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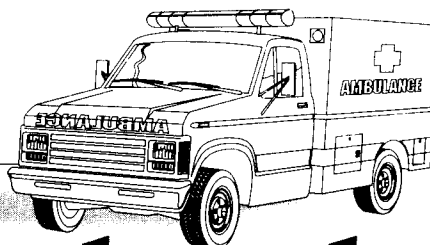
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# Price Movements

## January 1998

Note: Beginning with this report, the Consumer Price Indexes are being calculated on a revised basis, using 1993-95 expenditure patterns and updated population weights. In addition, changes have been made to the item classification and structure, and a number of technical improvements have been made. Over the next 2 years, additional improvements will be introduced.

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) rose 0.2 percent in January before seasonal adjustment to a level of 161.6 (1982-84=100). For the 12-month period ended in January, the CPI-U has increased 1.6 percent.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) rose 0.1 percent in January, prior to seasonal adjustment. The January 1998 CPI-W level of 158.4 was 1.3 percent higher than the index in January 1997.

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

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U was unchanged in January, following increases of 0.1 percent in each of the preceding 2 months. The food index advanced 0.3 percent in January. Grocery store food prices rose 0.4 percent in January, resulting from a sharp increase in prices for fruits and vegetables. The energy index, which fell 1.8 percent in December, declined 2.4 percent in January. The index for petroleum-based energy decreased 3.5 percent,

and the index for energy services declined 1.5 percent. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U rose 0.2 percent, the same as in December. The index for commodities less food and energy commodities rose 0.1 percent, and the index for services less energy services increased 0.2 percent in January.

The food and beverages index rose 0.3 percent in January. The index for grocery store food prices, which decreased 0.1 percent in December, rose 0.4 percent in January, due to a sharp turnaround in the index for fruits and vegetables—up 2.9 percent in January, after registering a 0.4-percent decrease in December. The index for fresh vegetables rose 7.9 percent, while the index for fresh fruits declined 1.0 percent in January. The index for processed fruits and vegetables rose 1.6 percent. The index for dairy and related products increased 0.3 percent and was the only other major grocery food group to register an advance in January. The indexes for cereal and bakery products, for nonalcoholic beverages, and for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs each

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

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted							Compound annual rate, 3 months ended January 1998	Unadjusted 12 months ended January 1998
	Changes from preceding month								
	1997						1998		
	July	August	September	October	November	December	January		
All Items .....	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.7	1.6
Food and beverages .....	.3	.3	.1	.2	.2	.1	.3	2.0	2.2
Housing .....	.2	.1	.3	.3	.3	.1	.1	1.8	2.1
Apparel .....	.2	-.5	.2	.1	.1	.2	-.5	-1.2	.2
Transportation .....	-.1	.6	.3	0	-.6	-.3	-.3	-4.6	-1.6
Medical care .....	.1	.2	.2	.2	.3	.3	.1	3.3	2.7
Recreation <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3	-	1.5
Education and communication <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	-	2.6
Other goods and services .....	.3	.5	.3	.7	.4	.4	.4	5.0	5.1
Special Indexes .....									
Energy .....	-4	1.5	.9	-2	0	-1.8	-2.4	-15.5	-6.5
Food .....	.3	.3	.1	.3	.1	0	.3	1.8	2.2
All items less food and energy .....	.2	.1	.2	.2	.1	.2	.2	2.1	2.2

<sup>1</sup> Data not available.

Note: Seasonal factors have been recalculated to reflect developments during 1997. For this reason, some of the seasonally adjusted figures above and elsewhere in this report differ from those previously published.

declined—down 0.1, 0.2, and 0.3 percent, respectively—while the index for other food at home was unchanged in January. Within the index for meats, poultry, fish and eggs, prices for beef, pork poultry and eggs prices all declined. The other two components of the food and beverages index—food away from home and alcoholic beverages—rose 0.1 and 0.2 percent, respectively.

The housing component, which was unchanged in December, rose 0.1 percent in January. Shelter costs rose 0.2 percent. Within shelter, rent and owners' equivalent rent each rose 0.2 percent, while lodging away from home decreased 0.2 percent. The index for fuel and utilities, which decreased 1.1 percent in December, fell 1.2 percent in January. The index for household fuels declined 1.6 percent, reflecting decreases of 2.7 percent each in the indexes for fuel oil and for natural gas and 1.0 percent in the index for electricity. The index for household furnishings and operation increased 0.2 percent in January.

The transportation component declined for the third consecutive month, down 0.3 percent in January. A drop in the index for motor fuels offset upturns in the indexes for public transportation and for new vehicles. The index for gasoline, which declined 1.6 percent in December, fell 3.6 percent in January. Gasoline prices have fallen 9.9 percent over the last 12 months and as of January were 18.2 percent lower than their peak level of November 1990. The index for new vehicle prices increased 0.1 percent, following declines in each of the preceding 5 months. (As of January, about 80 percent of the new vehicle sample was represented by 1998 models.) The index for used cars and trucks increased 0.1 percent. Public transportation costs rose 1.6 percent in January. The index for airline fares, which declined 3.9 and 1.4 percent in November and December, respectively, increased 2.7 percent in January.

The index for apparel decreased 0.5 percent in January,

following a 0.2-percent rise in December. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, apparel prices fell 1.4 percent.)

Medical care costs rose 0.1 percent in January to a level 2.7 percent above a year ago. The index for medical care commodities—prescription drugs, nonprescription drugs, and medical supplies—rose 0.2 percent. The index for medical care services rose 0.1 percent. Charges for professional services increased 0.3 percent, while those for hospital and related services declined 0.1 percent.

Recreation costs rose 0.3 percent in January, reflecting a 1.7-percent rise in the index for cable television.

The index for education and communication was unchanged in January. A 0.4-percent increase in education costs was offset by a 0.4-percent decrease in communication costs. Within the communication category, the indexes for telephone services and for other information and information processing services each declined; the cost of cellular telephone services fell 1.0 percent.

The index for other goods and services rose 0.4 percent in January, the same as in each of the 2 preceding months. The index for tobacco and smoking products rose 0.7 percent, and prices for personal care products increased 0.6 percent.

### 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 January.

### CPI (old series)

For the first 6 months of 1998, BLS also will calculate old series CPI-U and old series CPI-W, based on the 1982-84 expenditure pattern used in the CPI from 1987 through 1997. These old series data are contained in tables 1(OS)-4(OS). From December 1997 to January 1998, the old series CPI-U

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

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted							Compound annual rate, 3 months ended January 1998	Unadjusted 12 months ended January 1998
	Changes from preceding month								
	1997						1998		
	July	August	September	October	November	December	January		
All Items .....	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.5	1.3
Food and beverages .....	.3	.3	.1	.3	.1	0	.3	1.8	2.0
Housing .....	.2	.1	.3	.3	.3	0	0	1.3	2.0
Apparel .....	.2	-.5	.2	0	0	0	-.5	-2.1	0
Transportation .....	-.1	.7	.2	-.1	-.6	-.3	-.5	-5.2	-2.0
Medical care .....	.1	.2	.2	.2	.3	.4	.2	3.3	2.7
Recreation¹ .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3	-	1.5
Education and communication¹ .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.1	-	2.6
Other goods and services .....	.3	.4	.5	.7	.4	.4	.5	5.4	5.3
Special Indexes									
Energy .....	-.4	1.7	.9	-.2	-.2	-1.9	-2.5	-16.8	-7.1
Food .....	.3	.3	.1	.2	.2	-.1	.4	2.0	2.0
All items less food and energy .....	.2	0	.2	.2	.1	.2	.2	1.9	2.1

<sup>1</sup> Data not available.

rose 0.2 percent, and the old series CPI-W rose 0.1 percent. (Note: These series are not seasonally adjusted.)

### Overview of Publication Changes

In January 1998, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) introduced a new geographic area sample, a revised item structure, and updated expenditure weights into the Consumer Price Index (CPI). Approximately every 10 years, the CPI undertakes this type of revision, in order to keep the index up-to-date. Since World War II, revisions of the CPI (besides this one) 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 were taken, in order to ameliorate the effects of these changes. Beginning with the release of the January 1997 index, data series that were to be changed or dropped from publication have been footnoted in all BLS published tables. This provided an early warning for users to reconsider their use of those indexes and provided 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 item structure

Effective in 1998, there are 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 formerly available seven major groups to the new total of eight.

Previously, the major groups were: 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 remained 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.

### Changes to geographic structure

In each revision, the CPI geographic sample is selected to be representative of current demographics of the United States. The 1998 revision uses the 1990 Census of population. The CPI developed an updated area sample design, decided on new local area indexes, and changed the frequency of publication for local area indexes, in order to better reflect these new demographics.

In addition to the national index, BLS formerly published indexes for 29 metropolitan areas. In 1998, it continues 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 the BLS formerly published separately, constitute a new Consolidated Metropolitan Statistical Area. A single index is now published for this consolidated area.

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

- Monthly indexes are now published for the three largest metropolitan areas. Because of sample design considerations, indexes for the Philadelphia and San Francisco areas, both formerly published monthly, are now published every other month, following the release of the December, 1997 index.
- Bimonthly indexes are published for the next 11 largest areas, including Atlanta and Seattle (These cities used to have semiannual average indexes.)
- Semiannual average indexes are now published for 12 additional areas, including Pittsburgh and St. Louis. (These cities formerly had bimonthly indexes.)
- BLS continues to publish separate indexes for the four census regions of the United States. However, beginning in 1998, there are only two area size classes for metropolitan areas, instead of the former 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 cutoff of 1.5 million in population reflects a rise from the former cutoff of 1.2 million and is important, since 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 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 is the full list of areas for which indexes are currently published, since January 1998:

### Metropolitan areas for which a local index is 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 is 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  
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 is published semiannually (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

**A note on seasonally adjusted data**

Beginning with release of seasonal adjustment factors for 1997 in February 1998, seasonal adjustment will be performed using X-12-ARIMA. X-12-ARIMA is a seasonal

adjustment software package developed by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. The X-12-ARIMA seasonal adjustment program is an enhanced version of the X-11 Variant of the Census Method II seasonal adjustment program. The enhancements include a variety of new diagnostics and modeling tools, to help the user detect and remedy any inadequacies in the seasonal adjustments obtained under the program options selected.

In addition, seasonally adjusted data for some index series have been affected by changes to the CPI publication structure introduced with data for January 1998.

**BLS to maintain current reference base of 1982-84=100 for most CPI index series**

The Bureau of Labor Statistics previously indicated its intention to change the numerical reference base for both the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) from their present 1982-84=100 base to a 1993-95=100 base, effective with release of the January 1999 index in February 1999. BLS also indicated that the alternate, or 1967=100 base, will be discontinued in 1999, as well. This plan was initially described in the December 1996 *Monthly Labor Review*, which contained several articles that dealt with the 1998 CPI revision.

BLS has now decided not to implement this rebasing plan. Instead, the Bureau will maintain the reference base of 1982-84=100 used for most items. In addition, the 1967=100 reference base will continue to be the alternate base for the All Items indexes. This decision is based, in part, on the fact that historical data have less precision after rebasing. (Rebasing is simply an arithmetic transformation that does not substantively impact the index.) Because rebased index values are smaller than before the rebasing took place, however, the loss of precision due to rounding is serious. In addition, retaining the old index reference base will spare users the inconvenience associated with conversion.

Changes in the numerical reference base should not be confused with the plans by BLS to update the market basket of the CPI. With release of the January CPI in February 1998, the expenditure weights applied to CPI categories will be based on consumer spending patterns for 1993-95.

### **Using a Hedonic Model to Adjust Prices of Personal Computers in the Consumer Price Index for Changes in Quality**

Effective with the release of data for January 1998, BLS introduced an improved quality adjustment technique in a new stratum called personal computers and peripheral equipment in the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

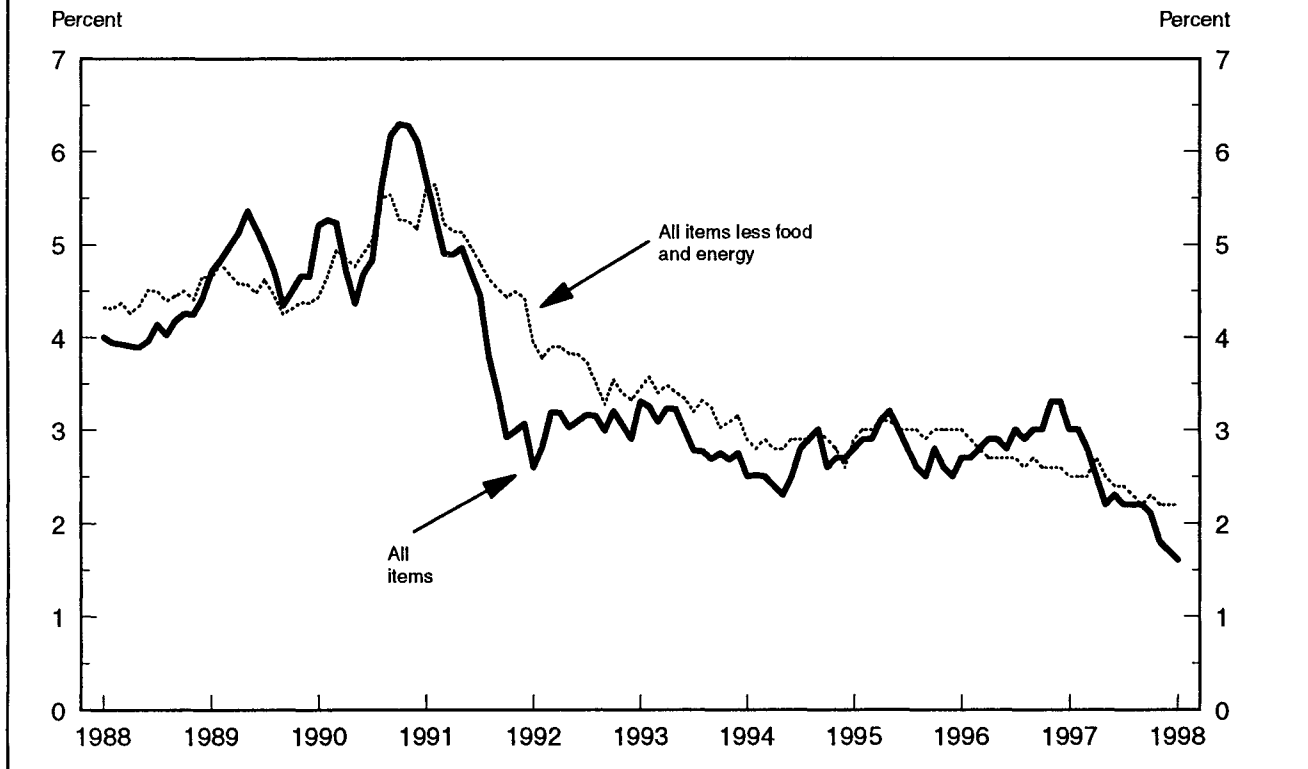
Formerly, personal computers were part of the information processing equipment stratum. As previously announced, beginning with the CPI for January 1998, information processing equipment became an expenditure class entitled Information and information processing other than telephone services. Personal computers and peripheral equipment are one of four strata in that expenditure class.

Analysts in the Producer Price Index (PPI) program have developed and implemented a regression procedure, called a hedonic model, that decomposes the price of personal computers into implicit prices for each important feature and component of the computer. This model, which has been used in the PPI since 1991, provides a way to estimate the value of price changes or improvements. (The CPI has used similar hedonic methods to adjust apparel prices for many years.)

Starting with the CPI for January 1998, when a personal computer (or selected item of peripheral equipment, such as a modem) in the CPI sample improves in some way, a regression-based quality adjustment is made. The value of the improvement, as derived from the PPI regression estimates, is deducted from the observed price change for the product. (Conversely, if a model deteriorates, the value of the difference is added to the price.)

Additional information on these changes was published in the June 1997 *CPI Detailed Report* and is available on the Internet (at <http://stats.bls.gov/cpihome.htm>). This information can also be obtained by writing to Bureau of Labor Statistics, Division of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, Room 3260, 2 Massachusetts Ave. NE., Washington, DC 20212 or by contacting Joseph Chelena electronically [chelena\\_j@bls.gov](mailto:chelena_j@bls.gov) or by phone at (202) 606-6982, ext. 255.

## CPI-U 12-month changes, 1988 to present



# Response Rates for the Consumer Price Indexes, 1997

This article and the accompanying tables update articles previously published on response rates in the *CPI Detailed Report* for March 1991 and in the January issues of 1992 through 1997.

In an effort to measure the outcome of data collection for the CPI, the Bureau calculates response rates. Response rates measure the proportion of completed surveys to those issued and help measure the accuracy of the CPI. Failure of a data unit to respond at either the data collection stage or estimation stage represents a loss of statistical information, which dilutes the accuracy of the sample. BLS publishes response rates annually to assist the data user in judging the accuracy of CPI data.

BLS calculates response rates for the CPI-U at the data collection phase for initiation and pricing and at the data estimation phase for pricing. The response rate at the data collection phase is the number of responding sample units divided by the number of eligible sample units. A sample unit is eligible, if it belongs to the defined target population and if it provides information for one or more items. The response rate at estimation is defined as the number of sample units used in estimation divided by the number of eligible sample units.

Response rates for 1997 are presented in tables R-1 through R-16. Table R-1 shows response rates for all data included in the CPI-U, U.S. city average, by major group, for all of 1997. Tables R-2 through R-16 show rates for current data collection in selected areas for which indexes are published monthly and bimonthly.

Response rates in tables R-1 through R-16 are separated into commodities and services and the shelter portion of housing. Commodities and services are further broken down into

outlets and quotes. An "outlet" is a generic term that designates the place where prices are collected. A "quote" is a specific item to be priced in a specific outlet. (There can be from 1 to more than 50 quotes priced in each outlet.)

In table R-1, it is important to note the relatively low percentages of quotes reported, collected, and used in estimation for apparel and upkeep. Low rates for these items can be partially attributed to the design of the apparel sample. Because seasonal apparel items commonly are in stores only during certain times of the year, most of the apparel sample is doubled, with each half of the sample designated for pricing during part of the year. Thus, at any particular time of the year, a large number of apparel quotes, although eligible, are designated out of season and are not collected.

The shelter section in tables R-1 through R-16 includes categories for owners, renters, and those for whom the tenure status is unknown. A unit qualifies as an owner or renter unit, if its tenure status is known either by previous knowledge or is collected in the current interview period. The response rates at the data collection phase for shelter are separated into three categories. If useable information is obtained, the unit is designated *data reported*. If the assigned unit is located but is unoccupied, the unit is designated *found vacant*. In instances where the unit is eligible but no data are available (for example, refusals or no one at home) the unit is designated *other*.

For additional information on response rates, write to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Division of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, Room 3615, 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., Washington, DC 20212-0001, or e-mail Doris L. Johnson at johnson\_dl@bls.gov or call her at (202) 606-7000.

Table R-1. Response rates for the CPI-U, U.S. city average, by major group and shelter, 1997

Commodities and services	Outlets	Quotes							
		Total	Food	Housing (excluding shelter)	Apparel and upkeep	Transportation	Medical care	Entertainment	Other goods and services
Eligible	278,618	1,003,132	496,691	147,738	128,511	99,687	57,850	37,865	34,790
Collected									
Number	269,480	874,874	457,829	135,466	73,099	93,654	49,206	32,585	33,035
Percent	96.7	87.2	92.2	91.7	56.9	93.9	85.1	86.1	95.0
Used in estimation									
Number	259,249	862,180	453,838	133,689	70,406	92,467	47,047	31,918	32,815
Percent	93.0	85.9	91.4	90.5	54.8	92.8	81.3	84.3	94.3
Shelter	All Units	Owners	Renters	Unknown					
Eligible									
Number	84,178	16,914	65,404	1,860					
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0					
Collected									
Data reported									
Number	52,267	1,500	50,635	132					
Percent	62.1	8.9	77.4	7.1					
Found vacant									
Number	6,660	208	5,745	707					
Percent	7.9	1.2	8.8	38.0					
Other									
Number	25,251	15,206	9,024	1,021					
Percent	30.0	89.9	13.8	54.9					
Used in estimation									
Number	52,485	1,708	50,777	0					
Percent	62.4	10.1	77.6	0.0					

Table R-2. Response rates for the CPI-U, Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI, 1997

Commodities and services	Total		Shelter	All Units	Owners	Renters	Unknown
	Outlets	Quotes					
Eligible	15,400	51,934	Eligible				
Collected			Number	3,039	658	2,309	72
Number	14,781	44,690	Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percent	96.0	87.5	Collected				
Used in estimation			Data reported				
Number	14,261	44,126	Number	1,908	69	1,839	0
Percent	93.1	85.8	Percent	62.8	10.5	79.6	0.0
			Found vacant				
			Number	211	3	155	53
			Percent	6.9	0.5	6.7	73.6
			Other				
			Number	920	586	315	19
			Percent	30.3	89.1	13.6	26.4
			Used in estimation				
			Number	1,862	72	1,790	0
			Percent	61.3	10.9	77.5	0.0



Table R-3. Response rates for the CPI-U, Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, 1997

Commodities and services	Total		Shelter	All Units	Owners	Renters	Unknown
	Outlets	Quotes					
Eligible	21,446	67,536	Eligible				
Collected			Number	5,374	819	4,443	112
Number	20,825	59,798	Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percent	97.1	88.5	Collected				
Used in estimation			Data reported				
Number	19,999	58,882	Number	3,677	71	3,568	38
Percent	93.3	87.2	Percent	68.4	8.7	80.3	33.9
			Found vacant				
			Number	389	13	354	22
			Percent	7.2	1.6	8.0	19.6
			Other				
			Number	1,308	735	521	52
			Percent	24.3	89.7	11.7	46.4
			Used in estimation				
			Number	3,683	84	3,599	0
			Percent	68.5	10.3	81.0	0.0

Table R-4. Response rates for the CPI-U, NY-Northern NJ-Long Island, 1997

Commodities and services	Total		Shelter	All Units	Owners	Renters	Unknown
	Outlets	Quotes					
Eligible	26,500	88,957	Eligible				
Collected			Number	6,654	1,138	5,372	144
Number	25,736	75,022	Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percent	97.1	84.3	Collected				
Used in estimation			Data reported				
Number	24,537	74,111	Number	3,698	199	3,497	2
Percent	92.6	83.3	Percent	55.6	17.5	65.1	1.4
			Found vacant				
			Number	266	9	219	38
			Percent	4.0	0.8	4.1	26.4
			Other				
			Number	2,690	930	1,656	104
			Percent	40.4	81.7	30.8	72.2
			Used in estimation				
			Number	3,382	208	3,174	0
			Percent	50.8	18.3	59.1	0.0

Table R-5. Response rates for the CPI-U, Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD, 1997

Commodities and services	Total		Shelter	All Units	Owners	Renters	Unknown
	Outlets	Quotes					
Eligible	9,041	26,867	Eligible				
Collected			Number	2,291	523	1,746	22
Number	8,703	23,131	Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percent	96.3	86.1	Collected				
Used in estimation			Data reported				
Number	8,302	22,841	Number	1,358	57	1,301	0
Percent	91.8	85.0	Percent	59.3	10.9	74.5	0.0
			Found vacant				
			Number	181	10	162	9
			Percent	7.9	1.9	9.3	40.9
			Other				
			Number	752	456	283	13
			Percent	32.8	87.2	16.2	59.1
			Used in estimation				
			Number	1,375	67	1,308	0
			Percent	60.0	12.8	74.9	0.0

Table R-6. Response rates for the CPI-U, San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA, 1997

Commodities and services	Total		Shelter	All Units	Owners	Renters	Unknown
	Outlets	Quotes					
Eligible	9,253	31,652	Eligible				
Collected			Number	2,588	446	2,107	35
Number	8,978	21,547	Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percent	97.0	68.1	Collected				
Used in estimation			Data reported				
Number	8,640	27,213	Number	1,853	51	1,790	12
Percent	93.4	86.0	Percent	71.6	11.4	85.0	34.3
			Found vacant				
			Number	92	1	80	11
			Percent	3.6	0.2	3.8	31.4
			Other				
			Number	643	394	237	12
			Percent	24.8	88.3	11.2	34.3
			Used in estimation				
			Number	1,807	52	1,755	0
			Percent	69.8	11.7	83.3	0.0

Table R-7. Response rates for the CPI-U, Baltimore, MD, 1997

Commodities and services	Total		Shelter	All Units	Owners	Renters	Unknown
	Outlets	Quotes					
Eligible	3,209	9,819	Eligible				
Collected			Number	1,254	233	1,012	9
Number	3,116	8,393	Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percent	97.1	85.5	Collected				
Used in estimation			Data reported				
Number	2,974	8,246	Number	773	12	761	0
Percent	92.7	84.0	Percent	61.6	5.2	75.2	0.0
			Found vacant				
			Number	118	1	112	5
			Percent	9.4	0.4	11.1	55.6
			Other				
			Number	363	220	139	4
			Percent	28.9	94.4	13.7	44.4
			Used in estimation				
			Number	802	13	789	0
			Percent	64.0	5.6	78.0	0.0

Table R-8. Response rates for the CPI-U, Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH, 1997

Commodities and services	Total		Shelter	All Units	Owners	Renters	Unknown
	Outlets	Quotes					
Eligible	3,248	10,091	Eligible				
Collected			Number	1,474	272	1,175	27
Number	3,152	8,562	Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percent	97.0	84.8	Collected				
Used in estimation			Data reported				
Number	3,038	8,432	Number	939	29	910	0
Percent	93.5	83.6	Percent	63.7	10.7	77.4	0.0
			Found vacant				
			Number	73	0	66	7
			Percent	5.0	0.0	5.6	25.9
			Other				
			Number	462	243	199	20
			Percent	31.3	89.3	16.9	74.1
			Used in estimation				
			Number	852	29	823	0
			Percent	57.8	10.7	70.0	0.0

Table R-9. Response rates for the CPI-U, Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH, 1997

Commodities and services	Total		Shelter	All Units	Owners	Renters	Unknown
	Outlets	Quotes					
Eligible	3,129	9,915	Eligible				
Collected			Number	1,084	218	835	31
Number	3,005	8,320	Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percent	96.0	83.9	Collected				
Used in estimation			Data reported				
Number	2,873	8,107	Number	664	16	648	0
Percent	91.8	81.8	Percent	61.3	7.3	77.6	0.0
			Found vacant				
			Number	71	0	58	13
			Percent	6.5	0.0	6.9	41.9
			Other				
			Number	349	202	129	18
			Percent	32.2	92.7	15.4	58.1
			Used in estimation				
			Number	650	16	634	0
			Percent	60.0	7.3	75.9	0.0

Table R-10. Response rates for the CPI-U, Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL, 1997

Commodities and services	Total		Shelter	All Units	Owners	Renters	Unknown
	Outlets	Quotes					
Eligible	2,951	9,795	Eligible				
Collected			Number	1,313	265	1,024	24
Number	2,838	8,348	Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percent	96.2	85.2	Collected				
Used in estimation			Data reported				
Number	2,742	8,132	Number	897	35	861	1
Percent	92.9	83.0	Percent	68.3	13.2	84.1	4.2
			Found vacant				
			Number	99	1	90	8
			Percent	7.5	0.4	8.8	33.3
			Other				
			Number	317	229	73	15
			Percent	24.1	86.4	7.1	62.5
			Used in estimation				
			Number	935	36	899	0
			Percent	71.2	13.6	87.8	0.0

Table R-11. Response rates for the CPI-U, St. Louis, MO-IL, 1997

Commodities and services	Total		Shelter	All Units	Owners	Renters	Unknown
	Outlets	Quotes					
Eligible	3,093	9,891	Eligible				
Collected			Number	1,222	253	950	19
Number	2,950	8,307	Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percent	95.4	84.0	Collected				
Used in estimation			Data reported				
Number	2,853	8,126	Number	634	20	614	0
Percent	92.2	82.2	Percent	51.9	7.9	64.6	0.0
			Found vacant				
			Number	120	3	109	8
			Percent	9.8	1.2	11.5	42.1
			Other				
			Number	468	230	227	11
			Percent	38.3	90.9	23.9	57.9
			Used in estimation				
			Number	671	23	648	0
			Percent	63.3	9.1	68.2	0.0

Table R-12. Response rates for the CPI-U, Washington, DC-MD-VA, 1997

Commodities and services	Total		Shelter	All Units	Owners	Renters	Unknown
	Outlets	Quotes					
Eligible	3,231	9,842	Eligible				
Collected			Number	1,371	311	1,052	8
Number	3,101	8,142	Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percent	96.0	82.7	Collected				
Used in estimation			Data reported				
Number	2,950	7,869	Number	767	25	742	0
Percent	91.3	80.0	Percent	55.9	8.0	70.5	0.0
			Found vacant				
			Number	86	0	84	2
			Percent	6.3	0.0	8.0	25.0
			Other				
			Number	518	286	226	6
			Percent	37.8	92.0	21.5	75.0
			Used in estimation				
			Number	802	25	777	0
			Percent	58.5	8.0	73.9	0.0

Table R-13. Response rates for the CPI-U, Dallas-Fort Worth, TX, 1997

Commodities and services	Total		Shelter	All Units	Owners	Renters	Unknown
	Outlets	Quotes					
Eligible	2,967	9,263	Eligible				
Collected			Number	1,656	275	1,363	18
Number	2,808	7,751	Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percent	94.6	83.7	Collected				
Used in estimation			Data reported				
Number	2,670	7,535	Number	1,115	24	1,091	0
Percent	90.0	81.3	Percent	67.3	8.7	80.0	0.0
			Found vacant				
			Number	103	7	92	4
			Percent	6.2	2.5	6.7	22.2
			Other				
			Number	438	244	180	14
			Percent	26.4	88.7	13.2	77.8
			Used in estimation				
			Number	1,144	31	1,113	0
			Percent	69.1	11.3	81.7	0.0

Table R-14. Response rates for the CPI-U, Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI, 1997

Commodities and services	Total		Shelter	All Units	Owners	Renters	Unknown
	Outlets	Quotes					
Eligible	4,786	15,818	Eligible				
Collected			Number	1,774	450	1,287	37
Number	4,637	13,585	Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percent	96.9	85.9	Collected				
Used in estimation			Data reported				
Number	4,402	13,366	Number	1,071	41	1,030	0
Percent	92.0	84.5	Percent	60.4	9.1	80.0	0.0
			Found vacant				
			Number	64	1	47	16
			Percent	3.6	0.2	3.7	43.2
			Other				
			Number	639	408	210	21
			Percent	36.0	90.7	16.3	56.8
			Used in estimation				
			Number	996	42	954	0
			Percent	56.1	9.3	74.1	0.0

Table R-15. Response rates for the CPI-U, Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX, 1997

Commodities and services	Total		Shelter	All Units	Owners	Renters	Unknown
	Outlets	Quotes					
Eligible	2,963	9,478	Eligible				
Collected			Number	1,416	295	1,102	19
Number	2,862	8,030	Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percent	96.6	84.7	Collected				
Used in estimation			Data reported				
Number	2,682	7,729	Number	851	15	836	0
Percent	90.5	81.5	Percent	60.1	5.1	75.9	0.0
			Found vacant				
			Number	128	4	107	17
			Percent	9.0	1.4	9.7	89.5
			Other				
			Number	437	276	159	2
			Percent	30.9	93.6	14.4	10.5
			Used in estimation				
			Number	879	19	860	0
			Percent	62.1	6.4	78.0	0.0

Table R-16. Response rates for the CPI-U, Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA, 1997

Commodities and services	Total		Shelter	All Units	Owners	Renters	Unknown
	Outlets	Quotes					
Eligible	3,056	9,661	Eligible				
Collected			Number	999	187	763	49
Number	2,960	8,087	Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percent	96.9	83.7	Collected				
Used in estimation			Data reported				
Number	2,804	7,816	Number	486	12	474	0
Percent	91.8	80.9	Percent	48.6	6.4	62.1	0.0
			Found vacant				
			Number	93	0	78	15
			Percent	9.3	0.0	10.2	30.6
			Other				
			Number	420	175	211	34
			Percent	42.0	93.6	27.7	69.4
			Used in estimation				
			Number	483	12	471	0
			Percent	48.3	6.4	61.7	0.0

# Intervention Analysis in Seasonal Adjustment

Seasonal adjustment is the process by which the typical seasonal movement of prices for goods or services in a Consumer Price Index series is quantified and factored out of the series. This process permits analysis of nonseasonal price movements. CPI series use the X-12-ARIMA program developed by the Bureau of the Census to calculate factors for seasonal adjustment of both historical and current series. Some CPI series are adjusted using intervention analysis seasonal adjustment techniques.

Intervention analysis seasonal adjustment is a technique that allows nonseasonal economic phenomena, such as outliers and level shifts to be factored out of the indexes before calculation of the seasonal adjustment factors. A level shift is a change (or shift) in the price level of a CPI series occurring over 1 or several months caused by events such as a sales tax increase or oil embargo. The result is an adjustment based on a representation of the series with the seasonal pattern emphasized. Intervention analysis seasonal adjustment also makes it possible to account for seasonal shifts, resulting in a better seasonal adjustment in the periods before and after the shift occurred.

When X-12-ARIMA is used to perform intervention analysis seasonal adjustment, the unusual events are modeled as part of the seasonal adjustment process, using X-12-ARIMA's built-in regressors for directly estimating the effects of sudden level changes and other disruptions and removing those effects before calculation of the seasonal factors. For a more comprehensive discussion of X-12-ARIMA and intervention analysis seasonal adjustment, see "Improvements to CPI Procedures for intervention analysis seasonal adjustment" in the December 1996 issue of the *CPI Detailed Report*.

In January 1998, the series listed below were adjusted using intervention analysis seasonal adjustment techniques. These series were examined using the 8-year span from January 1990 through December 1997.

Nonalcoholic beverages  
Alcoholic beverages  
Alcoholic beverages at home  
Beer and ale at home  
Wine at home  
Distilled spirits at home  
Alcoholic beverages away from home  
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities  
Fuel oil  
Utility (piped) gas  
Water and sewerage maintenance  
Women's coats and jackets  
Women's dresses  
Women's separates and sportswear  
Women's underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories  
Women's suits  
Girls' apparel  
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products  
Motor fuel  
Gasoline, all types  
Unleaded regular gasoline  
Unleaded premium gasoline  
Tobacco and smoking products

For each series that was adjusted using X-12-ARIMA intervention analysis seasonal adjustment, a complete list of level shifts is provided in the table below, along with the identified causes for each shift. Outliers, or extreme values for a particular month, are also included in the list.

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# Consumer Price Index series — intervention analysis seasonal adjustment

Series	Level shift period (s)	Event	Outliers
Nonalcoholic beverages	6/94-8/94	Coffee price increase due primarily to two freezes in Brazil in July 1994, which combined with the effects of a coffee poor crop in Latin America and restriction of available by a cartel.	none
	3/97-7/97	Coffee price increase due to labor problems in Colombia and supply problems in Brazil	
Alcoholic beverages	12/90-2/91	Federal excise tax increase on alcoholic beverages	1/91
Alcoholic beverages at home	12/90-2/91	Federal excise tax increase on alcoholic beverages	1/91
Beer and ale at home	12/90-2/91	Federal excise tax increase on alcoholic beverages	1/91, 3/93
Wine at home	12/90-2/91	Federal excise tax increase on still wine and artificially carbonated wine	1/91
Distilled spirits at home	12/90-2/91	Federal excise tax increase on alcoholic beverages	1/91
Alcoholic beverages away from home	12/90-2/91	Federal excise tax increase on alcoholic beverages	1/91, 9/91, 11/93, 1/94
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	7/90-10/90	Shortage and anticipated shortage in oil supply due to Iraqi invasion of Kuwait	11/90-5/91
	11/90-5/91 10/96	Recovery from price shock due to Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Suppliers' policy of keeping limited inventories on hand coupled with consumer expectations of a cold winter resulted in price increases.	4/96, 5/96
Fuel oil	7/90-10/90	Shortage and anticipated shortage in oil supply due to Iraqi invasion of Kuwait	1/90, 1/96
	11/90-5/91 10/96	Recovery from price shock due to Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Suppliers' policy of keeping limited inventories on hand coupled with consumer expectations of a cold winter resulted in price increases.	4/96, 5/96
Utility (piped) gas	3/90-4/90 1/97 4/97	Price drop after unusually cold winter Higher purchased gas adjustments in the Midwest Lower purchased gas adjustments in the Midwest	4/91, 11/92, 11/97
Water and sewerage maintenance	3/96	Incorrect service priced; price increase erroneously attributed to environmental clean-up charge passed on to consumers.	none
	7/96	Return to pricing of correct service.	
Women's coats and jackets	none	not applicable	2/92, 6/92, 7/92, 12/93
Women's dresses	none	not applicable	2/90, 3/93, 2/96
Women's separates	none	not applicable	4/92, 9/92
Women's underwear, nightwear, hosiery and accessories	none	not applicable	11/97
			5/92, 12/92,
Women's suits	2/90	The CPI changed its procedures to allow substitutions to occur earlier in the selling season than in previous years. Retailers' better control over inventories, which tends to limit price-cutting at the end of each season, exacerbated the shifts caused by the procedural change.	8/93, 8/94, 1/95
Girls' apparel	none	not applicable	4/95

**CPI series — intervention analysis seasonal adjustment-Continued**

Series	Level shift period (s)	Event	Outliers
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products	7/90-10/90 12/90-3/91 10/93	Supply uncertainty from Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Recovery from price shock due to Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Increase in Federal motor fuel tax	7/97
Motor fuel	7/90-10/90 12/90-3/91 10/93	Supply uncertainty from Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Recovery from price shock due to Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Increase in Federal motor fuel tax	7/97
Gasoline, all types	7/90-10/90 12/90-3/91 10/93	Supply uncertainty from Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Recovery from price shock due to Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Increase in Federal motor fuel tax	7/97
Unleaded regular gasoline	7/90-10/90 12/90-3/91 10/93	Supply uncertainty from Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Recovery from price shock due to Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Increase in Federal motor fuel tax	7/97
Unleaded premium gasoline	7/90-10/90 12/90-3/91 10/93	Supply uncertainty from Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Recovery from price shock due to Iraqi invasion of Kuwait Increase in Federal motor fuel tax	7/97
Tobacco and smoking products	5/90-7/90 7/93-9/93	State excise tax increase and wholesale price increase for cigarettes Wholesale price decrease for cigarettes	11/90, 12/91, 5/92, 8/92 11/92, 6/93 4/97

# The Impact of the 1998 Revision on Seasonal Adjustment

The 1998 Consumer Price Index revision included the introduction of a new item structure and the updating of expenditure weights. For data through December 1997, the seasonally adjusted U.S. city average All items index was calculated by aggregating 60 component series. Beginning with the January 1998 data, the seasonally adjusted U.S. city average All items index will be calculated by aggregating 73 component series. The seasonally adjusted component series are used in the aggregation when possible; for series that are not adjusted, the unadjusted series is used in the aggregation. The new components reflect the new item structure and were chosen to maximize the amount of index weight eligible for seasonal adjustment. (Index series must have 5 years of data available to be eligible.) In the revised structure, 95 percent of the weight of the All items index is eligible for seasonal adjustment.

Seasonal adjustment is a retrospective process. Seasonal factors and seasonally adjusted indexes are calculated using the most recent 8 years of data. In February 1998, seasonally adjusted indexes for January 1993 through December 1997 were revised. For component index series that contin-

ued from the old item structure, seasonal factors for January 1998-December 1998 were projected by duplicating the January 1997-December 1997 seasonal factors. New series are not seasonally adjusted, due to lack of data.

For aggregate series that changed composition in the revised CPI, historical seasonal factors were constructed, using the old aggregation structure and weights. The 1998 seasonal factors for these indexes are based on the new aggregation structure and the updated (1993-1995) expenditure weights. Seasonal factors for new aggregate series, such as the major groups "Recreation" and "Education and Communication," are also constructed for 1998, using the new weights and aggregation structure. These new aggregate series are now available for January 1993 through December 1997, only on an unadjusted basis. We are examining the possibility of providing historical seasonal factors and seasonally adjusted indexes for these series. In the future, we may also provide seasonal factors for the special historical research series available on request for certain other indexes, such as Housing, which changed composition with the revision but were deemed continuous.

**Consumer Price Index (old series): Components for seasonal aggregation to All items**

Item		Title	Status — 1997
1	SA1111	Cereal and bakery products	Seasonally adjusted
2	SE03	Beef and veal	Seasonally adjusted
3	SE04	Pork	Seasonally adjusted
4	SE05	Other meats	Not adjusted
5	SE06	Poultry	Not adjusted
6	SE07	Fish and seafood	Seasonally adjusted
7	SE08	Eggs	Seasonally adjusted
8	SA1113	Dairy products	Not adjusted
9	SE1101	Apples	Seasonally adjusted
10	SE1102	Bananas	Seasonally adjusted
11	SE1103	Oranges	Seasonally adjusted
12	SE1104	Other fresh fruit	Seasonally adjusted
13	SE12	Fresh vegetables	Seasonally adjusted
14	SA11142	Processed fruits and vegetables	Seasonally adjusted
15	SE15	Sugar and sweets	Seasonally adjusted
16	SE16	Fats and oils	Seasonally adjusted
17	SE17	Nonalcoholic beverages	Seasonally adjusted
18	SE18	Other prepared foods	Seasonally adjusted
19	SE19	Food away from home	Not adjusted
20	SE20	Alcoholic beverages	Seasonally adjusted
21	SE2101	Rent of dwelling	Seasonally adjusted
22	SA2112	Other renters' costs	Seasonally adjusted
23	SE2201	Owners' equivalent rent	Seasonally adjusted
24	SE2202	Household insurance	Seasonally adjusted
25	SE23	Maintenance and repair services	Not adjusted
26	SE24	Maintenance and repair commodities	Not adjusted
27	SE25	Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	Seasonally adjusted
28	SE2601	Electricity	Seasonally adjusted
29	SE2602	Utility (piped) gas	Seasonally adjusted
30	SE27	Other utilities and public services	Seasonally adjusted
31	SA231	Housefurnishings	Seasonally adjusted
32	SE33	Housekeeping supplies	Seasonally adjusted
33	SE34	Housekeeping services	Seasonally adjusted
34	SA3111	Men's and boys' apparel	Seasonally adjusted
35	SE3801	Women's coats and jackets	Seasonally adjusted
36	SE3802	Women's dresses	Seasonally adjusted
37	SE3803	Women's separates and sportswear	Seasonally adjusted
38	SE3804	Women's nightwear, underwear, hosiery, accessories	Seasonally adjusted
39	SE3805	Women's suits	Seasonally adjusted
40	SE39	Girls' apparel	Seasonally adjusted
41	SE41	Infants' and toddlers' apparel	Not adjusted
42	SA3114	Other apparel commodities	Seasonally adjusted
43	SE40	Footwear	Seasonally adjusted
44	SE44	Apparel services	Not adjusted
45	SE45	New vehicles	Seasonally adjusted
46	SE46	Used cars	Not adjusted
47	SE4701	Motor fuel	Seasonally adjusted
48	SE49	Automobile maintenance and repair	Seasonally adjusted
49	SA4151	Other private transportation commodities	Seasonally adjusted
50	SA4152	Other private transportation services	Seasonally adjusted
51	SE53	Public transportation	Seasonally adjusted
52	SA51	Medical care commodities	Seasonally adjusted
53	SA512	Medical care services	Seasonally adjusted
54	SA61	Entertainment commodities	Not adjusted
55	SE62	Entertainment services	Not adjusted
56	SE63	Tobacco and smoking products	Seasonally adjusted
57	SE64	Toilet goods and personal care appliances	Not adjusted
58	SE65	Personal care services	Not adjusted
59	SE66	School books and supplies	Seasonally adjusted
60	SA7132	Personal and educational services	Seasonally adjusted

**Consumer Price Index (new series): Components for seasonal aggregation to All items**

Item		Title	Continuity	Status — 1998
1	SAF111	Cereals and bakery products	Continuous	Seasonally
2	SEFC	Beef and veal	Continuous	Seasonally
3	SEFD	Pork	Continuous	Seasonally
4	SEFE	Other meats	Continuous	Not adjusted
5	SEFF	Poultry	Continuous	Not adjusted
6	SEFG	Fish and seafood	Continuous	Seasonally
7	SEFH	Eggs	Continuous	Seasonally
8	SEFJ	Dairy and related products	Continuous	Not adjusted
9	SEFK	Fresh fruits	Continuous	Seasonally
10	SEFL	Fresh vegetables	Continuous	Seasonally
11	SEFM	Processed fruits and vegetables	New	Not adjusted
12	SAF114	Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage	Continuous	Seasonally
13	SEFR	Sugar and sweets	Continuous	Seasonally
14	SEFS	Fats and oils	Continuous	Seasonally
15	SEFT	Other foods	Continuous	Seasonally
16	SEFV	Food away from home	Continuous	Not adjusted
17	SAF116	Alcoholic beverages	Continuous	Seasonally
18	SEHA	Rent of primary residence	Continuous	Seasonally
19	SEHB01	Housing at school excluding board	Continuous	
20	SEHB02	Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels	Continuous	Seasonally
21	SEHC	Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence	Continuous	Seasonally
22	SEHD	Tenants' and household insurance	New	Not adjusted
23	SEHE	Fuel oil and other fuels	Continuous	Seasonally
24	SEHF01	Electricity	Continuous	Seasonally
25	SEHF02	Utility natural gas service	Continuous	Seasonally
26	SEHG01	Water and sewerage maintenance	Continuous	Seasonally
27	SEHG02	Garbage and trash collection	Continuous	Not adjusted
28	SAH3	Household furnishings and operations	Continuous	Seasonally
29	SAA1	Men's and boys' apparel	Continuous	Seasonally
30	SEAC	Women's apparel	Continuous	Seasonally
31	SEAD	Girls' apparel	Continuous	Seasonally
33	SEAF	Infants' and toddlers' apparel	Continuous	Not adjusted
34	SEAG	Jewelry and watches	Continuous	Seasonally
35	SETA01	New vehicles	Continuous	Seasonally
36	SETA02	Used cars and trucks	Continuous	Not adjusted
37	SETA03	Leased cars and trucks <sup>1</sup>	New	Not adjusted
38	SETA04	Car and truck rental	New	Not adjusted
39	SETA09	Unsampled new and used motor vehicles <sup>1</sup>	New	Not adjusted
40	SETB	Motor fuel	Continuous	Seasonally adjusted
41	SETC	Motor vehicle parts and equipment	Continuous	Seasonally adjusted
42	SETD	Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	Continuous	Seasonally adjusted
43	SETE	Motor vehicle insurance	Continuous	Seasonally adjusted
44	SETF	Motor vehicle fees	New	Not adjusted
45	SETG	Public transportation	Continuous	Seasonally adjusted
46	SAM1	Medical care commodities	Continuous	Seasonally adjusted
47	SAM2	Medical care services	Continuous	Seasonally adjusted
48	SERA	Video and audio	New	Not adjusted
49	SERB01	Pets and pet products	Continuous	Not adjusted
50	SERB02	Pet services including veterinary	New	Not adjusted
51	SERC	Sporting goods	Continuous	Not adjusted
52	SERD01	Photographic equipment and supplies	Continuous	Not adjusted
53	SERD02	Photographers and film processing	New	Not adjusted
54	SERD09	Unsampled photography <sup>1</sup>	New	Not adjusted
55	SERE01	Toys	Continuous	Seasonally adjusted

**Consumer Price Index (new series): Components for seasonal aggregation to All items—Continued**

Item	Title	Continuity	Status — 1998	
56	SERE02	Sewing machines, fabric, and supplies	New	Not adjusted
57	SERE03	Music instruments and accessories	New	Not adjusted
58	SERE09	Unsampled recreational commodities¹	New	Not adjusted
59	SERF01	Club membership dues and fees	New	Not adjusted
60	SERF02	Admissions	Continuous	Not adjusted
61	SERF03	Fees for lessons or instructions	Continuous	Seasonally
62	SERF09	Unsampled recreation services¹	Continuous	Not adjusted
63	SERG	Recreational reading materials	Continuous	Not adjusted
64	SEEA	Educational books and supplies	Continuous	Seasonally
65	SEEB	Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	Continuous	Seasonally
66	SEEC01	Postage	Continuous	Not adjusted
67	SEEC02	Delivery services		
68	SEED01	Telephone services, local charges	Continuous	Not adjusted
69	SEED02	Telephone services, long distance charges	New	Not adjusted
70	SEED03	Cellular telephone services	New	Not adjusted
71	SEEE	Information and information processing other than telephone services	Continuous	Not adjusted
72	SEGA	Tobacco and smoking products	Continuous	Seasonally
73	SAG1	Personal care	Continuous	Not adjusted

<sup>1</sup>This series is not published, but contributes its weight in the calculation of the All items index.

**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)

Item and group	Relative Importance, December 1997	Unadjusted Indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Expenditure category								
All items .....	100.000	161.3	161.6	1.6	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0
All items (1967=100) .....	-	483.2	484.2	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages .....	16.310	159.1	160.3	2.2	.8	.2	.1	.3
Food .....	15.326	158.7	159.9	2.2	.8	.1	.0	.3
Food at home .....	9.646	159.2	161.0	2.0	1.1	.1	-.1	.4
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.536	178.4	179.0	1.4	.3	.1	.2	-.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	2.629	148.4	148.3	-.9	-.1	.1	-.6	-.3
Dairy and related products <sup>1</sup> .....	1.037	147.8	148.3	.3	.3	.9	.5	.3
Fruits and vegetables .....	1.394	191.3	202.1	7.9	5.6	.3	-.4	2.9
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	1.077	133.1	134.1	4.5	.8	-.9	-.7	-.2
Other food at home .....	1.972	147.7	148.7	2.7	.7	-.3	.1	.0
Sugar and sweets .....	.377	147.9	150.3	2.3	1.6	.3	.4	.5
Fats and oils .....	.291	140.3	140.5	-1.3	.1	-.2	.1	-1.1
Other foods .....	1.305	162.8	163.6	2.6	.5	.1	.6	.1
Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.309	100.0	100.4	-	.4	-	-	.4
Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	5.680	159.0	159.2	2.5	.1	.3	.3	.1
Other food away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.172	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	.983	164.0	164.6	2.2	.4	.2	.2	.2
Housing .....	39.560	157.7	158.3	2.1	.4	.3	.1	.1
Shelter .....	29.788	178.1	179.2	3.2	.6	.2	.4	.2
Rent of primary residence .....	6.885	169.1	169.5	3.1	.2	.2	.3	.2
Lodging away from home <sup>2</sup> .....	2.327	100.0	105.1	-	5.1	-	-	-.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	20.199	184.7	185.1	3.1	.2	.3	.3	.2
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.377	100.0	100.3	-	.3	-	-	.3
Fuels and utilities .....	4.942	130.0	128.8	-1.5	-.9	.8	-1.1	-1.2
Fuels .....	4.018	115.8	114.5	-3.9	-1.1	1.5	-2.0	-1.6
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	.261	97.2	96.4	-13.5	-.8	.1	-.4	-2.1
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	3.757	123.0	121.6	-2.6	-1.1	1.6	-2.2	-1.5
Household furnishings and operations .....	4.831	125.1	125.6	.6	.4	.1	.0	.2
Apparel .....	4.944	131.6	129.8	.2	-1.4	.1	.2	-.5
Men's and boys' apparel .....	1.390	131.2	129.8	2.2	-1.1	-.2	.6	.2
Women's and girls' apparel .....	1.990	123.6	120.2	-1.1	-2.8	.4	-.4	-1.0
Infants' and toddlers' apparel <sup>1</sup> .....	.268	125.8	124.8	-2.4	-.8	-.2	-.2	-.8
Footwear .....	.895	128.2	127.4	1.9	-.6	-.3	.8	-.5
Transportation .....	17.578	143.2	142.7	-1.6	-.3	-.6	-.3	-.3
Private transportation .....	16.240	140.0	139.3	-1.8	-.5	-.5	-.3	-.5
New and used motor vehicles <sup>2</sup> .....	7.899	100.0	100.2	-1.5	.2	-	-	.1
New vehicles .....	5.063	144.1	144.4	-.7	.2	-.2	-.2	.1
Used cars and trucks <sup>1</sup> .....	1.880	147.9	148.1	-4.3	.1	-.2	.2	.1
Motor fuel .....	2.995	101.9	97.8	-9.9	-4.0	-1.8	-1.5	-3.7
Gasoline (all types) .....	2.976	101.3	97.2	-9.9	-4.0	-2.0	-1.6	-3.6
Motor vehicle parts and equipment .....	.560	101.4	101.3	-1.1	-.1	.0	-.2	-.3
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....	1.603	164.7	165.0	2.4	.2	.2	.5	.2
Public transportation .....	1.338	184.3	187.1	.7	1.5	-1.8	-.2	1.6
Medical care .....	5.614	237.1	238.1	2.7	.4	.3	.3	.1
Medical care commodities .....	1.222	216.8	217.6	2.3	.4	.2	.5	.2
Medical care services .....	4.392	241.8	242.9	2.8	.5	.3	.3	.1
Professional services .....	2.808	217.5	218.5	3.0	.5	.2	.3	.3
Hospital and related services .....	1.334	282.5	283.5	2.8	.4	.4	.5	-.1
Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....	6.145	100.0	100.3	1.5	.3	-	-	.3
Video and audio <sup>1 2</sup> .....	1.763	100.0	100.6	2.5	.6	.4	-.3	.6

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)

Item and group	Relative Importance, December 1997	Unadjusted Indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Expenditure category								
Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....	5.528	100.0	99.9	2.6	-0.1	-	-	0.0
Education <sup>2</sup> .....	2.615	100.0	100.3	5.0	.3	-	-	.4
Educational books and supplies .....	.194	242.8	245.1	4.5	.9	0.3	0.4	-2
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....	2.421	288.5	289.2	5.1	.2	.4	.4	.5
Communication <sup>1 2</sup> .....	2.913	100.0	99.6	-9	-4	.1	-1	-4
Information and information processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....	2.706	100.0	99.6	-9	-4	.1	-1	-4
Telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	2.357	100.0	99.9	-	-1	-	-	-1
Information and information processing other than telephone services <sup>1 4</sup> .....	.350	47.4	46.2	-13.6	-2.5	-2.7	-4	-2.5
Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.234	100.0	96.9	-	-3.1	-	-	-3.1
Other goods and services .....	4.321	230.1	231.3	5.1	.5	.4	.4	.4
Tobacco and smoking products .....	.894	251.2	253.8	7.4	1.0	.3	.7	.7
Personal care <sup>1</sup> .....	3.427	154.0	154.6	2.0	.4	.7	-2	.4
Personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....	.737	145.3	146.1	1.7	.6	1.1	-5	.6
Personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....	.963	163.9	164.3	2.2	.2	.1	.2	.2
Miscellaneous personal services .....	1.465	230.0	230.9	5.2	.4	.3	.5	.2
Commodity and service group								
Commodities .....	42.635	141.7	141.6	.1	-1	.0	-1	-1
Food and beverages .....	16.310	159.1	160.3	2.2	.8	.2	.1	.3
Commodities less food and beverages .....	26.326	131.2	130.5	-1.2	-5	-2	-2	-4
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	14.729	133.5	132.0	-1.3	-1.1	-2	-1	-1.1
Apparel .....	4.944	131.6	129.8	.2	-1.4	.1	.2	-5
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	9.785	139.5	138.1	-2.1	-1.0	-4	-4	-1.2
Durables .....	11.596	128.0	128.2	-1.2	.2	-2	-2	.2
Services .....	57.365	181.0	181.8	2.7	.4	.2	.2	.1
Rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	29.410	185.3	186.5	3.3	.6	.3	.4	.2
Transportation services .....	6.984	186.0	187.1	2.0	.6	-4	.1	.6
Other services .....	10.625	213.1	213.7	3.8	.3	.1	.4	.2
Special indexes								
All items less food .....	84.674	161.8	161.9	1.4	.1	.1	.1	-1
All items less shelter .....	70.212	156.4	156.4	.9	.0	.1	-1	-1
All items less medical care .....	94.386	157.0	157.3	1.5	.2	.1	.0	.0
Commodities less food .....	27.309	132.6	131.9	-1.1	-5	-1	-1	-4
Nondurables less food .....	15.712	135.3	133.9	-1.1	-1.0	-2	-1	-9
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	10.768	141.0	139.8	-1.5	-9	-4	-3	-1.1
Nondurables .....	31.039	146.5	146.2	.5	-2	.1	-1	-2
Services less rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	27.955	189.5	189.9	2.2	.2	.2	.0	-1
Services less medical care services .....	52.973	175.4	176.1	2.7	.4	.2	.2	.1
Energy .....	7.013	108.4	105.9	-6.5	-2.3	.0	-1.8	-2.4
All items less energy .....	92.987	168.3	169.0	2.2	.4	.1	.2	.2
All items less food and energy .....	77.661	170.7	171.2	2.2	.3	.1	.2	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	24.053	142.1	142.0	.4	-1	.1	.0	.1
Energy commodities .....	3.256	101.6	97.8	-10.4	-3.7	-1.5	-1.4	-3.5
Services less energy services .....	53.608	186.9	187.9	3.0	.5	.2	.3	.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar .....	-	\$ .620	\$ .619	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar - old base .....	-	\$ .207	\$ .207	-	-	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

- 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)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Apr. 1997	July 1997	Oct. 1997	Jan. 1998	July 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Expenditure category</b>										
All items .....	161.6	161.8	161.9	161.9	1.5	1.5	2.5	0.7	1.5	1.6
Food and beverages .....	158.9	159.2	159.3	159.7	1.0	3.1	2.6	2.0	2.1	2.3
Food .....	158.7	158.9	158.9	159.4	1.0	3.1	2.8	1.8	2.1	2.3
Food at home .....	159.3	159.5	159.3	159.9	.0	3.9	2.6	1.5	1.9	2.0
Cereals and bakery products .....	178.6	178.8	179.1	179.0	-.5	3.0	2.0	.9	1.2	1.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	148.5	148.6	147.7	147.3	-1.6	3.6	-2.1	-3.2	.9	-2.7
Dairy and related products <sup>1</sup> .....	145.7	147.0	147.8	148.3	-5.6	-6.4	6.9	7.3	-6.0	7.1
Fruits and vegetables .....	191.1	191.7	190.9	196.5	1.1	8.1	10.0	11.8	4.5	10.9
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	136.5	135.3	134.3	134.0	9.4	19.3	-1.5	-7.1	14.2	-4.3
Other food at home .....	148.9	148.5	148.7	148.7	4.5	6.7	.8	-.5	5.6	.1
Sugar and sweets .....	148.2	148.7	149.3	150.0	2.2	3.6	-1.3	4.9	2.9	1.8
Fats and oils .....	141.6	141.3	141.5	140.0	.6	-3.1	2.0	-4.4	-1.3	-1.3
Other foods .....	162.4	162.5	163.4	163.6	3.3	1.3	3.0	3.0	2.3	3.0
Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	158.2	158.6	159.0	159.2	2.3	2.3	2.8	2.6	2.3	2.7
Other food away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alcoholic beverages .....	163.8	164.1	164.5	164.9	1.2	2.7	2.0	2.7	2.0	2.3
Housing .....	157.7	158.2	158.3	158.4	1.6	2.6	2.3	1.8	2.1	2.1
Shelter .....	177.6	178.0	178.7	179.0	3.0	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.2
Rent of primary residence .....	168.2	168.6	169.1	169.5	2.7	3.2	3.4	3.1	2.9	3.3
Lodging away from home <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	183.4	183.9	184.5	184.9	2.9	3.4	2.7	3.3	3.1	3.0
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fuels and utilities .....	131.0	132.1	130.7	129.1	-3.0	1.5	1.2	-5.7	-.8	-2.3
Fuels .....	116.7	118.4	116.0	114.2	-6.9	-.7	1.0	-8.3	-3.8	-3.7
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	96.4	96.5	96.1	94.1	-26.3	-13.2	-4.0	-9.2	-20.0	-6.7
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	124.4	126.4	123.6	121.8	-4.4	1.0	1.6	-8.1	-1.8	-3.4
Household furnishings and operations .....	125.3	125.4	125.4	125.7	.6	1.0	-.6	1.3	.8	.3
Apparel .....	132.9	133.0	133.2	132.5	3.1	.3	-1.2	-1.2	1.7	-1.2
Men's and boys' apparel .....	131.2	130.9	131.7	132.0	3.1	1.2	2.2	2.5	2.2	2.3
Women's and girls' apparel .....	125.6	126.1	125.6	124.4	2.9	.3	-2.8	-3.8	1.6	-3.3
Infants' and toddlers' apparel <sup>1</sup> .....	126.2	126.0	125.8	124.8	19.4	-7.0	-14.7	-4.4	5.4	-9.7
Footwear .....	128.9	128.5	129.5	128.8	2.9	.3	4.8	-.3	1.6	2.2
Transportation .....	144.7	143.9	143.5	143.0	-1.4	-3.3	3.4	-4.6	-2.3	-.7
Private transportation .....	141.4	140.7	140.3	139.6	-1.7	-3.6	3.5	-5.0	-2.7	-.9
New and used motor vehicles <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
New vehicles .....	144.0	143.7	143.4	143.6	.6	-.8	-1.1	-1.1	-.1	-1.1
Used cars and trucks <sup>1</sup> .....	147.9	147.6	147.9	148.1	-1.0	-10.9	-5.2	.5	-6.1	-2.4
Motor fuel .....	107.0	105.1	103.5	99.7	-14.0	-15.8	20.6	-24.6	-14.9	-4.6
Gasoline (all types) .....	106.8	104.7	103.0	99.3	-14.4	-16.3	23.1	-25.3	-15.3	-4.1
Motor vehicle parts and equipment .....	101.5	101.5	101.3	101.0	-.8	2.4	-3.8	-2.0	.8	-2.9
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....	163.6	163.9	164.7	165.0	2.0	3.0	1.2	3.5	2.5	2.3
Public transportation .....	189.6	186.1	185.8	188.8	1.5	-1.1	4.3	-1.7	.2	1.3
Medical care .....	236.3	237.1	237.9	238.2	3.0	2.2	2.2	3.3	2.6	2.7
Medical care commodities .....	215.9	216.4	217.4	217.8	3.4	1.9	.4	3.6	2.6	2.0
Medical care services .....	240.8	241.6	242.4	242.6	2.9	2.4	2.7	3.0	2.6	2.9
Professional services .....	217.1	217.5	218.1	218.7	3.8	2.4	2.6	3.0	3.1	2.8
Hospital and related services .....	280.5	281.5	282.8	282.6	3.1	2.3	2.9	3.0	2.7	3.0
Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Video and audio <sup>1 2</sup> .....	99.9	100.3	100.0	100.6	1.2	6.2	.0	2.8	3.7	1.4

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)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Apr. 1997	July 1997	Oct. 1997	Jan. 1998	July 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Expenditure category</b>										
Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Education <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Educational books and supplies .....	242.1	242.8	243.8	243.2	5.1	7.0	4.6	1.8	6.0	3.2
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....	284.4	285.6	286.8	288.1	4.9	5.4	4.9	5.3	5.2	5.1
Communication <sup>1 2</sup> .....	100.0	100.1	100.0	99.6	.4	.0	-2.4	-1.6	.2	-2.0
Information and information processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....	100.0	100.1	100.0	99.6	.4	.4	-2.8	-1.6	.4	-2.2
Telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Information and information processing other than telephone services <sup>1 4</sup> .....	48.9	47.6	47.4	46.2	-14.8	-16.7	-1.6	-20.3	-15.8	-11.5
Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	96.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other goods and services .....	229.0	229.9	230.8	231.8	6.5	2.9	6.2	5.0	4.7	5.6
Tobacco and smoking products .....	249.5	250.3	252.1	253.8	12.7	-2.1	12.2	7.1	5.1	9.6
Personal care <sup>1</sup> .....	153.3	154.3	154.0	154.6	2.9	-.3	1.8	3.4	1.3	2.6
Personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....	144.5	146.1	145.3	146.1	2.5	-2.2	2.2	4.5	.1	3.4
Personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....	163.4	163.5	163.9	164.3	3.3	1.2	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.2
Miscellaneous personal services .....	229.3	230.1	231.2	231.6	6.3	6.2	4.5	4.1	6.3	4.3
<b>Commodity and service group</b>										
Commodities .....	142.3	142.3	142.1	141.9	.0	-.6	2.3	-1.1	-.3	.6
Food and beverages .....	158.9	159.2	159.3	159.7	1.0	3.1	2.6	2.0	2.1	2.3
Commodities less food and beverages .....	132.3	132.0	131.8	131.3	-.6	-3.0	2.1	-3.0	-1.8	-.5
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	135.1	134.8	134.6	133.1	-1.8	-1.8	3.6	-5.8	-1.8	-1.2
Apparel .....	132.9	133.0	133.2	132.5	3.1	.3	-1.2	-1.2	1.7	-1.2
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	141.3	140.7	140.2	138.5	-2.8	-4.2	7.1	-7.7	-3.5	-.6
Durables .....	128.1	127.9	127.7	128.0	-.3	-2.1	-1.5	-.3	-1.2	-.9
Services .....	181.0	181.4	181.7	181.9	3.0	2.9	2.7	2.0	3.0	2.3
Rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	185.1	185.6	186.3	186.6	3.1	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.1	3.3
Transportation services .....	186.5	185.7	185.9	187.1	3.3	1.7	2.0	1.3	2.5	1.6
Other services .....	212.4	212.7	213.5	214.0	4.5	4.3	3.1	3.0	4.4	3.1
<b>Special indexes</b>										
All items less food .....	162.0	162.2	162.3	162.2	1.5	1.3	2.5	.5	1.4	1.5
All items less shelter .....	156.8	156.9	156.8	156.7	1.0	.8	2.3	-.3	.9	1.0
All items less medical care .....	157.2	157.4	157.4	157.4	1.3	1.6	2.6	.5	1.4	1.5
Commodities less food .....	133.7	133.5	133.3	132.8	-.6	-2.7	2.1	-2.7	-1.6	-.3
Nondurables less food .....	136.8	136.5	136.3	135.1	-1.2	-1.5	3.3	-4.9	-1.3	-.9
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	142.6	142.1	141.7	140.2	-2.5	-3.1	6.4	-6.6	-2.8	-.3
Nondurables .....	147.0	147.2	147.1	146.8	-1.1	.8	2.8	-.5	-.1	1.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	189.6	190.0	190.0	189.9	2.4	3.2	2.1	.6	2.8	1.4
Services less medical care services .....	175.4	175.8	176.1	176.3	2.8	3.0	2.8	2.1	2.9	2.4
Energy .....	111.3	111.3	109.3	106.7	-10.4	-7.4	9.1	-15.5	-8.9	-4.0
All items less energy .....	168.4	168.6	168.9	169.2	2.4	2.2	2.2	1.9	2.3	2.0
All items less food and energy .....	170.8	171.0	171.4	171.7	2.9	1.9	1.9	2.1	2.4	2.0
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	142.4	142.5	142.5	142.6	1.7	-.6	.0	.6	.6	.3
Energy commodities .....	105.9	104.3	102.8	99.2	-15.6	-15.6	17.6	-23.0	-15.6	-4.9
Services less energy services .....	186.7	187.0	187.6	188.0	3.3	3.1	2.8	2.8	3.2	2.8

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

- 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	Relative importance, December 1997	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Expenditure category								
All Items .....	100.000	161.3	161.6	1.6	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0
All Items (1967=100) .....	-	483.2	484.2	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages .....	16.310	159.1	160.3	2.2	.8	.2	.1	.3
Food .....	15.326	158.7	159.9	2.2	.8	.1	.0	.3
Food at home .....	9.646	159.2	161.0	2.0	1.1	.1	-.1	.4
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.536	178.4	179.0	1.4	.3	.1	.2	-.1
Cereals and cereal products .....	.547	169.6	169.9	.5	.2	-.1	.1	-.6
Flour and prepared flour mixes .....	.071	150.6	158.3	-.3	5.1	.0	.3	1.1
Breakfast cereal .....	.317	189.0	187.2	.5	-1.0	-.3	.2	-1.0
Rice, pasta, commmeal .....	.160	149.8	150.2	2.0	.3	-.3	.1	-1.1
Rice 1 2 3 .....	-	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Bakery products .....	.989	182.3	183.0	1.8	.4	.2	.1	.5
Bread 1 3 .....	.290	100.0	99.4	-	-.6	-	-	-.6
White bread 2 3 .....	-	186.2	184.5	1.7	-.9	.5	-.4	-.9
Bread other than white 2 3 .....	-	186.9	186.3	2.8	-.3	-.3	1.4	-.3
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins 1 3 .....	.142	100.0	101.0	-	1.0	-	-	1.0
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies 3 .....	.270	180.1	180.1	.6	.0	.6	-.1	.0
Cookies 2 3 .....	-	182.3	182.7	1.7	.2	1.3	-.8	.2
Fresh cakes and cupcakes 2 3 .....	-	178.6	178.2	.6	-.2	-.2	.9	-.2
Other bakery products .....	.286	178.8	181.4	1.8	1.5	.8	-.2	1.2
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts 2 3 .....	-	177.2	177.9	2.1	.4	-1.3	2.1	.4
Crackers, bread, and cracker products 2 .....	-	206.4	208.0	.8	.8	1.8	-.9	2.9
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers 2 3 .....	-	181.7	184.7	5.0	1.7	.3	2.4	1.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	2.629	148.4	148.3	-.9	-.1	.1	-.6	-.3
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	2.499	148.1	148.4	-.7	.2	-.1	-.6	-.1
Meats .....	1.670	143.4	143.2	-.9	-.1	-.4	-.3	-.2
Beef and veal .....	.742	136.9	136.8	-.5	-.1	-.4	.1	-.4
Uncooked ground beef .....	.282	116.4	117.4	.4	.9	-.8	-.4	1.3
Uncooked beef roasts 1 3 .....	.132	100.0	99.5	-	-.5	-	-	-.5
Uncooked beef steaks 1 3 .....	.277	100.0	99.2	-	-.8	-	-	-.8
Uncooked other beef and veal 1 3 .....	.051	100.0	99.9	-	-.1	-	-	-.1
Pork .....	.587	153.0	152.1	-2.3	-.6	-.6	-.5	-.4
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products 1 3 .....	.192	100.0	99.1	-	-.9	-	-	-.9
Bacon and related products 2 .....	-	160.3	156.8	-3.0	-2.2	-.1	-.8	-1.6
Breakfast sausage and related products 1 2 3 .....	-	100.0	101.1	-	1.1	-	-	1.1
Ham .....	.136	154.3	151.7	-2.8	-1.7	-1.5	1.0	-.1
Ham, excluding canned 2 .....	-	164.7	162.0	-2.6	-1.6	-1.2	.6	.5
Pork chops .....	.131	150.2	150.8	-2.9	.4	-.5	-.8	-1.1
Other pork including roasts and picnics 1 3 .....	.128	100.0	99.8	-	-.2	-	-	-.2
Other meats 3 .....	.341	147.0	148.1	.7	.7	.0	-1.5	.7
Frankfurters 2 3 .....	-	144.9	148.6	2.3	2.6	-1.1	-.3	2.6
Lunchmeats 1 2 3 .....	-	100.0	100.3	-	.3	-	-	.3
Lamb and organ meats 2 3 .....	-	160.8	163.4	2.8	1.6	.5	-2.2	1.6
Lamb and mutton 1 2 3 .....	-	100.0	NA	-	-	-	-	-
Poultry 3 .....	.495	155.2	155.1	-2.0	-.1	1.2	-1.4	-.1
Chicken 1 3 .....	.382	100.0	99.3	-	-.7	-	-	-.7
Fresh whole chicken 2 3 .....	-	158.9	155.0	-3.6	-2.5	2.9	-1.4	-2.5
Fresh and frozen chicken parts 2 3 .....	-	154.4	154.4	-3.1	.0	1.5	-2.5	.0
Other poultry including turkey 1 3 .....	.113	100.0	102.3	-	2.3	-	-	2.3
Fish and seafood .....	.334	177.2	180.7	1.2	2.0	.1	-.6	.1
Fresh fish and seafood 1 3 .....	.187	100.0	100.3	-	.3	-	-	.3
Processed fish and seafood 1 3 .....	.147	100.0	100.3	-	.3	-	-	.3
Canned fish and seafood 2 3 .....	-	129.4	129.9	1.3	.4	.5	-.7	.4
Frozen fish and seafood 2 .....	-	200.5	201.1	-.9	.3	.0	-.6	-1.8
Eggs .....	.130	151.1	143.8	-3.5	-4.8	2.2	-.7	-2.6
Dairy and related products 3 .....	1.037	147.8	148.3	.3	.3	.9	.5	.3
Milk 1 3 .....	.403	100.0	99.8	-	-.2	-	-	-.2
Fresh whole milk 2 3 .....	-	145.8	145.6	-.7	-.1	1.5	-.1	-.1
Fresh milk other than whole 1 2 3 .....	-	100.0	99.8	-	-.2	-	-	-.2
Cheese and related products 3 .....	.305	148.3	148.5	-.5	.1	.5	.7	.1
Ice cream and related products .....	.176	151.8	153.5	1.1	1.1	.1	.4	.8
Other dairy and related products 1 3 .....	.152	100.0	100.9	-	.9	-	-	.9

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	Relative Importance, December 1997	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Expenditure category								
Fruits and vegetables .....	1.394	191.3	202.1	7.9	5.6	0.3	-0.4	2.9
Fresh fruits and vegetables .....	1.068	222.3	237.7	10.7	6.9	.2	-.8	3.3
Fresh fruits .....	.547	239.4	240.2	.5	.3	-1.8	.2	-1.0
Apples .....	.097	193.9	197.2	-.7	1.7	-.9	.7	-.7
Bananas .....	.101	151.5	154.7	-4.4	2.1	1.2	-2.2	-.3
Citrus fruits <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.110	100.0	105.6	-	5.6	-	-	5.6
Oranges, including tangerines <sup>2</sup> .....	-	189.3	201.3	7.4	6.3	-2.7	3.5	10.8
Other fresh fruits <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.240	100.0	96.6	-	-3.4	-	-	-3.4
Fresh vegetables .....	.521	205.2	233.8	22.7	13.9	2.7	-1.9	7.9
Potatoes .....	.093	175.0	180.2	9.7	3.0	.3	.2	1.0
Lettuce <sup>3</sup> .....	.066	218.5	290.5	48.3	33.0	15.4	-15.3	33.0
Tomatoes <sup>3</sup> .....	.101	253.4	238.4	23.1	-5.9	14.7	12.8	-5.9
Other fresh vegetables .....	.261	201.5	243.1	22.0	20.6	1.9	-.7	11.2
Processed fruits and vegetables <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.327	100.0	101.6	-	1.6	-	-	1.6
Canned fruits and vegetables <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.176	100.0	101.8	-	1.8	-	-	1.8
Canned fruits <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	100.6	-	.6	-	-	.6
Canned vegetables <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	103.5	-	3.5	-	-	3.5
Frozen fruits and vegetables <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.103	100.0	101.7	-	1.7	-	-	1.7
Frozen vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....	-	147.8	150.0	1.1	1.5	.6	.6	-.7
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.048	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Dried beans, peas, and lentils <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	1.077	133.1	134.1	4.5	.8	-.9	-.7	-.2
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.781	100.0	101.1	-	1.1	-	-	1.1
Carbonated drinks .....	.411	116.1	118.3	-1.7	1.9	-.5	-.3	-.2
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.054	100.0	101.0	-	1.0	-	-	1.0
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.316	100.0	100.0	-	.0	-	-	.0
Beverage materials including coffee and tea <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.297	100.0	100.0	-	.0	-	-	.0
Coffee <sup>3</sup> .....	.166	170.2	169.8	16.4	-.2	-2.2	-2.1	-.2
Roasted coffee <sup>2 3</sup> .....	-	178.0	176.9	20.4	-.6	-3.0	-2.7	-.6
Instant and freeze dried coffee <sup>2 3</sup> .....	-	155.2	155.5	6.9	.2	-.6	-.8	.2
Other beverage materials including tea <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.131	100.0	100.3	-	.3	-	-	.3
Other food at home .....	1.972	147.7	148.7	2.7	.7	-.3	.1	.0
Sugar and sweets .....	.377	147.9	150.3	2.3	1.6	.3	.4	.5
Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....	.074	133.3	136.4	1.0	2.3	-.3	.6	.5
Candy and chewing gum <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.228	100.0	101.2	-	1.2	-	-	1.2
Other sweets <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.076	100.0	102.3	-	2.3	-	-	2.3
Fats and oils .....	.291	140.3	140.5	-1.3	.1	-.2	.1	-1.1
Butter and margarine <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.091	100.0	99.3	-	-.7	-	-	-.7
Butter <sup>2 3</sup> .....	-	128.2	124.7	13.2	-2.7	7.8	3.9	-2.7
Margarine <sup>2 3</sup> .....	-	144.2	146.1	-.3	1.3	-1.0	.3	1.3
Salad dressing <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.082	100.0	100.0	-	.0	-	-	.0
Other fats and oils including peanut butter <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.119	100.0	100.8	-	.8	-	-	.8
Peanut butter <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	100.3	-	.3	-	-	.3
Other foods .....	1.305	162.8	163.6	2.6	.5	.1	.6	.1
Soups .....	.109	189.1	189.6	2.7	.3	-.4	.5	.5
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods <sup>3</sup> .....	.224	144.9	145.2	.9	.2	.1	-.6	-.2
Snacks <sup>3</sup> .....	.271	155.6	155.1	2.1	-.3	-1.0	.6	-.3
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces .....	.293	168.3	171.0	2.1	1.6	-.6	.8	.2
Salt and other seasonings and spices <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	99.9	-	-.1	-	-	-.1
Olives, pickles, relishes <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	96.7	-	-3.3	-	-	-3.3
Sauces and gravies <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	101.4	-	1.4	-	-	1.4
Other condiments <sup>2</sup> .....	-	162.1	167.6	6.4	3.4	.0	.8	1.9
Baby food <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.099	100.0	100.6	-	.6	-	-	.6
Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.309	100.0	100.4	-	.4	-	-	.4
Prepared salads <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	NA	-	-	-	-	-
Food away from home <sup>3</sup> .....	5.680	159.0	159.2	2.5	.1	.3	.3	.1
Full service meals and snacks <sup>1 3</sup> .....	2.969	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Limited service meals and snacks <sup>1 3</sup> .....	1.655	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Food at employee sites and schools <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.662	100.0	99.9	-	-.1	-	-	-.1
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.222	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Other food away from home <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.172	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1

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	Relative Importance, December 1997	Unadjusted Indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Expenditure category								
Alcoholic beverages .....	.983	164.0	164.6	2.2	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2
Alcoholic beverages at home .....	.628	149.3	149.9	.9	.4	-.1	.2	.1
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home .....	.333	147.5	148.0	-.4	.3	-.1	.3	.1
Distilled spirits at home .....	.110	151.9	151.5	1.8	-.3	.2	.3	-.5
Whiskey at home <sup>2 3</sup> .....	-	151.5	151.5	2.2	.0	-.1	-.4	.0
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home <sup>2 3</sup> .....	-	152.1	151.8	2.2	-.2	.0	-.1	-.2
Wine at home .....	.185	145.1	146.2	2.5	.8	-.1	.0	.1
Alcoholic beverages away from home .....	.355	192.5	193.1	3.5	.3	.3	.5	.3
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	100.3	-	.3	-	-	.3
Wine away from home <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	100.6	-	.6	-	-	.6
Distilled spirits away from home <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	100.0	-	.0	-	-	.0
Housing .....	39.560	157.7	158.3	2.1	.4	.3	.1	.1
Shelter .....	29.788	178.1	179.2	3.2	.6	.2	.4	.2
Rent of primary residence .....	6.885	169.1	169.5	3.1	.2	.2	.3	.2
Lodging away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	2.327	100.0	105.1	-	5.1	-	-	-.2
Housing at school, excluding board <sup>4</sup> .....	.231	229.7	229.8	4.9	.0	.4	.4	.3
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels .....	2.096	213.5	225.5	4.4	5.6	.1	1.0	-.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>4</sup> .....	20.199	184.7	185.1	3.1	.2	.3	.3	.2
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.377	100.0	100.3	-	.3	-	-	.3
Fuels and utilities .....	4.942	130.0	128.8	-1.5	-.9	.8	-1.1	-1.2
Fuels .....	4.018	115.8	114.5	-3.9	-1.1	1.5	-2.0	-1.6
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	.261	97.2	96.4	-13.5	-.8	.1	-.4	-2.1
Fuel oil .....	.185	94.0	93.0	-13.8	-1.1	.1	-.2	-2.7
Other household fuels <sup>3 5</sup> .....	.075	128.8	128.6	-12.9	-.2	1.2	.6	-.2
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	3.757	123.0	121.6	-2.6	-1.1	1.6	-2.2	-1.5
Electricity .....	2.649	127.0	126.2	-2.1	-.6	.8	-1.8	-1.0
Utility natural gas service .....	1.108	118.8	116.0	-4.0	-2.4	3.3	-3.0	-2.7
Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>1</sup> .....	.924	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.0
Water and sewerage maintenance .....	.677	213.7	214.3	3.8	.3	.2	.3	.0
Garbage and trash collection <sup>3 6</sup> .....	.247	252.8	252.9	2.0	.0	.1	.0	.0
Household furnishings and operations .....	4.831	125.1	125.6	.6	.4	.1	.0	.2
Window and floor coverings and other linens <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.354	100.0	101.5	-	1.5	-	-	1.5
Floor coverings <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.087	100.0	99.9	-	-.1	-	-	-.1
Window coverings <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.112	100.0	103.4	-	3.4	-	-	3.4
Other linens <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.155	100.0	101.0	-	1.0	-	-	1.0
Furniture and bedding <sup>3</sup> .....	1.141	133.5	133.0	-.2	-.4	-.7	-.4	-.4
Bedroom furniture <sup>3</sup> .....	.329	142.7	139.4	-.2	-2.3	-.6	1.1	-2.3
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.621	100.0	100.7	-	.7	-	-	.7
Other furniture <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.179	100.0	99.6	-	-.4	-	-	-.4
Appliances <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.368	100.0	100.9	-	.9	-	-	.9
Major appliances <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.217	100.0	101.1	-	1.1	-	-	1.1
Laundry equipment <sup>2 3</sup> .....	-	113.4	114.5	1.4	1.0	-.5	.5	1.0
Other appliances <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.144	100.0	100.6	-	.6	-	-	.6
Other household equipment and furnishings <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.546	100.0	101.6	-	1.6	-	-	1.6
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items <sup>3</sup> .....	.229	121.0	120.6	2.7	-.3	1.2	.8	-.3
Indoor plants and flowers <sup>7</sup> .....	.152	107.1	113.4	.6	5.9	-1.9	.7	7.3
Dishes and flatware <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.080	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Nonelectric cookware and tableware <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.085	100.0	100.4	-	.4	-	-	.4
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.653	100.0	100.8	-	.8	-	-	.8
Tools, hardware and supplies <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.169	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.332	100.0	101.1	-	1.1	-	-	1.1
Housekeeping supplies .....	.873	143.4	143.1	.6	-.2	.1	.2	-.5
Household cleaning products <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.404	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Household paper products <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.209	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Miscellaneous household products <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.259	100.0	99.1	-	-.9	-	-	-.9
Household operations <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.896	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Domestic services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.316	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Gardening and lawn care services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.264	100.0	100.0	-	.0	-	-	.0
Moving, storage, freight expense <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.104	100.0	100.0	-	.0	-	-	.0
Repair of household items <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.100	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.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	Relative Importance, December 1997	Unadjusted Indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Expenditure category								
Apparel .....	4.944	131.6	129.8	0.2	-1.4	0.1	0.2	-0.5
Men's and boys' apparel .....	1.390	131.2	129.8	2.2	-1.1	-.2	.6	.2
Men's apparel .....	1.091	133.7	132.1	1.6	-1.2	-.9	1.2	-.2
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear .....	.253	135.8	136.4	4.4	.4	-1.7	.6	2.9
Men's furnishings .....	.278	134.1	132.0	7.0	-1.6	-1.5	3.7	.8
Men's shirts and sweaters <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.317	100.0	96.1	-	-3.9	-	-	-3.9
Men's pants and shorts .....	.227	129.0	130.8	-.7	1.4	-.7	.1	.3
Boys' apparel .....	.298	120.7	119.7	4.5	-.8	1.2	.8	1.0
Women's and girls' apparel .....	1.990	123.6	120.2	-1.1	-2.8	.4	-.4	-1.0
Women's apparel .....	1.687	123.7	119.6	-1.3	-3.3	.6	-.5	-1.4
Women's outerwear .....	.128	126.7	119.7	.7	-5.5	.2	-2.2	-.8
Women's dresses .....	.214	102.7	95.8	-10.4	-6.7	.6	-1.4	-4.7
Women's suits and separates <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.886	100.0	95.4	-	-4.6	-	-	-4.6
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.435	100.0	101.7	-	1.7	-	-	1.7
Girls' apparel .....	.303	123.6	123.6	.4	.0	-.5	.7	1.6
Footwear .....	.895	128.2	127.4	1.9	-.6	-.3	.8	-.5
Men's footwear .....	.279	131.4	130.6	-.8	-.6	.5	.5	-1.1
Boys' and girls' footwear .....	.219	133.5	133.3	3.6	-.1	-.3	.4	1.8
Women's footwear .....	.397	122.7	121.6	3.1	-.9	-.8	.7	-.5
Infants' and toddlers' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	.268	125.8	124.8	-2.4	-.8	-.2	-.2	-.8
Jewelry and watches <sup>5</sup> .....	.401	138.9	142.0	-1.9	2.2	-.1	.3	-.7
Watches <sup>5</sup> .....	.072	122.2	123.6	-2.6	1.1	1.3	-.5	.3
Jewelry <sup>5</sup> .....	.330	143.6	147.2	-1.9	2.5	-.4	.4	-.7
Transportation .....	17.578	143.2	142.7	-1.6	-.3	-.6	-.3	-.3
Private transportation .....	16.240	140.0	139.3	-1.8	-.5	-.5	-.3	-.5
New and used motor vehicles <sup>1</sup> .....	7.899	100.0	100.2	-1.5	.2	-	-	.1
New vehicles .....	5.063	144.1	144.4	-.7	.2	-.2	-.2	.1
New cars and trucks <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
New cars <sup>2</sup> .....	-	141.5	141.8	-.8	.2	-.2	-.3	.1
New trucks <sup>2 6</sup> .....	-	151.4	151.8	-.1	.3	-.3	-.1	.1
New motorcycles <sup>2 5</sup> .....	-	163.7	163.5	.1	-.1	.1	-.2	-.1
Used cars and trucks <sup>3</sup> .....	1.880	147.9	148.1	-4.3	.1	-.2	.2	.1
Car and truck rental <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.138	100.0	97.8	-	-2.2	-	-	-2.2
Motor fuel .....	2.995	101.9	97.8	-9.9	-4.0	-1.8	-1.5	-3.7
Gasoline (all types) .....	2.976	101.3	97.2	-9.9	-4.0	-2.0	-1.6	-3.6
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>2</sup> .....	-	99.1	95.0	-10.5	-4.1	-2.1	-1.8	-3.8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>2 3 8</sup> .....	-	105.9	101.8	-9.5	-3.9	-2.2	-2.5	-3.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>2</sup> .....	-	103.0	99.4	-9.1	-3.5	-1.7	-1.4	-3.3
Other motor fuels <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.019	100.0	98.0	-	-2.0	-	-	-2.0
Motor vehicle parts and equipment .....	.560	101.4	101.3	-1.1	-.1	.0	-.2	-.3
Tires .....	.272	99.0	98.8	-3.0	-.2	.0	-.3	-.4
Vehicle accessories other than tires <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.287	100.0	100.0	-	.0	-	-	.0
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires <sup>2 3</sup> .....	-	108.2	108.4	1.2	.2	-.1	.0	.2
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids <sup>2 3</sup> .....	-	131.8	131.4	.2	-.3	.0	.2	-.3
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....	1.603	164.7	165.0	2.4	.2	.2	.5	.2
Motor vehicle body work <sup>3</sup> .....	.118	176.2	176.5	4.3	.2	.2	.5	.2
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing <sup>3</sup> .....	.507	152.1	152.7	2.9	.4	.1	.6	.4
Motor vehicle repair <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.958	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Motor vehicle insurance .....	2.551	255.3	256.1	2.6	.3	.2	.2	.2
Motor vehicle fees <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.633	100.0	102.2	-	2.2	-	-	2.2
State and local registration and license <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.425	100.0	101.3	-	1.3	-	-	1.3
Parking and other fees <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.185	100.0	104.3	-	4.3	-	-	4.3
Parking fees and tolls <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	104.5	-	4.5	-	-	4.5
Automobile service clubs <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	100.3	-	.3	-	-	.3
Public transportation .....	1.338	184.3	187.1	.7	1.5	-1.8	-.2	1.6
Airline fare <sup>3</sup> .....	.814	194.8	200.1	1.0	2.7	-3.9	-1.4	2.7
Other intercity transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	.183	156.3	156.9	.5	.4	-.3	.8	.4
Ship fare <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	101.8	-	1.8	-	-	1.8
Intracity transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	.337	176.6	175.5	.6	-.6	.0	-.1	-.6

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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	Relative Importance, December 1997	Unadjusted Indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Expenditure category								
Medical care .....	5.614	237.1	238.1	2.7	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.1
Medical care commodities .....	1.222	216.8	217.6	2.3	.4	.2	.5	.2
Prescription drugs and medical supplies .....	.818	251.5	252.4	2.4	.4	.3	.8	.1
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies <sup>3 5</sup> .....	.404	145.8	146.4	1.9	.4	-.3	-.1	.4
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs <sup>3</sup> .....	.270	173.1	173.1	1.2	.0	-.3	-.1	.0
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies <sup>3</sup> .....	.134	172.8	174.9	3.3	1.2	-.1	-.2	1.2
Medical care services .....	4.392	241.8	242.9	2.8	.5	.3	.3	.1
Professional services .....	2.808	217.5	218.5	3.0	.5	.2	.3	.3
Physicians' services .....	1.444	224.5	225.3	2.5	.4	.2	.3	.0
Dental services <sup>3</sup> .....	.812	230.0	231.6	4.2	.7	.3	.1	.7
Eyeglasses and eye care <sup>3 5</sup> .....	.281	142.5	142.7	1.8	.1	-.1	.6	.1
Services by other medical professionals <sup>5</sup> .....	.270	153.0	154.1	3.4	.7	.4	.1	.5
Hospital and related services .....	1.334	282.5	283.5	2.8	.4	.4	.5	-.1
Hospital services <sup>3 9</sup> .....	1.284	103.2	103.5	2.7	.3	.4	.5	.3
Inpatient hospital services <sup>2 3 9</sup> .....	-	102.5	102.8	2.2	.3	.4	.4	.3
Outpatient hospital services <sup>2 5</sup> .....	-	228.3	228.6	3.2	.1	.4	.3	-.4
Nursing homes and adult daycare <sup>3 9</sup> .....	.050	103.9	104.6	4.2	.7	.2	.5	.7
Recreation <sup>1</sup> .....	6.145	100.0	100.3	1.5	.3	-	-	.3
Video and audio <sup>1 3</sup> .....	1.763	100.0	100.6	2.5	.6	.4	-.3	.6
Televisions <sup>3</sup> .....	.215	60.2	60.1	-4.8	-2	.5	-1.1	-.2
Cable television <sup>6</sup> .....	.842	233.6	237.9	8.0	1.8	.4	.4	1.7
Other video equipment <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.087	100.0	99.0	-	-1.0	-	-	-1.0
Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental <sup>1 3</sup> ..	.189	100.0	98.2	-	-1.8	-	-	-1.8
Video cassettes and discs, blank and prerecorded <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	98.9	-	-1.1	-	-	-1.1
Rental of video tapes and discs <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	96.4	-	-3.6	-	-	-3.6
Audio equipment <sup>3</sup> .....	.167	88.4	87.9	-2.1	-.6	.8	-.6	-.6
Audio discs, tapes and other media <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.148	100.0	99.6	-	-.4	-	-	-.4
Pets, pet products and services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.664	100.0	100.6	-	.6	-	-	.6
Pets and pet products <sup>3</sup> .....	.434	142.1	143.3	.2	.8	-.1	-.7	.8
Pet food <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	101.0	-	1.0	-	-	1.0
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Pet services including veterinary <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.231	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Pet services <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	100.3	-	.3	-	-	.3
Veterinarian services <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Sporting goods <sup>3</sup> .....	.493	122.5	123.4	.1	.7	-.2	.7	.7
Sports vehicles including bicycles <sup>3</sup> .....	.213	124.3	125.1	.4	.6	-.4	1.0	.6
Sports equipment <sup>3</sup> .....	.269	118.1	119.1	-.2	.8	.2	.5	.8
Photography <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.265	100.0	99.9	-	-.1	-	-	-.1
Photographic equipment and supplies <sup>3</sup> .....	.108	134.0	133.8	.1	-.1	.3	-.7	-.1
Film and photographic supplies <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	100.5	-	.5	-	-	.5
Photographic equipment <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	99.0	-	-1.0	-	-	-1.0
Photographers and film processing <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.155	100.0	99.9	-	-.1	-	-	-.1
Photographer fees <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	99.9	-	-.1	-	-	-.1
Film processing <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	100.0	-	.0	-	-	.0
Other recreational goods <sup>1</sup> .....	.596	100.0	99.1	-	-.9	-	-	-1.1
Toys .....	.450	124.4	123.1	-2.3	-1.0	-.3	-.3	-1.4
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	99.6	-	-.4	-	-	-.4
Video game hardware, software and accessories <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	96.3	-	-3.7	-	-	-3.7
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.072	100.0	99.2	-	-.8	-	-	-.8
Music instruments and accessories <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.057	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Recreation services <sup>1</sup> .....	1.771	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Club membership dues and fees for participant sports <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.647	100.0	100.3	-	.3	-	-	.3
Admissions <sup>3</sup> .....	.738	200.3	200.7	3.4	.2	-.1	.1	.2
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	100.0	-	.0	-	-	.0
Admission to sporting events <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	100.8	-	.8	-	-	.8
Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>5</sup> .....	.219	174.1	173.8	5.0	-.2	.5	1.8	.0
Recreational reading materials <sup>3</sup> .....	.593	180.2	180.5	1.2	.2	.2	.3	.2
Newspapers and magazines <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.391	100.0	100.3	-	.3	-	-	.3
Recreational books <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.201	100.0	99.9	-	-.1	-	-	-.1

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(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and Group	Relative Importance, December 1997	Unadjusted Indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Expenditure category								
Education and communication <sup>1</sup> .....	5.528	100.0	99.9	2.6	-0.1	-	-	0.0
Education <sup>1</sup> .....	2.615	100.0	100.3	5.0	.3	-	-	.4
Educational books and supplies .....	.194	242.8	245.1	4.5	.9	0.3	0.4	-2
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....	2.421	288.5	289.2	5.1	.2	.4	.4	.5
College tuition and fees .....	1.112	301.7	302.5	4.6	.3	.4	.4	.4
Elementary and high school tuition and fees .....	.323	300.6	300.6	7.2	.0	.5	.5	.5
Child care and nursery school <sup>7</sup> .....	.865	137.6	138.2	4.5	.4	.4	.5	.4
Technical and business school tuition and fees <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.049	100.0	99.8	-	-2	-	-	-2
Communication <sup>1 3</sup> .....	2.913	100.0	99.6	-9	-4	.1	-1	-4
Postage and delivery services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.207	100.0	100.0	-	.0	-	-	.0
Postage <sup>3</sup> .....	.203	160.3	160.3	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Delivery services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.004	100.0	100.0	-	.0	-	-	.0
Information and information processing <sup>1 3</sup> .....	2.706	100.0	99.6	-9	-4	.1	-1	-4
Telephone services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	2.357	100.0	99.9	-	-1	-	-	-1
Telephone services, local charges <sup>3</sup> .....	1.083	163.8	163.8	1.3	.0	.1	.0	.0
Telephone services, long distance charges <sup>1 3</sup> .....	1.209	100.0	99.8	-	-2	-	-	-2
Interstate toll calls <sup>2 3</sup> .....	-	75.2	75.2	-6.5	.0	.0	.1	.0
Intrastate toll calls <sup>2 3</sup> .....	-	94.7	94.3	2.6	-4	1.2	-3	-4
Cellular telephone services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.065	100.0	99.0	-	-1.0	-	-	-1.0
Information and information processing other than telephone services <sup>3 10</sup> .....	.350	47.4	46.2	-13.6	-2.5	-2.7	-4	-2.5
Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.234	100.0	96.9	-	-3.1	-	-	-3.1
Computer software and accessories <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.037	100.0	97.1	-	-2.9	-	-	-2.9
Computer information processing services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.020	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Other information processing equipment <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.057	100.0	99.6	-	-4	-	-	-4
Other goods and services .....	4.321	230.1	231.3	5.1	.5	.4	.4	.4
Tobacco and smoking products .....	.894	251.2	253.8	7.4	1.0	.3	.7	.7
Cigarettes <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.830	100.0	101.0	-	1.0	-	-	1.0
Tobacco products other than cigarettes <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.059	100.0	100.8	-	.8	-	-	.8
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	3.427	154.0	154.6	2.0	.4	.7	-2	.4
Personal care products <sup>3</sup> .....	.737	145.3	146.1	1.7	.6	1.1	-5	.6
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.372	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements <sup>3</sup> .....	.361	153.9	155.6	2.9	1.1	.8	.3	1.1
Personal care services <sup>3</sup> .....	.963	163.9	164.3	2.2	.2	.1	.2	.2
Haircuts and other personal care services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.963	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Miscellaneous personal services .....	1.465	230.0	230.9	5.2	.4	.3	.5	.2
Legal services <sup>3 5</sup> .....	.329	167.5	168.6	5.6	.7	.1	.1	.7
Funeral expenses <sup>5</sup> .....	.344	172.3	172.9	4.9	.3	.2	.4	.0
Laundry and dry cleaning services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.214	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.065	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Financial services <sup>3 5</sup> .....	.307	194.7	195.4	5.6	.4	.4	.4	.4
Checking account and other bank services <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	100.0	101.0	-	1.0	-	-	1.0
Miscellaneous personal goods <sup>1 3</sup> .....	.262	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap <sup>2</sup> .....	-	158.1	158.6	4.5	.3	-2	1.0	.6
Special aggregate indexes								
Commodities .....	42.635	141.7	141.6	.1	-1	.0	-1	-1
Commodities less food and beverages .....	26.326	131.2	130.5	-1.2	-5	-2	-2	-4
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	14.729	133.5	132.0	-1.3	-1.1	-2	-1	-1.1
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	9.785	139.5	138.1	-2.1	-1.0	-4	-4	-1.2
Durables .....	11.596	128.0	128.2	-1.2	.2	-2	-2	.2
Services .....	57.365	181.0	181.8	2.7	.4	.2	.2	.1
Rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....	29.410	185.3	186.5	3.3	.6	.3	.4	.2
Transportation services .....	6.984	186.0	187.1	2.0	.6	-4	.1	.6
Other services .....	10.625	213.1	213.7	3.8	.3	.1	.4	.2
All items less food .....	84.674	161.8	161.9	1.4	.1	.1	.1	-1
All items less shelter .....	70.212	156.4	156.4	.9	.0	.1	-1	-1
All items less medical care .....	94.386	157.0	157.3	1.5	.2	.1	.0	.0
Commodities less food .....	27.309	132.6	131.9	-1.1	-5	-1	-1	-4
Nondurables less food .....	15.712	135.3	133.9	-1.1	-1.0	-2	-1	-9
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	10.768	141.0	139.8	-1.5	-9	-4	-3	-1.1
Nondurables .....	31.039	146.5	146.2	.5	-2	.1	-1	-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	Relative Importance, December 1997	Unadjusted Indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Special aggregate indexes								
Apparel less footwear .....	4.049	127.6	125.6	-0.2	-1.6	0.2	0.0	-0.5
Services less rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....	27.955	189.5	189.9	2.2	.2	.2	.0	-.1
Services less medical care services .....	52.973	175.4	176.1	2.7	.4	.2	.2	.1
Energy .....	7.013	108.4	105.9	-6.5	-2.3	.0	-1.8	-2.4
All items less energy .....	92.987	168.3	169.0	2.2	.4	.1	.2	.2
All items less food and energy .....	77.661	170.7	171.2	2.2	.3	.1	.2	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	24.053	142.1	142.0	.4	-.1	.1	.0	.1
Energy commodities .....	3.256	101.6	97.8	-10.4	-3.7	-1.5	-1.4	-3.5
Services less energy services .....	53.608	186.9	187.9	3.0	.5	.2	.3	.2
Domestically produced farm food .....	8.134	161.1	162.9	1.8	1.1	.3	-.1	.4
Utilities and public transportation .....	9.217	145.0	144.9	-.1	-.1	.3	-.8	-.5
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar .....	-	\$ .620	\$ .619	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar - old base .....	-	\$ .207	\$ .207	-	-	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>2</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>3</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>10</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

- 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					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Apr. 1997	July 1997	Oct. 1997	Jan. 1998	July 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Expenditure category</b>										
All items .....	161.6	161.8	161.9	161.9	1.5	1.5	2.5	0.7	1.5	1.6
Food and beverages .....	158.9	159.2	159.3	159.7	1.0	3.1	2.6	2.0	2.1	2.3
Food .....	158.7	158.9	158.9	159.4	1.0	3.1	2.8	1.8	2.1	2.3
Food at home .....	159.3	159.5	159.3	159.9	.0	3.9	2.6	1.5	1.9	2.0
Cereals and bakery products .....	178.6	178.8	179.1	179.0	-5	3.0	2.0	.9	1.2	1.5
Cereals and cereal products .....	170.7	170.6	170.8	169.7	-1.9	4.1	2.1	-2.3	1.1	-1
Flour and prepared flour mixes .....	154.7	154.7	155.2	156.9	3.9	-4.5	-5.7	5.8	-4	-1
Breakfast cereal .....	189.3	188.7	189.1	187.2	-4.0	8.3	2.6	-4.4	1.9	-1.0
Rice, pasta, cornmeal .....	151.5	151.1	151.3	149.6	1.4	4.7	7.2	-4.9	3.0	.9
Rice <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bakery products .....	182.0	182.4	182.5	183.4	-4	2.2	2.2	3.1	.9	2.7
Bread <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
White bread <sup>2 3</sup> .....	186.0	186.9	186.2	184.5	1.6	2.4	6.3	-3.2	2.0	1.4
Bread other than white <sup>2 3</sup> .....	184.8	184.3	186.9	186.3	-1.5	7.3	2.2	3.3	2.8	2.7
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies <sup>3</sup> .....	179.2	180.2	180.1	180.1	-2	-7	1.1	2.0	-4	1.6
Cookies <sup>2 3</sup> .....	181.4	183.7	182.3	182.7	-1.1	-1.3	6.4	2.9	-1.2	4.6
Fresh cakes and cupcakes <sup>2 3</sup> .....	177.4	177.0	178.6	178.2	1.1	1.6	-2.0	1.8	1.4	-1
Other bakery products .....	179.8	181.3	181.0	183.2	-1.8	1.6	-4	7.8	-1	3.6
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts <sup>2 3</sup> .....	175.9	173.6	177.2	177.9	3.0	-5.4	6.4	4.6	-1.3	5.5
Crackers, bread, and cracker products <sup>2</sup> .....	210.3	214.0	212.0	218.1	-16.3	-4	7.2	15.7	-8.7	11.3
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers <sup>2 3</sup> .....	176.9	177.5	181.7	184.7	.7	8.9	-6.7	18.8	4.7	5.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	148.5	148.6	147.7	147.3	-1.6	3.6	-2.1	-3.2	.9	-2.7
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	149.1	149.0	148.1	148.0	-1.6	3.5	-1.9	-2.9	.9	-2.4
Meats .....	144.4	143.8	143.3	143.0	-6	3.1	-1.9	-3.8	1.3	-2.9
Beef and veal .....	137.0	136.4	136.6	136.0	-3.2	7.3	-2.9	-2.9	1.9	-2.9
Uncooked ground beef .....	116.7	115.8	115.3	116.8	-7.0	15.9	-6.3	.3	3.8	-3.0
Uncooked beef roasts <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Uncooked beef steaks <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Uncooked other beef and veal <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pork .....	155.0	154.1	153.3	152.7	1.3	.0	-4.8	-5.8	.6	-5.3
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bacon and related products <sup>2</sup> .....	162.2	162.1	160.8	158.2	5.8	4.2	-11.4	-9.5	5.0	-10.5
Breakfast sausage and related products <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ham .....	154.5	152.2	153.7	153.6	1.0	-1.8	-7.6	-2.3	-4	-5.0
Ham, excluding canned <sup>2</sup> .....	164.4	162.5	163.5	164.3	.0	-9	-9.2	-2	-5	-4.8
Pork chops .....	154.7	153.9	152.6	150.9	-1.0	-1.3	.3	-9.5	-1.2	-4.7
Other pork including roasts and picnics <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other meats <sup>3</sup> .....	149.3	149.3	147.0	148.1	2.7	-1.1	4.7	-3.2	.8	.7
Frankfurters <sup>2 3</sup> .....	147.0	145.4	144.9	148.6	-1.4	-2.5	8.9	4.4	-1.9	6.6
Lunchmeats <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lamb and organ meats <sup>2 3</sup> .....	163.6	164.4	160.8	163.4	6.4	-4.9	10.7	-5	.6	5.0
Lamb and mutton <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poultry <sup>3</sup> .....	155.6	157.4	155.2	155.1	-6.9	6.6	-5.7	-1.3	-4	-3.5
Chicken <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fresh whole chicken <sup>2 3</sup> .....	156.6	161.2	158.9	155.0	-5.6	.8	-5.4	-4.0	-2.5	-4.7
Fresh and frozen chicken parts <sup>2 3</sup> .....	155.9	158.3	154.4	154.4	-10.1	11.0	-8.0	-3.8	-1	-5.9
Other poultry including turkey <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	102.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fish and seafood .....	178.5	178.7	177.7	177.9	.5	2.3	3.7	-1.3	1.4	1.1
Fresh fish and seafood <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	103.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Processed fish and seafood <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Canned fish and seafood <sup>2 3</sup> .....	129.7	130.3	129.4	129.9	-1.2	.0	6.1	.6	-6	3.3
Frozen fish and seafood <sup>2</sup> .....	202.1	202.2	201.0	197.3	.6	2.6	3.0	-9.2	1.6	-3.3
Eggs .....	138.4	141.5	140.5	136.9	-5.5	1.7	-5.8	-4.3	-2.0	-5.1
Dairy and related products <sup>3</sup> .....	145.7	147.0	147.8	148.3	-5.6	-6.4	6.9	7.3	-6.0	7.1
Milk <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fresh whole milk <sup>2 3</sup> .....	143.7	145.9	145.8	145.6	-10.7	-7.9	12.0	5.4	-9.3	8.6
Fresh milk other than whole <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cheese and related products <sup>3</sup> .....	146.5	147.3	148.3	148.5	-2.9	-3.5	-1.1	5.6	-3.2	2.2
Ice cream and related products .....	150.5	150.6	151.2	152.4	.8	-2.4	.8	5.1	-8	3.0
Other dairy and related products <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.9	-	-	-	-	-	-

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**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					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Apr. 1997	July 1997	Oct. 1997	Jan. 1998	July 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Expenditure category</b>										
Fruits and vegetables .....	191.1	191.7	190.9	196.5	1.1	8.1	10.0	11.8	4.5	10.9
Fresh fruits and vegetables .....	221.0	221.5	219.8	227.1	2.3	12.5	14.6	11.5	7.3	13.0
Fresh fruits .....	239.7	235.3	235.8	233.4	7.4	-6.6	11.1	-10.1	.2	-1.1
Apples .....	202.3	200.5	202.0	200.6	-7.9	2.7	6.8	-3.3	-2.8	1.6
Bananas .....	160.5	162.4	158.9	158.4	-7.0	-17.4	14.7	-5.1	-12.4	4.3
Citrus fruits <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	105.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oranges, including tangerines <sup>2</sup> .....	217.7	211.9	219.4	243.1	3.4	-3	-17.0	55.5	1.5	13.6
Other fresh fruits <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	96.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fresh vegetables .....	203.9	209.4	205.4	221.6	-4.1	42.3	18.8	39.5	16.8	28.7
Potatoes .....	184.0	184.5	184.8	186.7	-8.0	2.2	45.3	6.0	-3.0	24.1
Lettuce <sup>3</sup> .....	223.4	257.9	218.5	290.5	-14.1	-7.6	113.1	185.9	-10.9	146.8
Tomatoes <sup>3</sup> .....	195.9	224.6	253.4	238.4	92.4	-48.7	6.1	119.3	-6	52.6
Other fresh vegetables .....	200.6	204.5	203.0	225.7	.6	35.1	1.4	60.3	16.6	27.5
Processed fruits and vegetables <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Canned fruits and vegetables <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Canned fruits <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Canned vegetables <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	103.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Frozen fruits and vegetables <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Frozen vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....	148.0	148.9	149.8	148.7	3.6	1.6	-2.4	1.9	2.6	-3
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dried beans, peas, and lentils <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	136.5	135.3	134.3	134.0	9.4	19.3	-1.5	-7.1	14.2	-4.3
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carbonated drinks .....	118.7	118.1	117.7	117.5	-5.9	1.7	1.4	-4.0	-2.2	-1.3
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beverage materials including coffee and tea <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Coffee <sup>3</sup> .....	177.8	173.8	170.2	169.8	54.6	53.2	-6.9	-16.8	53.9	-12.0
Roasted coffee <sup>2 3</sup> .....	188.7	183.0	178.0	176.9	75.2	77.3	-12.3	-22.8	76.2	-17.7
Instant and freeze dried coffee <sup>2 3</sup> .....	157.4	156.4	155.2	155.5	20.7	14.9	-1.0	-4.7	17.8	-2.9
Other beverage materials including tea <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other food at home .....	148.9	148.5	148.7	148.7	4.5	6.7	.8	-5	5.6	.1
Sugar and sweets .....	148.2	148.7	149.3	150.0	2.2	3.6	-1.3	4.9	2.9	1.8
Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....	134.9	134.5	135.3	136.0	1.2	.3	-6	3.3	.7	1.3
Candy and chewing gum <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other sweets <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	102.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fats and oils .....	141.6	141.3	141.5	140.0	.6	-3.1	2.0	-4.4	-1.3	-1.3
Butter and margarine <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Butter <sup>2 3</sup> .....	114.5	123.4	128.2	124.7	21.9	-11.6	8.1	40.7	3.8	23.3
Margarine <sup>2 3</sup> .....	145.2	143.8	144.2	146.1	-8	-2.4	-5	2.5	-1.6	1.0
Salad dressing <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other fats and oils including peanut butter <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Peanut butter <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other foods .....	162.4	162.5	163.4	163.6	3.3	1.3	3.0	3.0	2.3	3.0
Soups .....	190.3	189.6	190.5	191.5	3.7	2.1	2.6	2.5	2.9	2.6
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods <sup>3</sup> .....	145.6	145.8	144.9	145.2	7.1	1.9	-4.0	-1.1	4.5	-2.6
Snacks <sup>3</sup> .....	156.2	154.6	155.6	155.1	8.7	-1.0	3.9	-2.8	3.7	.5
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces .....	169.8	168.8	170.2	170.5	.7	-2.6	9.2	1.7	-1.0	5.4
Salt and other seasonings and spices <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Olives, pickles, relishes <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	96.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sauces and gravies <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other condiments <sup>2</sup> .....	163.0	163.0	164.3	167.5	3.6	2.3	8.5	11.5	2.9	10.0
Baby food <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prepared salads <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food away from home <sup>3</sup> .....	158.2	158.6	159.0	159.2	2.3	2.3	2.8	2.6	2.3	2.7
Full service meals and snacks <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Limited service meals and snacks <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food at employee sites and schools <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other food away from home <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-

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**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					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Apr. 1997	July 1997	Oct. 1997	Jan. 1998	July 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Expenditure category</b>										
Alcoholic beverages .....	163.8	164.1	164.5	164.9	1.2	2.7	2.0	2.7	2.0	2.3
Alcoholic beverages at home .....	149.9	149.8	150.1	150.3	.3	1.3	1.1	1.1	.8	1.1
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home .....	147.9	147.7	148.1	148.3	-1.6	-.8	.0	1.1	-1.2	.5
Distilled spirits at home .....	151.8	152.1	152.5	151.7	2.7	1.9	3.0	-.3	2.3	1.3
Whiskey at home <sup>2 3</sup> .....	152.2	152.1	151.5	151.5	4.1	4.6	1.9	-1.8	4.4	.0
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home <sup>2 3</sup> .....	152.2	152.2	152.1	151.8	3.3	1.6	4.9	-1.0	2.4	1.9
Wine at home .....	146.6	146.5	146.5	146.7	5.1	3.9	.8	.3	4.5	.5
Alcoholic beverages away from home .....	191.3	191.8	192.7	193.3	2.2	4.3	3.4	4.2	3.2	3.8
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wine away from home <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Distilled spirits away from home <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Housing .....	157.7	158.2	158.3	158.4	1.6	2.6	2.3	1.8	2.1	2.1
Shelter .....	177.6	178.0	178.7	179.0	3.0	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.2
Rent of primary residence .....	168.2	168.6	169.1	169.5	2.7	3.2	3.4	3.1	2.9	3.3
Lodging away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Housing at school, excluding board <sup>4</sup> .....	227.0	227.8	228.6	229.3	6.2	4.4	5.1	4.1	5.3	4.6
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels .....	227.6	227.9	230.1	229.6	5.6	.5	8.1	3.6	3.0	5.8
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>4</sup> .....	183.4	183.9	184.5	184.9	2.9	3.4	2.7	3.3	3.1	3.0
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fuels and utilities .....	131.0	132.1	130.7	129.1	-3.0	1.5	1.2	-5.7	-.8	-2.3
Fuels .....	116.7	118.4	116.0	114.2	-6.9	-.7	1.0	-8.3	-3.8	-3.7
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	96.4	96.5	96.1	94.1	-26.3	-13.2	-4.0	-9.2	-20.0	-6.7
Fuel oil .....	93.2	93.3	93.1	90.6	-23.5	-16.0	-4.2	-10.7	-19.8	-7.5
Other household fuels <sup>3 5</sup> .....	126.5	128.0	128.8	128.6	-34.5	-19.2	1.9	6.8	-27.2	4.3
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	124.4	126.4	123.6	121.8	-4.4	1.0	1.6	-8.1	-1.8	-3.4
Electricity .....	132.0	133.0	130.6	129.3	3.7	-.9	-2.7	-7.9	1.4	-5.3
Utility natural gas service .....	115.8	119.6	116.0	112.9	-19.8	5.5	11.5	-9.6	-8.0	.4
Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Water and sewerage maintenance .....	212.9	213.3	214.0	214.0	3.1	4.9	5.0	2.1	4.0	3.5
Garbage and trash collection <sup>3 6</sup> .....	252.6	252.8	252.8	252.9	2.3	1.8	3.4	.5	2.0	1.9
Household furnishings and operations .....	125.3	125.4	125.4	125.7	.6	1.0	-.6	1.3	.8	.3
Window and floor coverings and other linens <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Floor coverings <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Window coverings <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	103.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other linens <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Furniture and bedding <sup>3</sup> .....	134.9	134.0	133.5	133.0	3.6	.0	1.2	-5.5	1.8	-2.2
Bedroom furniture <sup>3</sup> .....	142.0	141.2	142.7	139.4	3.8	2.3	.6	-7.1	3.0	-3.4
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other furniture <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Appliances <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Major appliances <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Laundry equipment <sup>2 3</sup> .....	113.4	112.8	113.4	114.5	-2.8	3.6	1.1	3.9	.4	2.5
Other appliances <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other household equipment and furnishings <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items <sup>3</sup> .....	118.6	120.0	121.0	120.6	11.0	1.7	-7.7	6.9	6.2	-.7
Indoor plants and flowers <sup>7</sup> .....	109.1	107.0	107.7	115.6	-5.8	-7.2	-7.0	26.0	-6.5	8.3
Dishes and flatware <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nonelectric cookware and tableware <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tools, hardware and supplies <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Housekeeping supplies .....	143.3	143.5	143.8	143.1	1.7	2.8	-1.7	-.6	2.3	-1.1
Household cleaning products <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Household paper products <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous household products <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Household operations <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Domestic services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gardening and lawn care services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Moving, storage, freight expense <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Repair of household items <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Apr. 1997	July 1997	Oct. 1997	Jan. 1998	July 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Expenditure category</b>										
Apparel .....	132.9	133.0	133.2	132.5	3.1	0.3	-1.2	-1.2	1.7	-1.2
Men's and boys' apparel .....	131.2	130.9	131.7	132.0	3.1	1.2	2.2	2.5	2.2	2.3
Men's apparel .....	134.3	133.1	134.7	134.4	4.0	-1.2	3.7	.3	1.4	2.0
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear .....	137.8	135.4	136.2	140.2	3.3	-1.8	9.5	7.2	.7	8.3
Men's furnishings .....	130.2	128.2	132.9	133.9	5.2	3.2	8.1	11.9	4.2	9.9
Men's shirts and sweaters <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	96.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Men's pants and shorts .....	131.8	130.9	131.0	131.4	-5.0	6.9	-3.0	-1.2	.8	-2.1
Boys' apparel .....	118.2	119.6	120.6	121.8	.7	8.8	-3.3	12.8	4.7	4.4
Women's and girls' apparel .....	125.6	126.1	125.6	124.4	2.9	.3	-2.8	-3.8	1.6	-3.3
Women's apparel .....	125.8	126.5	125.9	124.1	2.9	.3	-1.9	-5.3	1.6	-3.6
Women's outerwear .....	125.1	125.4	122.6	121.6	1.7	7.4	4.9	-10.7	4.5	-3.2
Women's dresses .....	108.5	109.1	107.6	102.5	-7.8	-2.8	-9.7	-20.4	-5.3	-15.2
Women's suits and separates <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	95.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Girls' apparel .....	124.6	124.0	124.9	126.9	4.2	.6	-9.9	7.6	2.4	-1.6
Footwear .....	128.9	128.5	129.5	128.8	2.9	.3	4.8	-3	1.6	2.2
Men's footwear .....	131.4	132.0	132.6	131.2	-9	2.4	-4.2	-6	.8	-2.4
Boys' and girls' footwear .....	133.1	132.7	133.2	135.6	-6	-2.1	9.9	7.7	-1.4	8.8
Women's footwear .....	124.2	123.2	124.1	123.5	5.4	.7	8.5	-2.2	3.0	3.0
Infants' and toddlers' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	126.2	126.0	125.8	124.8	19.4	-7.0	-14.7	-4.4	5.4	-9.7
Jewelry and watches <sup>5</sup> .....	144.1	143.9	144.4	143.4	-1.4	1.7	-6.1	-1.9	.1	-4.1
Watches <sup>5</sup> .....	123.9	125.5	124.9	125.3	-3.1	-1.9	-9.4	4.6	-2.5	-2.7
Jewelry <sup>5</sup> .....	149.8	149.2	149.8	148.8	-2.4	2.9	-5.4	-2.6	.3	-4.0
Transportation .....	144.7	143.9	143.5	143.0	-1.4	-3.3	3.4	-4.6	-2.3	-7
Private transportation .....	141.4	140.7	140.3	139.6	-1.7	-3.6	3.5	-5.0	-2.7	-9
New and used motor vehicles <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
New vehicles .....	144.0	143.7	143.4	143.6	.6	-8	-1.1	-1.1	-1	-1.1
New cars and trucks <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
New cars <sup>2</sup> .....	141.4	141.1	140.7	140.8	.3	-8	-1.1	-1.7	-3	-1.4
New trucks <sup>2 6</sup> .....	151.6	151.2	151.0	151.2	1.3	-1.0	.5	-1.1	.1	-3
New motorcycles <sup>2 5</sup> .....	163.8	164.0	163.7	163.5	-3.4	4.8	-2	-7	.6	-5
Used cars and trucks <sup>3</sup> .....	147.9	147.6	147.9	148.1	-1.0	-10.9	-5.2	.5	-6.1	-2.4
Car and truck rental <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	97.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Motor fuel .....	107.0	105.1	103.5	99.7	-14.0	-15.8	20.6	-24.6	-14.9	-4.6
Gasoline (all types) .....	106.8	104.7	103.0	99.3	-14.4	-16.3	23.1	-25.3	-15.3	-4.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>2</sup> .....	104.9	102.7	100.9	97.1	-15.6	-16.9	24.5	-26.6	-16.2	-4.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>2 3 8</sup> .....	111.0	108.6	105.9	101.8	-8.9	-7.1	12.0	-29.3	-8.0	-11.0
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>2</sup> .....	107.6	105.8	104.3	100.9	-12.7	-15.7	20.0	-22.7	-14.2	-3.7
Other motor fuels <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	98.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Motor vehicle parts and equipment .....	101.5	101.5	101.3	101.0	-8	2.4	-3.8	-2.0	.8	-2.9
Tires .....	99.1	99.1	98.8	98.4	-2.7	-8	-5.8	-2.8	-1.8	-4.3
Vehicle accessories other than tires <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires <sup>2 3</sup> .....	108.3	108.2	108.2	108.4	-4	4.9	.0	.4	2.3	.2
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids <sup>2 3</sup> .....	131.6	131.6	131.8	131.4	1.2	3.7	-3.3	-6	2.5	-1.9
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....	163.6	163.9	164.7	165.0	2.0	3.0	1.2	3.5	2.5	2.3
Motor vehicle body work <sup>3</sup> .....	175.0	175.4	176.2	176.5	5.1	5.7	3.0	3.5	5.4	3.2
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing <sup>3</sup> .....	151.1	151.2	152.1	152.7	-8	3.6	4.6	4.3	1.4	4.5
Motor vehicle repair <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Motor vehicle insurance .....	253.0	253.4	254.0	254.6	4.3	2.3	1.6	2.6	3.3	2.1
Motor vehicle fees <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	102.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
State and local registration and license <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Parking and other fees <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	104.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Parking fees and tolls <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	104.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Automobile service clubs <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public transportation .....	189.6	186.1	185.8	188.8	1.5	-1.1	4.3	-1.7	.2	1.3
Airline fare <sup>3</sup> .....	205.5	197.5	194.8	200.1	12.7	-1.0	3.8	-10.1	5.6	-3.4
Other intercity transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	155.5	155.1	156.3	156.9	-1.5	-3.3	3.4	3.7	-2.4	3.5
Ship fare <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intracity transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	176.7	176.7	176.6	175.5	2.3	.7	2.1	-2.7	1.5	-3

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<b>Expenditure category</b>										
Medical care .....	236.3	237.1	237.9	238.2	3.0	2.2	2.2	3.3	2.6	2.7
Medical care commodities .....	215.9	216.4	217.4	217.8	3.4	1.9	.4	3.6	2.6	2.0
Prescription drugs and medical supplies .....	249.6	250.4	252.4	252.7	2.8	2.1	-.3	5.1	2.4	2.3
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies <sup>3 5</sup> .....	146.4	146.0	145.8	146.4	5.1	1.7	1.1	.0	3.4	.5
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs <sup>3</sup> .....	173.9	173.3	173.1	173.1	4.3	3.3	-.7	-1.8	3.8	-1.3
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies <sup>3</sup> .....	173.3	173.2	172.8	174.9	6.5	-1.2	4.3	3.7	2.6	4.0
Medical care services .....	240.8	241.6	242.4	242.6	2.9	2.4	2.7	3.0	2.6	2.9
Professional services .....	217.1	217.5	218.1	218.7	3.8	2.4	2.6	3.0	3.1	2.8
Physicians' services .....	224.5	224.9	225.5	225.5	3.3	2.2	2.7	1.8	2.7	2.3
Dental services <sup>3</sup> .....	229.1	229.8	230.0	231.6	5.5	2.7	4.1	4.4	4.1	4.3
Eyeglasses and eye care <sup>3 5</sup> .....	141.9	141.7	142.5	142.7	2.0	3.5	-.6	2.3	2.7	.8
Services by other medical professionals <sup>5</sup> .....	152.8	153.4	153.6	154.3	5.5	2.7	1.6	4.0	4.1	2.8
Hospital and related services .....	280.5	281.5	282.8	282.6	3.1	2.3	2.9	3.0	2.7	3.0
Hospital services <sup>3 9</sup> .....	102.3	102.7	103.2	103.5	1.6	1.2	3.2	4.8	1.4	4.0
Inpatient hospital services <sup>2 3 9</sup> .....	101.7	102.1	102.5	102.8	1.6	1.2	1.6	4.4	1.4	3.0
Outpatient hospital services <sup>2 5</sup> .....	227.3	228.1	228.8	227.9	4.4	3.1	4.2	1.1	3.7	2.6
Nursing homes and adult daycare <sup>3 9</sup> .....	103.2	103.4	103.9	104.6	4.9	4.4	2.0	5.5	4.6	3.7
Recreation <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Video and audio <sup>1 3</sup> .....	99.9	100.3	100.0	100.6	1.2	6.2	.0	2.8	3.7	1.4
Televisions <sup>3</sup> .....	60.6	60.9	60.2	60.1	-5.6	-4.4	-5.7	-3.3	-5.0	-4.5
Cable television <sup>6</sup> .....	233.4	234.4	235.4	239.4	5.9	9.8	5.9	10.7	7.8	8.2
Other video equipment <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	98.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Video cassettes and discs, blank and prerecorded <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	98.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rental of video tapes and discs <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	96.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Audio equipment <sup>3</sup> .....	88.2	88.9	88.4	87.9	-10.3	7.5	-3.5	-1.4	-1.8	-2.5
Audio discs, tapes and other media <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pets, pet products and services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pets and pet products <sup>3</sup> .....	143.2	143.1	142.1	143.3	.8	-2.8	2.6	.3	-1.0	1.4
Pet food <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pet services including veterinary <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pet services <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Veterinarian services <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sporting goods <sup>3</sup> .....	121.8	121.6	122.5	123.4	-1.3	-2.3	-1.3	5.4	-1.8	2.0
Sports vehicles including bicycles <sup>3</sup> .....	123.6	123.1	124.3	125.1	2.3	-2.5	-2.9	4.9	-.2	1.0
Sports equipment <sup>3</sup> .....	117.3	117.5	118.1	119.1	-4.6	-2.0	.0	6.3	-3.3	3.1
Photography <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Photographic equipment and supplies <sup>3</sup> .....	134.5	134.9	134.0	133.8	1.8	-3.5	4.6	-2.1	-.9	1.2
Film and photographic supplies <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Photographic equipment <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Photographers and film processing <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Photographer fees <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Film processing <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other recreational goods <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	98.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Toys .....	126.1	125.7	125.3	123.6	-1.9	1.6	-.9	-7.7	-.2	-4.4
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Video game hardware, software and accessories <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	96.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Music instruments and accessories <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Recreation services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Club membership dues and fees for participant sports <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Admissions <sup>3</sup> .....	200.4	200.1	200.3	200.7	5.5	10.1	-2.2	.6	7.8	-.8
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Admission to sporting events <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>5</sup> .....	170.0	170.8	173.8	173.8	2.4	7.7	.9	9.2	5.0	5.0
Recreational reading materials <sup>3</sup> .....	179.4	179.7	180.2	180.5	-.2	-.4	3.0	2.5	-.3	2.7
Newspapers and magazines <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Recreational books <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-

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					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Apr. 1997	July 1997	Oct. 1997	Jan. 1998	July 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Expenditure category</b>										
Education and communication <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Education <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Educational books and supplies .....	242.1	242.8	243.8	243.2	5.1	7.0	4.6	1.8	6.0	3.2
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....	284.4	285.6	286.8	288.1	4.9	5.4	4.9	5.3	5.2	5.1
College tuition and fees .....	297.4	298.6	299.8	301.0	5.0	5.9	2.5	4.9	5.4	3.7
Elementary and high school tuition and fees .....	295.0	296.5	297.9	299.4	5.7	6.8	10.2	6.1	6.3	8.1
Child care and nursery school <sup>7</sup> .....	136.1	136.6	137.3	137.9	4.0	3.0	5.8	5.4	3.5	5.6
Technical and business school tuition and fees <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Communication <sup>1 3</sup> .....	100.0	100.1	100.0	99.6	.4	.0	-2.4	-1.6	.2	-2.0
Postage and delivery services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Postage <sup>3</sup> .....	160.3	160.3	160.3	160.3	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Delivery services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Information and information processing <sup>1 3</sup> .....	100.0	100.1	100.0	99.6	.4	.4	-2.8	-1.6	.4	-2.2
Telephone services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Telephone services, local charges <sup>3</sup> .....	163.7	163.8	163.8	163.8	2.5	1.7	.7	.2	2.1	.5
Telephone services, long distance charges <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interstate toll calls <sup>2 3</sup> .....	75.1	75.1	75.2	75.2	-7.7	-5	-17.1	.5	-4.2	-8.7
Intrastate toll calls <sup>2 3</sup> .....	93.9	95.0	94.7	94.3	8.5	1.3	-.8	1.7	4.8	.4
Cellular telephone services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Information and information processing other than telephone services <sup>3 10</sup> .....	48.9	47.6	47.4	46.2	-14.8	-16.7	-1.6	-20.3	-15.8	-11.5
Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	96.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Computer software and accessories <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	97.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Computer information processing services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other information processing equipment <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other goods and services .....	229.0	229.9	230.8	231.8	6.5	2.9	6.2	5.0	4.7	5.6
Tobacco and smoking products .....	249.5	250.3	252.1	253.8	12.7	-2.1	12.2	7.1	5.1	9.6
Cigarettes <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tobacco products other than cigarettes <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	153.3	154.3	154.0	154.6	2.9	-.3	1.8	3.4	1.3	2.6
Personal care products <sup>3</sup> .....	144.5	146.1	145.3	146.1	2.5	-2.2	2.2	4.5	.1	3.4
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements <sup>3</sup> .....	152.2	153.4	153.9	155.6	2.7	-4.1	4.3	9.2	-.8	6.8
Personal care services <sup>3</sup> .....	163.4	163.5	163.9	164.3	3.3	1.2	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.2
Haircuts and other personal care services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous personal services .....	229.3	230.1	231.2	231.6	6.3	6.2	4.5	4.1	6.3	4.3
Legal services <sup>3 5</sup> .....	167.2	167.4	167.5	168.6	3.3	7.1	8.6	3.4	5.2	5.9
Funeral expenses <sup>5</sup> .....	171.9	172.2	172.9	172.9	9.8	4.6	2.8	2.3	7.2	2.6
Laundry and dry cleaning services <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Financial services <sup>3 5</sup> .....	193.3	194.0	194.7	195.4	12.9	5.1	.4	4.4	8.9	2.4
Checking account and other bank services <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous personal goods <sup>1 3</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap <sup>2</sup> .....	156.1	155.8	157.4	158.4	8.4	6.4	-2.5	6.0	7.4	1.7
<b>Special aggregate indexes</b>										
Commodities .....	142.3	142.3	142.1	141.9	.0	-.6	2.3	-1.1	-.3	.6
Commodities less food and beverages .....	132.3	132.0	131.8	131.3	-.6	-3.0	2.1	-3.0	-1.8	-.5
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	135.1	134.8	134.6	133.1	-1.8	-1.8	3.6	-5.8	-1.8	-1.2
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	141.3	140.7	140.2	138.5	-2.8	-4.2	7.1	-7.7	-3.5	-.6
Durables .....	128.1	127.9	127.7	128.0	-.3	-2.1	-1.5	-.3	-1.2	-.9
Services .....	181.0	181.4	181.7	181.9	3.0	2.9	2.7	2.0	3.0	2.3
Rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....	185.1	185.6	186.3	186.6	3.1	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.1	3.3
Transportation services .....	186.5	185.7	185.9	187.1	3.3	1.7	2.0	1.3	2.5	1.6
Other services .....	212.4	212.7	213.5	214.0	4.5	4.3	3.1	3.0	4.4	3.1
All items less food .....	162.0	162.2	162.3	162.2	1.5	1.3	2.5	.5	1.4	1.5
All items less shelter .....	156.8	156.9	156.8	156.7	1.0	.8	2.3	-.3	.9	1.0
All items less medical care .....	157.2	157.4	157.4	157.4	1.3	1.6	2.6	.5	1.4	1.5
Commodities less food .....	133.7	133.5	133.3	132.8	-.6	-2.7	2.1	-2.7	-1.6	-.3
Nondurables less food .....	136.8	136.5	136.3	135.1	-1.2	-1.5	3.3	-4.9	-1.3	-.9

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**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					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Apr. 1997	July 1997	Oct. 1997	Jan. 1998	July 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Special aggregate indexes</b>										
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	142.6	142.1	141.7	140.2	-2.5	-3.1	6.4	-6.6	-2.8	-0.3
Nondurables .....	147.0	147.2	147.1	146.8	-1.1	.8	2.8	-.5	-.1	1.1
Apparel less footwear .....	129.0	129.2	129.2	128.6	3.1	.3	-2.4	-1.2	1.7	-1.8
Services less rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....	189.6	190.0	190.0	189.9	2.4	3.2	2.1	.6	2.8	1.4
Services less medical care services .....	175.4	175.8	176.1	176.3	2.8	3.0	2.8	2.1	2.9	2.4
Energy .....	111.3	111.3	109.3	106.7	-10.4	-7.4	9.1	-15.5	-8.9	-4.0
All items less energy .....	168.4	168.6	168.9	169.2	2.4	2.2	2.2	1.9	2.3	2.0
All items less food and energy .....	170.8	171.0	171.4	171.7	2.9	1.9	1.9	2.1	2.4	2.0
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	142.4	142.5	142.5	142.6	1.7	-.6	.0	.6	.6	.3
Energy commodities .....	105.9	104.3	102.8	99.2	-15.6	-15.6	17.6	-23.0	-15.6	-4.9
Services less energy services .....	186.7	187.0	187.6	188.0	3.3	3.1	2.8	2.8	3.2	2.8
Domestically produced farm food .....	160.5	161.0	160.8	161.5	.3	3.1	1.8	2.5	1.6	2.1
Utilities and public transportation .....	146.9	147.4	146.2	145.5	.0	1.4	2.2	-3.8	.7	-.8

<sup>1</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>2</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>3</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>10</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

- 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<sup>1</sup>**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item	Indexes				1-month percent changes ended—				Percent change to Jan. 1998 from—
	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997
<b>Food and beverages</b>									
Rice <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	0.1	-
White bread	186.0	186.9	186.2	184.5	1.4	0.5	-0.4	-9	1.7
Bread other than white	184.8	184.3	186.9	186.3	.4	-.3	1.4	-.3	2.8
Fresh cakes and cupcakes	177.4	177.0	178.6	178.2	1.4	-.2	.9	-.2	.6
Cookies	181.4	183.7	182.3	182.7	1.1	1.3	-.8	.2	1.7
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts	175.9	173.6	177.2	177.9	-.6	-1.3	2.1	.4	2.1
Crackers, bread, and cracker products	210.5	207.1	206.4	208.0	.3	-1.6	-.3	.8	.8
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers	176.9	177.5	181.7	184.7	-.2	.3	2.4	1.7	5.0
Bacon and related products	167.1	163.5	160.3	156.8	-1.0	-2.2	-2.0	-2.2	-3.0
Breakfast sausage and related products <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	101.1	-	-	-	1.1	-
Ham, excluding canned	170.8	167.0	164.7	162.0	-.4	-2.2	-1.4	-1.6	-2.6
Frankfurters	147.0	145.4	144.9	148.6	-.2	-1.1	-.3	2.6	2.3
Lunchmeats <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	.3	-
Lamb and organ meats	163.6	164.4	160.8	163.4	.0	.5	-2.2	1.6	2.8
Lamb and mutton <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	NA	-	-	-	-	-
Fresh whole chicken	156.6	161.2	158.9	155.0	-.6	2.9	-1.4	-2.5	-3.6
Fresh and frozen chicken parts	155.9	158.3	154.4	154.4	-1.0	1.5	-2.5	.0	-3.1
Canned fish and seafood	129.7	130.3	129.4	129.9	.5	.5	-.7	.4	1.3
Frozen fish and seafood	202.0	202.4	200.5	201.1	1.2	.2	-.9	.3	-.9
Fresh whole milk	143.7	145.9	145.8	145.6	3.4	1.5	-.1	-.1	-.7
Fresh milk other than whole <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	99.8	-	-	-	-.2	-
Oranges, including tangerines	259.1	205.6	189.3	201.3	-13.2	-20.6	-7.9	6.3	7.4
Canned fruits <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	100.6	-	-	-	.6	-
Canned vegetables <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	103.5	-	-	-	3.5	-
Frozen vegetables	147.6	148.1	147.8	150.0	-.3	.3	-.2	1.5	1.1
Dried beans, peas, and lentils <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	.1	-
Roasted coffee	188.7	183.0	178.0	176.9	-3.0	-3.0	-2.7	-.6	20.4
Instant and freeze dried coffee	157.4	156.4	155.2	155.5	.1	-.6	-.8	.2	6.9
Butter	114.5	123.4	128.2	124.7	.5	7.8	3.9	-2.7	13.2
Margarine	145.2	143.8	144.2	146.1	.1	-1.0	.3	1.3	-.3
Peanut butter <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	.3	-
Salt and other seasonings and spices <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-.1	-
Olives, pickles, relishes <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	96.7	-	-	-	-3.3	-
Sauces and gravies <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	101.4	-	-	-	1.4	-
Other condiments	163.4	161.2	162.1	167.6	.9	-1.3	.6	3.4	6.4
Prepared salads <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	NA	-	-	-	-	-
Whiskey at home	152.2	152.1	151.5	151.5	.4	-.1	-.4	.0	2.2
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home	152.2	152.2	152.1	151.8	.3	.0	-.1	-.2	2.2
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	.3	-
Wine away from home <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	100.6	-	-	-	.6	-
Distilled spirits away from home <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	.0	-
<b>Housing</b>									
Laundry equipment	113.4	112.8	113.4	114.5	-.5	-.5	.5	1.0	1.4
<b>Transportation</b>									
New cars and trucks <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	.2	-
New cars	140.6	141.3	141.5	141.8	.4	.5	.1	.2	-.8
New trucks <sup>3</sup>	151.1	151.3	151.4	151.8	.6	.1	.1	.3	-.1
New motorcycles <sup>4</sup>	164.0	164.7	163.7	163.5	.7	.4	-.6	-.1	.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular	104.5	102.0	99.1	95.0	-2.8	-2.4	-2.8	-4.1	-10.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>5</sup>	111.0	108.6	105.9	101.8	-2.5	-2.2	-2.5	-3.9	-9.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium	107.5	105.4	103.0	99.4	-2.1	-2.0	-2.3	-3.5	-9.1
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires	108.3	108.2	108.2	108.4	.1	-.1	.0	.2	1.2
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids	131.6	131.6	131.8	131.4	.1	.0	.2	-.3	.2
Parking fees and tolls <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	104.5	-	-	-	4.5	-
Automobile service clubs <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	.3	-
Ship fare <sup>2</sup>	-	-	100.0	101.8	-	-	-	1.8	-
<b>Medical care</b>									
Inpatient hospital services <sup>6</sup>	101.7	102.1	102.5	102.8	.1	.4	.4	.3	2.2
Outpatient hospital services <sup>4</sup>	227.2	227.7	228.3	228.6	.5	.2	.3	.1	3.2

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item	Indexes				1-month percent changes ended—				Percent change to Jan. 1998 from—
	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997
<b>Recreation</b>									
Video cassettes and discs, blank and prerecorded <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	98.9	-	-	-	-1.1	
Rental of video tapes and discs <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	96.4	-	-	-	-3.6	
Pet food <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.0	-	-	-	1.0	
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	.1	
Pet services <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	.3	
Veterinarian services <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	.1	
Film and photographic supplies <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.5	-	-	-	.5	
Photographic equipment <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.0	-	-	-	-1.0	
Photographer fees <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-.1	
Film processing <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	.0	
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.6	-	-	-	-.4	
Video game hardware, software and accessories <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	96.3	-	-	-	-3.7	
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	.0	
Admission to sporting events <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.8	-	-	-	.8	
<b>Education and communication</b>									
Interstate toll calls .....	75.1	75.1	75.2	75.2	0.4	0.0	0.1	.0	-6.5
Intrastate toll calls .....	93.9	95.0	94.7	94.3	-.6	1.2	-.3	-.4	2.6
<b>Other goods and services</b>									
Checking account and other bank services <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	.1	-
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.0	-	-	-	1.0	-
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap .....	155.2	155.6	158.1	158.6	.9	.3	1.6	.3	4.5

<sup>1</sup> Special Index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.

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)

Item and group	Relative Importance, December 1997	Unadjusted Indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Expenditure category								
All Items .....	100.000	158.2	158.4	1.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
All Items (1967=100) .....	-	471.3	471.9	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages .....	17.903	158.5	159.6	2.0	.7	.1	.0	.3
Food .....	16.861	158.1	159.3	2.0	.8	.2	-.1	.4
Food at home .....	10.785	158.2	159.9	1.8	1.1	.1	-.2	.4
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.678	178.1	178.8	1.5	.4	.2	.2	-.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	3.125	148.0	148.0	-.9	.0	.1	-.5	-.3
Dairy and related products <sup>1</sup> .....	1.135	147.5	147.9	.2	.3	.9	.5	.3
Fruits and vegetables .....	1.447	190.0	200.9	8.0	5.7	.2	-.7	3.6
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	1.215	131.7	132.9	3.9	.9	-.9	-.8	-.2
Other food at home .....	2.185	147.1	148.1	2.6	.7	-.3	.1	.1
Sugar and sweets .....	.420	147.7	150.2	2.3	1.7	.3	.5	.5
Fats and oils .....	.332	140.0	140.4	-1.1	.3	-.2	.1	-.9
Other foods .....	1.432	162.7	163.6	2.7	.6	.0	.5	.3
Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.344	100.0	100.5	-	.5	-	-	.5
Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	6.076	159.0	159.3	2.5	.2	.3	.3	.2
Other food away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.212	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	1.042	163.1	163.6	2.0	.3	.2	.2	.2
Housing .....	36.450	154.4	154.8	2.0	.3	.3	.0	.0
Shelter .....	27.033	173.1	173.9	3.1	.5	.2	.3	.3
Rent of primary residence .....	8.347	168.8	169.2	3.1	.2	.2	.2	.3
Lodging away from home <sup>2</sup> .....	1.346	100.0	104.8	-	4.8	-	-	.1
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	17.016	168.3	168.7	3.1	.2	.2	.3	.2
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.324	100.0	100.4	-	.4	-	-	.4
Fuels and utilities .....	5.053	129.7	128.6	-1.5	-.8	.8	-1.1	-1.2
Fuels .....	4.143	115.2	113.9	-3.9	-1.1	1.5	-2.1	-1.6
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	.229	97.0	96.2	-13.8	-.8	.2	-.4	-2.1
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	3.914	122.4	121.0	-2.8	-1.1	1.6	-2.3	-1.5
Household furnishings and operations .....	4.365	123.6	124.1	.6	.4	.1	.0	.2
Apparel .....	5.300	130.3	128.7	.0	-1.2	.0	.0	-.5
Men's and boys' apparel .....	1.503	130.7	129.4	1.9	-1.0	.0	.4	.2
Women's and girls' apparel .....	1.985	121.5	118.5	-1.2	-2.5	.3	-.6	-.9
Infants' and toddlers' apparel <sup>1</sup> .....	.337	126.5	125.3	-2.5	-.9	-.5	-.5	-.9
Footwear .....	1.082	129.2	128.4	1.9	-.6	-.5	.7	-.5
Transportation .....	19.847	142.4	141.7	-2.0	-.5	-.6	-.3	-.5
Private transportation .....	18.790	140.1	139.3	-2.2	-.6	-.6	-.3	-.6
New and used motor vehicles <sup>2</sup> .....	9.285	100.0	100.1	-1.9	.1	-	-	.1
New vehicles .....	5.304	145.3	145.6	-.7	.2	-.3	-.2	.1
Used cars and trucks <sup>1</sup> .....	3.162	149.5	149.7	-.4	.1	-.1	.2	.1
Motor fuel .....	3.682	101.7	97.6	-10.3	-4.0	-2.0	-1.5	-3.6
Gasoline (all types) .....	3.658	101.2	97.1	-10.3	-4.1	-2.0	-1.6	-3.6
Motor vehicle parts and equipment .....	.694	100.8	100.7	-.7	-.1	.0	-.1	-.1
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....	1.664	165.7	166.0	2.5	.2	.2	.5	.1
Public transportation .....	1.057	182.5	184.7	.6	1.2	-1.4	.0	.9
Medical care .....	4.591	236.5	237.4	2.7	.4	.3	.4	.2
Medical care commodities .....	.906	214.1	214.7	2.2	.3	.2	.4	.2
Medical care services .....	3.684	241.6	242.5	2.8	.4	.2	.4	.1
Professional services .....	2.372	218.9	219.8	3.0	.4	.2	.3	.2
Hospital and related services .....	1.097	278.7	279.6	2.8	.3	.4	.4	.0
Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....	5.969	100.0	100.3	1.6	.3	-	-	.3
Video and audio <sup>1 2</sup> .....	1.968	100.0	100.5	2.8	.5	.4	-.3	.5

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)

Item and group	Relative importance, December 1997	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Expenditure category								
Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....	5.396	100.0	100.0	2.6	0.0	-	-	-0.1
Education <sup>2</sup> .....	2.402	100.0	100.3	5.2	.3	-	-	.3
Educational books and supplies .....	.192	245.2	247.5	4.8	.9	0.3	0.4	-3
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....	2.211	282.7	283.5	5.3	.3	.4	.5	.3
Communication <sup>1 2</sup> .....	2.994	100.0	99.7	-6	-3	.2	-.1	-3
Information and information processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....	2.841	100.0	99.6	-7	-4	.2	-.1	-4
Telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	2.547	100.0	99.9	-	-.1	-	-	-.1
Information and information processing other than telephone services <sup>1 4</sup> .....	.294	48.9	47.7	-12.2	-2.5	-1.6	-.8	-2.5
Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.191	100.0	96.6	-	-3.4	-	-	-3.4
Other goods and services .....	4.544	226.9	228.2	5.3	.6	.4	.4	.5
Tobacco and smoking products .....	1.300	250.9	253.6	7.4	1.1	.3	.7	.8
Personal care <sup>1</sup> .....	3.244	153.9	154.5	1.9	.4	.7	-.3	.4
Personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....	.832	146.1	147.0	1.8	.6	1.2	-.7	.6
Personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....	.964	164.1	164.5	2.3	.2	.1	.2	.2
Miscellaneous personal services .....	1.226	228.9	229.8	4.9	.4	.4	.5	.2
Commodity and service group								
Commodities .....	47.234	141.6	141.4	-.1	-.1	-.1	-.1	-.1
Food and beverages .....	17.903	158.5	159.6	2.0	.7	.1	.0	.3
Commodities less food and beverages .....	29.331	131.3	130.5	-1.4	-.6	-.3	-.2	-.4
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	15.928	133.1	131.5	-1.6	-1.2	-.3	-.3	-1.0
Apparel .....	5.300	130.3	128.7	.0	-1.2	.0	.0	-.5
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	10.628	139.3	137.6	-2.3	-1.2	-.4	-.4	-1.4
Durables .....	13.403	127.5	127.7	-1.4	.2	-.2	.0	.2
Services .....	52.766	178.2	178.7	2.6	.3	.3	.1	.1
Rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	26.708	166.6	167.4	3.1	.5	.2	.4	.2
Transportation services .....	6.824	183.9	184.9	2.0	.5	-.2	.2	.5
Other services .....	10.006	209.9	210.5	3.8	.3	.2	.3	.2
Special indexes								
All items less food .....	83.139	158.1	158.1	1.2	.0	.1	.0	-.1
All items less shelter .....	72.967	154.2	154.2	.7	.0	.1	-.1	-.1
All items less medical care .....	95.409	154.5	154.7	1.2	.1	.1	.0	-.1
Commodities less food .....	30.373	132.5	131.8	-1.3	-.5	-.2	-.1	-.5
Nondurables less food .....	16.970	135.0	133.5	-1.3	-1.1	-.3	-.2	-1.0
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	11.670	140.7	139.2	-1.8	-1.1	-.4	-.4	-1.5
Nondurables .....	33.831	146.2	145.9	.3	-.2	.0	-.1	-.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	26.057	168.8	169.1	2.1	.2	.2	.0	-.1
Services less medical care services .....	49.082	172.7	173.2	2.5	.3	.2	.1	.1
Energy .....	7.825	107.7	105.0	-7.1	-2.5	-.2	-1.9	-2.5
All items less energy .....	92.175	165.2	165.8	2.0	.4	.1	.2	.2
All items less food and energy .....	75.315	167.1	167.5	2.1	.2	.1	.2	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	26.463	141.5	141.5	.4	.0	.0	.0	.1
Energy commodities .....	3.910	101.6	97.7	-10.7	-3.8	-1.8	-1.4	-3.5
Services less energy services .....	48.852	184.3	185.1	2.9	.4	.2	.3	.3
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar .....	-	\$.632	\$.631	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar - old base .....	-	\$.212	\$.212	-	-	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

- 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)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Apr. 1997	July 1997	Oct. 1997	Jan. 1998	July 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Expenditure category</b>										
All items .....	158.5	158.6	158.7	158.7	1.3	1.3	2.6	0.5	1.3	1.5
Food and beverages .....	158.5	158.7	158.7	159.2	.8	3.1	2.6	1.8	1.9	2.2
Food .....	158.0	158.3	158.2	158.8	.5	3.4	2.3	2.0	1.9	2.2
Food at home .....	158.4	158.6	158.3	158.9	-.3	3.9	2.3	1.3	1.8	1.8
Cereals and bakery products .....	178.2	178.5	178.9	178.6	.0	3.0	1.8	.9	1.5	1.4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	148.1	148.2	147.4	147.0	-1.6	3.6	-2.4	-2.9	.9	-2.7
Dairy and related products <sup>1</sup> .....	145.5	146.8	147.5	147.9	-5.8	-6.4	7.2	6.8	-6.1	7.0
Fruits and vegetables .....	190.7	191.1	189.7	196.5	.4	8.6	10.0	12.7	4.4	11.4
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	135.2	134.0	132.9	132.7	8.4	17.3	-1.2	-7.2	12.8	-4.2
Other food at home .....	148.2	147.8	147.9	148.1	4.2	6.2	.8	-.3	5.2	.3
Sugar and sweets .....	148.0	148.5	149.2	149.9	2.8	3.3	-1.9	5.2	3.0	1.6
Fats and oils .....	141.4	141.1	141.3	140.0	.9	-3.1	2.3	-3.9	-1.1	-.9
Other foods .....	162.3	162.3	163.1	163.6	3.0	1.8	2.8	3.2	2.4	3.0
Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	158.2	158.6	159.0	159.3	2.1	2.3	2.8	2.8	2.2	2.8
Other food away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alcoholic beverages .....	162.9	163.2	163.6	164.0	1.3	2.8	1.5	2.7	2.0	2.1
Housing .....	154.3	154.8	154.8	154.8	1.6	2.4	2.4	1.3	2.0	1.8
Shelter .....	172.6	172.9	173.5	174.0	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.3	3.1	3.2
Rent of primary residence .....	167.9	168.3	168.7	169.2	2.7	3.4	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.1
Lodging away from home <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	167.2	167.6	168.1	168.5	3.0	3.2	2.7	3.1	3.1	2.9
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fuels and utilities .....	130.7	131.8	130.4	128.8	-3.3	1.9	1.2	-5.7	-.8	-2.3
Fuels .....	116.1	117.8	115.3	113.5	-7.2	-.3	1.0	-8.7	-3.9	-3.9
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	96.1	96.3	95.9	93.9	-27.7	-12.5	-4.5	-8.8	-20.5	-6.7
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	123.9	125.9	123.0	121.1	-4.7	.7	1.6	-8.7	-2.1	-3.7
Household furnishings and operations .....	123.8	123.9	123.9	124.2	.3	1.0	-.6	1.3	.6	.3
Apparel .....	132.0	132.0	132.0	131.3	3.4	.3	-1.5	-2.1	1.8	-1.8
Men's and boys' apparel .....	130.7	130.7	131.2	131.4	3.1	1.2	.9	2.2	2.2	1.5
Women's and girls' apparel .....	124.4	124.8	124.1	123.0	3.3	1.0	-4.1	-4.4	2.1	-4.2
Infants' and toddlers' apparel <sup>1</sup> .....	127.7	127.1	126.5	125.3	21.5	-8.3	-12.4	-7.3	5.5	-9.9
Footwear .....	130.2	129.6	130.5	129.9	2.2	-.3	6.4	-.9	.9	2.7
Transportation .....	143.8	143.0	142.6	141.9	-1.9	-4.1	3.4	-5.2	-3.0	-1.0
Private transportation .....	141.5	140.7	140.3	139.5	-2.2	-4.2	3.5	-5.5	-3.2	-1.1
New and used motor vehicles <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
New vehicles .....	145.4	144.9	144.6	144.7	.6	-.8	-.5	-1.9	-.1	-1.2
Used cars and trucks <sup>1</sup> .....	149.4	149.2	149.5	149.7	-.5	-10.6	-5.2	.8	-5.7	-2.2
Motor fuel .....	106.9	104.8	103.2	99.5	-15.0	-15.5	20.2	-24.9	-15.2	-5.0
Gasoline (all types) .....	106.7	104.6	102.9	99.2	-15.3	-15.9	22.1	-25.3	-15.6	-4.5
Motor vehicle parts and equipment .....	100.7	100.7	100.6	100.5	-1.2	3.2	-3.9	-.8	1.0	-2.3
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....	164.7	165.0	165.8	166.0	2.0	3.5	1.2	3.2	2.7	2.2
Public transportation .....	186.8	184.1	184.1	185.8	.7	-.6	4.4	-2.1	.0	1.1
Medical care .....	235.7	236.3	237.2	237.6	3.2	2.1	2.6	3.3	2.6	2.9
Medical care commodities .....	213.3	213.7	214.6	215.0	3.1	1.9	.8	3.2	2.5	2.0
Medical care services .....	240.6	241.2	242.2	242.5	3.1	2.2	2.9	3.2	2.6	3.0
Professional services .....	218.5	219.0	219.6	220.0	3.8	2.6	2.8	2.8	3.2	2.8
Hospital and related services .....	276.7	277.7	278.9	278.8	3.0	2.2	2.9	3.1	2.6	3.0
Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Video and audio <sup>1 2</sup> .....	99.9	100.3	100.0	100.5	2.1	7.1	-.4	2.4	4.5	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)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Apr. 1997	July 1997	Oct. 1997	Jan. 1998	July 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Expenditure category</b>										
Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Education <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Educational books and supplies .....	244.3	245.1	246.1	245.3	5.0	8.5	4.0	1.6	6.8	2.8
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....	278.7	279.9	281.2	282.1	5.3	5.6	5.2	5.0	5.4	5.1
Communication <sup>1 2</sup> .....	99.9	100.1	100.0	99.7	.8	.4	-2.8	-.8	.6	-1.8
Information and information processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....	99.9	100.1	100.0	99.6	.8	.8	-3.1	-1.2	.8	-2.2
Telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Information and information processing other than telephone services <sup>1 4</sup> .....	50.1	49.3	48.9	47.7	-13.3	-16.4	.0	-17.8	-14.9	-9.4
Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	96.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other goods and services .....	225.5	226.4	227.4	228.5	7.2	2.2	6.6	5.4	4.7	6.0
Tobacco and smoking products .....	249.2	249.9	251.6	253.6	12.8	-2.1	12.3	7.3	5.1	9.7
Personal care <sup>1</sup> .....	153.3	154.3	153.9	154.5	2.7	-.5	2.4	3.2	1.1	2.8
Personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....	145.4	147.1	146.1	147.0	2.8	-2.2	2.2	4.5	.3	3.3
Personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....	163.5	163.7	164.1	164.5	3.3	1.2	2.2	2.5	2.3	2.4
Miscellaneous personal services .....	228.0	228.8	230.0	230.5	6.1	4.6	4.5	4.5	5.3	4.5
<b>Commodity and service group</b>										
Commodities .....	142.3	142.1	142.0	141.8	-.3	-.8	2.6	-1.4	-.6	.6
Food and beverages .....	158.5	158.7	158.7	159.2	.8	3.1	2.6	1.8	1.9	2.2
Commodities less food and beverages .....	132.4	132.0	131.7	131.2	-1.2	-3.3	2.5	-3.6	-2.2	-.6
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	135.0	134.6	134.2	132.9	-1.8	-2.1	3.6	-6.1	-1.9	-1.3
Apparel .....	132.0	132.0	132.0	131.3	3.4	.3	-1.5	-2.1	1.8	-1.8
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	141.2	140.6	140.1	138.1	-3.4	-4.5	7.7	-8.5	-3.9	-.7
Durables .....	127.6	127.3	127.3	127.5	-.9	-2.5	-1.9	-.3	-1.7	-1.1
Services .....	177.9	178.4	178.6	178.8	2.5	3.0	2.5	2.0	2.8	2.3
Rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	166.2	166.6	167.2	167.6	3.2	3.2	2.9	3.4	3.2	3.2
Transportation services .....	183.9	183.5	183.8	184.7	3.1	2.2	1.3	1.8	2.7	1.5
Other services .....	209.1	209.5	210.2	210.7	5.0	3.7	3.3	3.1	4.4	3.2
<b>Special indexes</b>										
All items less food .....	158.3	158.4	158.4	158.3	1.5	.8	2.6	.0	1.2	1.3
All items less shelter .....	154.7	154.8	154.6	154.5	.5	.5	2.4	-.5	.5	.9
All items less medical care .....	154.8	154.9	154.9	154.8	1.3	1.0	2.6	.0	1.2	1.3
Commodities less food .....	133.8	133.5	133.3	132.7	-.9	-3.2	2.4	-3.2	-2.1	-.5
Nondurables less food .....	136.7	136.3	136.0	134.7	-1.5	-1.8	3.6	-5.7	-1.6	-1.2
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	142.8	142.3	141.8	139.7	-3.3	-4.5	9.5	-8.4	-3.9	.1
Nondurables .....	146.8	146.8	146.7	146.5	-.5	.6	2.5	-.8	.0	.8
Services less rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	168.9	169.3	169.3	169.1	2.4	2.9	2.4	.5	2.7	1.4
Services less medical care services .....	172.6	173.0	173.2	173.4	2.6	3.1	2.6	1.9	2.9	2.2
Energy .....	111.0	110.8	108.7	106.0	-11.1	-8.1	9.9	-16.8	-9.6	-4.4
All items less energy .....	165.2	165.4	165.7	166.0	2.5	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.0
All items less food and energy .....	167.2	167.4	167.7	168.0	2.7	1.9	1.7	1.9	2.3	1.8
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	142.0	142.0	142.0	142.1	2.0	-.8	.0	.3	.6	.1
Energy commodities .....	106.2	104.3	102.8	99.2	-16.2	-15.2	18.0	-23.9	-15.7	-5.2
Services less energy services .....	184.1	184.4	184.9	185.4	3.4	3.1	2.7	2.9	3.2	2.8

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

- 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	Relative Importance, December 1997	Unadjusted Indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Expenditure category								
All items .....	100.000	158.2	158.4	1.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
All items (1967=100) .....	-	471.3	471.9	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages .....	17.903	158.5	159.6	2.0	.7	.1	.0	.3
Food .....	16.861	158.1	159.3	2.0	.8	.2	-.1	.4
Food at home .....	10.785	158.2	159.9	1.8	1.1	.1	-.2	.4
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.678	178.1	178.8	1.5	.4	.2	.2	-.2
Cereals and cereal products .....	.614	168.8	169.3	.7	.3	-.1	.1	-.5
Flour and prepared flour mixes .....	.083	150.0	158.1	-.1	5.4	.1	.5	1.2
Breakfast cereal .....	.343	188.6	187.0	.6	-.8	-.3	.2	-1.0
Rice, pasta, cornmeal .....	.188	150.1	150.2	1.9	.1	-.3	.2	-1.4
Bakery products .....	1.064	182.2	183.0	1.8	.4	.2	.1	.4
Bread <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.326	100.0	99.4	-	-.6	-	-	-.6
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.144	100.0	101.1	-	1.1	-	-	1.1
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies <sup>2</sup> .....	.293	179.1	179.2	.6	.1	.7	-.1	.1
Other bakery products .....	.300	179.0	181.8	1.9	1.6	.8	-.2	1.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	3.125	148.0	148.0	-.9	.0	.1	-.5	-.3
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	2.965	147.8	148.1	-.8	.2	-.1	-.5	-.1
Meats .....	2.042	143.3	143.2	-.9	-.1	-.4	-.4	-.2
Beef and veal .....	.919	136.6	136.6	-.6	.0	-.5	.2	-.4
Uncooked ground beef .....	.360	116.3	117.4	.5	.9	-.9	-.4	1.4
Uncooked beef roasts <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.158	100.0	99.4	-	-.6	-	-	-.6
Uncooked beef steaks <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.342	100.0	99.3	-	-.7	-	-	-.7
Uncooked other beef and veal <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.059	100.0	99.9	-	-.1	-	-	-.1
Pork .....	.724	153.1	152.3	-2.2	-.5	-.5	-.6	-.3
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.233	100.0	99.0	-	-1.0	-	-	-1.0
Ham .....	.161	153.9	151.9	-2.2	-1.3	-1.6	1.1	-.2
Pork chops .....	.167	150.9	151.7	-2.8	.5	-.5	-1.0	-.7
Other pork including roasts and picnics <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.163	100.0	99.9	-	-.1	-	-	-.1
Other meats <sup>2</sup> .....	.399	146.6	147.5	.6	.6	-.1	-1.5	.6
Poultry <sup>2</sup> .....	.568	155.0	155.2	-1.8	.1	1.2	-1.4	.1
Chicken <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.449	100.0	99.5	-	-.5	-	-	-.5
Other poultry including turkey <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.119	100.0	102.4	-	2.4	-	-	2.4
Fish and seafood .....	.355	178.0	181.7	1.2	2.1	.3	-.4	-.1
Fresh fish and seafood <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.208	100.0	103.3	-	3.3	-	-	3.3
Processed fish and seafood <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.147	100.0	100.4	-	.4	-	-	.4
Eggs .....	.160	150.1	142.8	-3.6	-4.9	2.3	-.6	-2.6
Dairy and related products <sup>2</sup> .....	1.135	147.5	147.9	.2	.3	.9	.5	.3
Milk <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.473	100.0	99.8	-	-.2	-	-	-.2
Cheese and related products <sup>2</sup> .....	.323	147.7	148.0	-.5	.2	.4	.6	.2
Ice cream and related products .....	.181	151.9	153.7	1.1	1.2	.1	.5	.9
Other dairy and related products <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.159	100.0	100.9	-	.9	-	-	.9
Fruits and vegetables .....	1.447	190.0	200.9	8.0	5.7	.2	-.7	3.6
Fresh fruits and vegetables .....	1.104	220.7	236.1	10.8	7.0	.1	-1.2	4.3
Fresh fruits .....	.557	236.0	237.5	.6	.6	-1.9	-.6	.6
Apples .....	.107	194.9	198.1	-.6	1.6	-1.1	.7	-.7
Bananas .....	.105	151.3	154.5	-4.3	2.1	1.3	-2.2	-.3
Citrus fruits <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.112	100.0	105.7	-	5.7	-	-	5.7
Other fresh fruits <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.232	100.0	97.1	-	-2.9	-	-	-2.9
Fresh vegetables .....	.547	205.8	233.4	22.4	13.4	2.4	-2.0	7.9
Potatoes .....	.103	175.0	180.4	9.7	3.1	.1	.1	1.2
Lettuce <sup>2</sup> .....	.073	215.4	286.0	47.0	32.8	15.4	-15.9	32.8
Tomatoes <sup>2</sup> .....	.116	249.5	236.1	23.5	-5.4	15.0	12.7	-5.4
Other fresh vegetables .....	.255	203.6	245.4	22.0	20.5	1.4	-.8	11.3
Processed fruits and vegetables <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.342	100.0	101.6	-	1.6	-	-	1.6
Canned fruits and vegetables <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.188	100.0	101.9	-	1.9	-	-	1.9
Frozen fruits and vegetables <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.105	100.0	101.6	-	1.6	-	-	1.6
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.049	100.0	100.3	-	.3	-	-	.3

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	Relative Importance, December 1997	Unadjusted Indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Expenditure category								
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	1.215	131.7	132.9	3.9	0.9	-0.9	-0.8	-0.2
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.910	100.0	101.1	-	1.1	-	-	1.1
Carbonated drinks .....	.508	116.3	118.7	-1.8	2.1	-9	-3	-1
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.053	100.0	100.9	-	.9	-	-	.9
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.349	100.0	99.9	-	-1	-	-	-1
Beverage materials including coffee and tea <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.305	100.0	100.0	-	.0	-	-	.0
Coffee <sup>2</sup> .....	.165	169.3	168.9	16.3	-2	-2.3	-2.1	-2
Other beverage materials including tea <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.140	100.0	100.3	-	.3	-	-	.3
Other food at home .....	2.185	147.1	148.1	2.6	.7	-3	.1	.1
Sugar and sweets .....	.420	147.7	150.2	2.3	1.7	.3	.5	.5
Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....	.093	133.7	136.8	1.0	2.3	-3	.6	.5
Candy and chewing gum <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.249	100.0	101.3	-	1.3	-	-	1.3
Other sweets <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.078	100.0	102.4	-	2.4	-	-	2.4
Fats and oils .....	.332	140.0	140.4	-1.1	.3	-2	.1	-9
Butter and margarine <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.101	100.0	99.4	-	-6	-	-	-6
Salad dressing <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.090	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Other fats and oils including peanut butter <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.141	100.0	100.9	-	.9	-	-	.9
Other foods .....	1.432	162.7	163.6	2.7	.6	.0	.5	.3
Soups .....	.107	189.6	190.0	2.6	.2	-4	.6	.5
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods <sup>2</sup> .....	.251	144.1	144.4	.8	.2	.1	-6	.2
Snacks <sup>2</sup> .....	.301	155.1	154.7	2.0	-3	-8	.3	-3
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces .....	.307	168.4	171.1	2.0	1.6	-8	.9	.1
Baby food <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.123	100.0	100.6	-	.6	-	-	.6
Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.344	100.0	100.5	-	.5	-	-	.5
Food away from home <sup>2</sup> .....	6.076	159.0	159.3	2.5	.2	.3	.3	.2
Full service meals and snacks <sup>1 2</sup> .....	3.162	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Limited service meals and snacks <sup>1 2</sup> .....	1.761	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Food at employee sites and schools <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.705	100.0	99.9	-	-1	-	-	-1
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.237	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Other food away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.212	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	1.042	163.1	163.6	2.0	.3	.2	.2	.2
Alcoholic beverages at home .....	.698	148.4	149.0	.6	.4	-1	.1	.3
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home .....	.477	147.2	147.9	-4	.5	-2	.1	.3
Distilled spirits at home .....	.095	151.2	151.1	2.0	-1	.1	.3	-3
Wine at home .....	.125	143.0	143.9	2.2	.6	-1	.0	.1
Alcoholic beverages away from home .....	.344	192.1	192.2	3.4	.1	.3	.4	.0
Housing .....	36.450	154.4	154.8	2.0	.3	.3	.0	.0
Shelter .....	27.033	173.1	173.9	3.1	.5	.2	.3	.3
Rent of primary residence .....	8.347	168.8	169.2	3.1	.2	.2	.2	.3
Lodging away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	1.346	100.0	104.8	-	4.8	-	-	.1
Housing at school, excluding board <sup>3</sup> .....	.137	231.2	231.2	5.4	.0	.3	.4	.1
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels .....	1.209	213.2	224.6	4.4	5.3	.0	1.1	.0
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	17.016	168.3	168.7	3.1	.2	.2	.3	.2
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.324	100.0	100.4	-	.4	-	-	.4
Fuels and utilities .....	5.053	129.7	128.6	-1.5	-8	.8	-1.1	-1.2
Fuels .....	4.143	115.2	113.9	-3.9	-1.1	1.5	-2.1	-1.6
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	.229	97.0	96.2	-13.8	-8	.2	-4	-2.1
Fuel oil .....	.148	94.2	93.2	-13.9	-1.1	.2	-2	-2.6
Other household fuels <sup>2 4</sup> .....	.081	128.5	128.0	-13.7	-4	1.3	.5	-4
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	3.914	122.4	121.0	-2.8	-1.1	1.6	-2.3	-1.5
Electricity .....	2.802	126.4	125.6	-2.2	-6	.8	-2.0	-1.1
Utility natural gas service .....	1.112	118.3	115.5	-4.4	-2.4	3.1	-3.0	-2.7
Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>1</sup> .....	.910	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.1
Water and sewerage maintenance .....	.676	210.6	211.2	3.8	.3	.1	.4	.1
Garbage and trash collection <sup>2 5</sup> .....	.235	252.8	253.0	2.0	.1	.0	.0	.1
Household furnishings and operations .....	4.365	123.6	124.1	.6	.4	.1	.0	.2
Window and floor coverings and other linens <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.316	100.0	101.1	-	1.1	-	-	1.1
Floor coverings <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.075	100.0	99.9	-	-1	-	-	-1
Window coverings <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.086	100.0	102.5	-	2.5	-	-	2.5
Other linens <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.155	100.0	100.8	-	.8	-	-	.8
Furniture and bedding <sup>2</sup> .....	1.169	130.6	130.2	-3	-3	-8	-4	-3
Bedroom furniture <sup>2</sup> .....	.355	141.5	138.8	.8	-1.9	-4	1.0	-1.9
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.616	100.0	100.6	-	.6	-	-	.6
Other furniture <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.180	100.0	99.5	-	-5	-	-	-5

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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	Relative Importance, December 1997	Unadjusted Indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Expenditure category								
Appliances <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.421	100.0	101.0	-	1.0	-	-	1.0
Major appliances <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.251	100.0	101.2	-	1.2	-	-	1.2
Other appliances <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.159	100.0	100.6	-	.6	-	-	.6
Other household equipment and furnishings <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.480	100.0	101.7	-	1.7	-	-	1.7
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items <sup>2</sup> .....	.200	118.4	118.0	3.0	-3	1.2	1.0	-3
Indoor plants and flowers <sup>6</sup> .....	.127	107.3	114.1	.6	6.3	-2.0	.7	7.8
Dishes and flatware <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.067	100.0	100.5	-	.5	-	-	.5
Nonelectric cookware and tableware <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.086	100.0	100.4	-	.4	-	-	.4
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.640	100.0	100.9	-	.9	-	-	.9
Tools, hardware and supplies <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.186	100.0	100.3	-	.3	-	-	.3
Outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.302	100.0	101.3	-	1.3	-	-	1.3
Housekeeping supplies .....	.944	144.3	143.8	.7	-.3	.1	.3	-.6
Household cleaning products <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.451	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Household paper products <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.218	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Miscellaneous household products <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.275	100.0	98.7	-	-1.3	-	-	-1.3
Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.394	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Domestic services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.089	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Gardening and lawn care services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.106	100.0	100.0	-	.0	-	-	.0
Moving, storage, freight expense <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.074	100.0	100.0	-	.0	-	-	.0
Repair of household items <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.069	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Apparel .....	5.300	130.3	128.7	.0	-1.2	.0	.0	-.5
Men's and boys' apparel .....	1.503	130.7	129.4	1.9	-1.0	.0	.4	.2
Men's apparel .....	1.145	133.9	132.4	1.2	-1.1	-.5	.7	-.3
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear .....	.218	135.9	136.1	3.0	.1	-.9	.2	2.2
Men's furnishings .....	.311	136.1	134.5	7.7	-1.2	-1.4	3.8	1.2
Men's shirts and sweaters <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.343	100.0	96.1	-	-3.9	-	-	-3.9
Men's pants and shorts .....	.252	128.9	130.8	-.4	1.5	-.8	.2	.5
Boys' apparel .....	.358	120.5	119.8	4.5	-.6	.8	1.0	1.1
Women's and girls' apparel .....	1.985	121.5	118.5	-1.2	-2.5	.3	-.6	-.9
Women's apparel .....	1.634	120.8	117.1	-1.7	-3.1	.4	-.7	-1.5
Women's outerwear .....	.118	129.2	122.0	3.4	-5.6	1.1	-2.2	-.9
Women's dresses .....	.221	100.5	95.1	-8.6	-5.4	.3	-1.5	-3.2
Women's suits and separates <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.833	100.0	95.5	-	-4.5	-	-	-4.5
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.438	100.0	101.5	-	1.5	-	-	1.5
Girls' apparel .....	.351	125.0	125.5	1.5	.4	.0	.2	2.1
Footwear .....	1.082	129.2	128.4	1.9	-.6	-.5	.7	-.5
Men's footwear .....	.374	131.4	130.6	-1.1	-.6	.3	-.1	-1.0
Boys' and girls' footwear .....	.265	135.0	134.6	4.2	-.3	-.3	.8	1.6
Women's footwear .....	.443	123.1	121.9	3.0	-1.0	-.8	.6	-.1
Infants' and toddlers' apparel <sup>2</sup> .....	.337	126.5	125.3	-2.5	-.9	-.5	-.5	-.9
Jewelry and watches <sup>4</sup> .....	.393	137.7	140.6	-2.3	2.1	-.1	.1	-1.1
Watches <sup>4</sup> .....	.076	121.1	122.3	-2.9	1.0	.6	-.5	-.1
Jewelry <sup>4</sup> .....	.317	142.4	145.8	-2.1	2.4	-.2	.5	-1.5
Transportation .....	19.847	142.4	141.7	-2.0	-.5	-.6	-.3	-.5
Private transportation .....	18.790	140.1	139.3	-2.2	-.6	-.6	-.3	-.6
New and used motor vehicles <sup>1</sup> .....	9.285	100.0	100.1	-1.9	.1	-	-	.1
New vehicles .....	5.304	145.3	145.6	-.7	.2	-.3	-.2	.1
Used cars and trucks <sup>2</sup> .....	3.162	149.5	149.7	-4.0	.1	-.1	.2	.1
Car and truck rental <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.108	100.0	97.8	-	-2.2	-	-	-2.2
Motor fuel .....	3.682	101.7	97.6	-10.3	-4.0	-2.0	-1.5	-3.6
Gasoline (all types) .....	3.658	101.2	97.1	-10.3	-4.1	-2.0	-1.6	-3.6
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>7</sup> .....	-	98.9	94.8	-10.9	-4.1	-2.3	-1.7	-3.7
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>2 7 8</sup> .....	-	105.9	101.7	-9.6	-4.0	-2.2	-2.5	-4.0
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>7</sup> .....	-	102.8	99.1	-9.4	-3.6	-1.7	-1.4	-3.4
Other motor fuels <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.023	100.0	98.0	-	-2.0	-	-	-2.0
Motor vehicle parts and equipment .....	.694	100.8	100.7	-.7	-.1	.0	-.1	-.1
Tires .....	.315	98.2	98.1	-3.0	-.1	.0	-.5	-.2
Vehicle accessories other than tires <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.378	100.0	100.0	-	.0	-	-	.0
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....	1.664	165.7	166.0	2.5	.2	.2	.5	.1
Motor vehicle body work <sup>2</sup> .....	.119	176.5	176.7	4.5	.1	.2	.3	.1
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing <sup>2</sup> .....	.483	152.7	153.1	2.9	.3	.1	.7	.3
Motor vehicle repair <sup>1 2</sup> .....	1.039	100.0	100.0	-	.0	-	-	.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	Relative Importance, December 1997	Unadjusted Indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Expenditure category								
Motor vehicle insurance .....	2.881	255.3	256.2	2.8	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.3
Motor vehicle fees <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.584	100.0	102.1	-	2.1	-	-	2.1
State and local registration and license <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.419	100.0	101.5	-	1.5	-	-	1.5
Parking and other fees <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.143	100.0	104.1	-	4.1	-	-	4.1
Public transportation .....	1.057	182.5	184.7	.6	1.2	-1.4	.0	.9
Airline fare <sup>2</sup> .....	.555	193.9	199.0	.5	2.6	-3.8	-1.5	2.6
Other intercity transportation <sup>2</sup> .....	.119	160.3	161.0	1.6	.4	-2	1.0	.4
Intracity transportation <sup>2</sup> .....	.376	176.2	175.0	.5	-.7	.1	-.1	-.7
Medical care .....	4.591	236.5	237.4	2.7	.4	.3	.4	.2
Medical care commodities .....	.906	214.1	214.7	2.2	.3	.2	.4	.2
Prescription drugs and medical supplies .....	.570	251.0	252.0	2.4	.4	.3	.7	.2
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies <sup>2 4</sup> .....	.336	144.8	145.1	1.8	.2	-.2	-.1	.2
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs <sup>2</sup> .....	.245	171.6	171.7	1.7	.1	-.2	.0	.1
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....	.091	175.0	176.2	1.8	.7	-.1	-.5	.7
Medical care services .....	3.684	241.6	242.5	2.8	.4	.2	.4	.1
Professional services .....	2.372	218.9	219.8	3.0	.4	.2	.3	.2
Physicians' services .....	1.269	225.3	226.0	2.6	.3	.2	.3	.0
Dental services <sup>2</sup> .....	.665	229.6	231.3	4.2	.7	.3	.1	.7
Eyeglasses and eye care <sup>2 4</sup> .....	.261	142.8	142.9	1.7	.1	-.1	.6	.1
Services by other medical professionals <sup>4</sup> .....	.177	156.8	157.8	3.5	.6	.6	.1	.3
Hospital and related services .....	1.097	278.7	279.6	2.8	.3	.4	.4	.0
Hospital services <sup>2 9</sup> .....	1.084	103.0	103.3	2.7	.3	.4	.5	.3
Inpatient hospital services <sup>2 7 9</sup> .....	-	102.3	102.7	2.2	.4	.4	.4	.4
Outpatient hospital services <sup>4 7</sup> .....	-	228.6	229.0	3.3	.2	.4	.3	-.3
Nursing homes and adult daycare <sup>2 9</sup> .....	.013	104.0	104.6	4.1	.6	.1	.5	.6
Recreation <sup>1</sup> .....	5.969	100.0	100.3	1.6	.3	-	-	.3
Video and audio <sup>1 2</sup> .....	1.968	100.0	100.5	2.8	.5	.4	-.3	.5
Televisions <sup>2</sup> .....	.256	59.3	59.2	-4.5	-.2	.5	-1.0	-.2
Cable television <sup>5</sup> .....	.927	234.6	238.8	8.0	1.8	.4	.4	1.6
Other video equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.101	100.0	98.9	-	-1.1	-	-	-1.1
Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental <sup>1 2</sup> ..	.217	100.0	98.3	-	-1.7	-	-	-1.7
Audio equipment <sup>2</sup> .....	.194	88.4	87.9	-2.0	-.6	.8	-.7	-.6
Audio discs, tapes and other media <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.158	100.0	99.6	-	-.4	-	-	-.4
Pets, pet products and services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.678	100.0	100.6	-	.6	-	-	.6
Pets and pet products <sup>2</sup> .....	.474	141.9	143.1	.3	.8	-.1	-.8	.8
Pet services including veterinary <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.204	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Sporting goods <sup>2</sup> .....	.525	124.5	125.6	.6	.9	-.6	1.1	.9
Sports vehicles including bicycles <sup>2</sup> .....	.249	127.7	129.0	1.5	1.0	-1.1	1.8	1.0
Sports equipment <sup>2</sup> .....	.269	117.3	118.2	-.6	.8	.2	.3	.8
Photography <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.282	100.0	99.9	-	-.1	-	-	-.1
Photographic equipment and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....	.105	134.6	134.4	-.2	-.1	.1	-.8	-.1
Photographers and film processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.174	100.0	99.9	-	-.1	-	-	-.1
Other recreational goods <sup>1</sup> .....	.668	100.0	99.1	-	-.9	-	-	-1.1
Toys .....	.536	125.2	123.9	-2.4	-1.0	-.2	-.4	-1.3
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.064	100.0	99.7	-	-.3	-	-	-.3
Music instruments and accessories <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.048	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Recreation services <sup>1</sup> .....	1.362	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Club membership dues and fees for participant sports <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.421	100.0	100.4	-	.4	-	-	.4
Admissions <sup>2</sup> .....	.659	199.8	200.2	3.4	.2	-.3	.0	.2
Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>4</sup> .....	.145	175.8	175.5	4.9	-.2	.5	1.6	-.1
Recreational reading materials <sup>2</sup> .....	.486	181.3	181.5	1.2	.1	.1	.2	.1
Newspapers and magazines <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.337	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Recreational books <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.149	100.0	99.8	-	-.2	-	-	-.2
Education and communication <sup>1</sup> .....	5.396	100.0	100.0	2.6	.0	-	-	-.1
Education <sup>1</sup> .....	2.402	100.0	100.3	5.2	.3	-	-	.3
Educational books and supplies .....	.192	245.2	247.5	4.8	.9	.3	.4	-.3
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....	2.211	282.7	283.5	5.3	.3	.4	.5	.3
College tuition and fees .....	.818	300.9	301.7	4.7	.3	.4	.4	.4
Elementary and high school tuition and fees .....	.252	299.4	299.4	7.2	.0	.5	.4	.5
Child care and nursery school <sup>6</sup> .....	1.029	138.7	139.2	4.9	.4	.3	.9	.3
Technical and business school tuition and fees <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.049	100.0	99.9	-	-.1	-	-	-.1

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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	Relative importance, December 1997	Unadjusted Indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Expenditure category								
Communication <sup>1 2</sup> .....	2.994	100.0	99.7	-0.6	-0.3	0.2	-0.1	-0.3
Postage and delivery services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.152	100.0	100.0	-	.0	-	-	.0
Postage <sup>2</sup> .....	.150	160.8	160.8	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Delivery services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.002	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Information and information processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....	2.841	100.0	99.6	-.7	-.4	.2	-.1	-.4
Telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	2.547	100.0	99.9	-	-.1	-	-	-.1
Telephone services, local charges <sup>2</sup> .....	1.172	163.0	163.1	1.3	.1	.1	-.1	.1
Telephone services, long distance charges <sup>1 2</sup> .....	1.314	100.0	99.8	-	-.2	-	-	-.2
Cellular telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.062	100.0	99.1	-	-.9	-	-	-.9
Information and information processing other than telephone services <sup>2 10</sup> .....	.294	48.9	47.7	-12.2	-2.5	-1.6	-.8	-2.5
Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.191	100.0	96.6	-	-3.4	-	-	-3.4
Computer software and accessories <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.028	100.0	97.4	-	-2.6	-	-	-2.6
Computer information processing services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.016	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Other information processing equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.058	100.0	99.7	-	-.3	-	-	-.3
Other goods and services .....	4.544	226.9	228.2	5.3	.6	.4	.4	.5
Tobacco and smoking products .....	1.300	250.9	253.6	7.4	1.1	.3	.7	.8
Cigarettes <sup>1 2</sup> .....	1.225	100.0	101.1	-	1.1	-	-	1.1
Tobacco products other than cigarettes <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.067	100.0	100.5	-	.5	-	-	.5
Personal care <sup>2</sup> .....	3.244	153.9	154.5	1.9	.4	.7	-.3	.4
Personal care products <sup>2</sup> .....	.832	146.1	147.0	1.8	.6	1.2	-.7	.6
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.417	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements <sup>2</sup> .....	.411	156.7	158.5	3.0	1.1	.8	.4	1.1
Personal care services <sup>2</sup> .....	.964	164.1	164.5	2.3	.2	.1	.2	.2
Haircuts and other personal care services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.964	100.0	100.3	-	.3	-	-	.3
Miscellaneous personal services .....	1.226	228.9	229.8	4.9	.4	.4	.5	.2
Legal services <sup>2 4</sup> .....	.302	166.5	167.8	4.9	.8	.2	.1	.8
Funeral expenses <sup>4</sup> .....	.262	174.7	175.0	4.9	.2	.2	.7	.0
Laundry and dry cleaning services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.216	100.0	100.2	-	.2	-	-	.2
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.051	100.0	100.3	-	.3	-	-	.3
Financial services <sup>2 4</sup> .....	.265	193.9	194.4	5.3	.3	.2	.4	.3
Miscellaneous personal goods <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.223	100.0	100.1	-	.1	-	-	.1
Special aggregate indexes								
Commodities .....	47.234	141.6	141.4	-.1	-.1	-.1	-.1	-.1
Commodities less food and beverages .....	29.331	131.3	130.5	-1.4	-.6	-.3	-.2	-.4
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	15.928	133.1	131.5	-1.6	-1.2	-.3	-.3	-1.0
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	10.628	139.3	137.6	-2.3	-1.2	-.4	-.4	-1.4
Durables .....	13.403	127.5	127.7	-1.4	.2	-.2	.0	.2
Services .....	52.766	178.2	178.7	2.6	.3	.3	.1	.1
Rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	26.708	166.6	167.4	3.1	.5	.2	.4	.2
Transportation services .....	6.824	183.9	184.9	2.0	.5	-.2	.2	.5
Other services .....	10.006	209.9	210.5	3.8	.3	.2	.3	.2
All items less food .....	83.139	158.1	158.1	1.2	.0	.1	.0	-.1
All items less shelter .....	72.967	154.2	154.2	.7	.0	.1	-.1	-.1
All items less medical care .....	95.409	154.5	154.7	1.2	.1	.1	.0	-.1
Commodities less food .....	30.373	132.5	131.8	-1.3	-.5	-.2	-.1	-.5
Nondurables less food .....	16.970	135.0	133.5	-1.3	-1.1	-.3	-.2	-1.0
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	11.670	140.7	139.2	-1.8	-1.1	-.4	-.4	-1.5
Nondurables .....	33.831	146.2	145.9	.3	-.2	.0	-.1	-.1
Apparel less footwear .....	4.218	126.1	124.4	-.4	-1.3	.2	-.2	-.4
Services less rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	26.057	168.8	169.1	2.1	.2	.2	.0	-.1
Services less medical care services .....	49.082	172.7	173.2	2.5	.3	.2	.1	.1

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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	Relative Importance, December 1997	Unadjusted Indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Special aggregate indexes								
Energy .....	7.825	107.7	105.0	-7.1	-2.5	-0.2	-1.9	-2.5
All items less energy .....	92.175	165.2	165.8	2.0	.4	.1	.2	.2
All items less food and energy .....	75.315	167.1	167.5	2.1	.2	.1	.2	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	26.463	141.5	141.5	.4	.0	.0	.0	.1
Energy commodities .....	3.910	101.6	97.7	-10.7	-3.8	-1.8	-1.4	-3.5
Services less energy services .....	48.852	184.3	185.1	2.9	.4	.2	.3	.3
Domestically produced farm food .....	9.110	160.2	161.9	1.7	1.1	.2	-1.1	.4
Utilities and public transportation .....	9.355	143.3	143.1	-1.1	-1.1	.7	-1.0	-1.8
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar .....	-	\$ .632	\$ .631	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar - old base .....	-	\$ .212	\$ .212	-	-	-	-	-

1 Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

2 Not seasonally adjusted.

3 Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

4 Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

5 Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

6 Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

7 Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

8 Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

9 Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

10 Indexes on a December 1988=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					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Apr. 1997	July 1997	Oct. 1997	Jan. 1998	July 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Expenditure category</b>										
<b>All items</b> .....	158.5	158.6	158.7	158.7	1.3	1.3	2.6	0.5	1.3	1.5
<b>Food and beverages</b> .....	158.5	158.7	158.7	159.2	.8	3.1	2.6	1.8	1.9	2.2
<b>Food</b> .....	158.0	158.3	158.2	158.8	.5	3.4	2.3	2.0	1.9	2.2
<b>Food at home</b> .....	158.4	158.6	158.3	158.9	-3	3.9	2.3	1.3	1.8	1.8
<b>Cereals and bakery products</b> .....	178.2	178.5	178.9	178.6	.0	3.0	1.8	.9	1.5	1.4
Cereals and cereal products .....	170.0	169.8	170.0	169.1	-2.1	4.6	2.1	-2.1	1.2	.0
Flour and prepared flour mixes .....	154.1	154.2	155.0	156.8	3.1	-5.2	-4.8	7.2	-1.1	1.0
Breakfast cereal .....	188.9	188.4	188.8	187.0	-3.8	8.5	2.6	-4.0	2.2	-.7
Rice, pasta, commmeal .....	151.8	151.4	151.7	149.6	1.6	4.4	7.4	-5.7	3.0	.7
Bakery products .....	181.8	182.2	182.4	183.2	.2	2.2	1.8	3.1	1.2	2.4
Bread <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies <sup>2</sup> .....	177.9	179.2	179.1	179.2	-.4	-.4	.2	3.0	-.4	1.6
Other bakery products .....	180.0	181.5	181.1	183.8	-1.5	1.3	-.4	8.7	-.1	4.0
<b>Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs</b> .....	148.1	148.2	147.4	147.0	-1.6	3.6	-2.4	-2.9	.9	-2.7
<b>Meats, poultry, and fish</b> .....	148.7	148.6	147.8	147.6	-1.6	3.8	-2.1	-2.9	1.1	-2.5
<b>Meats</b> .....	144.4	143.8	143.2	142.9	-.8	3.7	-2.2	-4.1	1.4	-3.1
Beef and veal .....	136.8	136.1	136.4	135.8	-3.5	7.9	-3.4	-2.9	2.1	-3.2
Uncooked ground beef .....	116.7	115.7	115.2	116.8	-6.4	15.9	-6.3	.3	4.2	-3.0
Uncooked beef roasts <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Uncooked beef steaks <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Uncooked other beef and veal <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pork .....	155.1	154.3	153.4	153.0	1.3	.3	-4.5	-5.3	.8	-4.9
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ham .....	154.4	152.0	153.7	153.4	2.3	-1.8	-6.5	-2.6	.3	-4.5
Pork chops .....	155.5	154.8	153.2	152.1	-1.8	-1.3	.3	-8.5	-1.5	-4.2
Other pork including roasts and picnics <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other meats <sup>2</sup> .....	149.0	148.9	146.6	147.5	3.0	-1.1	4.7	-4.0	1.0	.3
<b>Poultry</b> <sup>2</sup> .....	155.4	157.2	155.0	155.2	-7.4	6.3	-5.2	-.5	-.8	-2.9
Chicken <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other poultry including turkey <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	102.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Fish and seafood</b> .....	178.9	179.4	178.6	178.5	1.1	2.1	2.7	-.9	1.6	.9
Fresh fish and seafood <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	103.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Processed fish and seafood <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Eggs</b> .....	137.2	140.4	139.5	135.9	-5.8	1.7	-6.4	-3.7	-2.1	-5.1
<b>Dairy and related products</b> <sup>2</sup> .....	145.5	146.8	147.5	147.9	-5.8	-6.4	7.2	6.8	-6.1	7.0
Milk <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cheese and related products <sup>2</sup> .....	146.2	146.8	147.7	148.0	-2.4	-3.2	-1.4	5.0	-2.8	1.8
Ice cream and related products .....	150.5	150.7	151.4	152.7	.5	-1.8	.3	6.0	-.7	3.1
Other dairy and related products <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Fruits and vegetables</b> .....	190.7	191.1	189.7	196.5	.4	8.6	10.0	12.7	4.4	11.4
<b>Fresh fruits and vegetables</b> .....	222.3	222.5	219.8	229.2	1.4	13.1	14.7	13.0	7.1	13.9
<b>Fresh fruits</b> .....	236.9	232.3	231.0	232.4	6.4	-6.0	10.0	-.7	.0	1.0
Apples .....	203.8	201.6	203.1	201.6	-7.5	2.8	7.4	-4.2	-2.5	1.4
Bananas .....	160.1	162.2	158.6	158.2	-7.3	-16.2	13.5	-4.7	-11.9	4.0
Citrus fruits <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	105.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other fresh fruits <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	97.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Fresh vegetables</b> .....	204.6	209.6	205.5	221.7	-4.6	42.0	20.5	37.9	16.4	28.9
Potatoes .....	184.6	184.8	184.9	187.1	-8.8	3.4	45.4	5.5	-2.9	23.9
Lettuce <sup>2</sup> .....	221.9	256.0	215.4	286.0	-14.0	-7.5	112.4	176.0	-10.8	142.1
Tomatoes <sup>2</sup> .....	192.6	221.4	249.5	236.1	85.4	-47.6	6.0	125.8	-1.5	54.7
Other fresh vegetables .....	203.3	206.2	204.6	227.8	-.4	36.8	3.0	57.6	16.7	27.4
<b>Processed fruits and vegetables</b> <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Canned fruits and vegetables</b> <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Frozen fruits and vegetables</b> <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried</b> <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-

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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					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Apr. 1997	July 1997	Oct. 1997	Jan. 1998	July 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Expenditure category</b>										
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	135.2	134.0	132.9	132.7	8.4	17.3	-1.2	-7.2	12.8	-4.2
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carbonated drinks .....	119.2	118.1	117.8	117.7	-4.9	.7	2.0	-4.9	-2.2	-1.5
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beverage materials including coffee and tea <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Coffee <sup>2</sup> .....	177.1	173.0	169.3	168.9	55.3	53.7	-7.3	-17.3	54.5	-12.4
Other beverage materials including tea <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other food at home .....	148.2	147.8	147.9	148.1	4.2	6.2	.8	-3	5.2	.3
Sugar and sweets .....	148.0	148.5	149.2	149.9	2.8	3.3	-1.9	5.2	3.0	1.6
Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....	135.3	134.9	135.7	136.4	1.2	.3	-6	3.3	.7	1.3
Candy and chewing gum <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other sweets <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	102.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fats and oils .....	141.4	141.1	141.3	140.0	.9	-3.1	2.3	-3.9	-1.1	-.9
Butter and margarine <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salad dressing <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other fats and oils including peanut butter <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other foods .....	162.3	162.3	163.1	163.6	3.0	1.8	2.8	3.2	2.4	3.0
Soups .....	190.6	189.9	191.0	191.9	3.2	2.4	1.9	2.8	2.8	2.3
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods <sup>2</sup> .....	144.9	145.0	144.1	144.4	6.0	2.8	-4.0	-1.4	4.4	-2.7
Snacks <sup>2</sup> .....	155.9	154.6	155.1	154.7	9.0	-1.8	4.2	-3.0	3.5	.5
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces .....	170.0	168.7	170.3	170.4	1.0	-2.1	8.7	.9	-6	4.7
Baby food <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food away from home <sup>2</sup> .....	158.2	158.6	159.0	159.3	2.1	2.3	2.8	2.8	2.2	2.8
Full service meals and snacks <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Limited service meals and snacks <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food at employee sites and schools <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other food away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alcoholic beverages .....	162.9	163.2	163.6	164.0	1.3	2.8	1.5	2.7	2.0	2.1
Alcoholic beverages at home .....	149.0	148.9	149.1	149.5	.3	.5	.5	1.3	.4	.9
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home .....	147.9	147.6	147.8	148.2	-1.3	-1.1	.3	.8	-1.2	.5
Distilled spirits at home .....	151.1	151.3	151.8	151.3	2.7	2.2	2.4	.5	2.4	1.5
Wine at home .....	144.5	144.3	144.3	144.5	5.5	3.4	.3	.0	4.4	.1
Alcoholic beverages away from home .....	190.8	191.4	192.2	192.2	2.4	5.0	3.0	3.0	3.7	3.0
Housing .....	154.3	154.8	154.8	154.8	1.6	2.4	2.4	1.3	2.0	1.8
Shelter .....	172.6	172.9	173.5	174.0	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.3	3.1	3.2
Rent of primary residence .....	167.9	168.3	168.7	169.2	2.7	3.4	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.1
Lodging away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Housing at school, excluding board <sup>3</sup> .....	228.9	229.6	230.5	230.8	8.3	4.4	5.6	3.4	6.3	4.5
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels .....	226.8	226.8	229.3	229.4	5.0	1.1	7.0	4.7	3.0	5.8
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	167.2	167.6	168.1	168.5	3.0	3.2	2.7	3.1	3.1	2.9
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fuels and utilities .....	130.7	131.8	130.4	128.8	-3.3	1.9	1.2	-5.7	-.8	-2.3
Fuels .....	116.1	117.8	115.3	113.5	-7.2	-3	1.0	-8.7	-3.9	-3.9
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	96.1	96.3	95.9	93.9	-27.7	-12.5	-4.5	-8.8	-20.5	-6.7
Fuel oil .....	93.3	93.5	93.3	90.9	-24.3	-15.3	-5.0	-9.9	-19.9	-7.5
Other household fuels <sup>2 4</sup> .....	126.1	127.8	128.5	128.0	-36.7	-18.8	1.6	6.2	-28.3	3.9
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	123.9	125.9	123.0	121.1	-4.7	.7	1.6	-8.7	-2.1	-3.7
Electricity .....	131.6	132.7	130.1	128.7	3.7	-1.2	-2.4	-8.5	1.2	-5.5
Utility natural gas service .....	115.5	119.1	115.5	112.4	-20.6	4.8	11.5	-10.3	-8.8	.0
Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Water and sewerage maintenance .....	209.9	210.2	211.0	211.2	2.6	5.0	5.3	2.5	3.8	3.9
Garbage and trash collection <sup>2 5</sup> .....	252.6	252.7	252.8	253.0	2.1	1.6	3.6	.6	1.9	2.1
Household furnishings and operations .....	123.8	123.9	123.9	124.2	.3	1.0	-6	1.3	.6	.3
Window and floor coverings and other linens <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Floor coverings <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Window coverings <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	102.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other linens <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Furniture and bedding <sup>2</sup> .....	132.2	131.1	130.6	130.2	3.4	.0	1.5	-5.9	1.7	-2.3
Bedroom furniture <sup>2</sup> .....	140.6	140.1	141.5	138.8	5.0	2.6	.9	-5.0	3.8	-2.1
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other furniture <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.5	-	-	-	-	-	-

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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					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Apr. 1997	July 1997	Oct. 1997	Jan. 1998	July 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Expenditure category</b>										
Appliances <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Major appliances <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other appliances <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other household equipment and furnishings <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items <sup>2</sup> .....	115.8	117.2	118.4	118.0	9.8	3.1	-7.9	7.8	6.4	-0.3
Indoor plants and flowers <sup>6</sup> .....	109.6	107.4	108.2	116.6	-7.4	-6.8	-7.6	28.1	-7.1	8.8
Dishes and flatware <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nonelectric cookware and tableware <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tools, hardware and supplies <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Housekeeping supplies .....	144.0	144.2	144.7	143.8	2.0	2.5	-1.1	-6	2.3	-8
Household cleaning products <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Household paper products <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous household products <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	98.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Domestic services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gardening and lawn care services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Moving, storage, freight expense <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Repair of household items <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Apparel .....	132.0	132.0	132.0	131.3	3.4	.3	-1.5	-2.1	1.8	-1.8
Men's and boys' apparel .....	130.7	130.7	131.2	131.4	3.1	1.2	.9	2.2	2.2	1.5
Men's apparel .....	134.6	133.9	134.8	134.4	4.6	-6	1.8	-6	2.0	.6
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear .....	137.5	136.3	136.6	139.6	4.5	-2.3	3.6	6.3	1.0	4.9
Men's furnishings .....	131.6	129.8	134.7	136.3	8.5	-9	8.6	15.1	3.7	11.8
Men's shirts and sweaters <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	96.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Men's pants and shorts .....	131.7	130.7	130.9	131.5	-4.2	7.6	-3.6	-6	1.5	-2.1
Boys' apparel .....	118.2	119.2	120.4	121.7	.0	9.2	-3.0	12.4	4.5	4.4
Women's and girls' apparel .....	124.4	124.8	124.1	123.0	3.3	1.0	-4.1	-4.4	2.1	-4.2
Women's apparel .....	123.9	124.4	123.5	121.7	2.6	.6	-2.5	-6.9	1.6	-4.8
Women's outerwear .....	127.0	128.4	125.6	124.5	1.3	14.3	6.9	-7.6	7.6	-6
Women's dresses .....	106.9	107.2	105.6	102.2	-1.1	-2.1	-13.7	-16.5	-1.6	-15.1
Women's suits and separates <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	95.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Girls' apparel .....	126.3	126.3	126.6	129.3	5.8	2.5	-11.2	9.8	4.1	-1.2
Footwear .....	130.2	129.6	130.5	129.9	2.2	-3	6.4	-9	.9	2.7
Men's footwear .....	132.4	132.8	132.7	131.4	.9	.9	-2.7	-3.0	.9	-2.8
Boys' and girls' footwear .....	134.3	133.9	135.0	137.2	-9	-3.6	13.2	8.9	-2.3	11.0
Women's footwear .....	124.6	123.6	124.3	124.2	5.1	-3	9.2	-1.3	2.3	3.8
Infants' and toddlers' apparel <sup>2</sup> .....	127.7	127.1	126.5	125.3	21.5	-8.3	-12.4	-7.3	5.5	-9.9
Jewelry and watches <sup>4</sup> .....	144.4	144.2	144.4	142.8	.3	.8	-5.6	-4.4	.5	-5.0
Watches <sup>4</sup> .....	123.9	124.6	124.0	123.9	-5.5	1.3	-7.1	.0	-2.2	-3.6
Jewelry <sup>4</sup> .....	150.0	149.7	150.4	148.2	1.6	.8	-6.2	-4.7	1.2	-5.4
Transportation .....	143.8	143.0	142.6	141.9	-1.9	-4.1	3.4	-5.2	-3.0	-1.0
Private transportation .....	141.5	140.7	140.3	139.5	-2.2	-4.2	3.5	-5.5	-3.2	-1.1
New and used motor vehicles <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
New vehicles .....	145.4	144.9	144.6	144.7	.6	-8	-5	-1.9	-1	-1.2
Used cars and trucks <sup>2</sup> .....	149.4	149.2	149.5	149.7	-.5	-10.6	-5.2	.8	-5.7	-2.2
Car and truck rental <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	97.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Motor fuel .....	106.9	104.8	103.2	99.5	-15.0	-15.5	20.2	-24.9	-15.2	-5.0
Gasoline (all types) .....	106.7	104.6	102.9	99.2	-15.3	-15.9	22.1	-25.3	-15.6	-4.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>7</sup> .....	104.7	102.3	100.6	96.9	-16.8	-16.2	23.1	-26.6	-16.5	-5.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>2 7 8</sup> .....	111.0	108.6	105.9	101.7	-8.9	-7.1	12.0	-29.5	-8.0	-11.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>7</sup> .....	107.4	105.6	104.1	100.6	-13.3	-15.8	19.6	-23.0	-14.5	-4.0
Other motor fuels <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	98.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Motor vehicle parts and equipment .....	100.7	100.7	100.6	100.5	-1.2	3.2	-3.9	-.8	1.0	-2.3
Tires .....	98.4	98.4	97.9	97.7	-2.4	-1.6	-5.1	-2.8	-2.0	-4.0
Vehicle accessories other than tires <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....	164.7	165.0	165.8	166.0	2.0	3.5	1.2	3.2	2.7	2.2
Motor vehicle body work <sup>2</sup> .....	175.5	175.9	176.5	176.7	5.3	6.7	3.3	2.8	6.0	3.0
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing <sup>2</sup> .....	151.5	151.7	152.7	153.1	-.5	3.5	4.3	4.3	1.5	4.3
Motor vehicle repair <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

**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					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Apr. 1997	July 1997	Oct. 1997	Jan. 1998	July 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Expenditure category</b>										
Motor vehicle insurance .....	252.8	253.3	253.9	254.7	3.8	2.3	2.1	3.0	3.0	2.6
Motor vehicle fees <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	102.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
State and local registration and license <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Parking and other fees <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	104.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public transportation .....	186.8	184.1	184.1	185.8	.7	-6	4.4	-2.1	.0	1.1
Airline fare <sup>2</sup> .....	204.6	196.9	193.9	199.0	11.6	-2.1	4.4	-10.5	4.5	-3.3
Other intercity transportation <sup>2</sup> .....	159.0	158.7	160.3	161.0	-2.3	-2.8	6.5	5.1	-2.5	5.8
Intracity transportation <sup>2</sup> .....	176.2	176.3	176.2	175.0	2.6	.2	2.1	-2.7	1.4	-3
Medical care .....	235.7	236.3	237.2	237.6	3.2	2.1	2.6	3.3	2.6	2.9
Medical care commodities .....	213.3	213.7	214.6	215.0	3.1	1.9	.8	3.2	2.5	2.0
Prescription drugs and medical supplies .....	249.2	250.0	251.7	252.3	3.0	1.8	.0	5.1	2.4	2.5
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies <sup>2 4</sup> .....	145.3	145.0	144.8	145.1	4.6	2.5	.6	-5	3.5	.0
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs <sup>2</sup> .....	172.0	171.6	171.6	171.7	4.6	4.0	-9	-7	4.3	-8
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....	176.1	175.9	175.0	176.2	4.0	-1.4	4.4	.2	1.3	2.3
Medical care services .....	240.6	241.2	242.2	242.5	3.1	2.2	2.9	3.2	2.6	3.0
Professional services .....	218.5	219.0	219.6	220.0	3.8	2.6	2.8	2.8	3.2	2.8
Physicians' services .....	225.3	225.7	226.3	226.2	3.3	2.4	2.9	1.6	2.8	2.2
Dental services <sup>2</sup> .....	228.8	229.4	229.6	231.3	5.7	2.7	4.1	4.4	4.2	4.3
Eyeglasses and eye care <sup>2 4</sup> .....	142.1	142.0	142.8	142.9	2.0	3.7	-1.1	2.3	2.9	.6
Services by other medical professionals <sup>4</sup> .....	156.4	157.4	157.6	158.1	6.2	2.6	1.0	4.4	4.4	2.7
Hospital and related services .....	276.7	277.7	278.9	278.8	3.0	2.2	2.9	3.1	2.6	3.0
Hospital services <sup>2 9</sup> .....	102.1	102.5	103.0	103.3	2.0	1.2	2.8	4.8	1.6	3.8
Inpatient hospital services <sup>2 7 9</sup> .....	101.5	101.9	102.3	102.7	1.6	.8	1.6	4.8	1.2	3.2
Outpatient hospital services <sup>4 7</sup> .....	227.5	228.4	229.1	228.3	4.4	3.1	4.3	1.4	3.7	2.9
Nursing homes and adult daycare <sup>2 9</sup> .....	103.4	103.5	104.0	104.6	5.3	4.0	2.4	4.7	4.6	3.5
Recreation <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Video and audio <sup>1 2</sup> .....	99.9	100.3	100.0	100.5	2.1	7.1	-4	2.4	4.5	1.0
Televisions <sup>2</sup> .....	59.6	59.9	59.3	59.2	-4.4	-3.9	-7.1	-2.7	-4.1	-4.9
Cable television <sup>5</sup> .....	234.4	235.4	236.4	240.3	5.9	9.7	5.8	10.5	7.8	8.1
Other video equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	98.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental <sup>1 2</sup> ..	-	-	100.0	98.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Audio equipment <sup>2</sup> .....	88.3	89.0	88.4	87.9	-10.7	9.0	-3.5	-1.8	-1.3	-2.7
Audio discs, tapes and other media <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pets, pet products and services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pets and pet products <sup>2</sup> .....	143.2	143.0	141.9	143.1	1.1	-2.8	3.1	-3	-8	1.4
Pet services including veterinary <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sporting goods <sup>2</sup> .....	123.8	123.1	124.5	125.6	-6	-6	-1.9	5.9	-6	1.9
Sports vehicles including bicycles <sup>2</sup> .....	126.9	125.5	127.7	129.0	1.9	.3	-2.8	6.8	1.1	1.9
Sports equipment <sup>2</sup> .....	116.8	117.0	117.3	118.2	-3.6	-2.7	-7	4.9	-3.2	2.1
Photography <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Photographic equipment and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....	135.6	135.7	134.6	134.4	1.8	-2.9	3.9	-3.5	-6	.1
Photographers and film processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other recreational goods <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	98.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Toys .....	126.9	126.6	126.1	124.4	-2.8	1.9	-9	-7.7	-5	-4.4
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Musical instruments and accessories <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Recreation services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Club membership dues and fees for participant sports <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Admissions <sup>2</sup> .....	200.5	199.8	199.8	200.2	5.7	11.0	-2.2	-6	8.3	-1.4
Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>4</sup> .....	171.9	172.7	175.4	175.2	2.9	7.1	1.9	7.9	5.0	4.8
Recreational reading materials <sup>2</sup> .....	180.7	180.9	181.3	181.5	.2	-7	3.4	1.8	-2	2.6
Newspapers and magazines <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Recreational books <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Education and communication <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Education <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Educational books and supplies .....	244.3	245.1	246.1	245.3	5.0	8.5	4.0	1.6	6.8	2.8
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....	278.7	279.9	281.2	282.1	5.3	5.6	5.2	5.0	5.4	5.1
College tuition and fees .....	298.6	297.8	299.1	300.2	5.3	6.3	2.5	4.9	5.8	3.7
Elementary and high school tuition and fees .....	293.8	295.4	296.7	298.2	5.7	7.1	10.0	6.1	6.4	8.0
Child care and nursery school <sup>6</sup> .....	136.8	137.2	138.4	138.8	4.6	3.3	5.8	6.0	4.0	5.9
Technical and business school tuition and fees <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.



**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					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Apr. 1997	July 1997	Oct. 1997	Jan. 1998	July 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Expenditure category</b>										
Communication <sup>1 2</sup> .....	99.9	100.1	100.0	99.7	0.8	0.4	-2.8	-0.8	0.6	-1.8
Postage and delivery services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Postage <sup>2</sup> .....	160.8	160.8	160.8	160.8	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Delivery services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Information and information processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....	99.9	100.1	100.0	99.6	.8	.8	-3.1	-1.2	.8	-2.2
Telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Telephone services, local charges <sup>2</sup> .....	163.0	163.1	163.0	163.1	2.5	1.5	1.0	.2	2.0	.6
Telephone services, long distance charges <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cellular telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Information and information processing other than telephone services <sup>2 10</sup> .....	50.1	49.3	48.9	47.7	-13.3	-16.4	.0	-17.8	-14.9	-9.4
Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	96.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Computer software and accessories <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	97.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Computer information processing services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other information processing equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	99.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other goods and services .....	225.5	226.4	227.4	228.5	7.2	2.2	6.6	5.4	4.7	6.0
Tobacco and smoking products .....	249.2	249.9	251.6	253.6	12.8	-2.1	12.3	7.3	5.1	9.7
Cigarettes <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	101.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tobacco products other than cigarettes <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Personal care <sup>2</sup> .....	153.3	154.3	153.9	154.5	2.7	-5	2.4	3.2	1.1	2.8
Personal care products <sup>2</sup> .....	145.4	147.1	146.1	147.0	2.8	-2.2	2.2	4.5	.3	3.3
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements <sup>2</sup> .....	154.9	156.1	156.7	158.5	2.9	-4.6	4.5	9.6	-9	7.0
Personal care services <sup>2</sup> .....	163.5	163.7	164.1	164.5	3.3	1.2	2.2	2.5	2.3	2.4
Haircuts and other personal care services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous personal services .....	228.0	228.8	230.0	230.5	6.1	4.6	4.5	4.5	5.3	4.5
Legal services <sup>2 4</sup> .....	166.1	166.4	166.5	167.8	3.8	4.3	7.3	4.2	4.0	5.7
Funeral expenses <sup>4</sup> .....	174.0	174.3	175.5	175.5	8.4	3.6	4.2	3.5	5.9	3.9
Laundry and dry cleaning services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Financial services <sup>2 4</sup> .....	192.7	193.1	193.9	194.4	11.7	4.9	1.0	3.6	8.3	2.3
Miscellaneous personal goods <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	100.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Special aggregate indexes</b>										
Commodities .....	142.3	142.1	142.0	141.8	-.3	-.8	2.6	-1.4	-.6	.6
Commodities less food and beverages .....	132.4	132.0	131.7	131.2	-1.2	-3.3	2.5	-3.6	-2.2	-.6
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	135.0	134.6	134.2	132.9	-1.8	-2.1	3.6	-6.1	-1.9	-1.3
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	141.2	140.6	140.1	138.1	-3.4	-4.5	7.7	-8.5	-3.9	-.7
Durables .....	127.6	127.3	127.3	127.5	-.9	-2.5	-1.9	-.3	-1.7	-1.1
Services .....	177.9	178.4	178.6	178.8	2.5	3.0	2.5	2.0	2.8	2.3
Rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	166.2	166.6	167.2	167.6	3.2	3.2	2.9	3.4	3.2	3.2
Transportation services .....	183.9	183.5	183.8	184.7	3.1	2.2	1.3	1.8	2.7	1.5
Other services .....	209.1	209.5	210.2	210.7	5.0	3.7	3.3	3.1	4.4	3.2
All items less food .....	158.3	158.4	158.4	158.3	1.5	.8	2.6	.0	1.2	1.3
All items less shelter .....	154.7	154.8	154.6	154.5	.5	.5	2.4	-.5	.5	.9
All items less medical care .....	154.8	154.9	154.9	154.8	1.3	1.0	2.6	.0	1.2	1.3
Commodities less food .....	133.8	133.5	133.3	132.7	-.9	-3.2	2.4	-3.2	-2.1	-.5
Nondurables less food .....	136.7	136.3	136.0	134.7	-1.5	-1.8	3.6	-5.7	-1.6	-1.2
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	142.8	142.3	141.8	139.7	-3.3	-4.5	9.5	-8.4	-3.9	.1
Nondurables .....	146.8	146.8	146.7	146.5	-.5	.6	2.5	-.8	.0	.8
Apparel less footwear .....	128.1	128.3	128.0	127.5	3.8	.3	-3.4	-1.9	2.0	-2.6
Services less rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	168.9	169.3	169.3	169.1	2.4	2.9	2.4	.5	2.7	1.4
Services less medical care services .....	172.6	173.0	173.2	173.4	2.6	3.1	2.6	1.9	2.9	2.2

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(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Apr. 1997	July 1997	Oct. 1997	Jan. 1998	July 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Special aggregate indexes</b>										
Energy .....	111.0	110.8	108.7	106.0	-11.1	-8.1	9.9	-16.8	-9.6	-4.4
All items less energy .....	165.2	165.4	165.7	166.0	2.5	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.0
All items less food and energy .....	167.2	167.4	167.7	168.0	2.7	1.9	1.7	1.9	2.3	1.8
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	142.0	142.0	142.0	142.1	2.0	-8	.0	.3	.6	.1
Energy commodities .....	106.2	104.3	102.8	99.2	-16.2	-15.2	18.0	-23.9	-15.7	-5.2
Services less energy services .....	184.1	184.4	184.9	185.4	3.4	3.1	2.7	2.9	3.2	2.8
Domestically produced farm food .....	159.7	160.0	159.9	160.6	-8	3.1	2.0	2.3	1.1	2.2
Utilities and public transportation .....	145.1	146.1	144.6	143.5	.0	1.4	2.5	-4.3	.7	-1.0

1 Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

2 Not seasonally adjusted.

3 Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

4 Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

5 Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

6 Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

7 Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

8 Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

9 Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

10 Indexes on a December 1988=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	All Items									
		Indexes				Percent change to Jan. 1998 from—			Percent change to Dec. 1997 from—		
		Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Dec. 1996	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997
U.S. city average .....	M	161.6	161.5	161.3	161.6	1.6	0.1	0.2	1.7	-0.2	-0.1
<b>Region and area size<sup>2</sup></b>											
Northeast urban .....	M	168.7	168.5	168.4	168.8	1.6	.2	.2	1.6	-.2	-.1
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	169.5	169.3	169.1	169.5	1.6	.1	.2	1.7	-.2	-.1
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	101.4	101.3	101.3	101.6	1.6	.3	.3	1.3	-.1	.0
Midwest urban <sup>4</sup> .....	M	157.7	157.7	157.3	157.6	1.4	-.1	.2	1.3	-.3	-.3
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	158.4	158.4	158.1	158.5	1.6	.1	.3	1.7	-.2	-.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	101.3	101.3	101.0	101.2	1.2	-.1	.2	1.0	-.3	-.3
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	153.2	153.7	153.0	152.9	.5	-.5	-.1	.7	-.1	-.5
South urban .....	M	157.8	157.8	157.3	157.6	1.2	-.1	.2	1.4	-.3	-.3
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	156.7	156.4	156.3	156.6	1.1	.1	.2	1.5	-.3	-.1
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	101.8	101.9	101.3	101.5	1.2	-.4	.2	1.3	-.5	-.6
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	156.9	157.1	157.0	157.5	1.7	.3	.3	1.7	.1	-.1
West urban .....	M	162.8	162.8	162.8	163.0	2.1	.1	.1	2.6	.0	.0
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	163.1	162.8	163.1	163.3	2.3	.3	.1	2.8	.0	.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	102.1	102.4	102.0	102.3	1.9	-.1	.3	2.0	-.1	-.4
<b>Size classes</b>											
A <sup>5</sup> .....	M	146.0	145.8	145.7	146.0	1.7	.1	.2	2.0	-.2	-.1
B/C <sup>3</sup> .....	M	101.7	101.7	101.4	101.6	1.4	-.1	.2	1.4	-.3	-.3
D .....	M	157.6	157.8	157.5	157.7	1.2	-.1	.1	1.3	-.1	-.2
<b>Selected local areas<sup>6</sup></b>											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI .....	M	162.5	162.9	162.8	162.8	1.5	-.1	.0	1.9	.2	-.1
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ..	M	161.1	160.7	161.2	161.0	1.2	.2	-.1	1.8	.1	.3
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA .....	M	172.3	172.0	171.9	172.1	1.8	.1	.1	2.0	-.2	-.1
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT ....	1	-	169.4	-	171.2	2.1	1.1	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH .....	1	-	157.1	-	158.2	2.9	.7	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	1	152.8	-	152.5	152.1	-	-	-.3	1.7	-.2	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV <sup>7</sup> .....	1	-	100.5	-	101.0	.6	.5	-	-	-	-
Atlanta, GA .....	2	-	-	159.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI .....	2	157.9	-	157.1	-	-	-	-	1.8	-.5	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	2	147.3	-	145.6	-	-	-	-	1.4	-.12	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	2	-	159.5	159.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.1
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD .....	2	167.7	166.4	166.4	-	-	-	-	1.3	-.8	.0
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....	2	162.5	162.6	162.6	-	-	-	-	4.2	.1	.0
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA .....	2	-	-	165.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> The 'North Central' region has been renamed the 'Midwest' region by the Census Bureau. It is composed of the same geographic entities.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> 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; Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN; Denver-Boulder-Greeley, CO; Honolulu, HI; Kansas City, MO-KS;

Milwaukee-Racine, WI; Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI; Pittsburgh, PA; Portland-Salem, OR-WA; St. Louis, MO-IL; San Diego, CA; Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a November 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Local area 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.

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

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Northeast			Midwest <sup>2</sup>			South			West			
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		
		Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998		Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997		Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997
Expenditure category													
All items .....	168.8	1.6	0.2	157.6	1.4	0.2	157.6	1.2	0.2	163.0	2.1	0.1	
All items (December 1977=100) .....	265.9	-	-	256.5	-	-	255.7	-	-	263.5	-	-	
Food and beverages .....	162.5	1.9	.9	156.9	1.8	.6	158.7	2.3	.6	163.4	2.9	1.0	
Food .....	161.9	1.9	.9	156.3	1.8	.6	158.7	2.2	.6	162.8	2.8	1.0	
Food at home .....	163.3	1.5	1.4	156.1	1.4	.9	157.7	1.9	.8	167.9	3.1	1.6	
Food away from home .....	161.7	2.5	.2	157.2	2.7	.3	161.8	2.5	.2	155.3	2.4	.1	
Alcoholic beverages .....	168.9	1.9	.6	162.6	1.1	-.4	158.5	2.5	.4	168.7	3.1	.7	
Housing .....	170.3	2.3	.5	153.7	2.1	.5	148.7	1.4	.5	161.8	2.7	.1	
Shelter .....	200.0	3.5	.8	175.5	3.2	.6	162.8	3.0	.7	177.9	3.1	.4	
Rent of primary residence .....	182.3	3.2	.2	166.2	3.0	.2	157.3	2.7	.3	170.1	3.4	.2	
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	208.0	3.2	.2	180.4	3.3	.3	164.4	3.0	.2	188.2	3.0	.2	
Fuels and utilities .....	125.1	-1.9	-.4	125.6	-1.9	-.7	131.6	-2.4	-.5	138.2	1.2	-2.3	
Fuels .....	115.7	-3.3	-.5	109.8	-4.9	-.9	113.1	-6.0	-.7	126.8	1.0	-3.1	
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	131.6	-.2	-.5	115.4	-4.2	-.9	115.3	-5.5	-.8	129.6	1.3	-3.1	
Electricity .....	136.6	1.0	-.2	123.8	.9	.7	114.3	-5.8	-.8	142.3	-2.2	-2.3	
Utility natural gas service .....	124.6	-2.3	-.6	107.8	-10.1	-3.1	122.1	-3.9	-.6	115.5	8.7	-5.2	
Household furnishings and operations .....	125.6	-.1	.2	124.9	2.1	.7	126.0	-.9	.5	125.9	1.5	-.1	
Apparel .....	126.5	-.3	-2.7	127.8	.6	-1.2	141.5	.5	-1.5	119.9	-.9	.0	
Transportation .....	145.7	-1.6	-.5	140.3	-2.5	-.3	140.5	-2.4	-.4	145.1	.6	-.3	
Private transportation .....	140.8	-1.8	-.6	136.4	-2.7	-.4	139.4	-2.3	-.5	141.0	.1	-.5	
New and used motor vehicles <sup>4</sup> .....	99.9	-	-.1	100.2	-	.2	100.3	-	.3	100.2	-	.2	
New vehicles .....	143.8	-.3	.1	141.6	-.5	.3	147.6	-1.1	.3	143.9	-.9	.1	
New cars and trucks <sup>4 5</sup> .....	100.1	-	.1	100.3	-	.3	100.3	-	.3	100.2	-	.2	
New cars <sup>5</sup> .....	142.2	-.2	.1	137.3	-.8	.3	146.5	-1.3	.3	139.9	-1.1	.2	
Used cars and trucks .....	151.2	-4.2	.0	147.9	-4.5	.1	148.9	-3.9	.2	145.9	-4.4	.2	
Motor fuel .....	97.8	-10.8	-3.7	94.5	-15.5	-4.7	96.1	-11.2	-3.6	103.9	-.3	-4.0	
Gasoline (all types) .....	97.3	-10.7	-3.8	94.0	-15.7	-4.9	95.6	-11.1	-3.5	103.0	.0	-4.0	
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>5</sup> .....	96.0	-11.4	-3.9	92.6	-16.0	-4.6	92.4	-11.9	-3.9	100.1	.1	-4.2	
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>5 6</sup> .....	100.6	-10.6	-3.7	103.9	-15.3	-5.1	102.1	-10.6	-3.5	100.1	.0	-4.1	
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>5</sup> .....	98.2	-9.8	-3.3	97.4	-15.2	-4.9	99.5	-9.7	-3.1	104.9	1.0	-3.5	
Medical care .....	248.6	2.3	.6	230.3	2.8	.4	237.1	3.0	.4	237.2	2.6	.2	
Medical care commodities .....	221.4	2.1	.6	214.4	3.1	.5	213.3	2.5	.4	224.5	1.0	.0	
Medical care services .....	254.4	2.4	.7	234.2	2.7	.3	243.1	3.1	.5	240.2	2.9	.3	
Professional services .....	229.2	2.7	.7	214.1	3.3	.4	223.6	3.3	.4	205.8	2.7	.4	
Recreation <sup>4</sup> .....	100.9	-	.9	100.1	-	.1	100.4	-	.4	99.7	-	-.3	
Education and communication <sup>4</sup> .....	99.9	-	-.1	100.1	-	.1	100.0	-	.0	99.8	-	-.2	
Other goods and services .....	240.4	4.5	.8	225.6	5.6	.5	223.5	5.9	.6	236.3	4.5	.1	
Commodity and service group													
All items .....	168.8	1.6	.2	157.6	1.4	.2	157.6	1.2	.2	163.0	2.1	.1	
Commodities .....	142.0	-.1	-.1	140.2	-.3	-.1	142.0	-.1	-.1	142.3	1.1	.1	
Commodities less food and beverages .....	128.6	-1.7	-.8	130.7	-1.6	-.5	132.5	-1.5	-.5	129.5	-.1	-.5	
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	129.5	-2.2	-1.4	132.2	-2.1	-1.3	134.7	-1.4	-1.0	130.9	.5	-.9	
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	137.2	-3.2	-.7	138.0	-3.3	-1.3	136.6	-2.4	-.9	141.4	1.1	-1.3	
Durables .....	127.5	-.7	.2	127.7	-.9	.3	129.6	-1.9	.2	127.7	-.8	-.1	
Services .....	195.6	2.8	.5	176.1	2.7	.5	174.0	2.4	.5	181.9	2.9	.2	
Rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	208.7	3.6	.7	180.3	3.1	.6	167.3	3.0	.7	188.7	3.1	.4	
Transportation services .....	188.4	1.2	.2	185.4	3.2	1.2	188.5	1.2	.5	188.0	2.5	.8	
Other services .....	227.3	3.4	.4	204.3	4.2	.3	210.9	4.6	.4	211.2	2.9	-.1	

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Northeast			Midwest <sup>2</sup>			South			West		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997
<b>Special aggregate indexes</b>												
All items less medical care .....	164.9	1.5	0.2	153.7	1.3	0.2	152.5	1.1	0.2	158.9	2.1	0.1
All items less food .....	170.2	1.5	.1	157.8	1.3	.1	157.4	1.1	.2	163.1	2.0	-.1
All items less shelter .....	158.8	.7	.1	152.6	.7	.1	156.4	.6	.1	158.3	1.7	-.1
Commodities less food .....	130.3	-1.4	-.8	131.9	-1.5	-.6	133.4	-1.4	-.4	131.4	.2	-.5
Nondurables .....	146.3	.0	-.2	144.5	-.1	-.3	146.6	.5	-.2	147.5	1.7	.1
Nondurables less food .....	131.9	-1.9	-1.3	133.9	-2.0	-1.3	135.9	-1.1	-.9	133.8	.8	-.7
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	139.3	-2.5	-.6	139.5	-2.9	-1.2	137.7	-1.9	-.7	143.5	1.3	-1.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	198.1	2.0	.3	181.4	2.3	.3	187.9	1.8	.2	193.3	2.5	-.1
Services less medical care services .....	190.8	2.8	.5	170.7	2.7	.5	166.5	2.3	.5	176.9	2.8	.2
Energy .....	108.3	-6.0	-1.5	102.2	-9.8	-2.6	102.9	-8.3	-2.0	113.0	.4	-3.5
All items less energy .....	177.0	2.2	.4	165.6	2.3	.4	164.9	2.0	.4	168.7	2.3	.4
All items less food and energy .....	180.9	2.2	.3	167.9	2.4	.4	166.5	2.0	.4	170.2	2.2	.2
Commodities less food and energy												
commodities .....	141.8	.3	-.4	142.3	.9	.0	143.7	.1	-.1	139.4	.2	.0
Energy commodities .....	96.3	-11.9	-3.1	94.4	-15.8	-4.7	97.0	-11.3	-3.4	105.0	-.4	-3.9
Services less energy services .....	201.8	3.0	.5	183.9	3.3	.6	180.4	3.0	.6	185.8	3.0	.4

<sup>1</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>2</sup> The 'North Central' region has been renamed the 'Midwest' region by the Census Bureau. It is composed of the same geographic entities.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Size class A <sup>2</sup>			Size class B/C <sup>3</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998		Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997
Expenditure category									
All items <sup>4</sup> .....	146.0	1.7	0.2	101.6	1.4	0.2	157.7	1.2	0.1
All items (December 1977=100) .....	146.0	-	-	-	-	-	254.3	-	-
Food and beverages .....	144.8	2.2	.8	100.7	-	.7	155.8	1.9	.6
Food .....	144.4	2.1	.8	100.7	-	.7	155.3	1.8	.5
Food at home .....	148.9	1.9	1.2	101.0	-	1.0	153.5	1.7	.8
Food away from home .....	137.7	2.5	.1	100.2	-	.2	159.6	2.3	.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	148.2	2.1	.3	100.2	-	.2	163.7	2.9	1.8
Housing .....	142.1	2.4	.4	100.5	-	.5	151.4	1.6	.5
Shelter .....	151.0	3.5	.6	100.6	-	.6	172.2	2.8	.6
Rent of primary residence .....	141.3	3.5	.3	100.2	-	.2	159.9	1.8	-.1
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....	150.9	3.5	.3	100.2	-	.2	178.2	2.5	.0
Fuels and utilities .....	129.2	-1.2	-1.1	99.4	-	-.6	127.5	-1.4	-.4
Fuels .....	127.1	-3.0	-1.5	99.2	-	-.8	107.1	-5.1	-.6
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	126.1	-1.9	-1.5	99.2	-	-.8	115.6	-4.1	-.5
Electricity .....	127.0	-.5	-.8	99.3	-	-.7	121.2	-.5	.2
Utility natural gas service .....	124.2	-4.4	-2.8	98.8	-	-1.2	109.2	-12.1	-2.4
Household furnishings and operations .....	117.7	.2	.1	100.7	-	.7	125.2	.5	.4
Apparel .....	119.8	.2	-1.1	98.3	-	-1.7	133.2	2.4	-2.1
Transportation .....	140.7	-1.3	-.5	99.8	-	-.2	140.0	-2.6	-.3
Private transportation .....	139.9	-1.5	-.6	99.5	-	-.5	136.3	-2.4	-.4
New and used motor vehicles <sup>3</sup> .....	100.1	-	.1	100.2	-	.2	100.5	-	.5
New vehicles .....	126.9	-.8	.1	100.3	-	.3	145.5	-.1	.8
New cars and trucks <sup>3 6</sup> .....	100.2	-	.2	100.3	-	.3	100.7	-	.7
New cars <sup>6</sup> .....	125.4	-.6	.2	100.2	-	.2	141.0	-1.0	.4
Used cars and trucks .....	140.4	-3.9	.1	100.1	-	.1	142.5	-5.4	.0
Motor fuel .....	143.0	-9.3	-4.3	96.4	-	-3.6	95.1	-11.4	-4.2
Gasoline (all types) .....	142.2	-9.3	-4.2	96.4	-	-3.6	94.4	-11.4	-4.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....	141.8	-10.0	-4.4	96.3	-	-3.7	90.4	-12.2	-4.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....	99.6	-8.6	-4.0	96.3	-	-3.7	104.9	-11.2	-4.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....	134.3	-8.9	-3.7	96.7	-	-3.3	98.9	-9.8	-3.1
Medical care .....	188.4	2.4	.5	100.4	-	.4	231.3	2.1	.2
Medical care commodities .....	175.2	2.1	.5	100.3	-	.3	214.9	1.4	.2
Medical care services .....	191.3	2.5	.5	100.4	-	.4	235.9	2.3	.2
Professional services .....	172.8	2.7	.5	100.5	-	.5	226.3	2.7	.3
Recreation <sup>3</sup> .....	100.3	-	.3	100.3	-	.3	100.3	-	.3
Education and communication <sup>3</sup> .....	100.0	-	.0	99.9	-	-.1	99.6	-	-.4
Other goods and services .....	186.4	5.2	.5	100.5	-	.5	223.9	4.4	.0
Commodity and service group									
All items <sup>4</sup> .....	146.0	1.7	.2	101.6	1.4	.2	157.7	1.2	.1
Commodities .....	135.6	.1	-.1	99.9	-	-.1	139.4	-.1	-.3
Commodities less food and beverages .....	129.6	-1.1	-.5	99.5	-	-.5	130.5	-1.2	-.7
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	136.9	-1.2	-1.1	98.8	-	-1.2	131.6	-1.3	-1.6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	148.8	-1.9	-1.0	99.0	-	-1.0	134.3	-2.7	-1.3
Durables .....	119.5	-1.2	.1	100.3	-	.3	128.9	-1.5	.2
Services .....	154.3	2.8	.3	100.5	-	.5	177.6	2.1	.5
Rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	151.3	3.5	.6	100.6	-	.6	178.2	2.9	.7
Transportation services .....	153.5	1.7	.4	101.0	-	1.0	NA	-	-
Other services .....	173.8	3.5	.2	100.4	-	.4	209.2	4.0	.1

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Size class A <sup>2</sup>			Size class B/C <sup>3</sup>			Size class D			
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		
		Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998		Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998
Special aggregate indexes										
All items less medical care .....	143.7	1.7	0.2	100.2	-	0.2	152.4	1.1	0.1	
All items less food .....	146.4	1.7	.1	100.1	-	.1	158.1	1.0	.1	
All items less shelter .....	144.0	1.0	.0	100.1	-	.1	154.2	.7	-.1	
Commodities less food .....	130.6	-1.0	-.5	99.5	-	-.5	131.5	-1.1	-.6	
Nondurables .....	141.1	.6	-.1	99.8	-	-.2	143.6	.3	-.5	
Nondurables less food .....	138.0	-.9	-.9	98.9	-	-1.1	133.1	-1.0	-1.4	
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	148.6	-1.4	-.9	99.1	-	-.9	135.9	-2.3	-1.2	
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	157.4	2.1	.1	100.4	-	.4	186.7	1.6	.2	
Services less medical care services .....	151.2	2.9	.3	100.5	-	.5	170.4	2.2	.5	
Energy .....	133.6	-5.8	-2.7	98.0	-	-2.0	100.4	-7.7	-2.0	
All items less energy .....	146.9	2.2	.3	100.4	-	.4	165.9	2.0	.4	
All items less food and energy .....	147.5	2.3	.3	100.4	-	.4	168.4	1.9	.2	
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	129.1	.3	-.1	99.9	-	-.1	142.4	.6	-.2	
Energy commodities .....	142.4	-9.8	-4.0	96.6	-	-3.4	94.6	-11.9	-4.2	
Services less energy services .....	156.3	3.1	.4	100.6	-	.6	184.9	2.7	.5	

<sup>1</sup> See region and area size on Table 10 for information about population size classes.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> The 'All Items' index size B/C is on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.

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

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Northeast					
	Size class A			Size class B/C <sup>2</sup>		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998
Expenditure category						
All items <sup>4</sup> .....	169.5	1.6	0.2	101.6	1.6	0.3
All items (December 1977=100) .....	262.0	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages .....	162.2	2.1	.9	100.8	-	.8
Food .....	161.6	2.1	.9	100.9	-	.9
Food at home .....	163.3	1.7	1.4	101.2	-	1.2
Food away from home .....	161.1	2.7	.2	100.2	-	.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	169.7	2.5	1.0	99.7	-	-.3
Housing .....	170.4	2.2	.4	100.8	-	.8
Shelter .....	198.8	3.5	.7	100.9	-	.9
Rent of primary residence .....	183.5	3.6	.3	100.0	-	.0
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....	204.1	3.6	.3	100.0	-	.0
Fuels and utilities .....	124.4	-1.4	-.6	100.0	-	.0
Fuels .....	118.9	-2.5	-.7	99.9	-	-.1
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	131.5	.2	-.6	100.1	-	.1
Electricity .....	134.5	1.6	-.6	100.5	-	.5
Utility natural gas service .....	127.7	-1.8	-.5	99.1	-	-.9
Household furnishings and operations .....	125.5	-1.1	-.2	101.5	-	1.5
Apparel .....	123.2	-.6	-2.5	96.8	-	-3.2
Transportation .....	148.1	-1.5	-.6	99.7	-	-.3
Private transportation .....	143.2	-1.7	-.6	99.4	-	-.6
Motor fuel .....	97.0	-10.4	-3.7	96.1	-	-3.9
Gasoline (all types) .....	96.4	-10.4	-3.7	96.1	-	-3.9
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....	95.1	-11.0	-3.8	95.9	-	-4.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....	98.5	-10.4	-3.7	96.2	-	-3.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....	96.8	-9.6	-3.3	96.6	-	-3.4
Medical care .....	252.7	2.7	.9	100.2	-	.2
Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....	100.9	-	.9	101.1	-	1.1
Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....	99.9	-	-.1	99.7	-	-.3
Other goods and services .....	238.2	4.8	1.0	100.2	-	.2
Commodity and service group						
All items <sup>4</sup> .....	169.5	1.6	.2	101.6	1.6	.3
Commodities .....	142.9	.0	-.1	99.8	-	-.2
Commodities less food and beverages .....	129.3	-1.5	-.8	99.2	-	-.8
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	129.9	-1.9	-1.2	98.2	-	-1.8
Durables .....	129.2	-.8	.1	100.5	-	.5
Services .....	194.5	2.7	.4	100.7	-	.7
Special aggregate indexes						
All items less medical care .....	165.5	1.6	.2	100.3	-	.3
All items less shelter .....	159.6	.8	.1	100.1	-	.1
Commodities less food .....	131.0	-1.4	-.7	99.2	-	-.8
Nondurables .....	146.9	.3	-.1	99.5	-	-.5
Nondurables less food .....	132.3	-1.6	-1.1	98.3	-	-1.7
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	197.2	1.8	.1	100.5	-	.5
Services less medical care services .....	189.4	2.7	.4	100.7	-	.7
Energy .....	110.2	-5.2	-1.7	98.5	-	-1.5
All items less energy .....	176.9	2.1	.4	100.5	-	.5
All items less food and energy .....	180.8	2.1	.2	100.4	-	.4

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<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Midwest <sup>3</sup>								
	Size class A			Size class B/C <sup>2</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998		Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997
Expenditure category									
All Items <sup>4</sup> .....	158.5	1.6	0.3	101.2	1.2	0.2	152.9	0.5	-0.1
All Items (December 1977=100) .....	261.7	-	-	-	-	-	245.1	-	-
Food and beverages .....	159.3	1.9	.6	100.7	-	.7	151.0	1.9	.7
Food .....	158.9	1.9	.6	100.7	-	.7	150.0	1.8	.7
Food at home .....	159.7	1.6	.8	100.9	-	.9	146.9	.8	.8
Food away from home .....	157.8	2.5	.3	100.4	-	.4	156.4	3.8	.5
Alcoholic beverages .....	163.1	.7	-.5	99.7	-	-.3	166.7	3.9	.1
Housing .....	154.0	2.4	.5	100.4	-	.4	145.6	.7	-.1
Shelter .....	177.2	3.7	.7	100.4	-	.4	160.9	2.2	.2
Rent of primary residence .....	169.9	3.6	.3	100.0	-	.0	150.8	2.4	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....	182.0	3.7	.3	100.1	-	.1	168.8	2.0	.2
Fuels and utilities .....	123.9	-2.4	-.5	99.1	-	-.9	130.8	-3.0	-1.2
Fuels .....	110.6	-6.2	-.7	98.9	-	-1.1	103.0	-7.0	-1.4
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	114.0	-5.6	-.7	98.9	-	-1.1	111.3	-6.5	-1.3
Electricity .....	122.6	.8	1.2	100.0	-	.0	111.4	4.3	1.5
Utility natural gas service .....	105.8	-12.3	-3.1	97.3	-	-2.7	113.9	-16.6	-4.7
Household furnishings and operations .....	118.9	1.4	.3	101.8	-	1.8	122.9	-.2	-.5
Apparel .....	124.4	1.7	-.6	98.9	-	-1.1	142.9	.5	-3.6
Transportation .....	141.2	-2.7	-.4	99.9	-	-1	135.2	-3.6	.1
Private transportation .....	138.2	-2.9	-.6	99.7	-	-.3	128.9	-2.9	.2
Motor fuel .....	94.6	-16.7	-5.5	96.0	-	-4.0	92.1	-13.8	-4.6
Gasoline (all types) .....	94.0	-16.9	-5.5	95.9	-	-4.1	91.1	-14.1	-4.6
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....	93.1	-17.0	-5.3	96.1	-	-3.9	88.1	-14.7	-4.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....	101.8	-16.8	-5.7	95.6	-	-4.4	106.6	-14.0	-4.6
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....	96.0	-15.9	-5.7	95.8	-	-4.2	95.2	-11.9	-3.4
Medical care .....	227.6	2.4	.4	100.4	-	.4	222.5	2.8	.4
Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....	100.2	-	.2	99.9	-	-.1	100.3	-	.3
Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....	100.4	-	.4	99.7	-	-.3	99.4	-	-.6
Other goods and services .....	232.0	6.4	.5	100.4	-	.4	213.0	3.5	1.1
Commodity and service group									
All Items <sup>4</sup> .....	158.5	1.6	.3	101.2	1.2	.2	152.9	.5	-.1
Commodities .....	141.1	-.2	-.1	99.9	-	-.1	139.3	-.4	-.4
Commodities less food and beverages .....	130.1	-1.5	-.5	99.5	-	-.5	132.7	-1.6	-1.0
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	132.7	-1.7	-1.2	98.9	-	-1.1	135.9	-2.2	-2.1
Durables .....	124.5	-1.7	.3	100.3	-	.3	128.2	-1.1	.2
Services .....	176.5	3.0	.6	100.4	-	.4	167.7	1.2	.3
Special aggregate indexes									
All Items less medical care .....	154.9	1.6	.3	100.2	-	.2	147.8	.2	-.1
All Items less shelter .....	153.0	.8	.0	100.1	-	.1	151.0	-.1	-.1
Commodities less food .....	131.6	-1.3	-.5	99.5	-	-.5	133.7	-1.5	-1.0
Nondurables .....	146.2	.1	-.3	99.8	-	-.2	143.9	-.2	-.8
Nondurables less food .....	134.7	-1.5	-1.1	98.9	-	-1.1	137.6	-1.8	-2.0
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	181.8	2.4	.3	100.5	-	.5	177.1	.5	.3
Services less medical care services .....	171.6	3.1	.5	100.4	-	.4	160.3	1.0	.3
Energy .....	103.4	-11.0	-2.6	97.5	-	-2.5	97.0	-9.9	-2.7
All Items less energy .....	166.1	2.7	.5	100.4	-	.4	160.8	1.5	.1
All Items less food and energy .....	167.9	2.8	.5	100.4	-	.4	163.3	1.4	.1

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<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	South								
	Size class A			Size class B/C <sup>2</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998		Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997
Expenditure category									
All items <sup>4</sup> .....	156.6	1.1	0.2	101.5	1.2	0.2	157.5	1.7	0.3
All items (December 1977=100) .....	252.9	-	-	-	-	-	255.8	-	-
Food and beverages .....	159.0	1.9	.5	100.6	-	.6	153.5	1.2	.3
Food .....	159.1	1.8	.5	100.6	-	.6	153.7	1.3	.2
Food at home .....	157.7	1.0	.8	100.8	-	.8	151.0	1.5	.5
Food away from home .....	162.8	3.0	.1	100.3	-	.3	161.0	1.0	-.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	157.7	2.1	.4	100.4	-	.4	147.9	-.8	.1
Housing .....	146.9	1.5	.6	100.4	-	.4	151.1	3.0	1.0
Shelter .....	161.3	3.1	.7	100.6	-	.6	173.4	4.5	1.3
Rent of primary residence .....	157.9	2.5	.4	100.3	-	.3	160.7	2.9	-.4
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....	163.4	2.9	.3	100.3	-	.3	173.5	3.6	-.1
Fuels and utilities .....	119.5	-2.0	-.8	99.6	-	-.4	126.0	-.6	-.4
Fuels .....	105.8	-4.2	-1.0	99.4	-	-.6	107.8	-3.8	-.6
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	109.0	-3.8	-1.1	99.3	-	-.7	112.2	-2.9	-.6
Electricity .....	106.0	-2.6	-.9	99.2	-	-.8	114.4	-2.8	-.3
Utility natural gas service .....	114.3	-7.1	-1.5	100.3	-	.3	113.6	-3.6	-1.9
Household furnishings and operations .....	129.3	-1.6	.8	100.2	-	.2	123.7	1.7	.7
Apparel .....	149.2	.5	-1.2	98.1	-	-1.9	130.9	3.5	-.2
Transportation .....	140.0	-2.2	-.4	99.7	-	-.3	139.6	-2.4	-.4
Private transportation .....	140.0	-2.3	-.5	99.6	-	-.4	138.3	-2.3	-.5
Motor fuel .....	98.5	-10.7	-3.3	96.4	-	-3.6	89.6	-11.4	-4.0
Gasoline (all types) .....	97.7	-10.6	-3.4	96.4	-	-3.6	88.5	-11.3	-4.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....	94.9	-11.6	-3.8	96.3	-	-3.7	84.0	-12.1	-4.3
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....	100.3	-9.6	-2.9	96.3	-	-3.7	105.2	-11.1	-4.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....	100.6	-9.2	-2.6	96.6	-	-3.4	96.5	-9.5	-2.8
Medical care .....	236.5	2.6	.3	100.5	-	.5	236.6	1.9	.1
Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....	100.3	-	.3	100.5	-	.5	100.8	-	.8
Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....	99.8	-	-.2	100.2	-	.2	99.6	-	-.4
Other goods and services .....	217.0	5.2	.8	100.5	-	.5	215.0	5.8	-.2
Commodity and service group									
All items <sup>4</sup> .....	156.6	1.1	.2	101.5	1.2	.2	157.5	1.7	.3
Commodities .....	142.3	-.4	-.1	99.9	-	-.1	138.2	.0	-.1
Commodities less food and beverages .....	132.8	-1.8	-.4	99.5	-	-.5	130.0	-.6	-.2
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	134.0	-1.6	-.8	98.8	-	-1.2	130.8	-.3	-.7
Durables .....	131.7	-2.2	.2	100.3	-	.3	128.8	-1.2	.3
Services .....	171.1	2.4	.4	100.5	-	.5	178.0	3.1	.7
Special aggregate indexes									
All items less medical care .....	152.2	1.0	.2	100.2	-	.2	151.1	1.8	.4
All items less shelter .....	155.4	.5	.1	100.0	-	.0	153.4	.8	.0
Commodities less food .....	133.9	-1.6	-.3	99.5	-	-.5	130.4	-.7	-.2
Nondurables .....	146.4	.2	-.1	99.7	-	-.3	141.9	.5	-.1
Nondurables less food .....	135.4	-1.3	-.7	98.9	-	-1.1	131.4	-.3	-.6
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	186.2	2.0	.2	100.3	-	.3	186.3	1.9	.1
Services less medical care services .....	164.7	2.4	.4	100.5	-	.5	168.9	3.2	.8
Energy .....	101.0	-7.3	-2.0	98.1	-	-1.9	97.1	-7.0	-2.0
All items less energy .....	164.2	1.7	.4	100.4	-	.4	166.1	2.5	.6
All items less food and energy .....	165.5	1.7	.4	100.3	-	.3	169.0	2.7	.7

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<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	West					
	Size class A			Size class B/C <sup>2</sup>		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997		Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997
Expenditure category						
All items <sup>4</sup> .....	163.3	2.3	0.1	102.3	1.9	0.3
All items (December 1977=100) .....	266.2	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages .....	164.0	2.8	1.0	101.0	-	1.0
Food .....	163.5	2.7	1.1	101.0	-	1.0
Food at home .....	169.2	3.0	1.6	101.6	-	1.6
Food away from home .....	155.4	2.1	.1	99.8	-	-2
Alcoholic beverages .....	168.6	2.9	.3	100.6	-	.6
Housing .....	164.1	3.1	.0	100.3	-	.3
Shelter .....	178.8	3.5	.4	100.6	-	.6
Rent of primary residence .....	174.2	4.1	.3	100.0	-	.0
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....	190.0	3.6	.2	100.1	-	.1
Fuels and utilities .....	141.9	.9	-3.0	98.4	-	-1.6
Fuels .....	131.7	.8	-4.1	98.0	-	-2.0
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	134.0	1.0	-4.2	98.0	-	-2.0
Electricity .....	149.1	-2.7	-2.7	97.8	-	-2.2
Utility natural gas service .....	119.8	10.4	-7.4	98.5	-	-1.5
Household furnishings and operations .....	127.7	1.9	-2	100.2	-	.2
Apparel .....	117.7	-1.1	.1	100.2	-	.2
Transportation .....	144.1	.8	-3	100.0	-	.0
Private transportation .....	140.2	.6	-4	99.5	-	-.5
Motor fuel .....	103.1	.7	-4.4	97.4	-	-2.6
Gasoline (all types) .....	102.0	.8	-4.5	97.4	-	-2.6
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....	99.2	.8	-4.6	97.2	-	-2.8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....	98.0	.5	-4.5	97.5	-	-2.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....	104.8	1.5	-3.9	98.1	-	-1.9
Medical care .....	233.3	2.1	.3	100.1	-	.1
Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....	99.7	-	-3	99.6	-	-.4
Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....	99.8	-	-2	99.9	-	-.1
Other goods and services .....	242.6	4.6	.0	101.1	-	1.1
Commodity and service group						
All items <sup>4</sup> .....	163.3	2.3	.1	102.3	1.9	.3
Commodities .....	142.3	1.3	.1	100.2	-	.2
Commodities less food and beverages .....	128.6	.2	-.5	99.7	-	-.3
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	129.1	.4	-.8	99.5	-	-.5
Durables .....	127.4	-.1	-.2	100.0	-	.0
Services .....	181.7	2.9	.1	100.4	-	.4
Special aggregate indexes						
All items less medical care .....	159.6	2.3	.1	100.3	-	.3
All items less shelter .....	158.3	1.7	-.1	100.2	-	.2
Commodities less food .....	130.8	.5	-.5	99.7	-	-.3
Nondurables .....	147.2	1.7	.1	100.3	-	.3
Nondurables less food .....	132.3	.7	-.8	99.5	-	-.5
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	193.6	2.3	-.3	100.1	-	.1
Services less medical care services .....	177.5	3.0	.1	100.4	-	.4
Energy .....	112.9	.7	-4.3	97.7	-	-2.3
All items less energy .....	168.7	2.4	.4	100.5	-	.5
All items less food and energy .....	170.2	2.4	.2	100.4	-	.4

<sup>1</sup> See region and area size on Table 10 for information about cross classifications.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> The 'North Central' region has been renamed the 'Midwest' region by the Census Bureau. It is composed of the same geographic entities.

