy commodities and services are used in every area of the country. Fuel oil, for example, is not a common heating fuel in some urban areas, particularly in the South and West. Where no average prices are available, the designation NA appears. This designation also appears if the data sufficiency criteria have not been met in any given month. For example, if there are fewer than five usable fuel oil prices for a published city or region size class, no fuel oil prices for the area will be published.

All prices are collected monthly by BLS representatives in the urban areas priced for the CPI. Prices for natural gas and electricity include fuel and purchased gas adjustments and all applicable taxes. Fuel oil and gasoline prices include applicable Federal, State, and local taxes.

Natural gas and electricity. Natural gas prices are reported in therms, which are a measure of heating value. Electricity prices are given in kilowatt hours (kwh). For both utility services, the consumption ranges specified in table P2 are the upper and lower limits of the bill sizes priced for the Consumer Price Index. The average prices per therm and per kilowatt hour are calculated from bills priced within these ranges. It should be noted that bills priced for the CPI are not only for different consumption amounts, but may also be calculated from different types of residential rate schedules. *The average price per therm and per kilowatt hour are not, therefore, generally suitable for use in place-to-place price comparisons.*

The average prices for 40 and 100 therms of natural gas for 500 kilowatt hours of electricity (table P1) are calculated from a special price collection program. They are not used in the calculation of the CPI. Since heating and air-conditioning requirements vary by geographic location, climate, and weather conditions, it cannot be inferred that these consumption amounts represent those used by a typical residen-

Census Regions



tial consumer. These bills are used merely to track price changes over time for constant amounts of consumption, and to provide continuity with prices of natural gas and electricity formerly published in conjunction with the unrevised Consumer Price Index.

Fuel oil. Only #2 fuel oil (home heating oil) is priced. Prices are collected, in most cases, for quantities greater than one gallon. These prices are converted to a gallon price for this program. Fuel oil prices reflect discounts for quantity and/or quick payment.

Gasoline. Gasoline prices are collected at the pump from a sample of full service, mini-service, and self-serve gas stations.

Approximate British Thermal Unit (BTU) values for some energy items are as follows, according to the source indicated:

1 therm = 100,000 BTU's (U.S. Department of Energy).

1 kwh = 3,412 BTU'S (Edison Electric Institute).

1 gallon #2 fuel oil = 140,000 BTU'S (U.S. Department of Energy).

Food Prices

In the revised CPI, actual weighted average prices are calculated each month at the national level and for the four Census geographic regions. As a result of changes in price collection methodology and sample sizes, average prices for individual cities cannot in general be produced. It is hoped however, that regional average prices will help satisfy the need for local area data. It should be noted that the average prices for food in this report reflect variations in brand, quality, and size among geographic areas. Users of average food prices should be aware that these differences exist.

Because a number of food commodities are not available in all areas on a year-round basis, prices will not appear in some months for some regions or for the U.S. city average. In other instances, sufficient prices may not be available due to temporary disruptions in supplies. Where no average prices are available, the designation NA appears. When a price is not available from an individual store in any month, an estimated price will be calculated for the missing item and used in computing the average price. In cases where the proportion of estimated prices used to calculate the average is considered too high, the average price is not published and NA appears for that item in the table.

Because of space limitations in the table, the description for each item is abbreviated. More detailed specifications are available from the BLS regional offices or from the Washington office upon request.

Adjustment of Shelter Indexes for Aging Effects

Beginning with January 1988 CPI, the Bureau of Labor Statistics adjusts the monthly CPI shelter indexes for the

change in quality resulting from the effect of aging on rental housing. In January 1987, the Bureau announced its intention to begin making such adjustments, assuming that further research substantiated the need to do so. The decision to implement the adjustment was based on extensive BLS research, in which alternative adjustment methods were explored and tested. Evaluation of the research indicates that an aging effect exists, and that the chosen method is operationally feasible.¹ The adjustment affects CPI shelter indexes, which would have been raised by 0.2 percent for the year 1987 had an aging adjustment been applied.

The quality of housing unit decreases as the unit ages. Existing BLS methods are used to correct for relatively easily measured quality changes such as the addition of an extra bedroom, but such methods are inadequate to correct for deterioration in the condition of housing unit.²

The aging adjustment method was specifically designed to correct for quality changes associated with this deterioration. The BLS used hedonic regression methods to estimate the aging effect.

The estimates were then used to correct the CPI rent and rental equivalence indexes. Hedonic regressions are statistical functions that relate the price of a good to its attributes or characteristics. For example, a hedonic regression relates a housing unit's rent to its size, age, location, etc. By using BLS housing survey data from 1987 and Census data from 1980, hedonic regression methods provided estimates of the relationship between a housing unit's rent and age while other housing unit characteristics were held constant. The estimated relationship was then used to construct the aging adjustment. Estimates will be recomputed annually by using the previous year's BLS housing survey data and the most recently available Census data.

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.

¹ A complete technical presentation of BLS research on this subject is available in William C. Randolph, "Housing Depreciation and Aging Bias in the Consumer Price Index," BLS Working Paper No. 166, April 1987, and *Journal of Business and Economic Statistics*, Vol. 6, No. 3, July 1988, pp. 359-71 and in William C. Randolph, "Estimation of Housing Depreciation: Short Term Quality Change and Long Term Vintage Effects," BLS Working Paper No. 160, April 1986, and *Journal of Urban Economics*, Vol. 23, March 1988, 162-78. These papers are available from the BLS on request.

² For detail on existing quality adjustment methods, see *BLS Handbook of Methods*, chapter 19 (BLS Bulletin 2414).

How to Obtain Consumer Price Index Information

Consumer Price Index (CPI) information can be obtained from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) electronically, through subscriptions to publications, and via telephone and fax through automated recordings. Information specialists are also available to provide help and to respond to questions.

Electronic access to CPI data

BLS on the internet. Through the internet, the BLS provides free, easy, and continuous access to all published CPI data and press releases. The most recent month's CPI is made available immediately at the time of release. A database, called LABSTAT, containing current and historical data for the CPI is accessible. Data and press releases from other BLS surveys are also available. The site is accessible via World Wide Web (WWW), Gopher, and File Transfer Protocol (FTP), as described below. For help using any of these systems, send e-mail to LABSTAT.HELPDESK@BLS.GOV

World Wide Web. BLS maintains a website at <http://stats.bls.gov> The BLS home page provides easy access to LABSTAT, as well as links to program specific home pages. The CPI home page provides other CPI information, including a brief explanation of methodology, frequently asked questions and answers, contacts for further information, and explanations of how the CPI handles special items, like medical care and housing.

FTP and Gopher. These tools provide access to CPI LABSTAT data, as well as documentation and press release files organized in hierarchical directories. Using FTP or Gopher, connect to stats.bls.gov Logon as ANONYMOUS and use your complete internet e-mail address as the password.

Subscriptions to CPI publications

Summary Data. Free, monthly, two-page publication containing 1-month and 12-month percent changes for selected U.S. city average Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) index series. The all items index data for each local area are also included. To be added to the mailing list, write to: Office of Publications and Special Studies, Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2 Massachusetts Ave., NE., Room 2860, Washington, DC, 20212-0001 or call (202) 606-7828 or any of the regional offices listed on the inside back cover.

CPI Detailed Report. Most comprehensive report of the Consumer Price Index. See inside front cover for details.

Monthly Labor Review (MLR). The MLR provides selected CPI data included in a monthly summary of BLS data and occasional articles and methodological descriptions too ex-

tensive for inclusion in the *CPI Detailed Report*. The MLR costs \$29.00 per year or \$7.50 per issue. This publication may be ordered by writing to: New Orders, Superintendent of Documents, P.O. Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954, or by calling (202) 512-1800.

Recorded CPI data

Summary CPI data are provided 24-hours a day on recorded messages. Detailed CPI information is available by calling (202) 606-7828. A touch-tone telephone is recommended as this system allows the user to select specific indexes from lists of available data.

Information about the *U.S. city average and the Washington, DC-MD-VA area all items index* and the next release date is available by calling (202) 606-6994. This recording is approximately 2.5 minutes in length, and a touch-tone telephone is not needed.

Other sources of CPI data

Technical information is available between 8:15 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. Eastern time, Monday through Friday, by calling (202) 606-7000 or any of the regional offices listed on the inside back cover.

FAXSTAT. A wide variety of BLS information and data, including the CPI, are available on this fax-on-demand service. It provides the monthly CPI press release, selected regional and metropolitan historical data, and some technical information. It is available 24-hours a day. The latest CPI information is posted during the morning of release day. Call (202) 606-6325. Then, follow the instructions to have the latest catalog sent to you. This catalog will show you the BLS information that is available on FAXSTAT. Each regional office also has the system in place and includes additional regional CPI information.

Historical tables. These tables include all of the published indexes for each of the detailed CPI components. They are available via the internet, or by calling (202) 606-7000 or any of the regional offices listed on the inside back cover.