<sup>4</sup> The 'All items' index size B/C is on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Pricing schedule 1	Food at home									
		Indexes				Percent change to Jan.1998 from—			Percent change to Dec.1997 from—		
		Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Dec. 1996	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997
U.S. city average .....	M	159.0	159.1	159.2	161.0	2.0	1.2	1.1	1.0	0.1	0.1
<b>Region and area size<sup>2</sup></b>											
Northeast urban .....	M	161.1	161.8	161.1	163.3	1.5	.9	1.4	-.1	.0	-.4
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	161.1	161.9	161.1	163.3	1.7	.9	1.4	.4	.0	-.5
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	-	-	100.0	101.2	-	-	1.2	-	-	-
Midwest urban <sup>4</sup> .....	M	154.5	154.0	154.7	156.1	1.4	1.4	.9	.3	.1	.5
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	157.9	157.5	158.4	159.7	1.6	1.4	.8	.8	.3	.6
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	-	-	100.0	100.9	-	-	.9	-	-	-
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	144.3	145.2	145.7	146.9	.8	1.2	.8	.3	1.0	.3
South urban .....	M	156.1	156.4	156.5	157.7	1.9	.8	.8	1.4	.3	.1
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	156.6	156.7	156.4	157.7	1.0	.6	.8	1.2	-.1	-.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	-	-	100.0	100.8	-	-	.8	-	-	-
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	150.0	151.3	150.3	151.0	1.5	-.2	.5	1.6	.2	-.7
West urban .....	M	165.0	164.9	165.3	167.9	3.1	1.8	1.6	2.3	.2	.2
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	165.9	165.7	166.6	169.2	3.0	2.1	1.6	2.6	.4	.5
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	-	-	100.0	101.6	-	-	1.6	-	-	-
<b>Size classes</b>											
A <sup>5</sup> .....	M	146.9	147.0	147.1	148.9	1.9	1.3	1.2	1.2	.1	.1
B/C <sup>3</sup> .....	M	-	-	100.0	101.0	-	-	1.0	-	-	-
D .....	M	151.8	152.2	152.3	153.5	1.7	.9	.8	1.1	.3	.1
<b>Selected local areas</b>											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI .....	M	168.4	168.3	170.4	169.9	1.5	1.0	-.3	1.8	1.2	1.2
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ..	M	170.1	170.4	171.1	173.9	1.5	2.1	1.6	1.5	.6	.4
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA .....	M	163.5	164.7	163.5	164.9	1.4	.1	.9	.6	.0	-.7
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT ....	1	159.1	157.4	157.6	162.7	3.6	3.4	3.2	1.1	-.9	.1
Cleveland-Akron, OH .....	1	154.4	155.7	154.6	158.7	2.7	1.9	2.7	-.6	.1	-.7
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	1	148.3	149.3	150.0	148.2	-.7	-.7	-.1.2	1.0	1.1	.5
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV <sup>3</sup> .....	1	-	-	100.0	101.2	-	-	1.2	-	-	-
Atlanta, GA .....	2	-	-	-	160.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI .....	2	150.6	150.9	150.9	152.3	.9	.9	.9	-.1	.2	.0
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	2	156.9	156.3	153.7	158.8	.7	1.6	3.3	-.1	-2.0	-1.7
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	2	163.0	165.3	164.5	166.5	3.0	.7	1.2	2.7	.9	-.5
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD .....	2	160.3	160.9	160.7	163.7	.8	1.7	1.9	-.6	.2	-.1
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....	2	167.7	167.2	169.3	172.8	6.0	3.3	2.1	4.5	1.0	1.3
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA .....	2	-	-	-	165.1	-	-	-	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> The 'North Central' region has been renamed the 'Midwest' region by the Census Bureau. It is composed of the same geographic entities.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

**Table 15. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Areas priced monthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	U.S. city average			Chicago- Gary- Kenosha, IL-IN-WI			Los Angeles- Riverside- Orange County, CA			New York- Northern N.J.- Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997		Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997		Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997		Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items .....	161.6	1.6	0.2	162.8	1.5	0.0	161.0	1.2	-0.1	172.1	1.8	0.1
All items (1967=100) .....	484.2	-	-	486.4	-	-	475.6	-	-	497.4	-	-
Food and beverages .....	160.3	2.2	.8	163.1	1.8	.0	166.5	1.6	1.0	164.9	2.0	.6
Food .....	159.9	2.2	.8	162.5	2.0	.0	164.7	1.5	1.0	164.1	1.9	.6
Food at home .....	161.0	2.0	1.1	169.9	1.5	-.3	173.9	1.5	1.6	164.9	1.4	.9
Food away from home .....	159.2	2.5	.1	149.5	3.0	.4	151.4	1.5	.0	166.6	2.8	.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	164.6	2.2	.4	170.3	-.2	.0	183.1	2.7	.5	173.7	3.0	1.0
Housing .....	158.3	2.1	.4	162.3	2.3	.0	158.4	1.9	-.3	174.0	2.5	.3
Shelter .....	179.2	3.2	.6	191.7	5.0	.4	169.0	1.8	.2	203.8	4.0	.7
Rent of primary residence .....	169.5	3.1	.2	187.1	4.3	.5	161.6	2.0	.2	187.9	3.7	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>1</sup> .....	185.1	3.1	.2	198.0	5.3	.4	178.0	1.7	.2	210.8	3.8	.3
Fuels and utilities .....	128.8	-1.5	-.9	124.3	-5.5	-2.7	153.4	3.0	-2.9	118.0	-1.8	-.8
Fuels .....	114.5	-3.9	-1.1	112.6	-10.8	-3.2	149.8	3.8	-3.8	115.9	-2.8	-1.0
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	121.6	-2.6	-1.1	115.7	-10.7	-3.2	150.2	3.9	-3.8	125.2	-.1	-1.0
Electricity .....	126.2	-2.1	-.6	124.4	.4	1.4	168.3	.7	.1	125.7	1.6	-1.2
Utility natural gas service .....	116.0	-4.0	-2.4	106.5	-21.1	-8.6	134.3	12.2	-11.5	124.4	-2.9	-.7
Household furnishings and operations .....	125.6	.6	.4	112.1	-2.3	-.1	121.7	.6	-1.8	127.4	-2.6	-1.5
Apparel .....	129.8	.2	-1.4	117.7	.7	-2	118.5	-3.1	.9	124.5	-.8	-3.4
Transportation .....	142.7	-1.6	-.3	137.7	-3.0	-.6	143.4	.2	-1.0	152.3	-1.5	-.7
Private transportation .....	139.3	-1.8	-.5	134.7	-3.9	-.8	138.2	-.5	-1.1	144.6	-2.0	-.6
Motor fuel .....	97.8	-9.9	-4.0	94.7	-16.4	-5.7	97.5	-1.1	-6.4	95.7	-9.0	-2.9
Gasoline (all types) .....	97.2	-9.9	-4.0	93.9	-16.7	-5.7	95.3	.0	-6.4	95.4	-9.1	-3.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>2</sup> .....	95.0	-10.5	-4.1	92.2	-17.1	-5.6	93.0	-.2	-6.7	94.6	-9.3	-3.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>2 3</sup> .....	101.8	-9.5	-3.9	100.0	-16.2	-5.7	92.9	-.2	-6.4	97.7	-9.2	-3.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>2</sup> .....	99.4	-9.1	-3.5	95.3	-16.0	-5.8	96.8	.6	-5.7	96.8	-8.8	-2.4
Medical care .....	238.1	2.7	.4	238.7	2.3	.7	233.1	.6	.2	249.2	2.7	.9
Recreation <sup>4</sup> .....	100.3	1.5	.3	100.2	-	.2	99.4	-	-.6	100.8	-	.8
Education and communication <sup>4</sup> .....	99.9	2.6	-.1	101.1	-	1.1	99.6	-	-.4	100.1	-	.1
Other goods and services .....	231.3	5.1	.5	240.6	6.0	.2	245.5	3.1	.5	238.2	5.5	1.4
Commodity and service group												
All items .....	161.6	1.6	.2	162.8	1.5	.0	161.0	1.2	-.1	172.1	1.8	.1
Commodities .....	141.6	.1	-.1	141.6	-.8	-.5	141.8	.2	-.1	145.5	.1	-.3
Commodities less food and beverages .....	130.5	-1.2	-.5	127.7	-2.7	-.7	126.1	-.9	-.9	130.5	-1.6	-1.1
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	132.0	-1.3	-1.1	130.8	-2.5	-1.4	128.2	-1.0	-1.0	131.2	-1.6	-1.4
Durables .....	128.2	-1.2	.2	121.5	-3.5	.2	122.6	-.8	-.7	129.4	-1.5	-.5
Services .....	181.8	2.7	.4	183.4	3.3	.3	178.0	1.8	-.2	195.5	2.8	.4
Special aggregate indexes												
All items less medical care .....	157.3	1.5	.2	159.0	1.5	-.1	157.1	1.2	-.1	168.3	1.7	.1
All items less shelter .....	156.4	.9	.0	153.8	.1	-.2	158.7	.8	-.3	160.2	.7	-.2
Commodities less food .....	131.9	-1.1	-.5	129.9	-2.6	-.6	129.1	-.6	-.8	132.4	-1.3	-1.0
Nondurables .....	146.2	.5	-.2	147.4	-.1	-.7	148.2	.5	.1	149.4	.4	-.3
Nondurables less food .....	133.9	-1.1	-1.0	133.7	-2.3	-1.3	132.9	-.6	-.8	133.8	-1.2	-1.3
Services less rent of shelter <sup>1</sup> .....	189.9	2.2	.2	183.5	1.6	.2	197.3	1.8	-.6	194.0	1.5	.0
Services less medical care services .....	176.1	2.7	.4	178.7	3.3	.2	173.3	2.0	-.2	190.9	2.9	.4
Energy .....	105.9	-6.5	-2.3	103.6	-13.2	-4.2	115.8	1.8	-5.2	108.2	-4.9	-1.6
All items less energy .....	169.0	2.2	.4	170.5	2.7	.3	165.9	1.2	.2	179.2	2.2	.2
All items less food and energy .....	171.2	2.2	.3	172.6	2.9	.3	166.5	1.1	.0	183.1	2.3	.2

<sup>1</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>2</sup> Special Index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

**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)

Item and group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 <sup>1</sup>								
	U.S. city average			Boston- Brockton- Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT			Chicago- Gary- Kenosha, IL-IN-WI		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997		Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997		Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997
Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997	
Expenditure category									
All items <sup>3</sup> .....	161.6	1.6	0.1	171.2	2.1	1.1	162.8	1.5	-0.1
All items (1967=100) .....	484.2	-	-	497.7	-	-	486.4	-	-
Food and beverages <sup>3</sup> .....	160.3	2.2	.9	164.5	3.3	2.0	163.1	1.8	.8
Food <sup>3</sup> .....	159.9	2.2	.9	165.1	3.8	2.1	162.5	2.0	.9
Food at home .....	161.0	2.0	1.2	162.7	3.6	3.4	169.9	1.5	1.0
Food away from home <sup>4</sup> .....	159.2	2.5	.4	170.5	4.1	.4	149.5	3.0	.7
Alcoholic beverages <sup>4</sup> .....	164.6	2.2	.5	160.7	-.6	1.6	170.3	-.2	-.2
Housing <sup>3</sup> .....	158.3	2.1	.4	165.7	1.6	1.4	162.3	2.3	-.6
Shelter .....	179.2	3.2	.8	192.5	2.7	1.5	191.7	5.0	.4
Rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	169.5	3.1	.5	180.8	3.9	1.3	187.1	4.3	.5
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....	185.1	3.1	.5	195.9	2.5	.7	198.0	5.3	.4
Fuels and utilities .....	128.8	-1.5	-1.8	129.4	-3.3	.2	124.3	-5.5	-3.0
Fuels .....	114.5	-3.9	-2.7	113.0	-5.0	.4	112.6	-10.8	-3.7
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	121.6	-2.6	-3.0	138.9	-1.8	.2	115.7	-10.7	-3.7
Electricity .....	126.2	-2.1	-2.9	140.8	.7	.3	124.4	.4	2.5
Utility natural gas service .....	116.0	-4.0	-3.3	133.6	-4.8	.1	106.5	-21.1	-10.4
Household furnishings and operations .....	125.6	.6	.3	119.6	1.1	2.4	112.1	-2.3	-3.5
Apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	129.8	.2	-3.6	144.0	-.2	-2.4	117.7	.7	-1.7
Transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	142.7	-1.6	-.8	142.4	.1	-.3	137.7	-3.0	-.6
Private transportation .....	139.3	-1.8	-.9	142.6	-.5	-.8	134.7	-3.9	-1.0
Motor fuel .....	97.8	-9.9	-6.5	102.0	-10.4	-5.2	94.7	-16.4	-7.1
Gasoline (all types) .....	97.2	-9.9	-6.6	100.7	-9.8	-5.4	93.9	-16.7	-7.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....	95.0	-10.5	-6.9	98.4	-10.7	-5.5	92.2	-17.1	-7.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....	101.8	-9.5	-6.3	103.3	-9.3	-5.4	100.0	-16.2	-7.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....	99.4	-9.1	-5.7	102.6	-9.5	-4.7	95.3	-16.0	-7.4
Medical care <sup>3</sup> .....	238.1	2.7	.7	303.5	4.2	1.8	238.7	2.3	.8
Recreation <sup>8</sup> .....	100.3	1.5	.3	102.4	-	-	100.2	-	-
Education and communication <sup>8</sup> .....	99.9	2.6	-.1	100.1	-	-	101.1	-	-
Other goods and services <sup>3</sup> .....	231.3	5.1	.6	236.0	5.5	1.3	240.6	6.0	1.0
Commodity and service group									
All items <sup>3</sup> .....	161.6	1.6	.1	171.2	2.1	1.1	162.8	1.5	-.1
Commodities .....	141.6	.1	-.5	142.8	1.0	.7	141.6	-.8	-.6
Commodities less food and beverages .....	130.5	-1.2	-1.3	129.8	-.4	.1	127.7	-2.7	-1.7
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	132.0	-1.3	-2.4	133.7	-1.6	-.7	130.8	-2.5	-2.2
Durables .....	128.2	-1.2	.2	128.4	1.5	1.1	121.5	-3.5	-1.1
Services .....	181.8	2.7	.4	198.2	2.8	1.3	183.4	3.3	.3
Special aggregate indexes									
All items less medical care <sup>3</sup> .....	157.3	1.5	.0	165.0	2.0	1.0	159.0	1.5	-.1
All items less shelter .....	156.4	.9	-.3	165.1	1.9	.9	153.8	.1	-.3
Commodities less food .....	131.9	-1.1	-1.2	131.1	-.5	.1	129.9	-2.6	-1.5
Nondurables .....	146.2	.5	-.7	148.7	.9	.7	147.4	-.1	-.5
Nondurables less food .....	133.9	-1.1	-2.3	135.1	-1.5	-.5	133.7	-2.3	-2.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	189.9	2.2	.1	213.1	2.9	1.0	183.5	1.6	.3
Services less medical care services .....	176.1	2.7	.4	189.1	2.6	1.3	178.7	3.3	.2
Energy <sup>3</sup> .....	105.9	-6.5	-4.3	108.3	-7.0	-1.6	103.6	-13.2	-5.0
All items less energy .....	169.0	2.2	.4	180.5	2.8	1.3	170.5	2.7	.3
All items less food and energy <sup>3</sup> .....	171.2	2.2	.2	184.2	2.7	1.2	172.6	2.9	.1

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)

Item and group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 <sup>1</sup>								
	Cleveland-Akron, OH			Dallas-Fort Worth, TX			Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997		Nov. 1997	Jan. 1998		Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997
Expenditure category									
All Items <sup>3</sup> .....	158.2	2.9	0.7	152.1	-	-	161.0	1.2	0.2
All Items (1967=100) .....	507.1	-	-	477.2	-	-	475.6	-	-
Food and beverages <sup>3</sup> .....	161.7	2.5	1.4	158.9	-	-	166.5	1.6	1.3
Food <sup>3</sup> .....	163.3	2.7	1.5	156.6	-	-	164.7	1.5	1.3
Food at home .....	158.7	2.7	1.9	148.2	-0.7	-0.7	173.9	1.5	2.1
Food away from home <sup>4</sup> .....	173.0	2.6	.6	170.4	-	-	151.4	1.5	-1.1
Alcoholic beverages <sup>4</sup> .....	146.3	.3	.3	185.7	-	-	183.1	2.7	1.2
Housing <sup>3</sup> .....	156.0	4.2	1.0	140.6	-	-	158.4	1.9	.4
Shelter .....	175.9	4.6	1.2	149.1	-	-	169.0	1.8	.7
Rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	167.2	5.6	1.0	146.9	4.6	.3	161.6	2.0	.4
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....	174.7	5.4	1.2	157.8	5.0	.3	178.0	1.7	.4
Fuels and utilities .....	126.0	.2	.1	125.1	-	-	153.4	3.0	-2.8
Fuels .....	121.5	-2	-2	116.2	-7.8	-3.1	149.8	3.8	-3.2
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	123.5	.0	-2	115.7	-7.6	-3.0	150.2	3.9	-3.2
Electricity .....	131.5	-1.4	.0	111.6	-2.4	-2.6	168.3	.7	.1
Utility natural gas service .....	117.2	1.3	-3	124.0	-16.8	-4.9	134.3	12.2	-9.8
Household furnishings and operations .....	133.6	6.4	1.1	133.9	-	-	121.7	.6	.7
Apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	130.0	6.9	.5	130.2	-	-	118.5	-3.1	-3
Transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	141.6	-4	.4	139.8	-	-	143.4	.2	-1.2
Private transportation .....	141.6	-7	-1	140.7	-	-	138.2	-5	-1.7
Motor fuel .....	99.6	-16.8	-7.7	97.6	-9.0	-5.5	97.5	-1	-9.7
Gasoline (all types) .....	98.7	-17.2	-7.9	97.1	-8.8	-5.6	95.3	.0	-9.9
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....	97.7	-17.6	-8.0	93.6	-9.9	-5.8	93.0	-2	-10.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....	100.7	-17.5	-8.2	99.1	-8.3	-6.1	92.9	-2	-10.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....	101.4	-15.9	-7.1	99.9	-6.7	-4.9	96.8	.6	-8.9
Medical care <sup>3</sup> .....	211.6	.7	-4	229.0	-	-	233.1	.6	.1
Recreation <sup>8</sup> .....	100.9	-	-	99.9	-	-	99.4	-	-
Education and communication <sup>8</sup> .....	99.9	-	-	98.9	-	-	99.6	-	-
Other goods and services <sup>3</sup> .....	209.5	6.2	.0	217.4	-	-	245.5	3.1	1.0
Commodity and service group									
All Items <sup>3</sup> .....	158.2	2.9	.7	152.1	-	-	161.0	1.2	.2
Commodities .....	144.9	1.4	.6	138.8	-	-	141.8	.2	.1
Commodities less food and beverages .....	134.1	.7	.1	128.4	-	-	126.1	-.9	-.7
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	136.8	.3	-1.0	126.5	-	-	128.2	-1.0	-1.8
Durables .....	124.9	1.0	1.7	132.1	-	-	122.6	-.8	.9
Services .....	173.1	4.3	.9	164.8	-	-	178.0	1.8	.2
Special aggregate indexes									
All Items less medical care <sup>3</sup> .....	155.6	3.0	.8	147.9	-	-	157.1	1.2	.2
All Items less shelter .....	152.7	2.3	.5	153.8	-	-	158.7	.8	-.1
Commodities less food .....	134.6	.7	.1	130.3	-	-	129.1	-.6	-.6
Nondurables .....	149.6	1.5	.3	142.2	-	-	148.2	.5	-.1
Nondurables less food .....	136.9	.3	-.9	129.7	-	-	132.9	-.6	-1.6
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	173.7	3.9	.5	188.7	-	-	197.3	1.8	-.4
Services less medical care services .....	170.1	4.7	1.0	158.7	-	-	173.3	2.0	.3
Energy <sup>3</sup> .....	112.2	-8.6	-3.5	106.1	-8.3	-4.2	115.8	1.8	-6.7
All Items less energy .....	164.8	4.0	1.0	159.8	-	-	165.9	1.2	.6
All Items less food and energy <sup>3</sup> .....	165.0	4.4	1.0	160.7	-	-	166.5	1.1	.5

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)

Item and group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 <sup>1</sup>					
	New York- Northern N.J.- Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA			Washington- Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV 2		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997		Nov. 1997	Jan. 1998
Expenditure category						
All Items <sup>3</sup> .....	172.1	1.8	0.1	101.0	0.6	0.5
All Items (1967=100) .....	497.4	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages <sup>3</sup> .....	164.9	2.0	.3	101.7	1.8	.9
Food <sup>3</sup> .....	164.1	1.9	.2	101.7	2.0	1.1
Food at home .....	164.9	1.4	.1	101.2	-	-
Food away from home <sup>4</sup> .....	166.6	2.8	.2	100.5	-	.5
Alcoholic beverages <sup>4</sup> .....	173.7	3.0	1.2	100.3	-	.3
Housing <sup>3</sup> .....	174.0	2.5	.8	100.9	.5	1.0
Shelter .....	203.8	4.0	1.1	101.4	-	-
Rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	187.9	3.7	.6	101.2	1.6	.6
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....	210.8	3.8	.7	100.7	-	-
Fuels and utilities .....	118.0	-1.8	.1	99.8	-	-
Fuels .....	115.9	-2.8	.4	99.7	-	-
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	125.2	-1.1	.7	99.8	-	-
Electricity .....	125.7	1.6	.5	100.4	-	-
Utility natural gas service .....	124.4	-2.9	1.1	97.7	-	-
Household furnishings and operations .....	127.4	-2.6	-1.8	102.1	-	-
Apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	124.5	-.8	-6.5	94.1	-4.9	-1.3
Transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	152.3	-1.5	-.7	99.5	-.9	-.7
Private transportation .....	144.6	-2.0	-.7	99.4	-	-
Motor fuel .....	95.7	-9.0	-4.8	97.0	-	-
Gasoline (all types) .....	95.4	-9.1	-4.9	97.0	-	-
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....	94.6	-9.3	-5.1	96.2	-	-
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....	97.7	-9.2	-5.1	97.7	-	-
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....	96.8	-8.8	-4.5	97.8	-	-
Medical care <sup>3</sup> .....	249.2	2.7	1.1	103.9	1.6	1.1
Recreation <sup>8</sup> .....	100.8	-	-	101.0	-	-
Education and communication <sup>8</sup> .....	100.1	-	-	99.9	-	-
Other goods and services <sup>3</sup> .....	238.2	5.5	1.2	105.0	4.5	.9
Commodity and service group						
All Items <sup>3</sup> .....	172.1	1.8	.1	101.0	.6	.5
Commodities .....	145.5	.1	-1.1	100.2	-	-
Commodities less food and beverages .....	130.5	-1.6	-2.2	99.8	-	-
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	131.2	-1.6	-3.3	99.4	-	-
Durables .....	129.4	-1.5	-.2	100.4	-	-
Services .....	195.5	2.8	.8	101.0	-	-
Special aggregate indexes						
All Items less medical care <sup>3</sup> .....	168.3	1.7	-.1	100.8	.6	.5
All Items less shelter .....	160.2	.7	-.5	100.3	-	-
Commodities less food .....	132.4	-1.3	-2.1	99.8	-	-
Nondurables .....	149.4	.4	-1.3	100.2	-	-
Nondurables less food .....	133.8	-1.2	-3.0	99.5	-	-
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	194.0	1.5	.3	100.5	-	-
Services less medical care services .....	190.9	2.9	.7	100.9	-	-
Energy <sup>3</sup> .....	108.2	-4.9	-1.3	96.0	-6.9	-4.1
All Items less energy .....	179.2	2.2	.1	100.8	-	-
All Items less food and energy <sup>3</sup> .....	183.1	2.3	.1	101.3	1.0	.8

1 Areas on pricing schedule 2 (see Table 10) will appear next month.  
2 For Washington-Baltimore, indexes are on a December 1997=100 base unless otherwise noted.  
3 For Washington-Baltimore, index is on a November 1996=100 base.  
4 For Washington-Baltimore, index is on a November 1997=100 base.  
5 Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

6 Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.  
7 Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.  
8 Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.  
- Data not available.  
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.



**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	All items									
		Indexes				Percent change to Jan.1998 from—			Percent change to Dec.1997 from—		
		Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Dec. 1996	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997
U.S. city average .....	M	158.5	158.5	158.2	158.4	1.3	-0.1	0.1	1.5	-0.2	-0.2
<b>Region and area size<sup>2</sup></b>											
Northeast urban .....	M	165.8	165.7	165.5	165.7	1.3	.0	.1	1.4	-.2	-.1
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	165.5	165.5	165.2	165.4	1.4	-.1	.1	1.6	-.2	-.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	101.2	101.1	101.1	101.3	1.3	.2	.2	1.1	-.1	.0
Midwest urban <sup>4</sup> .....	M	154.0	154.0	153.7	153.9	1.2	-.1	.1	1.2	-.2	-.2
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	153.9	153.8	153.6	153.9	1.3	.1	.2	1.4	-.2	-.1
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	101.2	101.2	101.0	101.1	1.1	-.1	.1	1.0	-.2	-.2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	151.1	151.6	151.0	150.9	.3	-.5	-.1	.5	-.1	-.4
South urban .....	M	156.1	156.2	155.6	155.8	1.0	-.3	.1	1.2	-.3	-.4
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	154.7	154.5	154.2	154.4	.8	-.1	.1	1.2	-.3	-.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	101.5	101.7	101.1	101.2	1.0	-.5	.1	1.1	-.4	-.6
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	157.3	157.5	157.5	157.6	1.5	.1	.1	1.6	.1	.0
West urban .....	M	159.3	159.2	159.2	159.4	2.0	.1	.1	2.4	-.1	.0
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	157.9	157.7	157.9	158.0	2.1	.2	.1	2.7	.0	.1
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	102.1	102.3	101.9	102.2	1.7	-.1	.3	1.9	-.2	-.4
<b>Size classes</b>											
A <sup>5</sup> .....	M	144.7	144.6	144.4	144.6	1.5	.0	.1	1.8	-.2	-.1
B/C <sup>3</sup> .....	M	101.5	101.5	101.2	101.3	1.2	-.2	.1	1.2	-.3	-.3
D .....	M	156.7	156.9	156.7	156.7	.9	-.1	.0	1.2	.0	-.1
<b>Selected local areas<sup>6</sup></b>											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI .....	M	156.9	157.2	157.3	157.3	1.3	.1	.0	1.7	.3	.1
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ..	M	155.4	154.9	155.3	155.1	1.0	.1	-.1	1.7	-.1	.3
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA .....	M	168.1	168.0	167.7	167.7	1.6	-.2	.0	1.8	-.2	-.2
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT ....	1	-	167.8	-	169.3	1.6	.9	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH .....	1	-	149.1	-	150.0	2.6	.6	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	1	152.8	-	152.7	152.2	-	-	-.3	1.7	-.1	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV <sup>7</sup> .....	1	-	100.4	-	100.8	.4	.4	-	-	-	-
Atlanta, GA .....	2	-	-	156.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI .....	2	152.4	-	151.7	-	-	-	-	1.5	-.5	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	2	146.3	-	144.5	-	-	-	-	1.0	-1.2	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	2	-	157.0	156.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.1
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD .....	2	166.8	165.9	165.7	-	-	-	-	1.3	-.7	-.1
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....	2	159.5	159.5	159.4	-	-	-	-	4.1	-.1	-.1
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA .....	2	-	-	160.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> The 'North Central' region has been renamed the 'Midwest' region by the Census Bureau. It is composed of the same geographic entities.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> 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; Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN; Denver-Boulder-Greeley, CO; Honolulu, HI; Kansas City, MO-KS;

Milwaukee-Racine, WI; Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI; Pittsburgh, PA; Portland-Salem, OR-WA; St. Louis, MO-IL; San Diego, CA; Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a November 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Local area 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.

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

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Northeast			Midwest <sup>2</sup>			South			West		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998		Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997		Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997
Expenditure category												
All Items .....	165.7	1.3	0.1	153.9	1.2	0.1	155.8	1.0	0.1	159.4	2.0	0.1
All Items (December 1977=100) .....	258.9	-	-	248.8	-	-	252.3	-	-	256.4	-	-
Food and beverages .....	161.9	1.8	.9	156.6	1.8	.5	157.6	2.1	.5	162.9	2.8	1.0
Food .....	161.5	1.8	.9	156.1	1.8	.6	157.8	2.1	.6	162.3	2.7	1.0
Food at home .....	162.4	1.4	1.3	155.8	1.4	.9	156.5	1.8	.8	166.7	2.9	1.5
Food away from home .....	162.0	2.4	.2	157.2	2.7	.3	161.4	2.5	.2	155.6	2.4	.0
Alcoholic beverages .....	167.0	1.6	.5	162.7	.8	-.6	155.3	2.2	.4	169.0	3.3	1.0
Housing .....	166.7	2.0	.3	149.0	2.1	.3	147.6	1.3	.3	158.3	2.7	.1
Shelter .....	195.3	3.3	.5	167.5	3.1	.5	161.4	2.9	.5	172.1	3.1	.3
Rent of primary residence .....	181.6	3.1	.2	166.6	3.1	.2	157.0	2.7	.3	170.4	3.5	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	183.5	3.1	.2	168.1	3.3	.3	153.7	2.9	.3	168.1	2.8	.2
Fuels and utilities .....	125.1	-1.6	-.4	126.0	-1.9	-.8	132.0	-2.3	-.6	137.6	1.2	-2.3
Fuels .....	115.6	-3.1	-.5	109.9	-5.0	-1.0	112.6	-5.9	-.8	126.9	1.0	-3.0
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	131.4	-.2	-.4	115.4	-4.2	-.9	115.0	-5.5	-.8	129.4	1.2	-3.0
Electricity .....	136.4	.9	-.4	123.6	.9	.7	113.7	-6.0	-.8	142.4	-2.1	-2.3
Utility natural gas service .....	124.3	-2.2	-.6	107.7	-10.2	-3.3	122.4	-3.6	-.5	115.3	8.8	-4.9
Household furnishings and operations .....	122.3	-.9	-.2	123.7	2.3	.9	124.5	-.9	.6	125.9	1.5	-.1
Apparel .....	123.9	-.2	-2.7	126.6	.4	-1.0	140.7	.4	-1.5	120.9	-1.1	.6
Transportation .....	145.5	-2.0	-.7	139.3	-2.9	-.5	140.0	-2.7	-.5	143.1	.0	-.5
Private transportation .....	141.6	-2.2	-.8	136.9	-3.0	-.6	139.1	-2.8	-.6	140.5	-.3	-.6
New and used motor vehicles <sup>4</sup> .....	99.9	-	-.1	100.2	-	.2	100.2	-	.2	100.1	-	.1
New vehicles .....	145.0	-.3	.1	144.4	-.5	.2	147.1	-1.1	.3	145.9	-.9	.1
Used cars and trucks .....	151.8	-3.8	-.1	150.0	-4.3	.1	150.4	-3.9	.2	146.9	-4.0	.1
Motor fuel .....	97.7	-10.8	-3.7	94.6	-15.6	-4.8	96.1	-11.1	-3.5	103.8	-.3	-3.9
Gasoline (all types) .....	97.2	-10.7	-3.8	94.2	-15.7	-4.8	95.6	-11.1	-3.5	102.9	.0	-3.9
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>5</sup> .....	95.8	-11.4	-3.9	92.7	-16.0	-4.6	92.4	-11.8	-3.8	99.9	.0	-4.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>5 6</sup> .....	100.6	-10.6	-3.7	104.0	-15.2	-5.0	102.1	-10.6	-3.5	100.2	.1	-4.0
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>5</sup> .....	97.8	-9.9	-3.4	97.3	-15.2	-4.9	99.4	-9.6	-3.1	104.9	1.0	-3.4
Medical care .....	246.5	2.4	.6	230.8	2.7	.3	237.5	3.0	.4	236.0	2.7	.2
Medical care commodities .....	218.0	1.8	.4	212.7	2.9	.4	212.5	2.4	.4	219.6	1.3	.0
Medical care services .....	252.7	2.5	.7	234.8	2.6	.3	243.4	3.1	.4	239.9	3.0	.3
Professional services .....	230.2	2.8	.7	214.7	3.2	.3	224.4	3.4	.4	208.5	2.8	.4
Recreation <sup>4</sup> .....	101.1	-	1.1	100.1	-	.1	100.5	-	.5	99.5	-	-.5
Education and communication <sup>4</sup> .....	99.7	-	-.3	100.1	-	.1	100.0	-	.0	100.0	-	.0
Other goods and services .....	240.1	5.0	1.0	223.3	6.0	.6	220.2	5.9	.6	230.8	4.1	.0
Commodity and service group												
All Items .....	165.7	1.3	.1	153.9	1.2	.1	155.8	1.0	.1	159.4	2.0	.1
Commodities .....	142.8	-.3	-.1	139.1	-.5	-.2	141.6	-.4	-.1	142.4	1.1	.1
Commodities less food and beverages .....	129.7	-1.8	-.8	129.3	-1.8	-.6	132.6	-1.8	-.5	130.0	-.2	-.5
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	129.0	-2.3	-1.5	131.5	-2.6	-1.4	134.2	-1.6	-1.1	130.9	.5	-.8
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	137.2	-3.1	-.9	137.3	-3.8	-1.5	136.0	-2.5	-.9	140.6	1.0	-1.6
Durables .....	128.1	-1.2	.2	124.9	-1.0	.2	129.2	-2.0	.2	128.8	-.8	-.1
Services .....	192.8	2.6	.3	172.1	2.6	.4	173.2	2.3	.3	177.8	2.8	.1
Rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	182.4	3.3	.4	166.4	3.1	.5	153.6	2.9	.5	165.9	3.1	.4
Transportation services .....	187.2	1.1	.1	181.2	3.4	1.2	188.8	1.4	.4	184.2	2.0	.5
Other services .....	229.5	3.6	.4	197.3	4.2	.3	209.1	4.6	.4	204.9	2.8	.0

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Northeast			Midwest <sup>2</sup>			South			West		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997
<b>Special aggregate indexes</b>												
All items less medical care .....	162.5	1.3	0.1	150.4	1.1	0.1	151.2	0.9	0.1	155.9	2.0	0.1
All items less food .....	166.7	1.3	.0	153.3	1.0	.0	155.2	.8	.0	158.8	1.9	-.1
All items less shelter .....	157.1	.6	.0	150.7	.5	.0	154.5	.5	.0	155.5	1.5	.0
Commodities less food .....	131.3	-1.6	-.8	130.6	-1.7	-.6	133.3	-1.6	-.4	131.9	.0	-.5
Nondurables .....	146.1	-.1	-.2	144.1	-.3	-.4	145.9	.3	-.3	147.6	1.7	.1
Nondurables less food .....	131.3	-1.9	-1.4	133.4	-2.3	-1.3	135.2	-1.3	-1.0	133.7	.6	-.7
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	139.2	-2.5	-.7	138.9	-3.3	-1.5	136.8	-2.1	-.8	142.5	1.2	-1.3
Services less rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	174.6	1.9	.2	162.7	2.2	.4	169.5	1.8	.2	171.4	2.3	-.2
Services less medical care services .....	188.4	2.7	.3	166.8	2.6	.4	165.8	2.2	.3	173.0	2.7	.1
Energy .....	107.3	-6.2	-1.7	101.7	-10.3	-2.9	102.4	-8.5	-2.1	112.8	.3	-3.5
All items less energy .....	174.0	2.1	.3	161.6	2.3	.4	163.4	1.9	.3	164.9	2.1	.4
All items less food and energy .....	177.6	2.1	.1	163.0	2.4	.3	164.8	1.9	.2	165.6	1.9	.2
Commodities less food and energy												
commodities .....	142.3	.2	-.4	140.2	.8	.0	143.1	.0	.0	139.8	.1	.1
Energy commodities .....	96.5	-11.6	-3.2	94.7	-15.7	-4.6	96.8	-11.4	-3.5	104.8	-.5	-3.9
Services less energy services .....	199.3	2.8	.4	179.6	3.2	.5	180.3	3.0	.4	181.6	2.9	.3

<sup>1</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>2</sup> The 'North Central' region has been renamed the 'Midwest' region by the Census Bureau. It is composed of the same geographic entities.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Size class A <sup>2</sup>			Size class B/C <sup>3</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997		Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997		Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997
	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997
Expenditure category									
All items <sup>4</sup> .....	144.6	1.5	0.1	101.3	1.2	0.1	156.7	0.9	0.0
All items (December 1977=100) .....	144.6	-	-	-	-	-	253.2	-	-
Food and beverages .....	144.5	2.0	.8	100.7	-	.7	154.9	1.9	.6
Food .....	144.2	2.1	.8	100.7	-	.7	154.3	1.8	.5
Food at home .....	148.3	1.8	1.2	101.0	-	1.0	152.1	1.7	.7
Food away from home .....	137.8	2.6	.1	100.2	-	.2	159.3	2.4	.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	147.3	1.9	.3	100.1	-	.1	163.9	3.2	2.0
Housing .....	140.5	2.3	.2	100.3	-	.3	152.5	1.4	.2
Shelter .....	149.4	3.4	.5	100.5	-	.5	174.5	2.5	.3
Rent of primary residence .....	141.1	3.5	.3	100.2	-	.2	160.2	1.8	-.1
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....	151.0	3.4	.3	100.2	-	.2	165.7	2.4	.0
Fuels and utilities .....	128.7	-1.2	-1.2	99.4	-	-.6	128.8	-1.0	-.3
Fuels .....	126.3	-3.1	-1.5	99.2	-	-.8	106.9	-5.0	-.5
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	125.4	-2.2	-1.5	99.1	-	-.9	115.1	-4.1	-.5
Electricity .....	126.5	-.5	-.8	99.3	-	-.7	120.5	-.4	.2
Utility natural gas service .....	123.2	-5.2	-3.0	98.6	-	-1.4	109.0	-12.4	-2.5
Household furnishings and operations .....	116.0	-.1	.0	100.8	-	.8	125.0	.6	.2
Apparel .....	117.9	.1	-1.0	98.5	-	-1.5	134.2	2.1	-1.7
Transportation .....	141.0	-1.9	-.6	99.6	-	-.4	139.9	-3.0	-.4
Private transportation .....	140.5	-2.0	-.6	99.5	-	-.5	137.6	-2.9	-.5
New and used motor vehicles <sup>3</sup> .....	100.1	-	.1	100.1	-	.1	100.3	-	.3
New vehicles .....	127.9	-.7	.2	100.2	-	.2	147.8	-.5	.6
Used cars and trucks .....	141.7	-3.7	.1	100.1	-	.1	142.7	-5.3	.0
Motor fuel .....	142.5	-9.8	-4.3	96.4	-	-3.6	95.2	-11.4	-4.3
Gasoline (all types) .....	141.7	-9.8	-4.3	96.4	-	-3.6	94.5	-11.5	-4.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....	141.3	-10.5	-4.5	96.3	-	-3.7	90.5	-12.3	-4.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....	99.5	-8.7	-4.1	96.2	-	-3.8	104.9	-11.2	-4.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....	133.7	-9.3	-3.8	96.6	-	-3.4	98.4	-9.9	-3.1
Medical care .....	187.8	2.5	.4	100.4	-	.4	229.6	2.0	.1
Medical care commodities .....	173.7	2.0	.4	100.3	-	.3	213.6	1.2	.1
Medical care services .....	191.0	2.6	.5	100.4	-	.4	233.6	2.2	.2
Professional services .....	173.9	2.7	.5	100.4	-	.4	225.6	2.6	.3
Recreation <sup>3</sup> .....	100.3	-	.3	100.3	-	.3	100.3	-	.3
Education and communication <sup>3</sup> .....	100.0	-	.0	100.0	-	.0	99.7	-	-.3
Other goods and services .....	184.9	5.6	.7	100.5	-	.5	224.2	4.2	.0
Commodity and service group									
All items <sup>4</sup> .....	144.6	1.5	.1	101.3	1.2	.1	156.7	.9	.0
Commodities .....	136.1	.1	.0	99.9	-	-.1	140.5	-.3	-.3
Commodities less food and beverages .....	130.4	-1.4	-.5	99.4	-	-.6	132.2	-1.6	-.7
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	137.3	-1.4	-1.2	98.7	-	-1.3	132.3	-1.6	-1.5
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	149.7	-2.1	-1.3	98.9	-	-1.1	134.2	-3.0	-1.4
Durables .....	121.1	-1.4	.1	100.2	-	.2	129.4	-1.7	.2
Services .....	152.6	2.7	.3	100.4	-	.4	177.9	2.1	.3
Rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	149.7	3.4	.4	100.5	-	.5	163.1	2.5	.3
Transportation services .....	153.9	1.6	.3	100.9	-	.9	NA	-	-
Other services .....	172.5	3.6	.2	100.4	-	.4	207.5	3.9	.1

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Size class A <sup>2</sup>			Size class B/C <sup>3</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997
<b>Special aggregate indexes</b>									
All items less medical care .....	142.6	1.4	0.1	100.1	-	0.1	152.3	0.8	0.0
All items less food .....	144.7	1.3	.0	100.0	-	.0	157.0	.7	-.1
All items less shelter .....	142.8	.7	.0	100.0	-	.0	152.5	.5	-.1
Commodities less food .....	131.3	-1.2	-.5	99.5	-	-.5	133.2	-1.4	-.7
Nondurables .....	141.3	.5	-.1	99.7	-	-.3	143.7	.1	-.5
Nondurables less food .....	138.2	-1.1	-1.1	98.8	-	-1.2	133.8	-1.4	-1.3
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	149.3	-1.6	-1.1	99.0	-	-1.0	135.8	-2.6	-1.2
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	155.5	1.9	.0	100.3	-	.3	166.7	1.6	.2
Services less medical care services .....	149.7	2.7	.3	100.4	-	.4	171.4	2.0	.2
Energy .....	133.7	-6.4	-2.8	97.8	-	-2.2	100.4	-8.1	-2.2
All items less energy .....	145.5	2.1	.3	100.4	-	.4	164.8	1.8	.2
All items less food and energy .....	145.8	2.1	.2	100.3	-	.3	167.6	1.8	.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	129.8	.3	.0	99.9	-	-.1	143.2	.4	-.1
Energy commodities .....	142.0	-10.1	-4.1	96.5	-	-3.5	94.5	-11.8	-4.3
Services less energy services .....	154.7	3.0	.3	100.5	-	.5	185.8	2.5	.3

<sup>1</sup> See region and area size on Table 10 for information about population size classes.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> The 'All items' index size B/C is on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

<sup>6</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.

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

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Northeast					
	Size class A			Size class B/C <sup>2</sup>		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Expenditure category</b>						
All items <sup>4</sup> .....	165.4	1.4	0.1	101.3	1.3	0.2
All items (December 1977=100) .....	252.7	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages .....	161.4	2.0	.9	100.8	-	.8
Food .....	160.9	2.0	.9	100.9	-	.9
Food at home .....	162.1	1.6	1.4	101.1	-	1.1
Food away from home .....	160.7	2.6	.1	100.2	-	.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	168.2	2.4	.8	99.6	-	-.4
Housing .....	164.4	1.9	.2	100.5	-	.5
Shelter .....	190.3	3.4	.4	100.5	-	.5
Rent of primary residence .....	183.5	3.5	.2	100.0	-	.0
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....	180.0	3.4	.3	100.0	-	.0
Fuels and utilities .....	123.4	-1.3	-.6	100.0	-	.0
Fuels .....	118.2	-2.2	-.7	99.9	-	-.1
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	131.3	.1	-.7	100.1	-	.1
Electricity .....	134.4	1.4	-.7	100.5	-	.5
Utility natural gas service .....	127.4	-1.8	-.5	99.1	-	-.9
Household furnishings and operations .....	121.9	-2.5	-.9	101.5	-	1.5
Apparel .....	119.4	-.3	-2.6	96.9	-	-3.1
Transportation .....	148.4	-2.0	-.7	99.6	-	-.4
Private transportation .....	144.1	-2.2	-.8	99.4	-	-.6
Motor fuel .....	96.9	-10.4	-3.7	96.1	-	-3.9
Gasoline (all types) .....	96.4	-10.3	-3.7	96.1	-	-3.9
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....	95.0	-11.0	-3.9	95.9	-	-4.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....	98.5	-10.4	-3.7	96.2	-	-3.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....	96.6	-9.7	-3.3	96.6	-	-3.4
Medical care .....	250.3	2.7	.8	100.2	-	.2
Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....	101.0	-	1.0	101.2	-	1.2
Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....	99.8	-	-.2	99.7	-	-.3
Other goods and services .....	240.0	5.8	1.4	100.1	-	.1
<b>Commodity and service group</b>						
All items <sup>4</sup> .....	165.4	1.4	.1	101.3	1.3	.2
Commodities .....	142.5	-.1	-.1	99.8	-	-.2
Commodities less food and beverages .....	128.8	-1.8	-.8	99.2	-	-.8
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	127.8	-2.0	-1.4	98.2	-	-1.8
Durables .....	128.2	-1.5	.0	100.4	-	.4
Services .....	190.6	2.6	.3	100.5	-	.5
<b>Special aggregate indexes</b>						
All items less medical care .....	161.9	1.4	.1	100.2	-	.2
All items less shelter .....	157.5	.6	.0	100.0	-	.0
Commodities less food .....	130.5	-1.5	-.8	99.2	-	-.8
Nondurables .....	145.6	.2	-.1	99.5	-	-.5
Nondurables less food .....	130.3	-1.7	-1.2	98.3	-	-1.7
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	173.5	1.7	.1	100.5	-	.5
Services less medical care services .....	185.8	2.6	.2	100.5	-	.5
Energy .....	108.8	-5.5	-1.8	98.3	-	-1.7
All items less energy .....	172.9	2.0	.2	100.3	-	.3
All items less food and energy .....	176.4	2.0	.1	100.2	-	.2

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<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Midwest <sup>3</sup>								
	Size class A			Size class B/C <sup>2</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998		Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997
Expenditure category									
All Items <sup>4</sup> .....	153.9	1.3	0.2	101.1	1.1	0.1	150.9	0.3	-0.1
All Items (December 1977=100) .....	251.6	-	-	-	-	-	244.5	-	-
Food and beverages .....	159.1	1.8	.5	100.6	-	.6	150.2	2.0	.6
Food .....	158.7	1.9	.6	100.7	-	.7	149.2	1.8	.6
Food at home .....	159.6	1.6	.9	100.9	-	.9	145.7	.9	.7
Food away from home .....	157.6	2.4	.2	100.4	-	.4	156.3	3.7	.5
Alcoholic beverages .....	163.1	.4	-.8	99.6	-	-.4	165.9	3.8	.1
Housing .....	147.6	2.2	.5	100.4	-	.4	145.6	.6	-.1
Shelter .....	166.3	3.6	.6	100.3	-	.3	161.7	2.3	.2
Rent of primary residence .....	170.0	3.6	.3	100.0	-	.0	150.8	2.4	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....	166.7	3.7	.4	100.1	-	.1	160.7	2.0	.2
Fuels and utilities .....	124.3	-2.4	-.6	99.1	-	-.9	132.4	-2.8	-1.0
Fuels .....	110.4	-6.3	-.8	98.9	-	-1.1	103.6	-6.8	-1.3
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	113.9	-5.7	-.8	98.9	-	-1.1	111.4	-6.4	-1.3
Electricity .....	122.0	.9	1.2	100.0	-	.0	111.4	4.3	1.5
Utility natural gas service .....	106.0	-12.5	-3.5	97.3	-	-2.7	113.8	-16.7	-4.7
Household furnishings and operations .....	116.6	1.0	.3	101.8	-	1.8	123.8	-.2	-.6
Apparel .....	123.8	1.6	-.3	98.9	-	-1.1	139.3	-1.1	-3.6
Transportation .....	139.3	-3.1	-.6	99.7	-	-.3	135.9	-3.8	-.1
Private transportation .....	137.2	-3.2	-.7	99.5	-	-.5	132.0	-3.4	-.2
Motor fuel .....	94.7	-16.8	-5.5	96.0	-	-4.0	92.1	-13.8	-4.6
Gasoline (all types) .....	94.1	-16.9	-5.5	95.9	-	-4.1	91.1	-14.1	-4.6
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....	93.1	-17.2	-5.4	96.1	-	-3.9	88.1	-14.7	-4.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....	101.7	-16.8	-5.7	95.6	-	-4.4	106.6	-14.0	-4.6
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....	95.7	-16.1	-5.7	95.8	-	-4.2	95.2	-11.9	-3.4
Medical care .....	229.1	2.3	.4	100.3	-	.3	220.2	2.8	.3
Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....	100.3	-	.3	99.8	-	-.2	100.3	-	.3
Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....	100.4	-	.4	99.8	-	-.2	99.6	-	-.4
Other goods and services .....	229.3	7.0	.6	100.6	-	.6	211.7	3.4	1.0
Commodity and service group									
All Items <sup>4</sup> .....	153.9	1.3	.2	101.1	1.1	.1	150.9	.3	-.1
Commodities .....	139.1	-.4	-.1	99.8	-	-.2	139.5	-.6	-.4
Commodities less food and beverages .....	127.6	-1.8	-.5	99.4	-	-.6	133.6	-2.2	-1.0
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	131.9	-2.0	-1.3	98.7	-	-1.3	134.8	-3.1	-2.0
Durables .....	121.4	-1.8	.3	100.3	-	.3	127.3	-1.2	.2
Services .....	171.6	2.9	.5	100.4	-	.4	165.9	1.2	.3
Special aggregate indexes									
All items less medical care .....	150.5	1.2	.1	100.1	-	.1	147.1	.1	-.1
All items less shelter .....	151.0	.5	.1	100.0	-	.0	148.7	-.3	-.2
Commodities less food .....	129.1	-1.7	-.5	99.4	-	-.6	134.6	-2.0	-1.0
Nondurables .....	145.8	.0	-.3	99.6	-	-.4	143.0	-.6	-.7
Nondurables less food .....	134.0	-1.8	-1.2	98.7	-	-1.3	136.6	-2.8	-1.9
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	164.0	2.2	.2	100.5	-	.5	155.6	.5	.3
Services less medical care services .....	166.5	3.0	.4	100.4	-	.4	159.8	1.0	.3
Energy .....	102.5	-11.5	-2.8	97.3	-	-2.7	97.9	-10.2	-2.9
All items less energy .....	161.3	2.5	.4	100.4	-	.4	158.4	1.4	.2
All items less food and energy .....	162.0	2.7	.4	100.3	-	.3	160.7	1.3	.1

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<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	South								
	Size class A			Size class B/C <sup>2</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>									
All items <sup>4</sup> .....	154.4	0.8	0.1	101.2	1.0	0.1	157.6	1.5	0.1
All items (December 1977=100) .....	250.1	-	-	-	-	-	255.1	-	-
Food and beverages .....	158.0	1.7	.6	100.6	-	.6	152.6	1.1	.2
Food .....	158.3	1.7	.6	100.6	-	.6	152.9	1.2	.3
Food at home .....	156.9	.6	.9	100.8	-	.8	149.9	1.3	.4
Food away from home .....	162.1	3.4	.1	100.3	-	.3	160.8	1.0	-.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	154.7	2.1	.5	100.4	-	.4	148.0	-.6	.1
Housing .....	144.3	1.4	.4	100.3	-	.3	153.7	2.6	.4
Shelter .....	158.3	2.9	.5	100.5	-	.5	180.1	3.9	.6
Rent of primary residence .....	157.0	2.5	.4	100.3	-	.3	160.7	2.9	-.4
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....	152.4	2.9	.3	100.3	-	.3	164.0	3.7	-.1
Fuels and utilities .....	119.1	-1.9	-.8	99.6	-	-.4	128.1	.1	-.3
Fuels .....	105.7	-3.9	-1.0	99.4	-	-.6	107.6	-3.8	-.5
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	109.0	-3.6	-1.1	99.3	-	-.7	112.3	-2.9	-.5
Electricity .....	106.1	-2.5	-1.1	99.2	-	-.8	114.5	-2.8	-.3
Utility natural gas service .....	114.2	-6.6	-1.3	100.3	-	.3	113.6	-3.7	-2.0
Household furnishings and operations .....	127.3	-1.5	1.1	100.2	-	.2	121.3	1.8	.4
Apparel .....	146.7	.0	-1.5	98.2	-	-1.8	130.2	3.4	.1
Transportation .....	140.9	-2.6	-.5	99.5	-	-.5	139.6	-2.9	-.6
Private transportation .....	140.5	-2.6	-.5	99.4	-	-.6	138.7	-2.9	-.7
Motor fuel .....	98.5	-10.7	-3.3	96.4	-	-3.6	89.6	-11.4	-4.0
Gasoline (all types) .....	97.7	-10.6	-3.4	96.4	-	-3.6	88.5	-11.3	-4.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....	95.0	-11.7	-3.8	96.3	-	-3.7	83.9	-12.1	-4.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....	100.3	-9.6	-2.9	96.3	-	-3.7	105.2	-11.1	-4.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....	100.4	-9.1	-2.6	96.6	-	-3.4	96.5	-9.5	-2.8
Medical care .....	237.0	2.5	.3	100.5	-	.5	235.1	1.8	.1
Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....	100.4	-	.4	100.5	-	.5	101.2	-	1.2
Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....	99.8	-	-.2	100.2	-	.2	99.6	-	-.4
Other goods and services .....	210.1	5.1	1.0	100.6	-	.6	219.6	6.4	-.3
<b>Commodity and service group</b>									
All items <sup>4</sup> .....	154.4	.8	.1	101.2	1.0	.1	157.6	1.5	.1
Commodities .....	142.1	-.6	-.1	99.8	-	-.2	138.3	-.2	-.1
Commodities less food and beverages .....	133.0	-2.0	-.4	99.4	-	-.6	130.2	-1.0	-.2
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	134.8	-1.9	-1.0	98.7	-	-1.3	129.9	-.6	-.6
Durables .....	130.1	-2.3	.2	100.3	-	.3	128.4	-1.6	.2
Services .....	169.1	2.1	.3	100.4	-	.4	182.6	2.9	.2
<b>Special aggregate indexes</b>									
All items less medical care .....	150.3	.7	.1	100.1	-	.1	152.0	1.5	.1
All items less shelter .....	153.7	.2	.1	100.0	-	.0	152.4	.8	-.1
Commodities less food .....	133.8	-1.8	-.4	99.4	-	-.6	130.6	-1.1	-.2
Nondurables .....	146.5	.1	-.1	99.7	-	-.3	141.2	.3	-.2
Nondurables less food .....	135.8	-1.5	-.9	98.8	-	-1.2	130.4	-.7	-.6
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	165.3	1.7	.1	100.3	-	.3	171.1	2.3	.0
Services less medical care services .....	162.6	2.1	.3	100.4	-	.4	174.4	3.1	.2
Energy .....	101.3	-7.5	-2.1	97.9	-	-2.1	96.3	-7.4	-2.1
All items less energy .....	162.1	1.6	.4	100.3	-	.3	166.6	2.3	.3
All items less food and energy .....	163.1	1.6	.3	100.3	-	.3	170.2	2.6	.3

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<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	West					
	Size class A			Size class B/C <sup>2</sup>		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998
Expenditure category						
All items <sup>4</sup> .....	158.0	2.1	0.1	102.2	1.7	0.3
All items (December 1977=100) .....	255.7	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages .....	163.7	2.6	1.0	101.0	-	1.0
Food .....	163.1	2.6	1.0	101.0	-	1.0
Food at home .....	168.1	2.9	1.5	101.6	-	1.6
Food away from home .....	155.4	2.0	.1	99.8	-	-2.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	168.7	2.7	.5	100.8	-	.8
Housing .....	157.2	3.1	-.1	100.3	-	.3
Shelter .....	168.4	3.6	.3	100.6	-	.6
Rent of primary residence .....	174.7	4.2	.2	100.0	-	.0
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....	165.9	3.4	.2	100.1	-	.1
Fuels and utilities .....	141.0	.8	-3.1	98.4	-	-1.6
Fuels .....	132.5	.8	-4.1	98.0	-	-2.0
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	134.5	1.0	-4.2	98.0	-	-2.0
Electricity .....	149.7	-2.7	-2.7	97.8	-	-2.2
Utility natural gas service .....	119.2	10.5	-7.4	98.5	-	-1.5
Household furnishings and operations .....	128.0	1.8	-.3	100.3	-	.3
Apparel .....	118.7	-1.3	.6	101.0	-	1.0
Transportation .....	142.1	.2	-.6	99.7	-	-.3
Private transportation .....	139.5	.0	-.6	99.5	-	-.5
Motor fuel .....	102.8	.4	-4.5	97.5	-	-2.5
Gasoline (all types) .....	101.8	.6	-4.5	97.5	-	-2.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....	98.8	.5	-4.7	97.2	-	-2.8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....	97.9	.4	-4.6	97.5	-	-2.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....	104.7	1.3	-4.0	98.1	-	-1.9
Medical care .....	232.2	2.2	.3	100.1	-	.1
Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....	99.6	-	-.4	99.4	-	-.6
Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....	99.9	-	-.1	100.0	-	.0
Other goods and services .....	232.6	4.3	-.2	101.0	-	1.0
Commodity and service group						
All items <sup>4</sup> .....	158.0	2.1	.1	102.2	1.7	.3
Commodities .....	141.5	1.1	.1	100.2	-	.2
Commodities less food and beverages .....	128.0	.1	-.5	99.8	-	-.2
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	128.4	.3	-.9	99.6	-	-.4
Durables .....	127.8	-.3	-.1	100.0	-	.0
Services .....	175.1	2.9	.0	100.3	-	.3
Special aggregate indexes						
All items less medical care .....	154.9	2.1	.1	100.3	-	.3
All items less shelter .....	155.2	1.5	-.1	100.1	-	.1
Commodities less food .....	130.1	.2	-.5	99.8	-	-.2
Nondurables .....	146.9	1.7	.2	100.3	-	.3
Nondurables less food .....	131.6	.5	-.8	99.7	-	-.3
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	170.3	2.1	-.4	99.9	-	-.1
Services less medical care services .....	171.1	2.9	.0	100.3	-	.3
Energy .....	112.5	.5	-4.3	97.7	-	-2.3
All items less energy .....	163.2	2.2	.3	100.4	-	.4
All items less food and energy .....	163.5	2.1	.2	100.3	-	.3

<sup>1</sup> See region and area size on Table 10 for information about cross classifications.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> The 'North Central' region has been renamed the 'Midwest' region by the Census Bureau. It is composed of the same geographic entities.

<sup>4</sup> The 'All items' index size B/C is on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

<sup>6</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Pricing schedule 1	Food at home									
		Indexes				Percent change to Jan.1998 from—			Percent change to Dec.1997 from—		
		Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Dec. 1996	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997
U.S. city average .....	M	158.0	158.1	158.2	159.9	1.8	1.1	1.1	0.8	0.1	0.1
<b>Region and area size<sup>2</sup></b>											
Northeast urban .....	M	160.4	161.1	160.3	162.4	1.4	.8	1.3	-.2	-.1	-.5
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	160.0	160.9	159.8	162.1	1.6	.7	1.4	.3	-.1	-.7
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	-	-	100.0	101.1	-	-	1.1	-	-	-
Midwest urban <sup>4</sup> .....	M	154.3	153.8	154.4	155.8	1.4	1.3	.9	.3	.1	.4
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	158.0	157.3	158.2	159.6	1.6	1.5	.9	.6	.1	.6
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	-	-	100.0	100.9	-	-	.9	-	-	-
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	143.4	144.4	144.7	145.7	.9	.9	.7	.3	.9	.2
South urban .....	M	155.0	155.3	155.3	156.5	1.8	.8	.8	1.2	.2	.0
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	155.7	155.8	155.5	156.9	.6	.7	.9	.8	-.1	-.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	-	-	100.0	100.8	-	-	.8	-	-	-
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	149.2	150.3	149.3	149.9	1.3	-.3	.4	1.4	.1	-.7
West urban .....	M	164.0	163.8	164.2	166.7	2.9	1.8	1.5	2.2	.1	.2
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	165.1	164.7	165.6	168.1	2.9	2.1	1.5	2.4	.3	.5
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	-	-	100.0	101.6	-	-	1.6	-	-	-
<b>Size classes</b>											
A <sup>5</sup> .....	M	146.4	146.4	146.5	148.3	1.8	1.3	1.2	1.0	.1	.1
B/C <sup>3</sup> .....	M	-	-	100.0	101.0	-	-	1.0	-	-	-
D .....	M	150.5	151.0	151.1	152.1	1.7	.7	.7	1.3	.4	.1
<b>Selected local areas</b>											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI .....	M	168.0	167.9	170.1	169.3	1.3	.8	-.5	1.7	1.3	1.3
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ..	M	169.2	169.5	170.2	172.8	1.4	1.9	1.5	1.5	.6	.4
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA .....	M	162.5	163.7	162.3	163.8	1.3	.1	.9	.5	-.1	-.9
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT ....	1	156.8	155.1	155.1	160.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	.8	-1.1	.0
Cleveland-Akron, OH .....	1	153.6	154.8	153.6	157.3	2.3	1.6	2.4	-.8	.0	-.8
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	1	148.0	148.9	149.7	148.0	-.9	-.6	-1.1	.9	1.1	.5
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV <sup>3</sup> .....	1	-	-	100.0	101.4	-	-	1.4	-	-	-
Atlanta, GA .....	2	-	-	-	157.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI .....	2	150.7	150.9	150.9	152.5	1.1	1.1	1.1	-.3	.1	.0
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	2	156.9	156.6	154.3	159.3	.6	1.7	3.2	-.1	-1.7	-1.5
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	2	161.3	163.3	162.5	164.7	2.8	.9	1.4	2.3	.7	-.5
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD .....	2	159.4	160.2	160.0	162.8	.8	1.6	1.8	-.4	.4	-.1
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....	2	167.0	166.3	168.3	171.4	5.3	3.1	1.8	4.1	.8	1.2
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA .....	2	-	-	-	163.9	-	-	-	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> The 'North Central' region has been renamed the 'Midwest' region by the Census Bureau. It is composed of the same geographic entities.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

**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**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	U.S. city average			Chicago- Gary- Kenosha, IL-IN-WI			Los Angeles- Riverside- Orange County, CA			New York- Northern N.J.- Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998		Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997		Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997
Expenditure category												
All items .....	158.4	1.3	0.1	157.3	1.3	0.0	155.1	1.0	-0.1	167.7	1.6	0.0
All items (1967=100) .....	471.9	-	-	461.9	-	-	458.4	-	-	477.4	-	-
Food and beverages .....	159.6	2.0	.7	163.2	1.7	-1	166.5	1.6	1.0	163.9	1.9	.7
Food .....	159.3	2.0	.8	162.5	1.9	-1	164.5	1.5	1.0	163.4	1.9	.7
Food at home .....	159.9	1.8	1.1	169.3	1.3	-5	172.8	1.4	1.5	163.8	1.3	.9
Food away from home .....	159.3	2.5	.2	149.6	3.0	.4	151.6	1.6	.0	165.9	2.7	.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	163.6	2.0	.3	172.9	-4	-1	183.7	2.6	.6	170.1	3.0	1.0
Housing .....	154.8	2.0	.3	152.6	2.3	.0	152.3	2.0	-3	167.6	2.1	.0
Shelter .....	173.9	3.1	.5	176.3	5.0	.5	159.5	1.8	.2	196.1	3.6	.4
Rent of primary residence .....	169.2	3.1	.2	187.1	4.3	.5	161.7	2.1	.2	187.6	3.6	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>1</sup> .....	168.7	3.1	.2	177.2	5.3	.3	158.5	1.7	.3	187.3	3.8	.3
Fuels and utilities .....	128.6	-1.5	-.8	124.2	-5.3	-2.7	152.5	2.8	-3.1	115.6	-2.0	-1.1
Fuels .....	113.9	-3.9	-1.1	112.1	-10.8	-3.1	150.2	4.0	-3.9	114.8	-2.9	-1.1
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	121.0	-2.8	-1.1	115.7	-10.8	-3.2	150.7	4.1	-3.9	124.9	-1	-1.1
Electricity .....	125.6	-2.2	-.6	124.4	.4	1.4	168.4	.8	.1	125.2	1.6	-1.3
Utility natural gas service .....	115.5	-4.4	-2.4	106.5	-21.1	-8.6	134.2	12.2	-11.5	124.4	-2.9	-.6
Household furnishings and operations .....	124.1	.6	.4	108.4	-2.6	-2	123.7	.7	-1.8	122.8	-3.6	-2.0
Apparel .....	128.7	.0	-1.2	115.8	.0	.5	118.0	-3.3	.9	120.1	-.6	-3.5
Transportation .....	141.7	-2.0	-.5	134.8	-3.6	-7	138.9	-.4	-1.1	152.5	-2.1	-.8
Private transportation .....	139.3	-2.2	-.6	132.1	-4.2	-7	135.4	-1.0	-1.2	145.7	-2.3	-.7
Motor fuel .....	97.6	-10.3	-4.0	94.7	-16.4	-5.7	97.4	-.1	-6.4	95.7	-8.9	-2.8
Gasoline (all types) .....	97.1	-10.3	-4.1	93.9	-16.7	-5.7	95.2	.0	-6.4	95.3	-9.1	-3.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>2</sup> .....	94.8	-10.9	-4.1	92.2	-17.1	-5.6	93.0	-.1	-6.7	94.7	-9.1	-3.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>2 3</sup> .....	101.7	-9.6	-4.0	100.0	-16.2	-5.7	92.9	-2	-6.4	97.8	-9.1	-3.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>2</sup> .....	99.1	-9.4	-3.6	95.3	-16.0	-5.8	96.8	.6	-5.7	96.7	-8.8	-2.4
Medical care .....	237.4	2.7	.4	243.4	2.1	.7	230.8	.7	.2	249.6	2.8	.8
Recreation <sup>4</sup> .....	100.3	1.6	.3	100.1	-	.1	99.2	-	-.8	100.7	-	.7
Education and communication <sup>4</sup> .....	100.0	2.6	.0	101.3	-	1.3	99.6	-	-.4	100.0	-	.0
Other goods and services .....	228.2	5.3	.6	240.9	6.7	.2	231.5	2.8	.4	241.7	6.8	2.0
Commodity and service group												
All items .....	158.4	1.3	.1	157.3	1.3	.0	155.1	1.0	-.1	167.7	1.6	.0
Commodities .....	141.4	-.1	-.1	139.5	-.9	-.4	140.2	.1	-.1	144.4	.0	-.3
Commodities less food and beverages .....	130.5	-1.4	-.6	124.9	-2.7	-.6	124.5	-.9	-.9	129.4	-1.7	-1.1
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	131.5	-1.6	-1.2	131.3	-2.7	-1.4	126.4	-1.2	-1.3	129.0	-1.3	-1.4
Durables .....	127.7	-1.4	.2	116.8	-3.2	.2	123.4	-.6	-.5	127.3	-2.4	-.5
Services .....	178.7	2.6	.3	177.1	3.1	.3	170.7	1.7	-.2	192.2	2.7	.2
Special aggregate indexes												
All items less medical care .....	154.7	1.2	.1	153.1	1.2	-.1	152.0	1.1	-.2	164.4	1.5	.0
All items less shelter .....	154.2	.7	.0	151.9	-.1	-2	154.5	.7	-.3	158.0	.6	-.2
Commodities less food .....	131.8	-1.3	-.5	127.0	-2.6	-.6	127.6	-.7	-.9	131.1	-1.4	-1.1
Nondurables .....	145.9	.3	-.2	147.7	-.3	-.7	147.5	.5	.1	147.8	.5	-.2
Nondurables less food .....	133.5	-1.3	-1.1	134.2	-2.5	-1.4	131.5	-.8	-1.1	131.4	-1.1	-1.3
Services less rent of shelter <sup>1</sup> .....	169.1	2.1	.2	166.5	1.2	.1	171.9	1.5	-.8	170.9	1.4	-.1
Services less medical care services .....	173.2	2.5	.3	171.1	3.2	.2	166.6	1.8	-.2	187.7	2.6	.1
Energy .....	105.0	-7.1	-2.5	102.7	-13.3	-4.1	114.0	1.7	-5.3	106.9	-5.2	-1.7
All items less energy .....	165.8	2.0	.4	164.9	2.6	.3	159.9	1.0	-.2	175.1	2.0	.1
All items less food and energy .....	167.5	2.1	.2	165.4	2.7	.4	159.1	.8	-.1	178.6	2.1	.0

<sup>1</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

<sup>2</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

**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)

Item and group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 <sup>1</sup>								
	U.S. city average			Boston- Brockton- Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT			Chicago- Gary- Kenosha, IL-IN-WI		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997		Nov. 1997	Jan. 1998		Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997
Expenditure category									
All items <sup>3</sup> .....	158.4	1.3	-0.1	169.3	1.6	0.9	157.3	1.3	0.1
All items (1967=100) .....	471.9	-	-	489.3	-	-	461.9	-	-
Food and beverages <sup>3</sup> .....	159.6	2.0	.8	162.7	3.1	2.1	163.2	1.7	.7
Food <sup>3</sup> .....	159.3	2.0	.9	163.4	3.6	2.1	162.5	1.9	.8
Food at home .....	159.9	1.8	1.1	160.3	3.4	3.4	169.3	1.3	.8
Food away from home <sup>4</sup> .....	159.3	2.5	.4	171.0	4.1	.4	149.6	3.0	.7
Alcoholic beverages <sup>4</sup> .....	163.6	2.0	.5	158.8	-1.2	1.6	172.9	-.4	-.3
Housing <sup>3</sup> .....	154.8	2.0	.2	163.3	1.1	1.0	152.6	2.3	-.5
Shelter .....	173.9	3.1	.6	190.0	2.8	1.2	176.3	5.0	.4
Rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	169.2	3.1	.5	180.8	3.9	1.3	187.1	4.3	.5
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....	168.7	3.1	.5	172.1	2.5	.6	177.2	5.3	.4
Fuels and utilities .....	128.6	-1.5	-1.8	131.1	-2.5	.2	124.2	-5.3	-2.9
Fuels .....	113.9	-3.9	-2.9	112.8	-4.1	.4	112.1	-10.8	-3.6
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	121.0	-2.8	-3.1	138.6	-1.7	.2	115.7	-10.8	-3.7
Electricity .....	125.6	-2.2	-3.1	140.8	.7	.3	124.4	.4	2.5
Utility natural gas service .....	115.5	-4.4	-3.3	133.6	-4.8	.1	106.5	-21.1	-10.4
Household furnishings and operations .....	124.1	.6	.3	113.1	-3.7	.8	108.4	-2.6	-3.3
Apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	128.7	.0	-3.7	145.7	-4.6	-3.4	115.8	.0	-.7
Transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	141.7	-2.0	-1.0	144.8	-1.0	-.5	134.8	-3.6	-.7
Private transportation .....	139.3	-2.2	-1.1	144.6	-1.4	-1.0	132.1	-4.2	-.8
Motor fuel .....	97.6	-10.3	-6.5	102.0	-10.4	-5.2	94.7	-16.4	-7.1
Gasoline (all types) .....	97.1	-10.3	-6.6	100.7	-9.8	-5.4	93.9	-16.7	-7.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....	94.8	-10.9	-7.0	98.4	-10.7	-5.5	92.2	-17.1	-7.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....	101.7	-9.6	-6.4	103.3	-9.3	-5.4	100.0	-16.2	-7.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....	99.1	-9.4	-5.8	102.6	-9.5	-4.7	95.3	-16.0	-7.4
Medical care <sup>3</sup> .....	237.4	2.7	.7	294.0	3.7	1.4	243.4	2.1	.8
Recreation <sup>8</sup> .....	100.3	1.6	.3	103.4	-	-	100.1	-	-
Education and communication <sup>8</sup> .....	100.0	2.6	.0	100.1	-	-	101.3	-	-
Other goods and services <sup>3</sup> .....	228.2	5.3	.7	238.7	7.1	1.8	240.9	6.7	1.5
Commodity and service group									
All items <sup>3</sup> .....	158.4	1.3	-.1	169.3	1.6	.9	157.3	1.3	.1
Commodities .....	141.4	-.1	-.5	144.4	.1	.5	139.5	-.9	-.4
Commodities less food and beverages .....	130.5	-1.4	-1.4	133.4	-1.8	-.4	124.9	-2.7	-1.1
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	131.5	-1.6	-2.7	135.2	-3.6	-1.8	131.3	-2.7	-1.8
Durables .....	127.7	-1.4	.3	130.0	1.0	1.6	116.8	-3.2	-.7
Services .....	178.7	2.6	.3	197.0	2.6	1.1	177.1	3.1	.3
Special aggregate indexes									
All items less medical care <sup>3</sup> .....	154.7	1.2	-.1	163.7	1.5	.9	153.1	1.2	.0
All items less shelter .....	154.2	.7	-.3	164.0	1.1	.7	151.9	-.1	-.1
Commodities less food .....	131.8	-1.3	-1.3	134.2	-1.8	-.4	127.0	-2.6	-1.1
Nondurables .....	145.9	.3	-.7	148.0	-.2	.1	147.7	-.3	-.5
Nondurables less food .....	133.5	-1.3	-2.3	135.7	-3.5	-1.6	134.2	-2.5	-1.8
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	169.1	2.1	.0	192.1	2.6	1.1	166.5	1.2	.2
Services less medical care services .....	173.2	2.5	.2	188.4	2.4	1.2	171.1	3.2	.2
Energy <sup>3</sup> .....	105.0	-7.1	-4.6	108.1	-6.6	-1.9	102.7	-13.3	-5.0
All items less energy .....	165.8	2.0	.3	178.8	2.4	1.1	164.9	2.6	.4
All items less food and energy <sup>3</sup> .....	167.5	2.1	.2	183.0	2.2	.9	165.4	2.7	.3

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)

Item and group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 <sup>1</sup>								
	Cleveland-Akron, OH			Dallas-Fort Worth, TX			Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>									
All items <sup>3</sup> .....	150.0	2.6	0.6	152.2	-	-	155.1	1.0	0.1
All items (1967=100) .....	468.7	-	-	469.3	-	-	458.4	-	-
Food and beverages <sup>3</sup> .....	160.9	2.4	1.3	157.9	-	-	166.5	1.6	1.3
Food <sup>3</sup> .....	162.1	2.5	1.2	156.1	-	-	164.5	1.5	1.3
Food at home .....	157.3	2.3	1.6	148.0	-0.9	-0.6	172.8	1.4	1.9
Food away from home <sup>4</sup> .....	172.4	2.7	.7	170.3	-	-	151.6	1.6	.0
Alcoholic beverages <sup>4</sup> .....	147.4	.1	.2	179.3	-	-	183.7	2.6	1.3
Housing <sup>3</sup> .....	144.1	4.1	1.1	139.7	-	-	152.3	2.0	.4
Shelter .....	156.4	4.8	1.2	149.0	-	-	159.5	1.8	.7
Rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	167.2	5.6	1.0	146.9	4.6	.3	161.7	2.1	.4
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....	162.4	5.4	1.2	143.3	5.0	.3	158.5	1.7	.4
Fuels and utilities .....	127.1	.3	.1	123.8	-	-	152.5	2.8	-2.9
Fuels .....	121.4	-2	-2	116.1	-7.7	-3.0	150.2	4.0	-3.3
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	123.4	.1	-1	115.1	-7.6	-3.0	150.7	4.1	-3.3
Electricity .....	131.5	-1.4	.0	111.6	-2.4	-2.6	168.4	.8	.1
Utility natural gas service .....	117.2	1.3	-3	124.0	-16.8	-4.9	134.2	12.2	-9.8
Household furnishings and operations .....	129.6	5.3	1.3	129.2	-	-	123.7	.7	.8
Apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	125.7	5.0	-3	127.8	-	-	118.0	-3.3	-8
Transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	137.3	-4	.3	144.5	-	-	138.9	-4	-1.4
Private transportation .....	137.1	-6	.1	145.2	-	-	135.4	-1.0	-1.7
Motor fuel .....	99.6	-16.9	-7.7	97.6	-9.0	-5.5	97.4	-1	-9.7
Gasoline (all types) .....	98.7	-17.3	-7.9	97.1	-8.8	-5.6	95.2	.0	-10.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....	97.7	-17.6	-8.0	93.6	-9.9	-5.8	93.0	-1	-10.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....	100.7	-17.5	-8.2	99.1	-8.3	-6.1	92.9	-2	-10.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....	101.4	-15.9	-7.1	99.9	-6.7	-4.9	96.8	.6	-8.9
Medical care <sup>3</sup> .....	208.5	.5	-7	232.9	-	-	230.8	.7	.1
Recreation <sup>8</sup> .....	101.0	-	-	99.9	-	-	99.2	-	-
Education and communication <sup>8</sup> .....	99.9	-	-	98.6	-	-	99.6	-	-
Other goods and services <sup>3</sup> .....	209.6	6.0	-8	213.6	-	-	231.5	2.8	1.2
<b>Commodity and service group</b>									
All items <sup>3</sup> .....	150.0	2.6	.6	152.2	-	-	155.1	1.0	.1
Commodities .....	138.8	.7	.4	141.2	-	-	140.2	.1	.1
Commodities less food and beverages .....	126.6	-3	.0	131.4	-	-	124.5	-9	-7
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	134.0	-1.5	-1.7	127.6	-	-	126.4	-1.2	-2.3
Durables .....	117.5	.9	1.8	136.4	-	-	123.4	-6	1.1
Services .....	163.4	4.5	.8	164.8	-	-	170.7	1.7	.2
<b>Special aggregate indexes</b>									
All items less medical care <sup>3</sup> .....	147.5	2.7	.7	148.0	-	-	152.0	1.1	.1
All items less shelter .....	150.0	1.9	.5	153.8	-	-	154.5	.7	-1
Commodities less food .....	127.3	-4	-1	133.1	-	-	127.6	-7	-6
Nondurables .....	148.0	.5	-1	142.8	-	-	147.5	.5	-3
Nondurables less food .....	134.6	-1.4	-1.6	130.7	-	-	131.5	-8	-1.9
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	159.7	4.2	.4	169.5	-	-	171.9	1.5	-5
Services less medical care services .....	159.9	4.9	.9	158.2	-	-	166.6	1.8	.2
Energy <sup>3</sup> .....	111.6	-9.3	-4.0	105.5	-8.4	-4.3	114.0	1.7	-7.0
All items less energy .....	155.7	3.8	1.1	160.1	-	-	159.9	1.0	.6
All items less food and energy <sup>3</sup> .....	154.4	4.2	1.0	161.2	-	-	159.1	.8	.4

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)

Item and group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 <sup>1</sup>					
	New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA			Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV 2		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997		Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997
Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Nov. 1997	
Expenditure category						
All items 3	167.7	1.6	-0.2	100.8	0.4	0.4
All items (1967=100)	477.4	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages 3	163.9	1.9	.2	101.7	1.8	1.1
Food 3	163.4	1.9	.1	101.7	2.0	1.2
Food at home	163.8	1.3	.1	101.4	-	-
Food away from home 4	165.9	2.7	.2	100.5	-	.5
Alcoholic beverages 4	170.1	3.0	1.2	99.9	-	-1.1
Housing 3	167.6	2.1	.4	100.9	.5	.9
Shelter	196.1	3.6	.8	101.1	-	-
Rent of primary residence 3	187.6	3.6	.6	101.3	1.6	.6
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence 5	187.3	3.8	.8	100.7	-	-
Fuels and utilities	115.6	-2.0	-2	99.9	-	-
Fuels	114.8	-2.9	.2	99.9	-	-
Gas (piped) and electricity	124.9	-1	.6	99.9	-	-
Electricity	125.2	1.6	.2	100.3	-	-
Utility natural gas service	124.4	-2.9	1.0	98.0	-	-
Household furnishings and operations	122.8	-3.6	-2.2	103.3	-	-
Apparel 3	120.1	-.6	-7.1	94.0	-4.8	-2.2
Transportation 3	152.5	-2.1	-.9	99.2	-1.4	-.8
Private transportation	145.7	-2.3	-.9	99.5	-	-
Motor fuel	95.7	-8.9	-4.7	97.1	-	-
Gasoline (all types)	95.3	-9.1	-4.9	97.0	-	-
Gasoline, unleaded regular 6	94.7	-9.1	-5.0	96.3	-	-
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade 6 7	97.8	-9.1	-5.0	97.8	-	-
Gasoline, unleaded premium 6	96.7	-8.8	-4.4	97.9	-	-
Medical care 3	249.6	2.8	1.1	103.3	1.6	1.2
Recreation 8	100.7	-	-	101.4	-	-
Education and communication 8	100.0	-	-	100.0	-	-
Other goods and services 3	241.7	6.8	1.9	105.5	4.9	1.2
Commodity and service group						
All items 3	167.7	1.6	-.2	100.8	.4	.4
Commodities	144.4	.0	-1.2	100.3	-	-
Commodities less food and beverages	129.4	-1.7	-2.5	99.9	-	-
Nondurables less food and beverages	129.0	-1.3	-3.4	99.3	-	-
Durables	127.3	-2.4	-.4	100.6	-	-
Services	192.2	2.7	.5	100.8	-	-
Special aggregate indexes						
All items less medical care 3	164.4	1.5	-.2	100.7	.4	.4
All items less shelter	158.0	.6	-.6	100.4	-	-
Commodities less food	131.1	-1.4	-2.3	99.9	-	-
Nondurables	147.8	.5	-1.3	100.2	-	-
Nondurables less food	131.4	-1.1	-3.1	99.4	-	-
Services less rent of shelter 5	170.9	1.4	.2	100.5	-	-
Services less medical care services	187.7	2.6	.5	100.8	-	-
Energy 3	106.9	-5.2	-1.7	96.1	-6.9	-4.1
All items less energy	175.1	2.0	-.1	100.7	-	-
All items less food and energy 3	178.6	2.1	-.1	101.1	.9	.7

<sup>1</sup> Areas on pricing schedule 2 (see Table 10) will appear next month.

<sup>2</sup> For Washington-Baltimore, indexes are on a December 1997=100 base unless otherwise noted.

<sup>3</sup> For Washington-Baltimore, index is on a November 1996=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> For Washington-Baltimore, index is on a November 1997=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

<sup>6</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

**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
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

See footnotes at end of table.

**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.
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	145.3	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	160.3	160.5	160.8	161.2	161.6	161.5	161.3	159.9	161.2	160.5	1.7	2.3
1998	161.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Data not available.

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



**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)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										Jan. 1998
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>											
All items .....	120.5	126.1	133.8	137.9	141.9	145.8	149.7	153.5	158.6	161.3	161.6
All items (1967=100) .....	360.9	377.6	400.9	413.0	425.2	436.8	448.4	459.9	475.0	483.2	484.2
<b>Food and beverages .....</b>	<b>120.6</b>	<b>127.2</b>	<b>133.9</b>	<b>137.3</b>	<b>139.5</b>	<b>143.3</b>	<b>147.2</b>	<b>150.3</b>	<b>156.6</b>	<b>159.1</b>	<b>160.3</b>
<b>Food .....</b>	<b>120.7</b>	<b>127.4</b>	<b>134.2</b>	<b>136.7</b>	<b>138.7</b>	<b>142.7</b>	<b>146.8</b>	<b>149.9</b>	<b>156.3</b>	<b>158.7</b>	<b>159.9</b>
Food at home .....	119.1	126.5	133.8	135.5	137.5	142.3	147.3	150.3	157.7	159.2	161.0
Cereals and bakery products .....	126.6	136.1	142.4	147.4	153.3	158.9	164.2	169.5	175.7	178.4	179.0
Cereals and cereal products .....	127.2	136.5	143.7	148.8	154.4	159.6	164.5	168.6	166.6	169.6	169.9
Flour and prepared flour mixes .....	113.1	121.2	124.0	123.5	130.2	129.9	132.3	140.6	151.2	150.6	158.3
Breakfast cereal .....	138.8	152.4	163.5	171.4	178.1	186.5	191.0	194.1	186.0	189.0	187.2
Rice, pasta, cornmeal .....	118.4	120.1	122.7	126.3	128.9	131.7	139.5	142.8	144.0	149.8	150.2
Rice <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Bakery products .....	126.1	135.6	141.5	146.4	152.5	158.2	163.8	169.6	179.8	182.3	183.0
Bread <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.4
White bread <sup>2</sup> .....	125.5	133.2	138.3	140.4	146.1	156.2	160.4	169.3	183.4	186.2	184.5
Bread other than white <sup>2</sup> .....	123.5	132.2	137.5	143.8	151.6	157.0	162.4	171.6	180.7	186.9	186.3
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.0
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies .....	128.7	139.0	147.2	154.2	157.7	163.2	169.2	171.6	178.8	180.1	180.1
Cookies <sup>2</sup> .....	129.8	140.2	148.0	155.4	157.5	163.9	170.1	174.2	180.5	182.3	182.7
Fresh cakes and cupcakes <sup>2</sup> .....	125.4	132.9	139.4	144.8	151.0	156.3	165.2	169.8	175.6	178.6	178.2
Other bakery products .....	126.3	137.5	141.8	147.6	154.9	158.0	163.1	168.0	178.1	178.8	181.4
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts <sup>2</sup> .....	122.8	132.2	137.1	142.0	146.8	155.1	159.5	168.9	173.8	177.2	177.9
Crackers, bread, and cracker products <sup>2</sup> .....	130.8	147.5	159.3	168.1	181.4	176.9	178.7	183.8	206.9	206.4	208.0
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers <sup>2</sup> .....	126.5	137.0	139.8	145.2	150.4	157.4	161.7	170.8	174.9	181.7	184.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	116.1	123.8	133.6	131.6	132.1	137.1	136.4	142.0	150.0	148.4	148.3
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	117.1	123.0	133.8	132.0	133.0	138.4	137.6	141.7	149.0	148.1	148.4
Meats .....	112.7	120.0	133.6	130.8	131.1	135.9	133.7	137.2	144.4	143.4	143.2
Beef and veal .....	114.6	122.1	133.0	131.7	132.8	137.7	134.7	134.6	137.8	136.9	136.8
Uncooked ground beef .....	104.5	112.2	120.8	119.1	118.4	123.0	117.7	115.7	117.6	116.4	117.4
Uncooked beef roasts <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.5
Uncooked beef steaks <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.2
Uncooked other beef and veal <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9
Pork .....	109.6	117.2	136.8	128.5	127.4	133.1	130.1	139.6	155.4	153.0	152.1
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.1
Bacon and related products <sup>2</sup> .....	96.9	105.0	122.9	108.6	104.8	117.1	114.8	130.2	161.5	160.3	156.8
Breakfast sausage and related products <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.1
Ham .....	115.9	121.9	144.4	137.3	134.9	137.1	134.8	144.2	157.4	154.3	151.7
Ham, excluding canned <sup>2</sup> .....	122.2	129.5	154.5	143.6	141.2	144.5	142.1	151.9	168.3	164.7	162.0
Pork chops .....	114.7	123.7	142.5	136.1	139.5	145.8	138.8	146.2	156.0	150.2	150.8
Other pork including roasts and picnics <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.8
Other meats .....	113.1	119.5	131.6	132.7	133.0	136.4	137.3	141.4	146.2	147.0	148.1
Frankfurters <sup>2</sup> .....	113.2	119.3	132.9	134.7	133.9	138.2	134.3	139.3	143.8	144.9	148.6
Lunchmeats <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3
Lamb and organ meats <sup>2</sup> .....	116.6	119.8	128.2	130.2	134.1	140.1	145.1	151.8	160.7	160.8	163.4
Lamb and mutton <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	NA
Poultry .....	127.1	127.8	129.7	130.2	133.7	141.1	140.4	146.3	157.8	155.2	155.1
Chicken <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.3
Fresh whole chicken <sup>2</sup> .....	131.0	130.4	130.6	129.9	135.4	141.3	139.4	144.8	158.2	158.9	155.0
Fresh and frozen chicken parts <sup>2</sup> .....	131.5	130.2	133.2	134.8	136.9	146.8	143.2	150.2	161.5	154.4	154.4
Other poultry including turkey <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.3
Fish and seafood .....	138.9	143.0	148.5	150.4	152.0	158.7	166.9	172.1	175.1	177.2	180.7
Fresh fish and seafood <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.3
Processed fish and seafood <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3
Canned fish and seafood <sup>2</sup> .....	124.8	119.4	118.8	118.2	119.9	122.8	124.5	125.5	126.5	129.4	129.9
Frozen fish and seafood <sup>2</sup> .....	148.5	156.3	164.1	167.0	168.7	177.0	187.9	194.8	198.6	200.5	201.1
Eggs .....	99.6	134.9	128.7	123.5	117.7	116.0	116.4	145.5	162.9	151.1	143.8
Dairy and related products .....	111.4	122.9	128.7	127.4	129.1	130.2	131.6	135.0	148.6	147.8	148.3
Milk <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.8
Fresh whole milk <sup>2</sup> .....	110.1	123.0	126.0	125.5	127.8	130.6	131.1	133.7	148.3	145.8	145.6
Fresh milk other than whole <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.8
Cheese and related products .....	112.6	128.9	132.7	135.1	135.4	134.6	136.0	139.0	150.1	148.3	148.5
Ice cream and related products .....	114.8	123.1	128.5	130.1	130.6	131.5	136.1	139.7	150.5	151.8	153.5
Other dairy and related products <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.9

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)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										Jan. 1998
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category											
Fruits and vegetables .....	131.0	136.7	146.5	152.9	156.2	166.5	180.3	177.9	187.2	191.3	202.1
Fresh fruits and vegetables .....	138.1	145.6	157.6	169.6	173.9	190.1	212.8	206.3	216.2	222.3	237.7
Fresh fruits .....	143.2	154.8	171.2	188.6	181.8	205.4	213.1	224.2	251.1	239.4	240.2
Apples .....	132.4	124.7	151.6	169.9	154.1	166.9	163.2	187.6	194.1	193.9	197.2
Bananas .....	115.9	122.6	128.3	128.3	124.3	127.6	143.1	146.5	157.5	151.5	154.7
Citrus fruits <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.6
Oranges, including tangerines <sup>2</sup> .....	144.4	138.5	152.7	186.8	156.7	177.4	178.7	206.7	199.6	189.3	201.3
Other fresh fruits <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	96.6
Fresh vegetables .....	133.0	136.5	144.0	150.7	166.1	174.9	212.7	188.4	181.2	205.2	233.8
Potatoes .....	128.5	140.0	133.9	129.0	137.2	165.0	154.2	175.3	160.2	175.0	180.2
Lettuce .....	174.3	135.8	152.0	170.1	183.0	152.1	273.4	172.2	184.6	218.5	290.5
Tomatoes .....	124.3	140.3	129.5	124.5	193.4	197.2	233.6	242.6	193.4	253.4	238.4
Other fresh vegetables .....	129.4	135.6	151.0	162.3	166.4	178.5	216.1	183.2	185.9	201.5	243.1
Processed fruits and vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.6
Canned fruits and vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.8
Canned fruits <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.6
Canned vegetables <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.5
Frozen fruits and vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.7
Frozen vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....	116.3	124.6	128.5	129.3	130.2	135.4	136.5	140.4	143.7	147.8	150.0
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Dried beans, peas, and lentils <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	107.8	111.0	113.1	112.5	112.3	114.8	131.7	129.5	126.9	133.1	134.1
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.1
Carbonated drinks .....	104.6	109.8	110.8	111.9	113.7	115.6	115.2	118.5	118.0	116.1	118.3
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.0
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0
Beverage materials including coffee and tea <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0
Coffee .....	116.9	115.7	117.4	111.3	105.4	111.1	172.7	156.1	145.6	170.2	169.8
Roasted coffee <sup>2</sup> .....	116.1	115.3	116.7	109.0	102.4	109.2	179.0	159.5	145.7	178.0	176.9
Instant and freeze dried coffee <sup>2</sup> .....	116.9	115.5	118.1	115.6	111.7	115.8	157.9	148.9	145.3	155.2	155.5
Other beverage materials including tea <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3
Other food at home .....	115.3	120.1	125.2	127.1	128.3	130.9	138.8	140.5	143.6	147.7	148.7
Sugar and sweets .....	116.7	121.1	126.4	130.9	132.1	133.3	134.5	138.5	144.7	147.9	150.3
Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....	110.0	114.8	118.1	118.1	119.3	120.6	122.8	127.9	132.2	133.3	136.4
Candy and chewing gum <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.2
Other sweets <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.3
Fats and oils .....	118.5	121.6	131.0	129.3	128.4	129.4	134.2	137.5	140.7	140.3	140.5
Butter and margarine <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.3
Butter <sup>2</sup> .....	104.8	103.0	94.9	94.4	88.0	82.0	81.6	93.4	113.9	128.2	124.7
Margarine <sup>2</sup> .....	124.1	126.7	134.0	131.8	128.9	130.3	139.4	141.6	145.5	144.2	146.1
Salad dressing <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0
Other fats and oils including peanut butter <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.8
Peanut butter <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3
Other foods .....	120.7	127.6	134.2	138.2	141.2	144.9	148.1	152.1	158.9	162.8	163.6
Soups .....	123.2	132.4	140.2	148.6	157.0	163.9	170.7	176.5	184.9	189.1	189.6
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods .....	124.6	131.3	135.8	138.0	138.7	138.6	138.9	139.8	146.2	144.9	145.2
Snacks .....	121.2	126.2	131.1	132.8	132.5	136.3	138.7	143.4	151.7	155.6	155.1
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces .....	118.3	124.9	132.6	137.9	143.6	147.4	150.9	156.8	163.9	168.3	171.0
Salt and other seasonings and spices <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9
Olives, pickles, relishes <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	96.7
Sauces and gravies <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.4
Other condiments <sup>2</sup> .....	114.7	120.6	127.8	133.7	140.1	140.1	143.1	148.2	154.5	162.1	167.6
Baby food <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.6
Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.4
Prepared salads <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	NA
Food away from home .....	124.1	129.8	135.7	139.6	141.6	144.3	147.1	150.4	155.0	159.0	159.2
Full service meals and snacks <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Limited service meals and snacks <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Food at employee sites and schools <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Other food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1

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**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)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										Jan. 1998
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category											
Alcoholic beverages .....	119.9	125.6	130.9	143.9	148.1	150.3	151.8	154.9	160.5	164.0	164.6
Alcoholic beverages at home .....	114.6	119.5	124.0	138.4	141.3	142.0	141.8	143.1	148.0	149.3	149.9
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home .....	114.6	120.0	124.3	139.0	142.9	143.3	143.2	144.1	148.3	147.5	148.0
Distilled spirits at home .....	117.0	122.1	128.1	139.9	141.8	143.1	144.2	145.5	148.5	151.9	151.5
Whiskey at home <sup>2</sup> .....	114.8	121.2	127.5	137.8	139.0	141.3	142.4	145.2	147.9	151.5	151.5
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home <sup>2</sup> .....	119.2	123.8	129.2	142.3	144.0	144.6	144.5	145.1	147.9	152.1	151.8
Wine at home .....	107.8	111.6	114.5	130.5	132.4	133.1	131.3	133.4	141.7	145.1	146.2
Alcoholic beverages away from home .....	133.3	140.3	146.9	158.9	165.0	169.3	173.3	178.8	185.6	192.5	193.1
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3
Wine away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.6
Distilled spirits away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0
Housing .....	120.2	124.9	130.5	135.0	138.5	142.3	145.4	149.7	154.0	157.7	158.3
Shelter .....	129.3	135.6	142.7	148.2	152.5	157.1	161.8	167.4	172.3	178.1	179.2
Rent of primary residence .....	130.1	135.5	141.1	145.2	148.6	151.9	155.7	159.6	164.0	169.1	169.5
Lodging away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.1
Housing at school, excluding board <sup>3</sup> .....	145.5	156.3	166.1	175.8	188.6	193.8	201.9	210.6	219.0	229.7	229.8
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels .....	127.0	133.8	154.9	168.0	174.3	181.0	183.3	191.2	201.0	213.5	225.5
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	134.1	141.0	147.7	153.2	157.8	162.8	168.1	174.3	179.1	184.7	185.1
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3
Fuels and utilities .....	105.0	108.4	112.7	116.0	118.7	121.7	122.0	123.7	129.4	130.0	128.8
Fuels .....	97.4	101.2	105.6	106.5	108.9	110.7	110.1	110.9	117.1	115.8	114.5
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	76.8	88.7	114.1	94.7	91.8	88.3	88.4	89.6	110.3	97.2	96.4
Fuel oil .....	74.2	88.7	115.2	92.3	89.2	85.1	85.1	86.4	106.5	94.0	93.0
Other household fuels <sup>4</sup> .....	102.3	108.3	136.4	123.3	120.4	118.0	118.5	119.4	146.8	128.8	128.6
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	104.1	107.0	108.6	112.4	115.6	118.1	117.4	118.3	122.8	123.0	121.6
Electricity .....	110.3	113.4	115.0	120.8	122.9	123.6	124.4	127.8	128.7	127.0	126.2
Utility natural gas service .....	95.2	97.8	99.6	99.9	105.0	111.1	107.5	103.6	115.0	118.8	116.0
Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Water and sewerage maintenance .....	135.8	144.7	153.7	165.7	176.7	185.2	193.0	198.6	205.5	213.7	214.3
Garbage and trash collection <sup>5</sup> .....	146.9	161.1	176.9	197.3	214.0	225.2	236.4	243.3	247.8	252.8	252.9
Household furnishings and operations .....	110.6	111.7	113.7	116.3	118.2	120.3	120.8	123.8	125.0	125.1	125.6
Window and floor coverings and other linens <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.5
Floor coverings <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9
Window coverings <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.4
Other linens <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.0
Furniture and bedding .....	115.4	113.8	115.1	116.2	121.4	125.8	127.8	133.2	134.5	133.5	133.0
Bedroom furniture .....	121.3	118.8	117.2	122.0	129.5	136.3	133.7	136.8	141.5	142.7	139.4
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.7
Other furniture <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.6
Appliances <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.9
Major appliances <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.1
Laundry equipment <sup>2</sup> .....	107.0	105.9	107.2	105.6	106.3	107.1	110.6	109.8	113.2	113.4	114.5
Other appliances <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.6
Other household equipment and furnishings <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.6
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items .....	105.9	112.8	112.6	117.8	120.3	118.2	117.8	122.1	117.0	121.0	120.6
Indoor plants and flowers <sup>6</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	107.0	113.0	110.0	114.1	115.6	116.4	107.1	113.4
Dishes and flatware <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Nonelectric cookware and tableware <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.4
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.8
Tools, hardware and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.1
Housekeeping supplies .....	117.0	123.6	127.5	129.8	129.5	131.9	132.9	139.8	141.4	143.4	143.1
Household cleaning products <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Household paper products <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Miscellaneous household products <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.1
Household operations <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Domestic services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Gardening and lawn care services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0
Moving, storage, freight expense <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0
Repair of household items <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2

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**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)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										Jan. 1998
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category											
Apparel .....	118.0	119.2	125.3	129.6	131.4	132.6	130.5	130.6	130.3	131.6	129.8
Men's and boys' apparel .....	117.3	118.8	122.3	125.9	127.1	127.5	125.3	126.0	127.8	131.2	129.8
Men's apparel .....	118.4	120.6	124.5	128.3	130.0	130.0	128.2	128.3	130.4	133.7	132.1
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear .....	122.0	124.7	128.2	131.3	132.8	137.4	136.0	133.7	133.3	135.8	136.4
Men's furnishings .....	113.7	117.4	119.8	122.2	123.6	123.0	122.7	120.0	124.6	134.1	132.0
Men's shirts and sweaters <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	96.1
Men's pants and shorts .....	114.6	116.7	121.9	126.1	129.2	127.8	125.8	127.0	129.2	129.0	130.8
Boys' apparel .....	112.5	111.4	113.0	116.2	115.0	117.1	113.2	116.2	116.8	120.7	119.7
Women's and girls' apparel .....	116.5	116.4	123.5	128.4	129.1	130.6	125.7	124.7	123.3	123.6	120.2
Women's apparel .....	116.3	116.5	124.2	128.0	128.4	131.0	125.3	124.1	123.0	123.7	119.6
Women's outerwear .....	104.5	108.9	117.2	121.1	126.2	131.8	119.0	123.5	126.1	126.7	119.7
Women's dresses .....	123.5	122.5	131.1	128.0	130.7	127.2	113.1	114.7	108.1	102.7	95.8
Women's suits and separates <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	95.4
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.7
Girls' apparel .....	117.3	116.1	120.2	130.8	133.5	129.1	128.2	128.7	125.0	123.6	123.6
Footwear .....	113.5	114.7	118.4	121.8	125.1	125.8	123.6	124.1	125.9	128.2	127.4
Men's footwear .....	119.2	122.0	125.6	129.4	132.9	133.2	132.2	131.6	131.1	131.4	130.6
Boys' and girls' footwear .....	114.7	118.5	122.9	122.7	121.5	122.1	123.3	125.2	130.4	133.5	133.3
Women's footwear .....	108.3	107.5	110.9	115.5	120.6	121.5	117.1	117.8	119.6	122.7	121.6
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	117.3	115.3	125.6	129.2	130.7	127.1	131.3	128.7	126.9	125.8	124.8
Jewelry and watches <sup>4</sup> .....	117.6	121.5	129.4	134.4	138.2	140.6	147.7	147.7	140.3	138.9	142.0
Watches <sup>4</sup> .....	107.9	107.7	110.4	114.1	112.7	118.7	124.6	130.6	122.6	122.2	123.6
Jewelry <sup>4</sup> .....	120.3	125.5	134.9	140.2	145.5	146.8	154.3	152.6	145.4	143.6	147.2
Transportation .....	110.8	115.2	127.2	125.3	129.0	132.1	137.1	139.1	145.2	143.2	142.7
Private transportation .....	109.6	113.9	125.1	123.4	126.7	128.6	134.9	136.6	141.7	140.0	139.3
New and used motor vehicles <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	94.1	98.3	100.7	101.7	100.0	100.2
New vehicles .....	119.0	121.9	124.3	128.3	131.3	135.6	140.1	142.8	145.4	144.1	144.4
New cars and trucks <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
New cars <sup>2</sup> .....	119.1	121.8	123.5	127.6	130.5	134.2	138.5	140.7	143.0	141.5	141.8
New trucks <sup>2 5</sup> .....	116.8	120.7	125.8	129.6	132.9	139.0	144.1	148.2	151.5	151.4	151.8
New motorcycles <sup>2 4</sup> .....	109.6	114.2	117.4	123.7	128.7	138.0	148.9	156.5	162.4	163.7	163.5
Used cars and trucks .....	120.2	119.7	117.1	120.1	129.0	139.3	151.5	158.2	155.6	147.9	148.1
Car and truck rental <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	97.8
Motor fuel .....	80.3	85.8	117.1	98.4	100.2	94.8	100.4	96.4	108.6	101.9	97.8
Gasoline (all types) .....	80.3	85.5	117.0	98.1	100.1	94.2	100.2	96.0	107.9	101.3	97.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>2</sup> .....	78.8	83.1	115.4	96.1	97.9	91.3	97.9	93.6	106.1	99.1	95.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>2 7</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.3	100.6	112.4	105.9	101.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>2</sup> .....	84.7	89.9	118.7	101.4	103.2	98.3	103.4	98.4	109.1	103.0	99.4
Other motor fuels <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	98.0
Motor vehicle parts and equipment .....	98.9	101.1	102.0	103.6	103.0	101.4	101.9	102.4	102.3	101.4	101.3
Tires .....	96.9	99.1	99.0	101.3	100.8	99.4	101.6	101.8	101.8	99.0	98.8
Vehicle accessories other than tires <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires <sup>2</sup> .....	105.1	107.3	109.4	110.2	109.5	107.7	106.3	107.3	107.0	108.2	108.4
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids <sup>2</sup> .....	110.1	109.8	117.5	118.4	118.1	118.8	126.0	130.0	132.0	131.8	131.4
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....	121.5	126.9	132.5	138.4	143.2	147.7	151.9	155.7	160.6	164.7	165.0
Motor vehicle body work .....	126.3	133.9	138.5	141.9	145.8	150.0	155.7	161.2	168.6	176.2	176.5
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing .....	118.8	122.5	127.0	133.8	136.6	139.4	141.3	144.2	148.2	152.1	152.7
Motor vehicle repair <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Motor vehicle insurance .....	162.0	171.5	184.4	199.1	212.2	222.8	230.4	240.2	249.3	255.3	256.1
Motor vehicle fees <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.2
State and local registration and license <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.3
Parking and other fees <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.3
Parking fees and tolls <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.5
Automobile service clubs <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3
Public transportation .....	126.5	131.7	154.4	149.8	158.2	176.5	165.6	170.7	189.9	184.3	187.1
Airline fare .....	128.0	134.8	165.4	155.4	165.7	193.8	175.3	178.4	204.7	194.8	200.1
Other intercity transportation .....	136.9	139.2	148.4	152.0	152.2	148.0	151.4	152.6	155.2	156.3	158.9
Ship fare <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.8
Intracity transportation .....	123.3	125.9	135.6	140.8	147.8	152.0	153.5	165.2	174.7	176.6	175.5

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)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes										Jan. 1998
	December										
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category											
Medical care .....	142.3	154.4	169.2	182.6	194.7	205.2	215.3	223.8	230.6	237.1	238.1
Medical care commodities .....	144.2	156.0	169.1	181.7	191.1	197.0	202.9	206.6	212.0	216.8	217.6
Prescription drugs and medical supplies .....	157.1	172.0	189.0	206.7	218.5	225.7	233.2	237.8	245.4	251.5	252.4
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies <sup>4</sup> .....	110.7	117.1	123.5	127.9	132.9	136.5	139.6	141.5	143.3	145.8	146.4
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs .....	134.0	141.5	150.0	153.7	160.5	164.9	166.3	167.6	171.2	173.1	173.1
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies .....	126.7	134.4	140.4	148.4	152.7	156.6	164.3	168.2	168.0	172.8	174.9
Medical care services .....	141.9	154.1	169.3	182.8	195.6	207.1	218.2	227.8	235.0	241.8	242.9
Professional services .....	140.8	149.9	160.0	169.8	179.4	187.4	196.0	203.9	211.0	217.5	218.5
Physicians' services .....	143.4	153.7	165.1	174.2	185.1	194.5	203.1	212.1	218.5	224.5	225.3
Dental services .....	140.9	149.9	159.9	173.0	183.1	191.1	201.4	210.4	221.1	230.0	231.6
Eyeglasses and eye care <sup>4</sup> .....	110.3	114.1	119.2	123.5	128.1	130.7	135.0	138.3	139.9	142.5	142.7
Services by other medical professionals <sup>4</sup> .....	110.3	116.6	122.5	129.2	133.2	137.5	143.0	144.1	148.4	153.0	154.1
Hospital and related services .....	150.8	167.9	186.9	203.5	221.4	238.2	251.3	262.8	273.7	282.5	283.5
Hospital services <sup>8</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.2	103.5
Inpatient hospital services <sup>2 8</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.5	102.8
Outpatient hospital services <sup>2 4</sup> .....	117.0	130.7	145.4	159.7	175.4	189.2	199.7	209.2	219.2	228.3	228.6
Nursing homes and adult daycare <sup>8</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.9	104.6
Recreation <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	91.7	93.0	95.6	98.5	100.0	100.3
Video and audio <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	96.6	94.2	94.6	97.7	100.0	100.6
Televisions .....	76.8	75.8	73.1	72.3	71.4	70.2	69.2	66.4	62.9	60.2	60.1
Cable television <sup>5</sup> .....	141.4	146.8	166.1	180.4	187.0	200.1	194.9	202.8	218.6	233.6	237.9
Other video equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.0
Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	98.2
Video cassettes and discs, blank and prerecorded <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	98.9
Rental of video tapes and discs <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	96.4
Audio equipment .....	91.9	94.3	93.3	95.0	93.6	94.0	93.1	90.7	90.2	88.4	87.9
Audio discs, tapes and other media <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.6
Pets, pet products and services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.6
Pets and pet products .....	117.7	122.9	127.4	129.6	128.3	129.5	130.8	135.4	142.6	142.1	143.3
Pet food <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.0
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Pet services including veterinary <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Pet services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3
Veterinarian services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Sporting goods .....	111.0	113.3	115.3	119.6	119.7	120.0	123.8	123.1	123.0	122.5	123.4
Sports vehicles including bicycles .....	111.1	113.6	115.9	117.6	120.1	120.0	124.7	124.8	124.9	124.3	125.1
Sports equipment .....	108.3	110.4	112.0	118.3	116.5	117.1	120.0	118.7	118.4	118.1	119.1
Photography <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9
Photographic equipment and supplies .....	123.0	127.2	129.0	130.1	132.9	135.2	130.9	133.4	132.9	134.0	133.8
Film and photographic supplies <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.5
Photographic equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.0
Photographers and film processing <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9
Photographer fees <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9
Film processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0
Other recreational goods <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.1
Toys .....	112.4	115.1	116.8	118.1	121.1	122.9	121.8	123.0	126.4	124.4	123.1
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.6
Video game hardware, software and accessories <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	96.3
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.2
Music instruments and accessories <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Recreation services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Club membership dues and fees for participant sports <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3
Admissions .....	133.3	146.0	153.6	161.0	167.3	170.3	177.1	186.4	193.8	200.3	200.7
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0
Admission to sporting events <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.8
Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>4</sup> .....	109.8	119.6	125.4	132.4	139.2	144.7	151.8	156.3	165.5	174.1	173.8
Recreational reading materials .....	126.5	132.4	138.5	147.3	152.8	158.2	163.9	173.6	178.2	180.2	180.5
Newspapers and magazines <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3
Recreational books <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9

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)

Item and group	Unadjusted Indexes										
	December										Jan. 1998
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category											
Education and communication <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	87.4	90.3	93.9	97.1	100.0	99.9
Education <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	81.2	85.9	90.7	95.1	100.0	100.3
Educational books and supplies .....	152.2	164.0	174.7	184.7	193.8	200.4	207.4	219.0	231.1	242.8	245.1
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....	157.6	170.0	183.5	201.4	218.5	234.0	247.8	261.6	274.3	288.5	289.2
College tuition and fees .....	156.5	169.1	183.0	205.1	225.7	243.5	258.9	273.7	288.3	301.7	302.5
Elementary and high school tuition and fees .....	163.0	177.4	192.8	207.3	223.7	237.0	251.6	268.2	280.5	300.6	300.6
Child care and nursery school <sup>6</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	106.3	111.0	116.7	122.2	126.9	131.6	137.6	138.2
Technical and business school tuition and fees <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.8
Communication <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	97.3	97.3	99.0	100.3	100.0	99.6
Postage and delivery services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0
Postage .....	125.1	125.1	125.1	145.3	145.3	145.3	145.3	160.3	160.3	160.3	160.3
Delivery services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0
Information and information processing <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	98.3	98.3	98.9	100.3	100.0	99.6
Telephone services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9
Telephone services, local charges .....	145.2	146.0	147.5	155.0	155.7	157.2	156.7	160.7	162.1	163.8	163.8
Telephone services, long distance charges <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.8
Interstate toll calls <sup>2</sup> .....	70.9	70.0	67.4	68.3	67.4	71.8	75.7	75.8	78.6	75.2	75.2
Intrastate toll calls <sup>2</sup> .....	99.2	96.6	94.5	93.1	90.9	91.1	90.2	86.8	92.1	94.7	94.3
Cellular telephone services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.0
Information and information processing other than telephone services <sup>9</sup> .....	100.0	92.7	90.3	86.6	81.3	75.1	68.3	61.0	53.9	47.4	46.2
Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	96.9
Computer software and accessories <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	97.1
Computer information processing services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Other information processing equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.6
Other goods and services .....	141.3	152.9	164.5	177.6	189.1	194.2	202.4	211.1	218.7	230.1	231.3
Tobacco and smoking products .....	149.9	171.9	190.5	211.7	228.9	215.5	222.0	228.1	234.3	251.2	253.8
Cigarettes <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.0
Tobacco products other than cigarettes <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.8
Personal care .....	122.4	127.1	132.4	135.7	139.6	143.1	145.8	148.9	150.5	154.0	154.6
Personal care products .....	121.6	124.7	129.9	133.4	137.8	140.1	142.6	144.1	142.8	145.3	146.1
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements .....	121.6	123.9	131.2	135.1	137.0	143.4	144.8	146.9	150.6	153.9	155.6
Personal care services .....	123.1	129.7	135.0	138.0	141.3	146.1	149.2	154.3	159.2	163.9	164.3
Haircuts and other personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Miscellaneous personal services .....	143.1	151.4	162.0	172.4	179.8	190.3	199.4	210.0	218.3	230.0	230.9
Legal services <sup>4</sup> .....	109.9	116.8	124.8	131.9	137.2	145.1	147.9	153.5	159.3	167.5	168.6
Funeral expenses <sup>4</sup> .....	108.2	113.4	120.9	128.0	133.2	140.4	148.6	156.6	164.0	172.3	172.9
Laundry and dry cleaning services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Financial services <sup>4</sup> .....	111.3	117.9	127.0	137.5	144.4	153.9	165.9	177.6	183.6	194.7	195.4
Checking account and other bank services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.0
Miscellaneous personal goods <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap <sup>2</sup> .....	113.2	116.6	121.7	127.5	131.3	136.1	138.2	147.2	151.8	158.1	158.6
Special aggregate indexes											
Commodities .....	113.5	118.2	126.0	127.5	130.1	132.0	135.1	137.0	141.4	141.7	141.6
Commodities less food and beverages .....	109.0	112.6	121.1	121.5	124.3	125.1	127.6	128.9	132.1	131.2	130.5
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	106.9	112.0	125.8	124.5	127.4	126.5	128.1	128.8	133.7	133.5	132.0
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	104.5	112.0	130.1	126.0	129.6	127.7	131.5	132.7	140.5	139.5	138.1
Durables .....	112.2	113.5	114.5	117.2	120.1	123.3	126.9	129.0	129.9	128.0	128.2
Services .....	128.1	134.6	142.3	148.8	154.2	160.0	164.7	170.4	176.1	181.0	181.8
Rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	134.3	140.9	148.4	154.2	158.7	163.5	168.3	174.2	179.3	185.3	186.5
Transportation services .....	132.1	138.6	150.0	153.7	159.2	166.9	171.1	176.3	184.1	186.0	187.1
Other services .....	136.2	145.1	154.5	164.1	172.8	181.6	188.9	197.3	205.0	213.1	213.7
All items less food .....	120.4	125.8	133.7	138.1	142.5	146.4	150.2	154.2	159.0	161.8	161.9
All items less shelter .....	118.1	123.5	131.5	135.0	139.1	142.7	146.3	149.6	154.7	156.4	156.4
All items less medical care .....	119.1	124.4	131.8	135.3	138.9	142.5	146.0	149.6	154.5	157.0	157.3
Commodities less food .....	109.4	113.0	121.4	122.4	125.3	126.1	128.5	129.9	133.3	132.6	131.9
Nondurables less food .....	107.5	112.6	125.7	125.5	128.5	127.8	129.5	130.4	135.3	135.3	133.9
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	105.3	112.5	129.0	126.9	130.5	129.1	132.6	134.0	141.5	141.0	139.8
Nondurables .....	113.9	119.8	130.0	131.1	133.6	135.1	137.8	139.7	145.3	146.5	146.2

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)

Item and group	Unadjusted Indexes										
	December										Jan. 1998
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Special aggregate indexes											
Apparel less footwear .....	116.8	117.6	123.8	128.2	129.4	130.3	127.9	127.7	126.6	127.6	125.6
Services less rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	131.1	137.8	146.4	153.9	160.7	167.8	172.7	178.5	185.2	189.5	189.9
Services less medical care services .....	126.6	132.6	139.7	145.5	150.3	155.6	159.7	165.0	170.6	175.4	176.1
Energy .....	88.7	93.2	110.1	101.9	103.9	102.4	104.7	103.3	112.2	108.4	105.9
All items less energy .....	124.8	130.6	137.4	142.8	147.1	151.7	155.7	160.2	164.8	168.3	169.0
All items less food and energy .....	126.0	131.5	138.3	144.4	149.2	153.9	157.9	162.7	167.0	170.7	171.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	118.0	121.2	125.3	130.3	133.6	135.7	137.6	140.0	141.5	142.1	142.0
Energy commodities .....	80.1	86.4	117.0	98.2	99.4	94.3	99.2	95.9	109.1	101.6	97.8
Services less energy services .....	130.6	137.5	145.8	152.5	158.2	164.3	169.6	175.7	181.5	186.9	187.9
Domestically produced farm food .....	119.4	127.4	135.4	137.2	139.6	144.5	148.1	151.5	160.1	161.1	162.9
Utilities and public transportation .....	113.9	117.1	122.9	126.7	130.7	136.5	135.1	137.5	144.4	145.0	144.9

<sup>1</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>2</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

- 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**

Item and group	Percent change from previous December										Jan. 1998
	December										
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category											
All Items .....	4.4	4.6	6.1	3.1	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.5	3.3	1.7	0.2
Food and beverages .....	5.1	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.7	2.1	4.2	1.6	.8
Food .....	5.2	5.6	5.3	1.9	1.5	2.9	2.9	2.1	4.3	1.5	.8
Food at home .....	5.6	6.2	5.8	1.3	1.5	3.5	3.5	2.0	4.9	1.0	1.1
Cereals and bakery products .....	8.4	7.5	4.6	3.5	4.0	3.7	3.3	3.2	3.7	1.5	.3
Cereals and cereal products .....	9.6	7.3	5.3	3.5	3.8	3.4	3.1	2.5	-1.2	1.8	.2
Flour and prepared flour mixes .....	6.9	7.2	2.3	-.4	5.4	-.2	1.8	6.3	7.5	-.4	5.1
Breakfast cereal .....	9.6	9.8	7.3	4.8	3.9	4.7	2.4	1.6	-4.2	1.6	-1.0
Rice, pasta, commmeal .....	11.4	1.4	2.2	2.9	2.1	2.2	5.9	2.4	.8	4.0	.3
Rice <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Bakery products .....	7.8	7.5	4.4	3.5	4.2	3.7	3.5	3.5	6.0	1.4	.4
Bread <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.6
White bread <sup>2</sup> .....	11.0	6.1	3.8	1.5	4.1	6.9	2.7	5.5	8.3	1.5	-.9
Bread other than white <sup>2</sup> .....	9.6	7.0	4.0	4.6	5.4	3.6	3.4	5.7	5.3	3.4	-.3
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies .....	6.3	8.0	5.9	4.8	2.3	3.5	3.7	1.4	4.2	.7	.0
Cookies <sup>2</sup> .....	5.9	8.0	5.6	5.0	1.4	4.1	3.8	2.4	3.6	1.0	.2
Fresh cakes and cupcakes <sup>2</sup> .....	5.8	6.0	4.9	3.9	4.3	3.5	5.7	2.8	3.4	1.7	-.2
Other bakery products .....	5.0	8.9	3.1	4.1	4.9	2.0	3.2	3.0	6.0	.4	1.5
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts <sup>2</sup> .....	5.7	7.7	3.7	3.6	3.4	5.7	2.8	5.9	2.9	2.0	.4
Crackers, bread, and cracker products <sup>2</sup> .....	6.3	12.8	8.0	5.5	7.9	-2.5	1.0	2.9	12.6	-.2	.8
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers <sup>2</sup> .....	5.2	8.3	2.0	3.9	3.6	4.7	2.7	5.6	2.4	3.9	1.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	5.3	6.6	7.9	-1.5	.4	3.8	-.5	4.1	5.6	-1.1	-.1
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	4.6	5.0	8.8	-1.3	.8	4.1	-.6	3.0	5.2	-.6	.2
Meats .....	2.1	6.5	11.3	-2.1	.2	3.7	-1.6	2.6	5.2	-.7	-.1
Beef and veal .....	5.6	6.5	8.9	-1.0	.8	3.7	-2.2	-.1	2.4	-.7	-.1
Uncooked ground beef .....	2.5	7.4	7.7	-1.4	-.6	3.9	-4.3	-1.7	1.6	-1.0	.9
Uncooked beef roasts <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.5
Uncooked beef steaks <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.8
Uncooked other beef and veal <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.1
Pork .....	-3.1	6.9	16.7	-6.1	-.9	4.5	-2.3	7.3	11.3	-1.5	-.6
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products <sup>1</sup> ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.9
Bacon and related products <sup>2</sup> .....	-10.4	8.4	17.0	-11.6	-3.5	11.7	-2.0	13.4	24.0	-.7	-2.2
Breakfast sausage and related products <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1
Ham .....	-1.9	5.2	18.5	-.4	-1.7	1.6	-1.7	7.0	9.2	-2.0	-1.7
Ham, excluding canned <sup>2</sup> .....	-1.9	6.0	19.3	-7.1	-1.7	2.3	-1.7	6.9	10.8	-2.1	-1.6
Pork chops .....	.3	7.8	15.2	-.4	2.5	4.5	-4.8	5.3	6.7	-3.7	.4
Other pork including roasts and picnics <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.2
Other meats .....	.9	5.7	10.1	.8	.2	2.6	.7	3.0	3.4	.5	.7
Frankfurters <sup>2</sup> .....	1.4	5.4	11.4	1.4	-.6	3.2	-2.8	3.7	3.2	.8	2.6
Lunchmeats <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3
Lamb and organ meats <sup>2</sup> .....	3.6	2.7	7.0	1.6	3.0	4.5	3.6	4.6	5.9	.1	1.6
Lamb and mutton <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poultry .....	17.9	.6	1.5	.4	2.7	5.5	-.5	4.2	7.9	-1.6	-.1
Chicken <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.7
Fresh whole chicken <sup>2</sup> .....	21.6	-.5	.2	-.5	4.2	4.4	-1.3	3.9	9.3	.4	-2.5
Fresh and frozen chicken parts <sup>2</sup> .....	18.7	-1.0	2.3	1.2	1.6	7.2	-2.5	4.9	7.5	-4.4	.0
Other poultry including turkey <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.3
Fish and seafood .....	4.2	3.0	3.8	1.3	1.1	4.4	5.2	3.1	1.7	1.2	2.0
Fresh fish and seafood <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3
Processed fish and seafood <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3
Canned fish and seafood <sup>2</sup> .....	13.5	-.4	-.5	-.5	1.4	2.4	1.4	.8	.8	2.3	.4
Frozen fish and seafood <sup>2</sup> .....	1.6	5.3	5.0	1.8	1.0	4.9	6.2	3.7	2.0	1.0	.3
Eggs .....	16.5	35.4	-.6	-.4	-.7	-1.4	.3	25.0	12.0	-7.2	-.8
Dairy and related products .....	4.4	10.3	3.1	.6	1.3	.9	1.1	2.6	10.1	-.5	.3
Milk <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.2
Fresh whole milk <sup>2</sup> .....	5.1	11.7	2.4	-.4	1.8	2.2	.4	2.0	10.9	-1.7	-.1
Fresh milk other than whole <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.2
Cheese and related products .....	5.2	12.7	4.6	1.8	.2	-.6	1.0	2.2	8.0	-1.2	.1
Ice cream and related products .....	3.4	7.2	4.4	1.2	.4	.7	3.5	2.6	7.7	.9	1.1
Other dairy and related products <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.9
Fruits and vegetables .....	6.2	4.4	7.2	4.4	2.2	6.6	8.3	-1.3	5.2	2.2	5.6

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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**

Item and group	Percent change from previous December										Jan. 1998
	December										
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category											
Fresh fruits and vegetables .....	3.7	5.4	8.2	7.6	2.5	9.3	11.9	-3.1	4.8	2.8	6.9
Fresh fruits .....	13.4	8.1	10.6	10.2	-3.6	13.0	3.7	5.2	12.0	-4.7	.3
Apples .....	27.8	-5.8	21.6	12.1	-9.3	8.3	-2.2	15.0	3.5	-1.1	1.7
Bananas .....	7.9	5.8	4.6	.0	-3.1	2.7	12.1	2.4	7.5	-3.8	2.1
Citrus fruits <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.6
Oranges, including tangerines <sup>2</sup> .....	14.3	-4.1	10.3	22.3	-16.1	13.2	.7	15.7	-3.4	-5.2	6.3
Other fresh fruits <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-3.4
Fresh vegetables .....	-5.1	2.6	5.5	4.7	10.2	5.3	21.6	-11.4	-3.8	13.2	13.9
Potatoes .....	23.8	8.9	-4.4	-3.7	6.4	20.3	-6.5	13.7	-8.6	9.2	3.0
Lettuce .....	-36.1	-22.1	11.9	11.9	7.6	-16.9	79.8	-37.0	7.2	18.4	33.0
Tomatoes .....	-10.8	12.9	-7.7	-3.9	55.3	2.0	18.5	3.9	-20.3	31.0	-5.9
Other fresh vegetables .....	2.5	4.8	11.4	7.5	2.5	7.3	21.1	-15.2	1.5	8.4	20.6
Processed fruits and vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.6
Canned fruits and vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.8
Canned fruits <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.6
Canned vegetables <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.5
Frozen fruits and vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.7
Frozen vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....	4.3	7.1	3.1	.6	.7	4.0	.8	2.9	2.4	2.9	1.5
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Dried beans, peas, and lentils <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	2.9	3.0	1.9	-5	-2	2.2	14.7	-1.7	-2.0	4.9	.8
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1
Carbonated drinks .....	1.3	5.0	.9	1.0	1.6	1.7	-3	2.9	-4	-1.6	1.9
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0
Beverage materials including coffee and tea <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0
Coffee .....	5.8	-1.0	1.5	-5.2	-5.3	5.4	55.4	-9.6	-6.7	16.9	-2
Roasted coffee <sup>2</sup> .....	9.0	-7	1.2	-6.6	-6.1	6.6	63.9	-10.9	-8.7	22.2	-6
Instant and freeze dried coffee <sup>2</sup> .....	-8	-1.2	2.3	-2.1	-3.4	3.7	36.4	-5.7	-2.4	6.8	.2
Other beverage materials including tea <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3
Other food at home .....	4.8	4.2	4.2	1.5	.9	2.0	6.0	1.2	2.2	2.9	.7
Sugar and sweets .....	5.1	3.8	4.4	3.6	.9	.9	.9	3.0	4.5	2.2	1.6
Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....	7.8	4.4	2.9	.0	1.0	1.1	1.8	4.2	3.4	.8	2.3
Candy and chewing gum <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.2
Other sweets <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.3
Fats and oils .....	10.0	2.6	7.7	-1.3	-7	.8	3.7	2.5	2.3	-3	.1
Butter and margarine <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-7
Butter <sup>2</sup> .....	.1	-1.7	-7.9	-5	-6.8	-6.8	-5	14.5	21.9	12.6	-2.7
Margarine <sup>2</sup> .....	16.7	2.1	5.8	-1.6	-2.2	1.1	7.0	1.6	2.8	-9	1.3
Salad dressing <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0
Other fats and oils including peanut butter <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.8
Peanut butter <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3
Other foods .....	5.0	5.7	5.2	3.0	2.2	2.6	2.2	2.7	4.5	2.5	.5
Soups .....	3.6	7.5	5.9	6.0	5.7	4.4	4.1	3.4	4.8	2.3	.3
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods .....	4.7	5.4	3.4	1.6	.5	-1	.2	.6	4.6	-9	.2
Snacks .....	4.8	4.1	3.9	1.3	-2	2.9	1.8	3.4	5.8	2.6	-3
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces .....	4.5	5.6	6.2	4.0	4.1	2.6	2.4	3.9	4.5	2.7	1.6
Salt and other seasonings and spices <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1
Olives, pickles, relishes <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-3.3
Sauces and gravies <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.4
Other condiments <sup>2</sup> .....	2.8	5.1	6.0	4.6	4.8	.0	2.1	3.6	4.3	4.9	3.4
Baby food <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.6
Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.4
Prepared salads <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food away from home .....	4.4	4.6	4.5	2.9	1.4	1.9	1.9	2.2	3.1	2.6	.1
Full service meals and snacks <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Limited service meals and snacks <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Food at employee sites and schools <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Other food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	3.9	4.8	4.2	9.9	2.9	1.5	1.0	2.0	3.6	2.2	.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**

Item and group	Percent change from previous December										Jan. 1998
	December										
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category											
Alcoholic beverages at home .....	2.3	4.3	3.8	11.6	2.1	0.5	-0.1	0.9	3.4	0.9	0.4
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home .....	2.8	4.7	3.6	11.8	2.8	.3	-1	.6	2.9	-.5	.3
Distilled spirits at home .....	1.9	4.4	4.9	9.2	1.4	.9	.8	.9	2.1	2.3	-.3
Whiskey at home <sup>2</sup> .....	.7	5.6	5.2	8.1	.9	1.7	.8	2.0	1.9	2.4	.0
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home <sup>2</sup> .....	2.7	3.9	4.4	10.1	1.2	.4	-.1	.4	1.9	2.8	-.2
Wine at home .....	1.6	3.5	2.6	14.0	1.5	.5	-1.4	1.6	6.2	2.4	.8
Alcoholic beverages away from home .....	6.0	5.3	4.7	8.2	3.8	2.6	2.4	3.2	3.8	3.7	.3
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3
Wine away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.6
Distilled spirits away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0
Housing .....	4.0	3.9	4.5	3.4	2.6	2.7	2.2	3.0	2.9	2.4	.4
Shelter .....	4.5	4.9	5.2	3.9	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.5	2.9	3.4	.6
Rent of primary residence .....	3.6	4.2	4.1	2.9	2.3	2.2	2.5	2.5	2.8	3.1	.2
Lodging away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.1
Housing at school, excluding board <sup>3</sup> .....	6.6	7.4	6.3	5.8	7.3	2.8	4.2	4.3	4.0	4.9	.0
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels .....	4.5	5.4	15.8	8.5	3.8	3.8	1.3	4.3	5.1	6.2	5.6
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	4.8	5.1	4.8	3.7	3.0	3.2	3.3	3.7	2.8	3.1	.2
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3
Fuels and utilities .....	2.9	3.2	4.0	2.9	2.3	2.5	.2	1.4	4.6	.5	-.9
Fuels .....	2.4	3.9	4.3	.9	2.3	1.7	-.5	.7	5.6	-1.1	-1.1
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	-4.6	15.5	28.6	-17.0	-3.1	-3.8	.1	1.4	23.1	-11.9	-.8
Fuel oil .....	-6.3	19.5	29.9	-19.9	-3.4	-4.6	.0	1.5	23.3	-11.7	-1.1
Other household fuels <sup>4</sup> .....	-.3	5.9	25.9	-9.6	-2.4	-2.0	.4	.8	22.9	-12.3	-.2
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	3.2	2.8	1.5	3.5	2.8	2.2	-.6	.8	3.8	.2	-1.1
Electricity .....	2.8	2.8	1.4	5.0	1.7	.6	.6	2.7	.7	-1.3	-.6
Utility natural gas service .....	3.6	2.7	1.8	.3	5.1	5.8	-3.2	-3.6	11.0	3.3	-2.4
Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Water and sewerage maintenance .....	6.1	6.6	6.2	7.8	6.6	4.8	4.2	2.9	3.5	4.0	.3
Garbage and trash collection <sup>5</sup> .....	7.9	9.7	9.8	11.5	8.5	5.2	5.0	2.9	1.8	2.0	.0
Household furnishings and operations .....	3.1	1.0	1.8	2.3	1.6	1.8	.4	2.5	1.0	.1	.4
Window and floor coverings and other linens <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.5
Floor coverings <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1
Window coverings <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.4
Other linens <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0
Furniture and bedding .....	3.5	-1.4	1.1	1.0	4.5	3.6	1.6	4.2	1.0	-.7	-.4
Bedroom furniture .....	4.7	-2.1	-1.3	4.1	6.1	5.3	-1.9	2.3	3.4	.8	-2.3
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.7
Other furniture <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.4
Appliances <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.9
Major appliances <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1
Laundry equipment <sup>2</sup> .....	4.2	-1.0	1.2	-1.5	.7	.8	3.3	-.7	3.1	.2	1.0
Other appliances <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.6
Other household equipment and furnishings <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.6
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items .....	3.0	6.5	-.2	4.6	2.1	-1.7	-.3	3.7	-4.2	3.4	-.3
Indoor plants and flowers <sup>6</sup> .....	-	-	-	7.0	5.6	-2.7	3.7	1.3	.7	-8.0	5.9
Dishes and flatware <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Nonelectric cookware and tableware <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.4
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.8
Tools, hardware and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1
Housekeeping supplies .....	4.0	5.6	3.2	1.8	-.2	1.9	.8	5.2	1.1	1.4	-.2
Household cleaning products <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Household paper products <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Miscellaneous household products <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.9
Household operations <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Domestic services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Gardening and lawncare services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0
Moving, storage, freight expense <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0
Repair of household items <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Apparel .....	4.7	1.0	5.1	3.4	1.4	.9	-1.6	.1	-.2	1.0	-1.4

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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**

Item and group	Percent change from previous December										Jan. 1998
	December										
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category											
Men's and boys' apparel .....	6.0	1.3	2.9	2.9	1.0	0.3	-1.7	0.6	1.4	2.7	-1.1
Men's apparel .....	6.1	1.9	3.2	3.1	1.3	.0	-1.4	.1	1.6	2.5	-1.2
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear .....	9.2	2.2	2.8	2.4	1.1	3.5	-1.0	-1.7	-3	1.9	.4
Men's furnishings .....	3.3	3.3	2.0	2.0	1.1	-5	-2	-2.2	3.8	7.6	-1.6
Men's shirts and sweaters <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-3.9
Men's pants and shorts .....	4.8	1.8	4.5	3.4	2.5	-1.1	-1.6	1.0	1.7	-2	1.4
Boys' apparel .....	4.9	-1.0	1.4	2.8	-1.0	1.8	-3.3	2.7	.5	3.3	-.8
Women's and girls' apparel .....	3.5	-.1	6.1	4.0	.5	1.2	-3.8	-.8	-1.1	.2	-2.8
Women's apparel .....	2.9	.2	6.6	3.1	.3	2.0	-4.4	-1.0	-.9	.6	-3.3
Women's outerwear .....	.5	4.2	7.6	3.3	4.2	4.4	-9.7	3.8	2.1	.5	-5.5
Women's dresses .....	3.0	-.8	7.0	-2.4	2.1	-2.7	-11.1	1.4	-5.8	-5.0	-6.7
Women's suits and separates <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-4.6
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.7
Girls' apparel .....	6.4	-1.0	3.5	8.8	2.1	-3.3	-.7	.4	-2.9	-1.1	.0
Footwear .....	5.9	1.1	3.2	2.9	2.7	.6	-1.7	.4	1.5	1.8	-.6
Men's footwear .....	7.0	2.3	3.0	3.0	2.7	.2	-.8	-.5	-.4	.2	-.6
Boys' and girls' footwear .....	4.3	3.3	3.7	-.2	-1.0	.5	1.0	1.5	4.2	2.4	-.1
Women's footwear .....	5.8	-.7	3.2	4.1	4.4	.7	-3.6	.6	1.5	2.6	-.9
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	2.4	-1.7	8.9	2.9	1.2	-2.8	3.3	-2.0	-1.4	-.9	-.8
Jewelry and watches <sup>4</sup> .....	7.2	3.3	6.5	3.9	2.8	1.7	5.0	.0	-5.0	-1.0	2.2
Watches <sup>4</sup> .....	4.4	-.2	2.5	3.4	-1.2	5.3	5.0	4.8	-6.1	-.3	1.1
Jewelry <sup>4</sup> .....	7.9	4.3	7.5	3.9	3.8	.9	5.1	-1.1	-4.7	-1.2	2.5
Transportation .....	3.0	4.0	10.4	-1.5	3.0	2.4	3.8	1.5	4.4	-1.4	-.3
Private transportation .....	2.9	3.9	9.8	-1.4	2.7	1.5	4.9	1.3	3.7	-1.2	-.5
New and used motor vehicles <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.5	2.4	1.0	-1.7	.2
New vehicles .....	2.2	2.4	2.0	3.2	2.3	3.3	3.3	1.9	1.8	-.9	.2
New cars and trucks <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
New cars <sup>2</sup> .....	2.1	2.3	1.4	3.3	2.3	2.8	3.2	1.6	1.6	-1.0	.2
New trucks <sup>2 5</sup> .....	2.2	3.3	4.2	3.0	2.5	4.6	3.7	2.8	2.2	-.1	.3
New motorcycles <sup>2 4</sup> .....	5.3	4.2	2.8	5.4	4.0	7.2	7.9	5.1	3.8	.8	-.1
Used cars and trucks .....	3.4	-.4	-2.2	2.6	7.4	8.0	8.8	4.4	-1.6	-4.9	.1
Car and truck rental <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2.2
Motor fuel .....	-2.1	6.8	36.5	-16.0	1.8	-5.4	5.9	-4.0	12.7	-6.2	-4.0
Gasoline (all types) .....	-1.8	6.5	36.8	-16.2	2.0	-5.9	6.4	-4.2	12.4	-6.1	-4.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>2</sup> .....	-2.5	5.5	38.9	-16.7	1.9	-6.7	7.2	-4.4	13.4	-6.6	-4.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>2 7</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	-4.5	11.7	-5.8	-3.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>2</sup> .....	-.7	6.1	32.0	-14.6	1.8	-4.7	5.2	-4.8	10.9	-5.6	-3.5
Other motor fuels <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2.0
Motor vehicle parts and equipment .....	2.3	2.2	.9	1.6	-.6	-1.6	.5	.5	-.1	-.9	-.1
Tires .....	4.0	2.3	-.1	2.3	-.5	-1.4	2.2	.2	.0	-2.8	-.2
Vehicle accessories other than tires <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires <sup>2</sup> .....	.8	2.1	2.0	.7	-.6	-1.6	-1.3	.9	-.3	1.1	.2
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids <sup>2</sup> .....	9.6	-.3	7.0	.8	-.3	.6	6.1	3.2	1.5	-.2	-.3
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....	3.9	4.4	4.4	4.5	3.5	3.1	2.8	2.5	3.1	2.6	.2
Motor vehicle body work .....	4.6	6.0	3.4	2.5	2.7	2.9	3.8	3.5	4.6	4.5	.2
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing .....	3.3	3.1	3.7	5.4	2.1	2.0	1.4	2.1	2.8	2.6	.4
Motor vehicle repair <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Motor vehicle insurance .....	8.4	5.9	7.5	8.0	6.6	5.0	3.4	4.3	3.8	2.4	.3
Motor vehicle fees <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.2
State and local registration and license <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.3
Parking and other fees <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.3
Parking fees and tolls <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.5
Automobile service clubs <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3
Public transportation .....	3.6	4.1	17.2	-3.0	5.6	11.6	-6.2	3.1	11.2	-2.9	1.5
Airline fare .....	3.3	5.3	22.7	-6.0	6.6	17.0	-9.5	1.8	14.7	-4.8	2.7
Other intercity transportation .....	7.1	1.7	6.6	2.4	.1	-2.8	2.3	.8	1.7	.7	.4
Ship fare <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.8
Intracity transportation .....	2.9	2.1	7.7	3.8	5.0	2.8	1.0	7.6	5.8	1.1	-.6
Medical care .....	6.9	8.5	9.6	7.9	6.6	5.4	4.9	3.9	3.0	2.8	.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**

Item and group	Percent change from previous December											Jan. 1998
	December											
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997		
Expenditure category												
Medical care commodities .....	6.9	8.2	8.4	7.5	5.2	3.1	3.0	1.8	2.6	2.3	0.4	
Prescription drugs and medical supplies .....	7.8	9.5	9.9	9.4	5.7	3.3	3.3	2.0	3.2	2.5	.4	
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies <sup>4</sup> .....	5.0	5.8	5.5	3.6	3.9	2.7	2.3	1.4	1.3	1.7	.4	
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs .....	5.3	5.6	6.0	2.5	4.4	2.7	.8	.8	2.1	1.1	.0	
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies .....	4.6	6.1	4.5	5.7	2.9	2.6	4.9	2.4	-1.1	2.9	1.2	
Medical care services .....	6.9	8.6	9.9	8.0	7.0	5.9	5.4	4.4	3.2	2.9	.5	
Professional services .....	6.8	6.5	6.7	6.1	5.7	4.5	4.6	4.0	3.5	3.1	.5	
Physicians' services .....	7.5	7.2	7.4	5.5	6.3	5.1	4.4	4.4	3.0	2.7	.4	
Dental services .....	6.7	6.4	6.7	8.2	5.8	4.4	5.4	4.5	5.1	4.0	.7	
Eyeglasses and eye care <sup>4</sup> .....	4.7	3.4	4.5	3.6	3.7	2.0	3.3	2.4	1.2	1.9	.1	
Services by other medical professionals <sup>4</sup> .....	5.6	5.7	5.1	5.5	3.1	3.2	4.0	.8	3.0	3.1	.7	
Hospital and related services .....	11.0	11.3	11.3	8.9	8.8	7.6	5.5	4.6	4.1	3.2	.4	
Hospital services <sup>8</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.2	.3	
Inpatient hospital services <sup>2 8</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	.3	
Outpatient hospital services <sup>2 4</sup> .....	9.2	11.7	11.2	9.8	9.8	7.9	5.5	4.8	4.8	4.2	.1	
Nursing homes and adult daycare <sup>8</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.9	.7	
Recreation <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.4	2.8	3.0	1.5	.3	
Video and audio <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2.5	.4	3.3	2.4	.6	
Televisions .....	-1.4	-1.3	-3.6	-1.1	-1.2	-1.7	-1.4	-4.0	-5.3	-4.3	-2	
Cable television <sup>5</sup> .....	10.6	3.8	13.1	8.6	3.7	7.0	-2.6	4.1	7.8	6.9	1.8	
Other video equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.0	
Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.8	
Video cassettes and discs, blank and prerecorded <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.1	
Rental of video tapes and discs <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-3.6	
Audio equipment .....	-4	2.6	-1.1	1.8	-1.5	.4	-1.0	-2.6	-6	-2.0	-6	
Audio discs, tapes and other media <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-4	
Pets, pet products and services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.6	
Pets and pet products .....	4.6	4.4	3.7	1.7	-1.0	.9	1.0	3.5	5.3	-4	.8	
Pet food <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0	
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1	
Pet services including veterinary <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2	
Pet services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3	
Veterinarian services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1	
Sporting goods .....	4.4	2.1	1.8	3.7	.1	.3	3.2	-6	-1	-4	.7	
Sports vehicles including bicycles .....	4.0	2.3	2.0	1.5	2.1	-1	3.9	.1	.1	-5	.6	
Sports equipment .....	4.7	1.9	1.4	5.6	-1.5	.5	2.5	-1.1	-3	-3	.8	
Photography <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1	
Photographic equipment and supplies .....	5.8	3.4	1.4	.9	2.2	1.7	-3.2	1.9	-4	.8	-1	
Film and photographic supplies <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.5	
Photographic equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.0	
Photographers and film processing <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1	
Photographer fees <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1	
Film processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0	
Other recreational goods <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-9	
Toys .....	4.1	2.4	1.5	1.1	2.5	1.5	-9	1.0	2.8	-1.6	-1.0	
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-4	
Video game hardware, software and accessories <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-3.7	
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-8	
Music instruments and accessories <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1	
Recreation services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2	
Club membership dues and fees for participant sports <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3	
Admissions .....	3.8	9.5	5.2	4.8	3.9	1.8	4.0	5.3	4.0	3.4	.2	
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0	
Admission to sporting events <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.8	
Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>4</sup> .....	4.6	8.9	4.8	5.6	5.1	4.0	4.9	3.0	5.9	5.2	-2	
Recreational reading materials .....	4.2	4.7	4.6	6.4	3.7	3.5	3.6	5.9	2.6	1.1	.2	
Newspapers and magazines <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3	
Recreational books <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1	
Education and communication <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	4.0	3.4	3.0	-1	

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Item and group	Percent change from previous December										Jan. 1998
	December										
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category											
Education <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.8	5.6	4.9	5.2	0.3
Educational books and supplies .....	6.9	7.8	6.5	5.7	4.9	3.4	3.5	5.6	5.5	5.1	.9
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....	7.6	7.9	7.9	9.8	8.5	7.1	5.9	5.6	4.9	5.2	.2
College tuition and fees .....	7.7	8.1	8.2	12.1	10.0	7.9	6.3	5.7	5.3	4.6	.3
Elementary and high school tuition and fees .....	8.4	8.8	8.7	7.5	7.9	5.9	6.2	6.6	4.6	7.2	.0
Child care and nursery school <sup>6</sup> .....	-	-	-	6.3	4.4	5.1	4.7	3.8	3.7	4.6	.4
Technical and business school tuition and fees <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2
Communication <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0	1.7	1.3	-3	-4
Postage and delivery services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0
Postage .....	13.5	.0	.0	16.1	.0	.0	.0	10.3	.0	.0	.0
Delivery services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.6	1.4	-3	-4
Information and information processing <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0	-	-	-	-1
Telephone services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2
Telephone services, local charges .....	4.5	.6	1.0	5.1	.5	1.0	-3	2.6	.9	1.0	.0
Telephone services, long distance charges <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2
Interstate toll calls <sup>2</sup> .....	-4.2	-1.3	-3.7	1.3	-1.3	6.5	5.4	.1	3.7	-4.3	.0
Intrastate toll calls <sup>2</sup> .....	-4.2	-2.6	-2.2	-1.5	-2.4	.2	-1.0	-3.8	6.1	2.8	-4
Cellular telephone services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.0
Information and information processing other than telephone services <sup>9</sup> .....	-	-7.3	-2.6	-4.1	-6.1	-7.6	-9.1	-10.7	-11.6	-12.1	-2.5
Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-3.1
Computer software and accessories <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2.9
Computer information processing services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Other information processing equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-4
Other goods and services .....	7.0	8.2	7.6	8.0	6.5	2.7	4.2	4.3	3.6	5.2	.5
Tobacco and smoking products .....	9.4	14.7	10.8	11.1	8.1	-5.9	3.0	2.7	2.7	7.2	1.0
Cigarettes <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0
Tobacco products other than cigarettes <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.8
Personal care .....	5.1	3.8	4.2	2.5	2.9	2.5	1.9	2.1	1.1	2.3	.4
Personal care products .....	5.7	2.5	4.2	2.7	3.3	1.7	1.8	1.1	-9	1.8	.6
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements .....	5.3	1.9	5.9	3.0	1.4	4.7	1.0	1.5	2.5	2.2	1.1
Personal care services .....	4.4	5.4	4.1	2.2	2.4	3.4	2.1	3.4	3.2	3.0	.2
Haircuts and other personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Miscellaneous personal services .....	5.1	5.8	7.0	6.4	4.3	5.8	4.8	5.3	4.0	5.4	.4
Legal services <sup>4</sup> .....	4.5	6.3	6.8	5.7	4.0	5.8	1.9	3.8	3.8	5.1	.7
Funeral expenses <sup>4</sup> .....	4.1	4.8	6.6	5.9	4.1	5.4	5.8	5.4	4.7	5.1	.3
Laundry and dry cleaning services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Financial services <sup>4</sup> .....	6.9	5.9	7.7	8.3	5.0	6.6	7.8	7.1	3.4	6.0	.4
Checking account and other bank services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees <sup>1 2</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0
Miscellaneous personal goods <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap <sup>2</sup> .....	3.8	3.0	4.4	4.8	3.0	3.7	1.5	6.5	3.1	4.2	.3
Special aggregate indexes											
Commodities .....	3.8	4.1	6.6	1.2	2.0	1.5	2.3	1.4	3.2	.2	-1
Commodities less food and beverages .....	3.1	3.3	7.5	.3	2.3	.6	2.0	1.0	2.5	-7	-5
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	3.7	4.8	12.3	-1.0	2.3	-7	1.3	.5	3.8	-1	-1.1
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	3.0	7.2	16.2	-3.2	2.9	-1.5	3.0	.9	5.9	-7	-1.0
Durables .....	2.5	1.2	.9	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.9	1.7	.7	-1.5	.2
Services .....	4.8	5.1	5.7	4.6	3.6	3.8	2.9	3.5	3.3	2.8	.4
Rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	4.5	4.9	5.3	3.9	2.9	3.0	2.9	3.5	2.9	3.3	.6
Transportation services .....	6.0	4.9	8.2	2.5	3.6	4.8	2.5	3.0	4.4	1.0	.6
Other services .....	5.6	6.5	6.5	6.2	5.3	5.1	4.0	4.4	3.9	4.0	.3
All items less food .....	4.2	4.5	6.3	3.3	3.2	2.7	2.6	2.7	3.1	1.8	.1
All items less shelter .....	4.3	4.6	6.5	2.7	3.0	2.6	2.5	2.3	3.4	1.1	.0
All items less medical care .....	4.2	4.5	5.9	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.5	3.3	1.6	.2
Commodities less food .....	3.2	3.3	7.4	.8	2.4	.6	1.9	1.1	2.6	-5	-5
Nondurables less food .....	3.7	4.7	11.6	-2	2.4	-5	1.3	.7	3.8	.0	-1.0
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	3.1	6.8	14.7	-1.6	2.8	-1.1	2.7	1.1	5.6	-4	-9
Nondurables .....	4.4	5.2	8.5	.8	1.9	1.1	2.0	1.4	4.0	.8	-2
Apparel less footwear .....	4.6	.7	5.3	3.6	.9	.7	-1.8	-2	-9	.8	-1.6
Services less rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	5.2	5.1	6.2	5.1	4.4	4.4	2.9	3.4	3.8	2.3	.2
Services less medical care services .....	4.6	4.7	5.4	4.2	3.3	3.5	2.6	3.3	3.4	2.8	.4
Energy .....	.5	5.1	18.1	-7.4	2.0	-1.4	2.2	-1.3	8.6	-3.4	-2.3

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**

Item and group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										Jan. 1998
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Special aggregate indexes											
All items less energy .....	4.7	4.6	5.2	3.9	3.0	3.1	2.6	2.9	2.9	2.1	0.4
All items less food and energy .....	4.7	4.4	5.2	4.4	3.3	3.2	2.6	3.0	2.6	2.2	.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	4.0	2.7	3.4	4.0	2.5	1.6	1.4	1.7	1.1	.4	-.1
Energy commodities .....	-2.3	7.9	35.4	-16.1	1.2	-5.1	5.2	-3.3	13.8	-6.9	-3.7
Services less energy services .....	5.0	5.3	6.0	4.6	3.7	3.9	3.2	3.6	3.3	3.0	.5
Domestically produced farm food .....	5.9	6.7	6.3	1.3	1.7	3.5	2.5	2.3	5.7	.6	1.1
Utilities and public transportation .....	3.5	2.8	5.0	3.1	3.2	4.4	-1.0	1.8	5.0	.4	-.1

<sup>1</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>2</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

- 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	-	-	13.7	-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
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

See footnotes at end of table.

**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.
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	157.4	157.5	157.8	158.3	158.5	158.5	158.2	157.0	158.1	157.6	1.5	2.3
1998	158.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Data not available.

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



**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)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes										Jan. 1998
	December										
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category											
All Items .....	119.2	124.6	132.2	135.9	139.8	143.3	147.2	150.9	155.9	158.2	158.4
All Items (1967=100) .....	355.0	371.1	393.8	404.7	416.3	426.8	438.6	449.5	464.3	471.3	471.9
Food and beverages .....	120.3	126.9	133.6	136.9	139.1	142.9	146.6	149.8	156.1	158.5	159.6
Food .....	120.4	127.1	133.9	136.3	138.3	142.2	146.2	149.4	155.8	158.1	159.3
Food at home .....	118.8	126.2	133.5	135.0	137.0	141.7	146.3	149.5	156.9	158.2	159.9
Cereals and bakery products .....	126.7	136.0	142.3	147.2	153.0	158.6	163.9	169.2	175.4	178.1	178.8
Cereals and cereal products .....	126.8	136.1	143.1	148.2	153.5	158.7	163.6	167.8	165.7	168.8	169.3
Flour and prepared flour mixes .....	112.6	120.8	123.5	123.3	129.5	129.3	131.5	140.0	150.6	150.0	158.1
Breakfast cereal .....	138.9	152.4	163.3	171.1	177.7	186.1	190.5	193.6	185.4	188.6	187.0
Rice, pasta, cornmeal .....	118.7	120.4	122.9	126.4	128.9	131.7	139.6	143.1	144.2	150.1	150.2
Bakery products .....	126.4	135.7	141.6	146.4	152.5	158.2	163.8	169.5	179.7	182.2	183.0
Bread <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.4
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.1
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies .....	128.7	138.8	146.7	153.7	157.3	162.5	168.5	170.7	177.8	179.1	179.2
Other bakery products .....	126.7	137.8	142.4	147.9	155.5	158.4	163.6	168.0	178.4	179.0	181.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	115.8	123.8	133.6	131.5	132.1	136.9	136.0	141.7	149.8	148.0	148.0
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	116.9	123.0	133.9	132.0	133.1	138.2	137.3	141.4	148.9	147.8	148.1
Meats .....	112.7	120.1	133.8	130.8	131.2	136.0	133.7	137.3	144.5	143.3	143.2
Beef and veal .....	114.6	122.3	133.2	131.7	132.8	137.7	134.7	134.4	137.8	136.6	136.6
Uncooked ground beef .....	104.7	112.6	121.2	119.5	118.8	123.2	117.7	115.7	117.6	116.3	117.4
Uncooked beef roasts <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.4
Uncooked beef steaks <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.3
Uncooked other beef and veal <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9
Pork .....	109.6	117.3	136.8	128.6	127.7	133.4	130.3	140.0	155.5	153.1	152.3
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products <sup>1</sup> ....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.0
Ham .....	115.7	121.6	143.7	136.8	134.9	136.9	134.9	144.6	156.9	153.9	151.9
Pork chops .....	114.7	124.1	142.6	136.4	140.0	146.5	139.3	146.9	156.9	150.9	151.7
Other pork including roasts and picnics <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9
Other meats .....	112.7	119.0	131.3	132.3	132.6	136.1	136.9	141.2	146.0	146.6	147.5
Poultry .....	126.9	127.4	129.2	129.8	133.4	140.7	140.2	146.0	157.5	155.0	155.2
Chicken <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.5
Other poultry including turkey <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.4
Fish and seafood .....	139.7	144.8	148.8	151.2	153.8	158.8	167.1	172.3	176.5	178.0	181.7
Fresh fish and seafood <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.3
Processed fish and seafood <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.4
Eggs .....	99.0	134.3	128.0	122.7	117.0	114.8	115.3	144.8	162.3	150.1	142.8
Dairy and related products .....	111.2	122.8	126.5	127.2	128.9	130.0	131.4	134.7	148.5	147.5	147.9
Milk <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.8
Cheese and related products .....	112.3	126.8	132.7	134.9	135.1	134.0	135.2	138.4	149.8	147.7	148.0
Ice cream and related products .....	114.9	123.1	128.5	129.9	130.5	131.2	136.0	139.7	150.4	151.9	153.7
Other dairy and related products <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.9
Fruits and vegetables .....	130.8	135.8	145.7	152.1	155.3	165.4	178.8	177.0	186.0	190.0	200.9
Fresh fruits and vegetables .....	137.6	144.0	156.1	168.5	172.8	188.6	210.8	205.2	214.3	220.7	236.1
Fresh fruits .....	143.1	152.3	169.5	188.1	180.0	202.6	209.8	222.0	248.1	236.0	237.5
Apples .....	133.0	124.6	151.9	170.4	154.2	167.2	163.5	188.0	195.2	194.9	198.1
Bananas .....	115.9	122.7	128.1	127.6	124.0	127.2	142.7	146.4	157.2	151.3	154.5
Citrus fruits <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.7
Other fresh fruits <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	97.1
Fresh vegetables .....	132.3	135.9	143.1	149.3	166.0	175.1	212.0	189.0	181.2	205.8	233.4
Potatoes .....	127.7	139.3	133.5	128.2	136.8	164.9	154.1	175.2	160.2	175.0	180.4
Lettuce .....	173.6	135.3	151.3	169.6	180.7	151.4	269.0	171.1	183.1	215.4	286.0
Tomatoes .....	123.0	139.2	128.2	123.1	190.9	194.6	229.9	239.2	190.5	249.5	236.1
Other fresh vegetables .....	129.2	135.0	150.8	162.4	167.4	179.6	217.6	184.1	187.5	203.6	245.4
Processed fruits and vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.6
Canned fruits and vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.9
Frozen fruits and vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.6
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3

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)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										Jan. 1998
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category											
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	107.8	111.2	113.3	112.9	112.7	115.1	130.6	128.8	126.5	131.7	132.9
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.1
Carbonated drinks .....	105.2	110.4	111.3	112.3	114.0	116.0	115.7	119.1	118.5	116.3	118.7
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.9
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9
Beverage materials including coffee and tea <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0
Coffee .....	116.6	115.2	117.0	111.0	104.9	110.5	172.3	155.6	144.9	169.3	168.9
Other beverage materials including tea <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3
Other food at home .....	115.1	120.1	125.1	127.0	128.2	130.8	138.3	140.1	143.2	147.1	148.1
Sugar and sweets .....	116.7	121.1	126.3	130.6	131.9	133.1	134.4	138.4	144.5	147.7	150.2
Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....	110.3	115.2	118.4	118.4	119.6	120.8	123.2	128.3	132.7	133.7	136.8
Candy and chewing gum <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.3
Other sweets <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.4
Fats and oils .....	118.3	121.5	130.8	129.1	128.3	129.3	134.1	137.3	140.4	140.0	140.4
Butter and margarine <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.4
Salad dressing <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Other fats and oils including peanut butter <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.9
Other foods .....	120.5	127.4	134.0	138.1	141.0	144.7	148.0	151.9	158.8	162.7	163.6
Soups .....	123.4	132.6	140.7	149.0	157.5	164.3	171.3	177.4	185.6	189.6	190.0
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods .....	124.0	130.8	135.3	137.4	138.1	137.5	137.9	138.4	145.3	144.1	144.4
Snacks .....	121.4	126.1	131.1	132.6	132.1	136.0	138.5	143.3	151.5	155.1	154.7
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces .....	118.1	124.7	132.5	137.8	143.5	147.3	150.8	156.8	163.9	168.4	171.1
Baby food <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.6
Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.5
Food away from home .....	124.0	129.7	135.6	139.4	141.6	144.1	147.0	150.3	155.0	159.0	159.3
Full service meals and snacks <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Limited service meals and snacks <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Food at employee sites and schools <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Other food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	119.5	125.2	130.5	143.5	147.7	150.0	151.4	154.3	159.9	163.1	163.6
Alcoholic beverages at home .....	114.4	119.4	123.9	138.2	141.3	142.0	141.7	143.0	147.7	148.4	149.0
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home .....	114.3	119.7	124.1	138.9	142.8	143.2	142.9	144.1	148.1	147.2	147.9
Distilled spirits at home .....	116.7	121.9	127.9	139.3	141.3	142.8	143.8	145.0	147.9	151.2	151.1
Wine at home .....	107.5	110.8	114.0	129.3	131.3	131.6	130.0	131.7	139.9	143.0	143.9
Alcoholic beverages away from home .....	132.6	139.5	146.3	158.0	164.0	168.8	172.5	178.0	185.2	192.1	192.2
Housing .....	118.5	123.1	128.3	132.7	136.1	139.7	142.7	146.7	151.0	154.4	154.8
Shelter .....	126.5	132.6	139.3	144.6	148.7	153.1	157.7	163.1	167.7	173.1	173.9
Rent of primary residence .....	129.7	135.0	140.6	144.8	148.2	151.6	155.4	159.3	163.7	168.8	169.2
Lodging away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.8
Housing at school, excluding board <sup>2</sup> .....	144.9	155.5	165.0	175.7	189.7	193.8	202.9	211.8	219.2	231.2	231.2
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels .....	126.2	134.4	155.2	168.6	174.5	181.2	184.4	191.1	201.1	213.2	224.6
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>2</sup> .....	122.2	128.5	134.5	139.7	143.8	148.4	153.3	159.0	163.4	168.3	168.7
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.4
Fuels and utilities .....	104.8	108.0	112.1	115.7	118.4	121.5	121.6	123.3	129.0	129.7	128.6
Fuels .....	97.2	100.7	104.7	105.9	108.4	110.2	109.5	110.2	116.5	115.2	113.9
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	76.7	88.1	113.4	94.4	91.7	88.2	88.3	89.5	110.6	97.0	96.2
Fuel oil .....	74.4	89.0	115.6	92.5	89.5	85.4	85.4	86.8	106.9	94.2	93.2
Other household fuels <sup>3</sup> .....	102.2	108.3	136.6	123.2	120.3	117.8	118.2	119.2	147.9	128.5	128.0
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	103.9	106.7	108.2	111.9	115.1	117.7	116.8	117.5	122.3	122.4	121.0
Electricity .....	110.2	113.1	114.5	120.4	122.4	123.0	123.8	127.2	128.1	126.4	125.6
Utility natural gas service .....	95.2	97.7	99.4	99.3	104.7	110.9	107.0	102.8	114.9	118.3	115.5
Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Water and sewerage maintenance .....	135.1	144.1	152.6	163.8	174.3	182.9	190.5	195.9	202.6	210.6	211.2
Garbage and trash collection <sup>4</sup> .....	146.7	161.0	177.1	197.6	214.6	225.7	236.8	243.3	247.9	252.8	253.0
Household furnishings and operations .....	110.2	111.1	113.0	115.4	117.2	119.0	119.7	122.4	123.5	123.6	124.1
Window and floor coverings and other linens <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.1
Floor coverings <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9
Window coverings <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.5
Other linens <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.8
Furniture and bedding .....	115.0	113.0	114.2	115.5	120.5	123.9	125.4	130.7	131.9	130.6	130.2
Bedroom furniture .....	121.6	118.8	117.1	122.0	128.3	134.6	132.2	134.8	139.6	141.5	138.8
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.6
Other furniture <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.5

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)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										Jan. 1998
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category											
Appliances <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.0
Major appliances <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.2
Other appliances <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.6
Other household equipment and furnishings <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.7
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items .....	105.8	112.2	112.3	116.2	119.0	115.0	114.5	118.7	114.1	118.4	118.0
Indoor plants and flowers <sup>5</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	107.3	113.2	110.4	114.7	116.3	117.0	107.3	114.1
Dishes and flatware <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.5
Nonelectric cookware and tableware <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.4
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.9
Tools, hardware and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3
Outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.3
Housekeeping supplies .....	117.4	123.8	127.8	130.4	130.0	131.9	133.3	139.9	142.0	144.3	143.8
Household cleaning products <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Household paper products <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Miscellaneous household products <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	98.7
Household operations <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Domestic services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Gardening and lawn care services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0
Moving, storage, freight expense <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0
Repair of household items <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Apparel .....	117.6	118.5	124.5	128.4	130.4	131.3	129.3	129.5	129.3	130.3	128.7
Men's and boys' apparel .....	116.5	118.0	121.4	124.9	126.4	127.0	124.5	125.8	127.5	130.7	129.4
Men's apparel .....	117.8	120.1	123.9	127.7	129.9	130.3	128.2	128.7	130.9	133.9	132.4
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear .....	121.5	124.6	127.8	131.0	133.6	140.4	137.3	135.5	134.7	135.9	136.1
Men's furnishings .....	113.4	116.8	119.5	122.1	123.2	123.1	123.9	120.5	125.7	136.1	134.5
Men's shirts and sweaters <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	96.1
Men's pants and shorts .....	113.8	116.3	120.7	124.9	128.2	127.2	125.6	127.1	129.0	128.9	130.8
Boys' apparel .....	112.4	111.5	113.3	116.3	115.3	116.6	112.9	116.4	116.7	120.5	119.8
Women's and girls' apparel .....	116.2	115.5	122.6	126.7	127.6	128.4	124.0	123.3	121.7	121.5	118.5
Women's apparel .....	115.8	115.1	122.8	125.7	126.1	128.1	123.2	122.2	120.8	120.8	117.1
Women's outerwear .....	102.7	104.0	115.2	118.4	121.9	128.9	118.6	121.3	126.1	129.2	122.0
Women's dresses .....	126.2	123.0	132.7	128.4	132.4	128.8	114.2	116.7	105.9	100.5	95.1
Women's suits and separates <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	95.5
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.5
Girls' apparel .....	117.9	117.4	121.6	131.7	135.1	130.0	127.6	128.6	126.2	125.0	125.5
Footwear .....	114.0	115.4	119.3	122.5	125.6	126.6	124.2	125.0	127.0	129.2	128.4
Men's footwear .....	119.8	122.2	125.6	129.6	132.6	134.1	132.1	132.3	131.4	131.4	130.6
Boys' and girls' footwear .....	114.7	118.6	123.5	123.0	122.7	122.7	123.9	125.8	131.2	135.0	134.6
Women's footwear .....	108.3	107.4	111.0	115.8	120.7	121.9	117.3	118.0	120.2	123.1	121.9
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	120.3	119.3	127.9	131.8	133.1	128.1	132.9	129.8	128.1	126.5	125.3
Jewelry and watches <sup>3</sup> .....	116.2	120.3	127.3	131.3	136.6	140.1	144.9	144.2	138.4	137.7	140.6
Watches <sup>3</sup> .....	107.8	107.5	110.7	113.6	111.9	118.6	122.9	129.3	120.9	121.1	122.3
Jewelry <sup>3</sup> .....	118.6	124.0	132.0	136.4	143.6	146.3	151.2	148.5	143.4	142.4	145.8
Transportation .....	110.4	114.8	126.7	124.5	128.2	130.8	136.7	138.9	144.8	142.4	141.7
Private transportation .....	109.5	113.8	125.3	123.2	126.6	128.5	135.2	137.2	142.4	140.1	139.3
New and used motor vehicles <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	93.7	98.5	101.3	102.1	100.0	100.1
New vehicles .....	118.8	122.0	124.4	128.5	131.7	136.2	140.9	143.7	146.5	145.3	145.6
Used cars and trucks .....	120.1	119.5	116.9	120.2	129.7	140.2	152.1	159.1	156.8	149.5	149.7
Car and truck rental <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	97.8
Motor fuel .....	80.4	85.9	117.1	98.5	99.9	94.6	100.2	96.4	108.9	101.7	97.6
Gasoline (all types) .....	80.4	85.6	117.0	98.3	99.9	94.0	100.0	95.9	108.3	101.2	97.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....	78.8	83.2	115.4	96.2	97.6	91.1	97.6	93.5	106.5	98.9	94.8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.3	100.6	112.4	105.9	101.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....	84.7	90.0	118.7	101.5	103.0	98.1	103.2	98.3	109.2	102.8	99.1
Other motor fuels <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	98.0
Motor vehicle parts and equipment .....	98.4	100.6	101.5	103.0	102.2	100.7	101.0	101.6	101.4	100.8	100.7
Tires .....	96.8	98.8	98.6	100.8	100.4	98.9	101.1	101.2	101.2	98.2	98.1
Vehicle accessories other than tires <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....	121.5	126.9	132.8	138.8	143.9	148.3	152.6	156.6	161.4	165.7	166.0
Motor vehicle body work .....	126.5	134.0	139.5	142.9	147.0	150.8	155.7	161.4	168.6	176.5	176.7
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing .....	118.3	122.0	126.8	133.7	136.5	139.3	141.4	144.4	148.6	152.7	153.1
Motor vehicle repair <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0

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)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										Jan. 1998
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category											
Motor vehicle insurance .....	160.9	170.6	183.7	198.6	211.5	221.9	229.5	239.6	249.0	255.3	256.2
Motor vehicle fees <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.1
State and local registration and license <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.5
Parking and other fees <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.1
Public transportation .....	125.4	130.1	150.3	147.8	155.5	171.1	162.5	169.0	186.9	182.5	184.7
Airline fare .....	126.5	133.1	163.4	154.0	163.6	191.8	173.5	177.2	204.5	193.9	199.0
Other Intercity transportation .....	136.8	140.5	149.3	154.2	155.4	149.6	152.3	154.9	157.9	160.3	161.0
Intracity transportation .....	123.5	125.9	135.7	140.7	147.6	152.0	153.3	164.9	174.1	176.2	175.0
Medical care .....	142.8	154.7	168.8	182.0	194.3	204.5	214.6	223.1	230.1	236.5	237.4
Medical care commodities .....	143.1	154.8	168.0	180.3	189.4	195.1	200.8	204.2	209.4	214.1	214.7
Prescription drugs and medical supplies .....	156.9	171.8	189.0	206.8	218.3	225.2	233.2	237.8	244.9	251.0	252.0
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies <sup>3</sup> .....	110.4	116.8	123.6	127.7	133.0	136.5	138.7	140.4	142.5	144.8	145.1
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs .....	133.2	140.3	148.9	152.7	159.2	163.3	164.7	165.9	169.0	171.6	171.7
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies .....	126.6	135.7	142.4	150.5	156.1	160.4	167.0	171.2	171.6	175.0	176.2
Medical care services .....	142.7	154.7	169.0	182.4	195.4	206.6	217.7	227.4	234.7	241.6	242.5
Professional services .....	141.0	150.2	160.3	170.2	180.0	188.0	196.9	204.9	212.3	218.9	219.8
Physicians' services .....	143.6	154.0	165.4	174.5	185.5	194.8	203.6	212.5	219.1	225.3	226.0
Dental services .....	140.8	150.0	159.7	172.9	182.8	190.9	201.3	210.1	220.9	229.6	231.3
Eyeglasses and eye care <sup>3</sup> .....	109.8	113.8	119.0	123.2	127.8	130.5	135.2	138.5	140.4	142.8	142.9
Services by other medical professionals <sup>3</sup> .....	110.8	117.2	122.8	129.2	133.9	138.1	144.3	146.8	151.5	156.8	157.8
Hospital and related services .....	150.0	166.8	184.4	201.2	218.9	235.1	248.5	260.0	270.4	278.7	279.6
Hospital services <sup>8</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.0	103.3
Inpatient hospital services <sup>6 8</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.3	102.7
Outpatient hospital services <sup>6 3</sup> .....	117.1	131.1	145.9	160.4	176.0	189.3	200.2	209.4	219.5	228.6	229.0
Nursing homes and adult daycare <sup>8</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.0	104.6
Recreation <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	92.2	93.2	95.6	98.5	100.0	100.3
Video and audio <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	96.5	93.9	94.3	97.5	100.0	100.5
Televisions .....	76.4	74.8	72.2	71.4	70.9	69.4	68.2	65.2	61.7	59.3	59.2
Cable television <sup>4</sup> .....	141.6	147.1	166.9	181.2	188.4	201.7	195.8	203.5	219.5	234.6	238.8
Other video equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	98.9
Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental <sup>1</sup> ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	98.3
Audio equipment .....	91.9	94.0	93.1	94.9	93.5	94.2	93.2	90.8	90.2	88.4	87.9
Audio discs, tapes and other media <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.6
Pets, pet products and services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.6
Pets and pet products .....	117.7	122.8	127.3	129.5	128.5	129.3	130.7	135.4	142.4	141.9	143.1
Pet services including veterinary <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Sporting goods .....	112.5	115.9	116.5	120.5	121.6	122.6	126.1	124.5	124.6	124.5	125.6
Sports vehicles including bicycles .....	113.2	117.7	117.8	120.4	123.5	124.9	128.8	127.3	127.4	127.7	129.0
Sports equipment .....	109.0	110.8	112.1	118.0	116.3	116.7	119.7	118.0	118.0	117.3	118.2
Photography <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9
Photographic equipment and supplies .....	123.5	127.8	129.7	131.1	134.1	136.5	131.4	133.8	133.9	134.6	134.4
Photographers and film processing <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9
Other recreational goods <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.1
Toys .....	112.3	114.8	116.6	117.9	121.3	123.2	122.2	123.5	127.4	125.2	123.9
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.7
Music instruments and accessories <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Recreation services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Club membership dues and fees for participant sports <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.4
Admissions .....	132.8	145.8	153.1	160.5	166.6	169.9	176.2	185.7	193.3	199.8	200.2
Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>3</sup> .....	110.6	119.6	126.1	133.6	140.7	146.3	154.0	158.6	167.3	175.8	175.5
Recreational reading materials .....	126.7	132.5	138.6	147.8	153.4	159.0	164.8	174.5	179.3	181.3	181.5
Newspapers and magazines <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Recreational books <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.8
Education and communication <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	87.8	90.4	94.0	97.1	100.0	100.0
Education <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	81.1	85.6	90.4	94.8	100.0	100.3
Educational books and supplies .....	151.1	162.9	173.9	184.4	194.9	202.3	208.5	220.3	232.9	245.2	247.5
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....	157.1	169.6	182.7	199.4	214.4	228.7	242.0	255.8	267.9	282.7	283.5
College tuition and fees .....	156.2	169.3	183.6	205.0	223.8	240.3	255.3	271.2	286.1	300.9	301.7
Elementary and high school tuition and fees .....	161.9	176.2	191.4	206.2	222.7	235.4	250.2	266.9	279.3	299.4	299.4
Child care and nursery school <sup>5</sup> .....	-	-	100.0	106.3	110.8	116.7	122.7	127.5	132.1	138.7	139.2
Technical and business school tuition and fees .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9

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)

Item and group	Unadjusted Indexes										
	December										Jan. 1998
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category											
Communication <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	96.8	96.9	98.7	100.1	100.0	99.7
Postage and delivery services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0
Postage .....	125.4	125.4	125.4	145.7	145.7	145.7	145.7	160.8	160.8	160.8	160.8
Delivery services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Information and information processing <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	97.6	97.9	98.5	100.1	100.0	99.6
Telephone services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9
Telephone services, local charges .....	144.8	145.5	147.0	154.7	155.3	156.9	156.3	159.9	161.3	163.0	163.1
Telephone services, long distance charges <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.8
Cellular telephone services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.1
Information and information processing other than telephone services <sup>9</sup> .....	100.0	92.7	89.7	86.9	80.6	74.2	68.2	61.4	54.9	48.9	47.7
Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	96.6
Computer software and accessories <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	97.4
Computer information processing services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Other information processing equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.7
Other goods and services .....	140.6	152.7	164.4	177.7	189.0	192.0	200.0	208.1	215.2	226.9	228.2
Tobacco and smoking products .....	150.2	171.8	190.1	211.5	229.0	215.4	222.2	228.4	233.9	250.9	253.6
Cigarettes <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.1
Tobacco products other than cigarettes <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.5
Personal care .....	122.3	126.9	132.2	135.7	139.9	143.2	146.1	148.9	150.4	153.9	154.5
Personal care products .....	121.5	124.7	130.0	133.7	138.6	140.7	143.5	144.7	143.5	146.1	147.0
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements .....	122.2	124.8	132.0	136.0	138.5	144.7	146.8	148.9	153.1	156.7	158.5
Personal care services .....	123.0	129.4	134.9	137.9	141.3	146.2	149.2	154.2	159.4	164.1	164.5
Haircuts and other personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3
Miscellaneous personal services .....	143.0	151.0	160.1	170.5	177.6	188.9	198.8	208.9	217.8	228.9	229.8
Legal services <sup>3</sup> .....	109.8	116.4	121.7	129.2	133.6	144.0	147.2	153.1	159.7	166.5	167.8
Funeral expenses <sup>3</sup> .....	109.6	115.1	122.6	130.1	135.1	142.1	150.6	158.1	165.9	174.7	175.0
Laundry and dry cleaning services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3
Financial services <sup>3</sup> .....	111.7	117.9	127.1	136.8	143.9	153.3	166.5	177.7	183.2	193.9	194.4
Miscellaneous personal goods <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1
Special aggregate indexes											
Commodities .....	113.0	117.8	125.8	127.0	129.8	131.6	134.8	136.9	141.4	141.6	141.4
Commodities less food and beverages .....	108.6	112.1	121.0	120.9	124.1	124.7	127.6	129.0	132.4	131.3	130.5
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	106.3	111.6	126.2	124.2	127.3	125.7	127.7	128.3	133.6	133.1	131.5
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	104.1	111.7	131.0	126.2	129.9	127.2	131.3	132.1	140.4	139.3	137.6
Durables .....	110.7	112.0	112.6	115.3	118.7	122.3	126.5	128.9	129.6	127.5	127.7
Services .....	127.2	133.4	140.7	147.0	152.1	157.6	162.4	167.9	173.4	178.2	178.7
Rent of shelter <sup>2</sup> .....	121.5	127.5	133.9	139.1	143.0	147.3	151.7	156.9	161.4	166.6	167.4
Transportation services .....	131.2	137.8	147.9	152.5	157.2	163.3	169.2	174.9	181.5	183.9	184.9
Other services .....	135.0	143.8	152.8	162.0	169.9	178.5	185.9	194.0	201.7	209.9	210.5
All items less food .....	118.8	124.0	131.7	135.7	140.0	143.4	147.4	151.1	155.8	158.1	158.1
All items less shelter .....	117.4	122.6	130.6	133.7	137.6	140.8	144.6	147.8	152.8	154.2	154.2
All items less medical care .....	117.9	123.1	130.4	133.6	137.2	140.4	144.0	147.5	152.4	154.5	154.7
Commodities less food .....	108.9	112.6	121.2	121.8	125.0	125.7	128.5	130.0	133.5	132.5	131.8
Nondurables less food .....	106.9	112.2	126.0	125.3	128.4	127.1	129.0	129.8	135.2	135.0	133.5
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	104.9	112.2	129.7	127.0	130.7	128.6	132.4	133.4	141.3	140.7	139.2
Nondurables .....	113.5	119.5	130.1	130.8	133.4	134.5	137.4	139.3	145.2	146.2	145.9
Apparel less footwear .....	116.4	116.9	122.9	126.8	128.3	128.9	126.5	126.5	125.5	126.1	124.4
Services less rent of shelter <sup>2</sup> .....	118.1	123.9	131.1	137.9	143.5	149.5	154.0	159.2	165.0	168.8	169.1
Services less medical care services .....	125.6	131.4	138.1	143.9	148.4	153.4	157.6	162.8	168.1	172.7	173.2

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)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes										Jan. 1998
	December										
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Special aggregate indexes											
Energy .....	88.1	92.7	110.5	101.6	103.5	101.7	104.2	102.6	112.0	107.7	105.0
All items less energy .....	123.6	129.1	135.5	140.8	144.9	149.1	153.3	157.6	162.1	165.2	165.8
All items less food and energy .....	124.4	129.7	136.0	142.0	146.6	150.9	155.1	159.7	163.7	167.1	167.5
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	117.0	120.2	124.0	128.9	132.7	134.7	137.1	139.6	141.0	141.5	141.5
Energy commodities .....	80.3	86.4	117.1	98.4	99.5	94.3	99.4	96.0	109.4	101.6	97.7
Services less energy services .....	129.8	136.4	144.3	151.0	156.3	162.1	167.5	173.4	179.0	184.3	185.1
Domestically produced farm food .....	119.1	127.0	135.0	136.7	139.0	143.9	147.1	150.7	159.3	160.2	161.9
Utilities and public transportation .....	113.4	116.3	121.2	125.6	129.4	134.4	133.6	135.9	142.4	143.3	143.1

1 Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

2 Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

3 Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

4 Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

5 Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

6 Special Index based on a substantially smaller sample.

7 Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

8 Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

9 Indexes on a December 1988=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**

Item and group		Percent change from previous December										Jan. 1998
		December										
		1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category												
All Items .....		4.4	4.5	6.1	2.8	2.9	2.5	2.7	2.5	3.3	1.5	0.1
Food and beverages .....		5.1	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.6	2.2	4.2	1.5	.7
Food .....		5.2	5.6	5.4	1.8	1.5	2.8	2.8	2.2	4.3	1.5	.8
Food at home .....		5.6	6.2	5.8	1.1	1.5	3.4	3.2	2.2	4.9	.8	1.1
Cereals and bakery products .....		8.4	7.3	4.6	3.4	3.9	3.7	3.3	3.2	3.7	1.5	.4
Cereals and cereal products .....		9.5	7.3	5.1	3.6	3.6	3.4	3.1	2.6	-1.3	1.9	.3
Flour and prepared flour mixes .....		6.7	7.3	2.2	-2	5.0	-2	1.7	6.5	7.6	-4	5.4
Breakfast cereal .....		9.6	9.7	7.2	4.8	3.9	4.7	2.4	1.6	-4.2	1.7	-8
Rice, pasta, commel .....		11.4	1.4	2.1	2.8	2.0	2.2	6.0	2.5	.8	4.1	.1
Bakery products .....		7.8	7.4	4.3	3.4	4.2	3.7	3.5	3.5	6.0	1.4	.4
Bread .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-6
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies .....		6.1	7.8	5.7	4.8	2.3	3.3	3.7	1.3	4.2	.7	.1
Other bakery products .....		5.0	8.8	3.3	3.9	5.1	1.9	3.3	2.7	6.2	.3	1.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....		5.2	6.9	7.9	-1.6	.5	3.6	-7	4.2	5.7	-1.2	.0
Meats, poultry, and fish .....		4.7	5.2	8.9	-1.4	.8	3.8	-7	3.0	5.3	-7	.2
Meats .....		2.1	6.6	11.4	-2.2	.3	3.7	-1.7	2.7	5.2	-8	-1
Beef and veal .....		5.5	6.7	8.9	-1.1	.8	3.7	-2.2	-2	2.5	-9	.0
Uncooked ground beef .....		2.4	7.5	7.6	-1.4	-6	3.7	-4.5	-1.7	1.6	-1.1	.9
Uncooked beef roasts .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-6
Uncooked beef steaks .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-7
Uncooked other beef and veal .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1
Pork .....		-2.9	7.0	16.6	-6.0	-7	4.5	-2.3	7.4	11.1	-1.5	-5
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.0
Ham .....		-1.5	5.1	18.2	-4.8	-1.4	1.5	-1.5	7.2	8.5	-1.9	-1.3
Pork chops .....		.2	8.2	14.9	-4.3	2.6	4.6	-4.9	5.5	6.8	-3.8	.5
Other pork including roasts and picnics .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1
Other meats .....		.8	5.6	10.3	.8	.2	2.6	.6	3.1	3.4	.4	.6
Poultry .....		18.2	.4	1.4	.5	2.8	5.5	-4	4.1	7.9	-1.6	.1
Chicken .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-5
Other poultry including turkey .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.4
Fish and seafood .....		4.6	3.7	2.8	1.6	1.7	3.3	5.2	3.1	2.4	.8	2.1
Fresh fish and seafood .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3
Processed fish and seafood .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.4
Eggs .....		16.6	35.7	-4.7	-4.1	-4.6	-1.9	.4	25.6	12.1	-7.5	-4.9
Dairy and related products .....		4.5	10.4	3.0	.6	1.3	.9	1.1	2.5	10.2	-7	.3
Milk .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2
Cheese and related products .....		5.2	12.9	4.7	1.7	.1	-8	.9	2.4	8.2	-1.4	.2
Ice cream and related products .....		3.7	7.1	4.4	1.1	.5	.5	3.7	2.7	7.7	1.0	1.2
Other dairy and related products .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.9
Fruits and vegetables .....		6.3	3.8	7.3	4.4	2.1	6.5	8.1	-1.0	5.1	2.2	5.7
Fresh fruits and vegetables .....		3.7	4.7	8.4	7.9	2.6	9.1	11.8	-2.7	4.4	3.0	7.0
Fresh fruits .....		13.6	6.4	11.3	11.0	-4.3	12.6	3.6	5.8	11.8	-4.9	.6
Apples .....		27.5	-6.3	21.9	12.2	-9.5	8.4	-2.2	15.0	3.8	-2	1.6
Bananas .....		7.9	5.9	4.4	-4	-2.8	2.6	12.2	2.6	7.4	-3.8	2.1
Citrus fruits .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.7
Other fresh fruits .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2.9
Fresh vegetables .....		-5.2	2.7	5.3	4.3	11.2	5.5	21.1	-10.8	-4.1	13.6	13.4
Potatoes .....		24.3	9.1	-4.2	-4.0	6.7	20.5	-6.5	13.7	-8.6	9.2	3.1
Lettuce .....		-36.3	-22.1	11.8	12.1	6.5	-16.2	77.7	-36.4	7.0	17.6	32.8
Tomatoes .....		-10.8	13.2	-7.9	-4.0	55.1	1.9	18.1	4.0	-20.4	31.0	-5.4
Other fresh vegetables .....		2.5	4.5	11.7	7.7	3.1	7.3	21.2	-15.4	1.8	8.6	20.5
Processed fruits and vegetables .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.6
Canned fruits and vegetables .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.9
Frozen fruits and vegetables .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.6
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried .....		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....		2.8	3.2	1.9	-4	-2	2.1	13.5	-1.4	-1.8	4.1	.9

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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**

Item and group	Percent change from previous December										Jan. 1998
	December										
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category											
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1
Carbonated drinks .....	1.5	4.9	0.8	0.9	1.5	1.8	-0.3	2.9	-0.5	-1.9	2.1
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.9
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1
Beverage materials including coffee and tea .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0
Coffee .....	5.7	-1.2	1.6	-5.1	-5.5	5.3	55.9	-9.7	-6.9	16.8	-2
Other beverage materials including tea .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3
Other food at home .....	4.8	4.3	4.2	1.5	.9	2.0	5.7	1.3	2.2	2.7	.7
Sugar and sweets .....	5.2	3.8	4.3	3.4	1.0	.9	1.0	3.0	4.4	2.2	1.7
Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....	8.0	4.4	2.8	.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	4.1	3.4	.8	2.3
Candy and chewing gum .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.3
Other sweets .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.4
Fats and oils .....	9.9	2.7	7.7	-1.3	-6	.8	3.7	2.4	2.3	-3	.3
Butter and margarine .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-6
Salad dressing .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Other fats and oils including peanut butter .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.9
Other foods .....	5.0	5.7	5.2	3.1	2.1	2.6	2.3	2.6	4.5	2.5	.6
Soups .....	3.7	7.5	6.1	5.9	5.7	4.3	4.3	3.6	4.6	2.2	.2
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods .....	4.5	5.5	3.4	1.6	.5	-4	.3	.4	5.0	-8	.2
Snacks .....	5.0	3.9	4.0	1.1	-4	3.0	1.8	3.5	5.7	2.4	-3
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces .....	4.4	5.6	6.3	4.0	4.1	2.6	2.4	4.0	4.5	2.7	1.6
Baby food .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.6
Other miscellaneous foods .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.5
Food away from home .....	4.4	4.6	4.5	2.8	1.6	1.8	2.0	2.2	3.1	2.6	.2
Full service meals and snacks .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Limited service meals and snacks .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Food at employee sites and schools .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Other food away from home .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	3.8	4.8	4.2	10.0	2.9	1.6	.9	1.9	3.6	2.0	.3
Alcoholic beverages at home .....	2.3	4.4	3.8	11.5	2.2	.5	-2	.9	3.3	.5	.4
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home .....	2.7	4.7	3.7	11.9	2.8	.3	-2	.8	2.8	-6	.5
Distilled spirits at home .....	1.8	4.5	4.9	8.9	1.4	1.1	.7	.8	2.0	2.2	-1
Wine at home .....	1.8	3.1	2.9	13.4	1.5	.2	-1.2	1.3	6.2	2.2	.6
Alcoholic beverages away from home .....	5.7	5.2	4.9	8.0	3.8	2.9	2.2	3.2	4.0	3.7	.1
Housing .....	3.9	3.9	4.2	3.4	2.6	2.6	2.1	2.8	2.9	2.3	.3
Shelter .....	4.4	4.8	5.1	3.8	2.8	3.0	3.0	3.4	2.8	3.2	.5
Rent of primary residence .....	3.5	4.1	4.1	3.0	2.3	2.3	2.5	2.5	2.8	3.1	.2
Lodging away from home .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.8
Housing at school, excluding board .....	5.8	7.3	6.1	6.5	8.0	2.2	4.7	4.4	3.5	5.5	.0
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels .....	3.6	6.5	15.5	8.6	3.5	3.8	1.8	3.6	5.2	6.0	5.3
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence .....	4.8	5.2	4.7	3.9	2.9	3.2	3.3	3.7	2.8	3.0	.2
Tenants' and household insurance .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.4
Fuels and utilities .....	3.0	3.1	3.8	3.2	2.3	2.6	.1	1.4	4.6	.5	-8
Fuels .....	2.5	3.6	4.0	1.1	2.4	1.7	-6	.6	5.7	-1.1	-1.1
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	-4.4	14.9	28.7	-16.8	-2.9	-3.8	.1	1.4	23.6	-12.3	-8
Fuel oil .....	-6.4	19.6	29.9	-20.0	-3.2	-4.6	.0	1.6	23.2	-11.9	-1.1
Other household fuels .....	-2	6.0	26.1	-9.8	-2.4	-2.1	.3	.8	24.1	-13.1	-4
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	3.2	2.7	1.4	3.4	2.9	2.3	-8	.6	4.1	.1	-1.1
Electricity .....	3.0	2.6	1.2	5.2	1.7	.5	.7	2.7	.7	-1.3	-6
Utility natural gas service .....	3.7	2.6	1.7	-1	5.4	5.9	-3.5	-3.9	11.8	3.0	-2.4
Water and sewer and trash collection services .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Water and sewerage maintenance .....	5.6	6.7	5.9	7.3	6.4	4.9	4.2	2.8	3.4	3.9	.3
Garbage and trash collection .....	7.8	9.7	10.0	11.6	8.6	5.2	4.9	2.7	1.9	2.0	.1
Household furnishings and operations .....	3.1	.8	1.7	2.1	1.6	1.5	.6	2.3	.9	.1	.4
Window and floor coverings and other linens .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1
Floor coverings .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1
Window coverings .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5
Other linens .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.8
Furniture and bedding .....	3.1	-1.7	1.1	1.1	4.3	2.8	1.2	4.2	.9	-1.0	-3
Bedroom furniture .....	5.3	-2.3	-1.4	4.2	5.2	4.9	-1.8	2.0	3.6	1.4	-1.9
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.6
Other furniture .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-5
Appliances .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0

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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**

Item and group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										Jan. 1998
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category											
Major appliances .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.2
Other appliances .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.6
Other household equipment and furnishings .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.7
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items .....	3.2	6.0	0.1	3.5	2.4	-3.4	-0.4	3.7	-3.9	3.8	-3
Indoor plants and flowers .....	-	-	-	7.3	5.5	-2.5	3.9	1.4	.6	-8.3	6.3
Dishes and flatware .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.5
Nonelectric cookware and tableware .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.4
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.9
Tools, hardware and supplies .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3
Outdoor equipment and supplies .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.3
Housekeeping supplies .....	4.0	5.5	3.2	2.0	-.3	1.5	1.1	5.0	1.5	1.6	-.3
Household cleaning products .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Household paper products .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Miscellaneous household products .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.3
Household operations .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Domestic services .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Gardening and lawn care services .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0
Moving, storage, freight expense .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0
Repair of household items .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Apparel .....	4.4	.8	5.1	3.1	1.6	.7	-1.5	.2	-.2	.8	-1.2
Men's and boys' apparel .....	5.5	1.3	2.9	2.9	1.2	.5	-2.0	1.0	1.4	2.5	-1.0
Men's apparel .....	5.7	2.0	3.2	3.1	1.7	.3	-1.6	.4	1.7	2.3	-1.1
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear .....	9.2	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.0	5.1	-2.2	-1.3	-.6	.9	.1
Men's furnishings .....	3.1	3.0	2.3	2.2	.9	-.1	.6	-2.7	4.3	8.3	-1.2
Men's shirts and sweaters .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-3.9
Men's pants and shorts .....	4.1	2.2	3.8	3.5	2.6	-.8	-1.3	1.2	1.5	-.1	1.5
Boys' apparel .....	4.9	-.8	1.6	2.6	-.9	1.1	-3.2	3.1	.3	3.3	-.6
Women's and girls' apparel .....	3.2	-.6	6.1	3.3	.7	.6	-3.4	-.6	-1.3	-.2	-2.5
Women's apparel .....	2.8	-.6	6.7	2.4	.3	1.6	-3.8	-.8	-1.1	.0	-3.1
Women's outerwear .....	-2.2	1.3	10.8	2.8	3.0	5.7	-8.0	2.3	4.0	2.5	-5.6
Women's dresses .....	3.0	-2.5	7.9	-3.2	3.1	-2.7	-11.3	2.2	-9.3	-5.1	-5.4
Women's suits and separates .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-4.5
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.5
Girls' apparel .....	5.3	-.4	3.6	8.3	2.6	-3.8	-1.8	.8	-1.9	-1.0	.4
Footwear .....	5.6	1.2	3.4	2.7	2.5	.8	-1.9	.6	1.6	1.7	-.6
Men's footwear .....	7.1	2.0	2.8	3.2	2.3	1.1	-1.5	.2	-.7	.0	-.6
Boys' and girls' footwear .....	3.7	3.4	4.1	-.4	-.2	.0	1.0	1.5	4.3	2.9	-.3
Women's footwear .....	5.6	-.8	3.4	4.3	4.2	1.0	-3.8	.6	1.9	2.4	-1.0
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	3.4	-.8	7.2	3.0	1.0	-3.8	3.7	-2.3	-1.3	-1.2	-.9
Jewelry and watches .....	6.6	3.5	5.8	3.1	4.0	2.6	3.4	-.5	-4.0	-.5	2.1
Watches .....	4.1	-.3	3.0	2.6	-1.5	6.0	3.6	5.2	-6.5	.2	1.0
Jewelry .....	7.2	4.6	6.5	3.3	5.3	1.9	3.3	-1.8	-3.4	-.7	2.4
Transportation .....	2.9	4.0	10.4	-1.7	3.0	2.0	4.5	1.6	4.2	-1.7	-.5
Private transportation .....	2.9	3.9	10.1	-1.7	2.8	1.5	5.2	1.5	3.8	-1.6	-.6
New and used motor vehicles .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.1	2.8	.8	-2.1	.1
New vehicles .....	2.3	2.7	2.0	3.3	2.5	3.4	3.5	2.0	1.9	-.8	.2
Used cars and trucks .....	3.4	-.5	-2.2	2.8	7.9	8.1	8.5	4.6	-1.4	-4.7	.1
Car and truck rental .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2.2
Motor fuel .....	-2.0	6.8	36.3	-15.9	1.4	-5.3	5.9	-3.8	13.0	-6.6	-4.0
Gasoline (all types) .....	-1.8	6.5	36.7	-16.0	1.6	-5.9	6.4	-4.1	12.9	-6.6	-4.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>1</sup> .....	-2.5	5.6	38.7	-16.6	1.5	-6.7	7.1	-4.2	13.9	-7.1	-4.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	-4.5	11.7	-5.8	-4.0
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>1</sup> .....	-.7	6.3	31.9	-14.5	1.5	-4.8	5.2	-4.7	11.1	-5.9	-3.6
Other motor fuels .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2.0
Motor vehicle parts and equipment .....	2.0	2.2	.9	1.5	-.8	-1.5	.3	.6	-.2	-.6	-.1
Tires .....	3.8	2.1	-.2	2.2	-.4	-1.5	2.2	.1	.0	-3.0	-.1
Vehicle accessories other than tires .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....	3.8	4.4	4.6	4.5	3.7	3.1	2.9	2.6	3.1	2.7	.2
Motor vehicle body work .....	4.3	5.9	4.1	2.4	2.9	2.6	3.2	3.7	4.5	4.7	.1
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing .....	3.1	3.1	3.9	5.4	2.1	2.1	1.5	2.1	2.9	2.8	.3
Motor vehicle repair .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0
Motor vehicle insurance .....	8.1	6.0	7.7	8.1	6.5	4.9	3.4	4.4	3.9	2.5	.4

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**

Item and group	Percent change from previous December											Jan. 1998
	December											
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997		
Expenditure category												
Motor vehicle fees .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.1	
State and local registration and license .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.5	
Parking and other fees .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.1	
Public transportation .....	3.4	3.7	15.5	-1.7	5.2	10.0	-5.0	4.0	10.6	-2.4	1.2	
Airline fare .....	3.1	5.2	22.8	-5.8	6.2	17.2	-9.5	2.1	15.4	-5.2	2.6	
Other intercity transportation .....	6.9	2.7	6.3	3.3	.8	-3.7	1.8	1.7	1.9	1.5	.4	
Intracity transportation .....	2.7	1.9	7.8	3.7	4.9	3.0	.9	7.6	5.6	1.2	-7	
Medical care .....	7.0	8.3	9.1	7.8	6.8	5.2	4.9	4.0	3.1	2.8	.4	
Medical care commodities .....	6.7	8.2	8.5	7.3	5.0	3.0	2.9	1.7	2.5	2.2	.3	
Prescription drugs and medical supplies .....	7.7	9.5	10.0	9.4	5.6	3.2	3.6	2.0	3.0	2.5	.4	
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies .....	4.8	5.8	5.8	3.3	4.2	2.6	1.6	1.2	1.5	1.6	.2	
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs .....	5.0	5.3	6.1	2.6	4.3	2.6	.9	.7	1.9	1.5	.1	
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies .....	4.7	7.2	4.9	5.7	3.7	2.8	4.1	2.5	.2	2.0	.7	
Medical care services .....	7.1	8.4	9.2	7.9	7.1	5.7	5.4	4.5	3.2	2.9	.4	
Professional services .....	6.8	6.5	6.7	6.2	5.8	4.4	4.7	4.1	3.6	3.1	.4	
Physicians' services .....	7.5	7.2	7.4	5.5	6.3	5.0	4.5	4.4	3.1	2.8	.3	
Dental services .....	6.7	6.5	6.5	8.3	5.7	4.4	5.4	4.4	5.1	3.9	.7	
Eyeglasses and eye care .....	4.3	3.6	4.6	3.5	3.7	2.1	3.6	2.4	1.4	1.7	.1	
Services by other medical professionals .....	5.5	5.8	4.8	5.2	3.6	3.1	4.5	1.7	3.2	3.5	.6	
Hospital and related services .....	10.8	11.2	10.6	9.1	8.8	7.4	5.7	4.6	4.0	3.1	.3	
Hospital services .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	.3	
Inpatient hospital services <sup>1</sup> .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.3	.4	
Outpatient hospital services <sup>1</sup> .....	9.2	12.0	11.3	9.9	9.7	7.6	5.8	4.6	4.8	4.1	.2	
Nursing homes and adult daycare .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	.6	
Recreation .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1	2.6	3.0	1.5	.3	
Video and audio .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2.7	.4	3.4	2.6	.5	
Televisions .....	-1.2	-2.1	-3.5	-1.1	-7	-2.1	-1.7	-4.4	-5.4	-3.9	-2	
Cable television .....	10.7	3.9	13.5	8.6	4.0	7.1	-2.9	3.9	7.9	6.9	1.8	
Other video equipment .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.1	
Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental ....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.7	
Audio equipment .....	.0	2.3	-1.0	1.9	-1.5	.7	-1.1	-2.6	-7	-2.0	-6	
Audio discs, tapes and other media .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-4	
Pets, pet products and services .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.6	
Pets and pet products .....	4.5	4.3	3.7	1.7	-8	.6	1.1	3.6	5.2	-4	.8	
Pet services including veterinary .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1	
Sporting goods .....	4.4	3.0	.5	3.4	.9	.8	2.9	-1.3	.1	-1	.9	
Sports vehicles including bicycles .....	3.9	4.0	.1	2.2	2.6	1.1	3.1	-1.2	.1	.2	1.0	
Sports equipment .....	4.9	1.7	1.2	5.3	-1.4	.3	2.6	-1.4	.0	-6	.8	
Photography .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1	
Photographic equipment and supplies .....	6.2	3.5	1.5	1.1	2.3	1.8	-3.7	1.8	.1	.5	-1	
Photographers and film processing .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1	
Other recreational goods .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-9	
Toys .....	4.2	2.2	1.6	1.1	2.9	1.6	-8	1.1	3.2	-1.7	-1.0	
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-3	
Music instruments and accessories .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2	
Recreation services .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2	
Club membership dues and fees for participant sports .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.4	
Admissions .....	3.7	9.8	5.0	4.8	3.8	2.0	3.7	5.4	4.1	3.4	.2	
Fees for lessons or instructions .....	5.0	8.1	5.4	5.9	5.3	4.0	5.3	3.0	5.5	5.1	-2	
Recreational reading materials .....	4.4	4.6	4.6	6.6	3.8	3.7	3.6	5.9	2.8	1.1	.1	
Newspapers and magazines .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2	
Recreational books .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2	
Education and communication .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	4.0	3.3	3.0	.0	
Education .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.5	5.6	4.9	5.5	.3	
Educational books and supplies .....	6.5	7.8	6.8	6.0	5.7	3.8	3.1	5.7	5.7	5.3	.9	
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....	7.4	8.0	7.7	9.1	7.5	6.7	5.8	5.7	4.7	5.5	.3	
College tuition and fees .....	7.4	8.4	8.4	11.7	9.2	7.4	6.2	6.2	5.5	5.2	.3	
Elementary and high school tuition and fees .....	8.4	8.8	8.6	7.7	8.0	5.7	6.3	6.7	4.6	7.2	.0	
Child care and nursery school .....	-	-	-	6.3	4.2	5.3	5.1	3.9	3.6	5.0	.4	
Technical and business school tuition and fees .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1	
Communication .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1	1.9	1.4	-1	-3	

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**

Item and group	Percent change from previous December										Jan. 1998
	December										
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
Expenditure category											
Postage and delivery services .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0
Postage .....	13.6	0.0	0.0	16.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.4	0.0	0.0	.0
Delivery services .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Information and information processing .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3	.6	1.6	-1	-4
Telephone services .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1
Telephone services, local charges .....	4.5	.5	1.0	5.2	.4	1.0	-4	2.3	.9	1.1	.1
Telephone services, long distance charges .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2
Cellular telephone services .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-9
Information and information processing other than telephone services .....	-	-7.3	-3.2	-3.1	-7.2	-7.9	-8.1	-10.0	-10.6	-10.9	-2.5
Personal computers and peripheral equipment .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-3.4
Computer software and accessories .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2.6
Computer information processing services .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Other information processing equipment .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-3
Other goods and services .....	7.1	8.6	7.7	8.1	6.4	1.6	4.2	4.1	3.4	5.4	.6
Tobacco and smoking products .....	9.5	14.4	10.7	11.3	8.3	-5.9	3.2	2.8	2.4	7.3	1.1
Cigarettes .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1
Tobacco products other than cigarettes .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.5
Personal care .....	5.1	3.8	4.2	2.6	3.1	2.4	2.0	1.9	1.0	2.3	.4
Personal care products .....	5.6	2.6	4.3	2.8	3.7	1.5	2.0	.8	-.8	1.8	.6
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements .....	5.3	2.1	5.8	3.0	1.8	4.5	1.5	1.4	2.8	2.4	1.1
Personal care services .....	4.4	5.2	4.3	2.2	2.5	3.5	2.1	3.4	3.4	2.9	.2
Haircuts and other personal care services .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3
Miscellaneous personal services .....	5.1	5.6	6.0	6.5	4.2	6.4	5.2	5.1	4.3	5.1	.4
Legal services .....	4.4	6.0	4.6	6.2	3.4	7.8	2.2	4.0	4.3	4.3	.8
Funeral expenses .....	4.8	5.0	6.5	6.1	3.8	5.2	6.0	5.0	4.9	5.3	.2
Laundry and dry cleaning services .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3
Financial services .....	6.9	5.6	7.8	7.6	5.2	6.5	8.6	6.7	3.1	5.8	.3
Miscellaneous personal goods .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1
Special aggregate indexes											
Commodities .....	3.8	4.2	6.8	1.0	2.2	1.4	2.4	1.6	3.3	.1	-1
Commodities less food and beverages .....	3.0	3.2	7.9	-.1	2.6	.5	2.3	1.1	2.6	-.8	-.6
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	3.4	5.0	13.1	-1.6	2.5	-1.3	1.6	.5	4.1	-.4	-1.2
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	2.9	7.3	17.3	-3.7	2.9	-2.1	3.2	.6	6.3	-.8	-1.2
Durables .....	2.5	1.2	.5	2.4	2.9	3.0	3.4	1.9	.5	-1.6	.2
Services .....	4.9	4.9	5.5	4.5	3.5	3.6	3.0	3.4	3.3	2.8	.3
Rent of shelter .....	4.4	4.9	5.0	3.9	2.8	3.0	3.0	3.4	2.9	3.2	.5
Transportation services .....	6.1	5.0	7.3	3.1	3.1	3.9	3.6	3.4	3.8	1.3	.5
Other services .....	5.6	6.5	6.3	6.0	4.9	5.1	4.1	4.4	4.0	4.1	.3
All items less food .....	4.1	4.4	6.2	3.0	3.2	2.4	2.8	2.5	3.1	1.5	.0
All items less shelter .....	4.4	4.4	6.5	2.4	2.9	2.3	2.7	2.2	3.4	.9	.0
All items less medical care .....	4.2	4.4	5.9	2.5	2.7	2.3	2.6	2.4	3.3	1.4	.1
Commodities less food .....	3.1	3.4	7.6	.5	2.6	.6	2.2	1.2	2.7	-.7	-.5
Nondurables less food .....	3.5	5.0	12.3	-.6	2.5	-1.0	1.5	.6	4.2	-.1	-1.1
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	3.0	7.0	15.6	-2.1	2.9	-1.6	3.0	.8	5.9	-.4	-1.1
Nondurables .....	4.3	5.3	8.9	.5	2.0	.8	2.2	1.4	4.2	.7	-.2
Apparel less footwear .....	4.2	.4	5.1	3.2	1.2	.5	-1.9	.0	-.8	.5	-1.3
Services less rent of shelter .....	5.3	4.9	5.8	5.2	4.1	4.2	3.0	3.4	3.6	2.3	.2
Services less medical care services .....	4.6	4.6	5.1	4.2	3.1	3.4	2.7	3.3	3.3	2.7	.3
Energy .....	.3	5.2	19.2	-8.1	1.9	-1.7	2.5	-1.5	9.2	-3.8	-2.5

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**

Item and group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										Jan. 1998
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	
<b>Special aggregate indexes</b>											
All items less energy .....	4.7	4.4	5.0	3.9	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.9	1.9	0.4
All items less food and energy .....	4.5	4.3	4.9	4.4	3.2	2.9	2.8	3.0	2.5	2.1	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	3.9	2.7	3.2	4.0	2.9	1.5	1.8	1.8	1.0	.4	.0
Energy commodities .....	-2.2	7.6	35.5	-16.0	1.1	-5.2	5.4	-3.4	14.0	-7.1	-3.8
Services less energy services .....	4.9	5.1	5.8	4.6	3.5	3.7	3.3	3.5	3.2	3.0	.4
Domestically produced farm food .....	6.0	6.6	6.3	1.3	1.7	3.5	2.2	2.4	5.7	.6	1.1
Utilities and public transportation .....	3.5	2.6	4.2	3.6	3.0	3.9	-.6	1.7	4.8	.6	-.1

<sup>1</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

- Data not available.

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

**Table 30. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, semiannual averages, all items index**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Semiannual average indexes				Percent change from preceding semiannual average		
	1996	1996	1997	1997	1996	1997	1997
	1st half	2nd half	1st half	2nd half	2nd half	1st half	2nd half
U.S. city average .....	155.8	157.9	159.9	161.2	1.3	1.3	0.8
<b>Region and area size <sup>1</sup></b>							
Northeast urban .....	162.6	164.7	166.9	168.2	1.3	1.3	.8
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	163.3	165.4	167.6	169.0	1.3	1.3	.8
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000 <sup>2</sup> .....	160.1	162.7	164.8	166.0	1.6	1.3	.7
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000 <sup>2</sup> .....	160.7	163.0	165.3	167.1	1.4	1.4	1.1
North Central urban .....	151.8	154.2	156.1	157.3	1.6	1.2	.8
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	152.5	154.6	156.7	158.1	1.4	1.4	.9
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000 <sup>2</sup> .....	150.6	153.6	154.9	156.3	2.0	.8	.9
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000 <sup>2</sup> .....	153.4	156.0	158.2	159.2	1.7	1.4	.6
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	148.2	151.1	152.2	153.1	2.0	.7	.6
South urban .....	152.6	154.6	156.4	157.4	1.3	1.2	.6
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	151.8	153.6	155.4	156.3	1.2	1.2	.6
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000 <sup>2</sup> .....	155.0	157.5	159.5	160.8	1.6	1.3	.8
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000 <sup>2</sup> .....	152.5	154.3	155.8	156.5	1.2	1.0	.4
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	151.7	153.6	155.8	156.8	1.3	1.4	.6
West urban .....	156.6	158.6	160.6	162.2	1.3	1.3	1.0
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	156.7	158.6	160.7	162.4	1.2	1.3	1.1
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000 <sup>2</sup> .....	161.5	163.2	165.9	167.7	1.1	1.7	1.1
<b>Size classes</b>							
A <sup>3</sup> .....	140.7	142.4	144.3	145.5	1.2	1.3	.8
B <sup>2</sup> .....	155.6	158.2	160.1	161.3	1.7	1.2	.7
C <sup>2</sup> .....	155.7	157.8	159.8	160.9	1.3	1.3	.7
D .....	152.4	154.9	156.3	157.3	1.6	.9	.6

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 30. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, semiannual averages, all items index—Continued**

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Semiannual average indexes				Percent change from preceding semiannual average		
	1996	1996	1997	1997	1996	1997	1997
	1st half	2nd half	1st half	2nd half	2nd half	1st half	2nd half
<b>Selected local areas</b>							
Anchorage, AK .....	141.8	143.7	144.1	145.4	1.3	0.3	0.9
Atlanta, GA <sup>4</sup> .....	154.7	157.2	158.3	159.5	1.6	.7	.8
Baltimore, MD <sup>5</sup> .....	153.2	155.3	156.2	156.5	1.4	.6	.2
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH .....	162.3	164.4	167.5	168.4	1.3	1.9	.5
Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY <sup>6</sup> .....	156.2	158.0	159.9	161.2	1.2	1.2	.8
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI .....	156.2	158.7	161.0	162.4	1.6	1.4	.9
Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN .....	148.6	150.7	151.4	152.7	1.4	.5	.9
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH .....	150.8	153.3	155.1	157.0	1.7	1.2	1.2
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	147.7	150.0	150.8	152.1	1.6	.5	.9
Denver-Boulder, CO .....	152.0	154.2	157.1	159.1	1.4	1.9	1.3
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI .....	151.7	153.4	155.4	157.1	1.1	1.3	1.1
Honolulu, HI .....	170.5	171.0	172.1	171.8	.3	.6	-.2
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	142.3	143.1	144.7	146.0	.6	1.1	.9
Kansas City, MO-KS .....	150.6	152.6	155.2	156.4	1.3	1.7	.8
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA .....	156.9	158.1	159.5	160.5	.8	.9	.6
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	152.4	154.9	158.2	158.7	1.6	2.1	.3
Milwaukee, WI .....	153.7	155.6	157.6	157.8	1.2	1.3	.1
Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI .....	150.8	153.0	154.9	155.9	1.5	1.2	.6
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT .....	166.0	167.9	170.1	171.6	1.1	1.3	.9
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD <sup>7</sup> .....	161.6	164.1	165.9	167.1	1.5	1.1	.7
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA <sup>8</sup> .....	152.1	154.3	156.6	157.5	1.4	1.5	.6
Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA .....	157.2	160.0	162.6	165.5	1.8	1.6	1.8
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL <sup>8</sup> .....	148.3	150.9	152.1	153.7	1.8	.8	1.1
San Diego, CA .....	159.8	161.9	163.7	163.7	1.3	1.1	.0
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA <sup>7</sup> .....	153.9	156.3	158.9	161.9	1.6	1.7	1.9
Seattle-Tacoma, WA <sup>9</sup> .....	155.6	159.4	161.9	164.1	2.4	1.6	1.4
Washington, DC-MD-VA <sup>5</sup> .....	158.3	160.8	162.0	162.8	1.6	.7	.5

<sup>1</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Starting in January, 1998, indexes for the city of Atlanta will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

<sup>5</sup> 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.

<sup>6</sup> Information for Buffalo and New Orleans will no longer be calculated after January, 1998.

<sup>7</sup> 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.

<sup>8</sup> 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.

<sup>9</sup> Starting in February, 1998, indexes for the city of Seattle will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

**Table 31. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Regions <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	U.S. City Average			Northeast			North Central			South			West		
	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>															
All items .....	161.2	2.1	0.8	168.2	2.1	0.8	157.3	2.0	0.8	157.4	1.8	0.6	162.2	2.3	1.0
All items (December 1977 = 100) <sup>2</sup> .....	482.8	-	-	264.9	-	-	256.0	-	-	255.3	-	-	262.2	-	-
<b>Food and beverages</b> .....	158.5	2.1	1.0	161.0	1.7	.6	155.3	1.8	.8	157.0	2.0	1.0	160.6	2.9	1.2
Food .....	158.0	2.0	.9	160.4	1.6	.6	154.6	1.7	.8	157.0	2.0	1.0	159.9	2.8	1.1
Food at home .....	158.7	1.7	.7	161.4	1.2	.2	154.3	1.2	.5	156.0	1.6	1.0	163.7	2.8	1.1
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	178.3	1.8	.7	183.7	1.7	.7	177.3	1.4	.3	173.3	1.9	1.2	178.7	2.2	.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	148.8	1.0	.3	151.6	.5	-.7	146.7	1.0	1.1	145.3	.7	.6	152.3	2.6	.7
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	145.1	-1.2	-.5	137.0	-.7	-1.2	143.5	-2.4	-1.4	146.5	-.5	.3	155.0	-.9	.0
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3 4</sup> .....	188.2	1.9	.7	188.1	-.1	-.1	177.1	1.5	.6	187.5	2.1	1.1	200.3	4.3	1.6
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	148.4	3.5	1.4	156.2	3.8	2.0	143.4	2.8	.9	145.9	3.4	1.4	149.4	4.0	1.8
Sugar and sweets <sup>3</sup> .....	148.2	2.3	.5	156.5	1.8	.5	145.4	1.9	.1	143.9	2.5	.8	149.1	2.8	.6
Fats and oils <sup>3</sup> .....	141.2	.1	-.7	147.7	-.6	-.9	135.2	-.1	-.7	139.7	.6	-.6	143.4	.6	-.8
Nonalcoholic beverages <sup>3</sup> .....	135.7	6.3	3.5	146.4	6.7	4.6	128.4	4.2	1.7	130.8	6.8	3.3	138.0	7.7	4.5
Other prepared food <sup>3</sup> .....	162.0	2.7	.9	168.2	3.4	1.2	157.8	2.7	1.0	162.2	2.1	.7	161.0	2.6	.8
Food away from home .....	158.0	2.7	1.3	160.7	2.5	1.4	155.6	2.7	1.4	160.4	2.6	1.2	154.4	3.0	1.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	163.5	2.4	.9	167.9	2.1	.6	162.9	2.0	.6	156.6	1.9	.8	167.3	3.7	1.2
<b>Housing</b> <sup>4</sup> .....	157.7	2.5	1.2	169.2	2.5	1.0	152.9	2.6	1.3	149.0	2.1	.9	160.7	2.7	1.5
Shelter .....	177.6	3.1	1.5	198.1	3.3	1.6	174.2	3.3	1.6	161.3	2.8	1.2	176.1	3.0	1.5
Renters' costs <sup>3 5 6</sup> .....	187.3	3.3	1.0	208.2	4.3	1.8	178.6	2.9	.6	172.1	2.7	-.1	187.0	3.3	1.4
Rent, residential .....	168.0	3.0	1.6	180.7	3.0	1.5	165.1	3.3	1.8	156.0	2.6	1.4	168.2	3.1	1.7
Other renters' costs <sup>3 6</sup> .....	224.6	4.2	-.4	260.4	7.0	2.2	196.4	2.1	-1.6	210.6	2.7	-3.3	229.7	3.9	.3
Homeowners' costs <sup>3 5 6</sup> .....	183.0	2.9	1.6	205.0	2.9	1.6	178.5	3.4	1.9	163.2	2.8	1.6	186.4	2.9	1.5
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>5</sup> .....	183.4	3.0	1.7	206.1	2.9	1.6	178.9	3.4	1.9	162.9	2.8	1.6	186.4	2.9	1.6
Maintenance and repairs <sup>3 6</sup> .....	144.8	3.2	1.6	140.1	2.1	.6	145.2	2.2	.8	146.1	5.5	3.7	144.1	2.1	.5
Maintenance and repair services <sup>3 6</sup> .....	153.3	4.1	2.9	149.3	-	1.3	158.1	2.5	1.0	151.2	8.5	7.0	150.8	.8	.7
Maintenance and repair commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	133.0	1.7	-.6	127.1	1.0	-.4	133.2	1.8	.7	136.9	.4	-2.1	135.6	4.8	-.1
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	131.3	1.7	.8	125.1	1.0	-1.3	126.6	1.7	.8	137.2	1.4	1.3	141.0	3.0	2.7
Fuels .....	118.1	.9	.3	115.5	.5	-2.4	111.3	.3	.5	122.5	.5	1.4	130.3	2.9	3.6
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	95.2	-4.7	-8.9	92.1	-5.5	-9.9	91.2	-6.5	-9.7	104.3	-2.5	-6.7	106.8	.8	-4.0
Fuel oil <sup>5</sup> .....	92.0	-5.5	-9.6	91.2	-6.3	-10.5	87.7	-7.4	-9.5	92.2	-2.4	-6.1	120.8	1.2	-2.3
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	126.4	-2.6	-.7	118.9	-2.0	-6.6	123.9	-5.3	-9.8	136.5	-2.7	-7.3	119.4	.6	-4.9
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	126.0	1.4	1.5	131.9	2.2	-.3	117.0	.6	.9	125.8	.7	2.1	133.3	2.9	3.8
Electricity .....	133.8	-.1	2.1	139.2	.1	1.3	129.2	.1	3.2	127.5	-.2	2.6	146.4	-.5	.8
Utility (piped) gas .....	114.7	4.9	.2	120.9	6.3	-3.1	105.7	1.2	-1.9	121.6	5.6	.2	119.4	11.0	10.9
Other utilities and public services <sup>3 6</sup> .....	162.5	2.6	1.1	162.1	1.6	.6	162.0	3.6	1.2	164.7	2.2	1.1	161.1	3.2	1.9
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	125.3	.3	-.1	126.1	-.3	.0	123.8	1.0	.6	126.6	-.1	-.8	124.8	.8	.1
Housefurnishings <sup>3 6</sup> .....	110.1	-1.0	-1.0	106.9	-1.8	-.6	108.8	-.2	-.3	113.3	-1.7	-2.1	111.0	.1	-.4
Housekeeping supplies <sup>3</sup> .....	143.4	1.4	.4	151.4	-.3	-.6	143.7	2.1	1.4	137.3	2.6	.4	141.7	.9	.1
Housekeeping services <sup>3 6</sup> .....	153.1	2.5	1.6	156.3	2.6	1.4	148.9	2.9	2.1	158.4	2.3	1.5	147.7	2.4	1.4
<b>Apparel and upkeep</b> .....	132.4	1.2	-.7	131.2	2.5	.9	131.2	1.8	-.9	142.4	1.4	-1.0	121.9	-1.2	-1.9
Apparel commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	128.6	1.1	-.8	127.0	2.6	1.0	128.7	1.7	-1.1	138.3	1.2	-1.3	117.3	-1.7	-2.2
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	130.9	2.4	1.2	133.4	4.7	3.6	130.7	3.0	1.0	138.2	2.6	1.1	119.2	-1.3	-1.1
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	124.7	1.5	-2.2	119.5	2.8	.0	125.7	1.7	-2.7	137.3	.8	-3.7	112.9	.4	-2.1
Infants' and toddlers' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	127.2	-.2	-2.8	135.6	.3	-.9	127.2	3.2	-4.1	132.8	.2	-2.6	114.7	-5.0	-3.7
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	128.0	1.3	.6	129.2	1.0	-.5	131.7	.6	1.1	132.3	3.9	2.4	114.8	-2.5	-1.4
Other apparel commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	144.5	-3.2	-1.8	151.4	-1.2	.5	138.8	-2.8	-2.3	153.0	-2.1	-.8	130.9	-6.6	-4.8
Apparel services <sup>3 6</sup> .....	163.6	1.9	.7	167.9	1.1	.7	154.3	2.5	1.0	173.4	2.2	1.0	157.5	1.8	.1
<b>Transportation</b> .....	143.9	.0	-.6	146.8	.4	-.2	141.7	-.4	-.8	141.8	-.5	-1.0	146.0	.6	.1
Private transportation .....	140.6	-.1	-.6	141.8	.3	-.4	138.0	-.5	-.9	140.7	-.5	-.9	142.1	.6	.1
New vehicles .....	143.5	-.3	-1.0	142.7	-.3	-.8	140.4	-.5	-1.1	146.8	-.3	-1.1	143.4	.1	-1.2
New cars .....	140.8	-.6	-1.2	141.0	-.3	-.8	136.1	-.9	-1.4	145.8	-.5	-1.4	139.2	-.4	-1.3
Used cars .....	148.3	-5.3	-3.6	151.8	-5.1	-3.6	148.2	-5.5	-3.8	148.9	-5.0	-3.4	146.2	-5.4	-3.6
Motor fuel .....	105.7	-1.5	-1.0	104.7	-.7	-1.0	105.1	-.3	-2.1	103.1	-2.9	-2.4	110.5	2.1	1.9
Gasoline .....	105.3	-1.4	-.8	104.4	-.4	-.8	105.1	-3.5	-1.9	102.8	-2.8	-2.2	109.7	2.4	2.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	103.4	-1.3	-.8	103.5	-.3	-.7	103.6	-3.6	-2.0	99.9	-3.0	-2.4	107.0	2.9	2.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>8</sup> .....	109.8	-1.3	-.8	107.9	-.6	-.8	116.1	-3.5	-1.5	109.2	-2.8	-2.1	106.9	2.9	2.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	106.4	-1.5	-.8	104.4	-.9	-.8	108.4	-3.1	-1.7	106.0	-2.7	-1.9	110.5	2.4	2.3
Maintenance and repairs .....	163.7	2.5	1.2	172.5	2.7	1.5	154.9	3.4	1.2	162.4	2.5	1.6	165.6	1.7	.6
Other private transportation <sup>3 6</sup> .....	178.0	1.8	.6	179.6	1.5	.4	172.4	2.8	.9	185.8	1.6	.4	175.2	1.3	.7
Other private transportation commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	104.7	-.3	-.3	105.7	.0	-.3	106.2	.8	.0	103.2	-.7	-.2	103.1	-1.1	-.7
Other private transportation services <sup>3 6</sup> .....	195.4	2.1	.7	194.3	1.7	.5	187.1	3.1	1.0	208.6	2.0	.4	192.6	1.7	.9
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	186.7	.6	-.1	186.6	1.4	.9	202.2	1.0	-.9	163.0	-.7	-2.0	192.2	.3	.9

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 31. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Regions <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	U.S. City Average			Northeast			North Central			South			West		
	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>															
Medical care .....	235.8	2.6	1.0	245.7	2.5	0.8	228.1	2.2	1.1	234.4	2.8	1.0	236.0	3.0	1.1
Medical care commodities .....	215.8	2.0	.5	219.0	1.2	.2	212.1	2.0	.6	210.9	2.3	.7	225.2	2.5	.4
Medical care services .....	240.4	2.7	1.1	251.5	2.7	1.0	232.1	2.3	1.2	240.3	2.9	1.1	238.5	3.1	1.2
Professional medical services .....	216.7	3.2	1.2	226.7	3.0	1.2	212.3	3.4	1.4	222.0	3.7	1.2	204.2	2.6	1.0
Entertainment <sup>9</sup> .....	163.0	1.9	.6	170.7	2.3	.8	164.1	2.8	1.0	160.0	1.7	.6	157.3	.8	-.3
Entertainment commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	144.3	.6	.1	147.5	.5	.1	147.5	1.7	.3	143.1	.4	.0	138.6	-.6	-.2
Entertainment services <sup>3</sup> .....	184.6	3.0	.9	196.0	3.6	1.3	183.9	3.9	1.7	181.0	2.8	1.2	178.0	1.7	-.3
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	227.8	4.6	2.7	236.6	4.2	2.3	222.1	4.9	3.1	219.6	5.0	3.0	233.8	4.6	2.4
Tobacco and smoking products <sup>3</sup> .....	247.3	5.5	3.0	239.6	5.7	3.1	258.1	6.0	3.5	231.7	4.9	3.1	270.2	5.3	2.3
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	153.2	1.7	.7	163.4	1.1	-.1	148.5	2.8	1.3	146.7	2.4	1.0	155.9	.5	.4
Personal and educational expenses <sup>3 6</sup> .....	263.7	5.1	3.1	271.4	4.4	2.6	251.7	5.0	3.4	261.7	5.7	3.4	272.1	5.5	3.0
<b>Commodity and service group</b>															
All items .....	161.2	2.1	.8	168.2	2.1	.8	157.3	2.0	.8	157.4	1.8	.6	162.2	2.3	1.0
Commodities .....	141.8	.9	-.1	142.4	.9	.0	140.9	.8	.0	142.0	.7	-.2	142.0	1.4	.3
Food and beverages .....	158.5	2.1	1.0	161.0	1.7	.6	155.3	1.8	.8	157.0	2.0	1.0	160.6	2.9	1.2
Commodities less food and beverages .....	131.7	.1	-.7	130.2	.4	-.5	132.5	.1	-.6	133.3	-.1	-.1	130.6	.2	-.5
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	134.5	1.0	-.2	132.3	1.1	-.2	135.7	.9	-.3	136.4	.8	-.6	133.2	.8	.2
Apparel commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	128.6	1.1	-.8	127.0	2.6	1.0	128.7	1.7	-.1	138.3	1.2	-.1	117.3	-.1	-.2
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	140.6	.9	.0	138.9	.4	-.7	141.5	.6	.1	138.9	.6	-.3	143.9	2.0	1.2
Durables .....	127.9	-.1	-.3	127.0	-.1	-.1	127.3	-.1	-.2	129.6	-.1	-.1	127.0	-.9	-.1
Services .....	180.7	2.9	1.4	194.1	3.0	1.4	174.9	3.1	1.5	173.5	2.7	1.3	180.7	2.9	1.5
Rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	184.8	3.1	1.5	206.8	3.3	1.7	179.0	3.2	1.5	165.8	2.9	1.2	186.8	3.0	1.5
Household services less rent of shelter <sup>3 5 6</sup> .....	146.8	2.2	1.4	148.7	2.1	.4	139.7	2.2	1.3	147.7	1.7	1.7	153.1	2.8	2.3
Transportation services .....	185.6	1.8	.7	187.9	1.8	.8	182.0	2.7	.7	187.6	1.6	.3	186.5	1.4	.8
Medical care services .....	240.4	2.7	1.1	251.5	2.7	1.0	232.1	2.3	1.2	240.3	2.9	1.1	238.5	3.1	1.2
Other services .....	211.8	4.1	2.1	224.6	3.7	1.9	203.3	4.5	2.7	208.5	4.4	2.4	210.0	3.9	1.6
<b>Special indexes</b>															
All items less food .....	161.7	2.0	.7	169.8	2.2	.8	157.8	2.1	.8	157.4	1.7	.5	162.7	2.1	1.0
All items less shelter .....	156.4	1.7	.6	158.6	1.6	.4	152.6	1.5	.5	156.6	1.5	.4	157.9	1.9	.8
All items less homeowners' costs <sup>3 5 6</sup> .....	161.9	1.8	.6	166.2	1.9	.5	157.0	1.7	.6	160.6	1.6	.4	164.3	2.0	.8
All items less medical care .....	157.0	2.0	.8	164.4	2.1	.8	153.5	2.0	.8	152.4	1.7	.5	158.1	2.2	1.0
Commodities less food .....	133.1	.3	-.5	131.8	.5	-.4	133.7	.2	-.6	134.2	.0	-.1	132.4	.5	-.3
Nondurables less food .....	136.2	1.1	-.1	134.4	1.2	-.1	137.2	1.0	-.2	137.3	.9	-.5	135.8	1.2	.3
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	141.9	1.1	.1	140.7	.6	-.6	142.7	.7	.1	139.5	.7	-.2	145.6	2.2	1.2
Nondurables .....	146.6	1.5	.3	147.0	1.4	.3	145.5	1.3	.3	146.7	1.5	.2	147.3	2.0	.8
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	189.4	2.8	1.4	196.8	2.6	1.0	180.2	2.9	1.5	188.5	2.6	1.5	192.8	2.8	1.5
Services less medical care services .....	175.2	2.9	1.4	189.4	3.0	1.4	169.5	3.1	1.5	166.3	2.7	1.3	175.7	2.9	1.6
Energy .....	111.4	-.2	-.2	110.7	.1	-.1	107.9	-.1	-.7	111.0	-.1	-.3	118.2	2.5	2.8
All items less energy .....	167.8	2.2	.9	176.0	2.3	1.0	164.6	2.4	1.0	163.7	2.1	.7	167.3	2.2	.8
All items less food and energy .....	170.2	2.2	.8	180.1	2.4	1.1	167.0	2.5	1.0	165.4	2.0	.6	169.2	2.2	.8
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	142.1	.6	-.4	142.6	.8	.1	142.4	.8	-.3	143.5	.5	-.6	139.3	.1	-.7
Energy commodities .....	104.7	-.1	-.2	100.9	-.2	-.3	104.6	-.3	-.2	103.4	-.2	-.2	111.5	2.1	1.8
Services less energy services .....	186.3	3.0	1.4	200.1	3.0	1.5	182.3	3.3	1.6	178.8	2.8	1.2	184.2	2.9	1.4

<sup>1</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes are on a December 1977=100 base except for the U.S. which is on a 1967=100 base.

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

<sup>4</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> 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.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> 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 32. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Size class A <sup>2</sup>			Size class B <sup>3</sup>			Size class C <sup>3</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	145.5	2.2	0.8	161.3	2.0	0.7	160.9	2.0	0.7	157.3	1.5	0.6
All items (December 1977=100) .....	145.5	-	-	261.8	-	-	258.8	-	-	253.7	-	-
<b>Food and beverages</b> .....	143.0	2.1	.8	158.3	2.1	1.0	157.4	1.9	1.0	154.4	1.8	.8
Food .....	142.6	2.1	.8	158.4	2.1	1.1	156.8	1.9	.9	154.0	1.9	.9
Food at home .....	146.6	1.7	.6	161.0	1.8	1.0	154.8	1.4	.6	152.0	1.6	.7
Cereals and bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	159.9	1.7	.7	175.6	1.7	.3	173.2	1.9	.5	182.0	2.0	1.9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>4</sup> .....	137.5	1.0	.2	151.7	1.5	.8	143.6	.8	.6	140.0	1.0	.4
Dairy products <sup>4</sup> .....	140.1	-1.2	-.6	147.9	-1.3	-.6	138.1	-1.1	.3	139.2	-.6	-.9
Fruits and vegetables <sup>4</sup> .....	173.1	2.4	.7	196.4	2.3	2.2	183.1	.7	-.1	173.2	.3	.5
Other food at home <sup>4</sup> .....	136.0	3.3	1.5	149.8	3.7	1.7	150.1	3.4	1.4	144.0	4.0	1.3
Sugar and sweets <sup>4</sup> .....	137.5	2.4	.4	147.3	1.7	.6	145.2	1.9	.8	140.1	3.3	.5
Fats and oils <sup>4</sup> .....	132.7	-.5	-1.2	139.6	1.2	.6	140.9	.2	-1.2	139.9	1.5	.5
Nonalcoholic beverages <sup>4</sup> .....	126.0	6.0	3.6	132.3	6.4	3.2	139.5	6.4	2.9	129.9	8.7	5.0
Other prepared food <sup>4</sup> .....	145.2	2.6	.9	169.6	3.4	1.4	163.2	2.7	1.3	158.0	1.9	-.5
Food away from home .....	136.7	2.8	1.3	155.1	2.5	1.2	161.5	2.7	1.4	158.6	2.9	1.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	147.4	2.5	.8	158.9	2.3	.5	165.1	2.9	1.5	160.5	1.3	.2
<b>Housing</b> <sup>5</sup> .....	141.3	2.6	1.3	159.2	2.1	1.0	155.9	2.5	.9	150.8	1.8	.9
Shelter .....	149.4	3.3	1.6	179.2	2.6	1.2	175.3	3.0	1.2	170.8	2.2	1.1
Renters' costs <sup>4,6</sup> .....	150.6	3.6	1.2	198.7	2.8	.8	176.4	3.3	.6	174.2	1.8	.0
Rent, residential .....	139.9	3.3	1.8	166.3	2.4	1.2	161.5	2.5	1.1	159.6	2.2	1.3
Other renters' costs <sup>4</sup> .....	189.8	4.6	-.3	263.7	3.6	.2	201.6	4.9	-.5	198.2	1.1	-2.5
Homeowners' costs <sup>4,6</sup> .....	149.1	3.2	1.8	182.2	2.5	1.3	182.9	2.9	1.5	177.5	2.4	1.5
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	149.3	3.2	1.8	182.8	2.6	1.4	183.6	2.9	1.5	177.2	2.4	1.6
Maintenance and repairs <sup>4</sup> .....	130.3	4.5	2.4	139.0	1.5	.1	156.8	1.4	.6	137.7	1.4	.5
Maintenance and repair services <sup>4</sup> .....	134.3	4.8	3.5	142.1	3.3	1.9	174.5	3.9	2.9	148.9	1.1	.3
Maintenance and repair commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	123.7	3.9	.5	136.0	-.7	-1.9	136.4	-2.0	-2.7	120.7	2.0	1.1
Fuel and other utilities <sup>5</sup> .....	131.4	1.6	1.0	135.3	1.7	.7	134.7	1.7	.2	128.8	1.5	1.0
Fuels .....	130.3	.9	.9	115.5	1.0	.6	121.0	1.1	-.6	109.8	.0	.0
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	137.2	-.49	-.86	92.7	-.36	-.82	93.5	-.55	-11.0	91.1	-.51	-.79
Fuel oil <sup>4</sup> .....	138.6	-.56	-.92	92.9	-.27	-.80	85.1	-.77	-12.8	87.2	-.63	-.83
Other household fuel commodities <sup>2,4</sup> .....	131.9	-.13	-.57	122.7	-.46	-.84	126.1	-.19	-.82	122.3	-.35	-.75
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	129.6	1.5	1.8	123.4	1.6	1.7	129.6	1.9	.7	118.9	.5	.8
Electricity .....	133.4	-.2	2.6	131.8	.7	2.3	136.4	-.3	.4	126.6	-.11	2.2
Utility (piped) gas .....	123.1	4.4	.3	108.4	4.0	.1	121.0	8.2	1.5	107.7	5.0	-2.6
Other utilities and public services <sup>4</sup> .....	132.8	2.5	1.1	177.0	2.5	.7	163.4	2.7	1.3	167.1	3.1	2.1
Household furnishings and operation <sup>5</sup> .....	117.7	-.1	-.3	127.1	.4	.4	124.6	1.1	.1	125.1	.8	-.1
Housefurnishings <sup>4</sup> .....	105.7	-.16	-.15	116.0	-.3	.3	107.8	.2	-.6	109.5	-.6	-.9
Housekeeping supplies <sup>4</sup> .....	135.8	.9	.6	134.4	1.3	-.4	142.2	2.2	.1	137.8	3.1	1.0
Housekeeping services <sup>4</sup> .....	136.6	2.6	1.8	155.4	2.0	1.0	159.2	2.6	1.9	156.9	1.9	.8
<b>Apparel and upkeep</b> .....	122.1	1.2	-.8	131.1	1.2	-.11	140.7	1.2	-.5	134.0	.9	.7
Apparel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	120.5	1.2	-.10	126.6	1.0	-.14	137.9	1.2	-.6	130.7	.7	.6
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	121.1	2.7	1.7	131.9	.6	-.10	139.3	2.3	1.2	127.0	4.4	2.9
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	114.7	2.6	-2.3	127.7	.9	-2.7	136.1	.0	-2.4	133.9	-1.2	.2
Infants' and toddlers' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	108.5	-.13	-2.6	129.1	6.1	-2.4	144.0	-.14	-4.0	131.1	-.11	-2.3
Footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	126.6	-.1	-.5	116.1	1.8	1.9	134.3	4.5	3.4	125.2	2.1	.2
Other apparel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	141.6	-.49	-2.4	126.5	-.6	.2	154.5	.7	-1.3	139.0	-1.6	-1.3
Apparel services <sup>4</sup> .....	137.4	1.9	.6	169.7	2.2	1.1	170.2	1.1	.8	166.1	2.5	1.0
<b>Transportation</b> .....	142.0	.2	-.4	142.7	-.1	-.6	143.8	-.1	-.6	141.3	-.11	-1.4
Private transportation .....	141.3	.2	-.4	139.2	-.1	-.6	140.3	-.4	-.6	137.3	-.12	-1.3
New vehicles .....	126.1	-.2	-1.1	141.9	-.1	-.8	143.8	-.6	-1.3	143.7	-.4	-1.2
New cars .....	124.3	-.4	-1.1	136.8	-.6	-1.0	141.7	-.9	-1.5	139.8	-1.0	-1.5
Used cars .....	140.5	-.51	-3.4	148.3	-.51	-3.5	148.9	-.50	-3.7	143.1	-.63	-4.2
Motor fuel .....	154.9	-.8	-.4	104.5	-1.7	-1.8	104.5	-2.6	-1.8	103.2	-3.3	-2.1
Gasoline .....	154.4	-.7	-.2	104.3	-1.5	-1.6	104.6	-2.3	-1.5	102.9	-3.0	-1.9
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	154.8	-.6	-.2	101.8	-1.6	-1.7	102.0	-2.5	-1.5	99.2	-2.9	-2.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7</sup> .....	107.6	-.6	.0	110.0	-1.4	-1.7	114.1	-2.1	-1.2	113.8	-3.3	-1.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	144.2	-1.2	-.3	106.6	-1.4	-1.4	108.3	-1.6	-1.2	105.8	-2.3	-1.8
Maintenance and repairs .....	145.9	2.5	1.0	168.2	2.1	1.0	161.5	2.9	2.0	149.5	2.3	1.6
Other private transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	149.9	1.8	.5	175.1	1.5	.6	182.7	2.4	1.2	174.7	1.3	-.1
Other private transportation commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	109.0	.4	.2	98.7	-1.2	-1.1	103.8	-1.1	-1.0	119.4	-.7	-.1
Other private transportation services <sup>4</sup> .....	158.1	1.9	.8	183.5	1.9	.8	204.7	3.0	1.5	190.1	1.7	-.2
Public transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	147.8	.3	.1	206.8	1.8	-.3	212.8	2.1	.8	217.3	-1.3	-2.6

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 32. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Size class A <sup>2</sup>			Size class B <sup>3</sup>			Size class C <sup>3</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
Medical care .....	186.5	2.3	0.9	236.0	3.4	1.6	239.7	2.9	1.0	229.8	2.5	1.0
Medical care commodities .....	173.8	1.5	.3	217.1	2.4	.5	208.4	2.8	.9	215.0	2.2	.6
Medical care services .....	189.3	2.4	1.0	240.5	3.7	1.8	247.2	2.9	1.0	233.9	2.6	1.1
Professional medical services .....	171.3	2.8	1.0	213.2	4.9	2.0	225.6	2.7	1.1	224.4	3.6	1.1
Entertainment <sup>6</sup> .....	144.8	1.8	.1	160.4	1.9	1.3	166.2	1.9	.9	149.4	2.1	.9
Entertainment commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	133.0	.7	-.2	140.2	-.8	-.1	148.0	.8	.6	141.3	1.9	1.1
Entertainment services <sup>4</sup> .....	154.6	2.7	.5	186.8	4.4	2.5	190.2	3.0	1.3	160.9	2.5	.8
Other goods and services <sup>5</sup> .....	183.6	4.7	2.7	227.5	4.2	2.5	223.8	4.6	2.8	222.4	5.3	2.8
Tobacco and smoking products <sup>4</sup> .....	193.2	5.9	3.0	255.7	4.2	2.4	251.4	5.5	3.8	236.5	5.7	2.6
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	137.2	1.6	.5	151.5	1.0	.5	152.9	2.9	1.5	137.6	2.2	.9
Personal and educational expenses <sup>4</sup> .....	196.9	5.1	3.1	264.1	5.2	3.1	257.5	4.6	2.5	265.9	5.9	3.3
<b>Commodity and service group</b>												
All items .....	145.5	2.2	.8	161.3	2.0	.7	160.9	2.0	.7	157.3	1.5	.6
Commodities .....	135.8	1.0	.0	140.8	.8	-.1	142.2	.9	.0	139.7	.6	-.1
Food and beverages .....	143.0	2.1	.8	158.3	2.1	1.0	157.4	1.9	1.0	154.4	1.8	.8
Commodities less food and beverages .....	130.9	.2	-.7	130.9	.0	-.7	133.4	.2	-.7	131.5	-.2	-.6
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	139.6	1.0	-.3	133.0	.6	-.7	137.9	1.1	-.1	133.9	.7	.1
Apparel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	120.5	1.2	-1.0	126.6	1.0	-1.4	137.9	1.2	-.6	130.7	.7	.6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	151.7	.9	.1	139.1	.5	-.3	140.6	1.0	.1	137.3	.7	-.1
Durables .....	119.2	-1.0	-1.3	128.2	-1.0	-.9	127.6	-1.2	-1.5	128.5	-1.5	-1.5
Services .....	153.3	3.0	1.5	182.6	2.8	1.4	181.3	3.0	1.3	176.6	2.4	1