Descriptive and special publications. These publications describe the CPI and ways to use it. They include simple fact sheets discussing specific topics about the CPI, a broader, nontechnical overview of the CPI in a question and answer format, and a quite technical and thorough description of the CPI and its methodology. The publications are available upon request by calling (202) 606-7000.

Special publications. Various special publications such as the *Relative Importance of Components in the Consumer Price Index* and materials describing the annual revisions of seasonally adjusted CPI data are available. For more information call (202) 606-7000.

Further information may be obtained from the Office of Prices and Living Conditions, Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE, Room 3615, Washington, DC, 20212-0001, or by calling (202) 606-7000.

The unadjusted data are of primary interest to consumers concerned about the prices they actually pay. Unadjusted data also are 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.

In most cases, seasonal factors used in computing the seasonally adjusted indexes are derived by the X-11-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Method. The updated seasonal data at the end of 1977 replaced data from 1967 through 1977. Subsequent annual updates have replaced 5 years of seasonal data, for example, data from 1987 through 1991 were replaced at the end of 1991. The seasonal movement of all items and 47 other aggregations is derived by combining the seasonal movement of 60 selected components. Each year the seasonal status of every series is reevaluated based upon certain statistical criteria. Occasionally, a component changes its seasonal adjustment status from seasonally adjusted to not seasonally adjusted. When this occurs, not seasonally adjusted data are used for the last 5 years, but before that period the seasonally adjusted indexes remain in calculations of higher-level seasonally adjusted indexes.

Effective with the calculation of the seasonal factors for 1990, the Bureau of Labor Statistics has used an enhanced seasonal adjustment procedure called intervention analysis in conjunction with X-11-ARIMA for some CPI series. Intervention analysis allows for better estimates of seasonally adjusted data. Extreme values and/or sharp movements which might distort the seasonal pattern are removed from the data prior to calculation of seasonal factors in X-11-ARIMA.

For the fuel oil and the motor fuels indexes, this procedure was used to offset the effects that extreme price volatility would otherwise have had on the estimates of seasonally adjusted data for those series. For some women's apparel indexes and the girls' apparel index, the procedure was used to offset the effects of changes in pricing methodology; and for new cars, new trucks, and new vehicles, this procedure was used to offset the effects of changes in marketing strategies and the introduction of new models. For the tobacco and smoking products index, this procedure was used to offset the effects of increases in excise taxes and wholesale tobacco prices. For some alcoholic beverage series, intervention was used to offset the effects of excise tax increases.

An alternative to the intervention-adjusted X-11-ARIMA procedure is the state space model-based seasonal adjustment method. This method adjusts simultaneously for interventions and seasonal effects, rather than sequentially as in the X-11-ARIMA methodology, using structural statistical models with explanatory variables. The state space structural model-based method of seasonal adjustment was introduced in 1992 for the adjustment of January 1991-December 1991 indexes for three women's apparel series: Dresses, separates and sportswear, and suits.

A description of intervention analysis, including a list of

events treated as interventions and the seasonal factors for these items may be obtained by writing the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Division of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, Room 3615, Washington, DC 20212-0001 or by calling Claire McAnaw at (202) 606-6968.

Metropolitan Areas

BLS publishes five major metropolitan areas monthly:

Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI
 Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA
 New York-Northern NJ-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT
 Philadelphia-Wilmington-Trenton PA-NJ-DE-MD
 San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA

Data for additional 10 metropolitan areas are published every other month [on an odd (January, March, etc.) or even (February, April etc.) month schedule] for the following areas:

Baltimore, MD	-odd
Boston-Lawrence—Salem, MA-NH	-odd
Cleveland-Akron—Lorain, OH	-odd
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	-even
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	-even
Houston, TX	-even
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	-odd
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	-even
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	-odd
Washington, DC-MD-VA	-odd

(Note: The designation even or odd refers to the month during which the area's price change is measured. Due to the time needed for processing, data are released 2 to 3 weeks in to the following month.)

Data are published for another group of 12 metropolitan areas on a semiannual basis. These indexes, which refer to the arithmetic average for the 6-month periods from January through June and July through December, are published with release of the CPI for July and January, respectively, in August and February for:

Anchorage, AK	Kansas City, MO-KS
Atlanta, GA	Milwaukee, WI
Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY	Minneapolis-St. Paul MN-WI
Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN	Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA
Denver-Boulder, CO	San Diego, CA
Honolulu, HI	Seattle-Tacoma, WA

Finally, BLS recently began publication of CPI's for two metropolitan areas on an annual basis. These indexes represent the arithmetic averages for the 12-monthly period from January through December of each year. They are published with the release of the CPI for January, i.e., in February. These areas are:

New Orleans, LA
 Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL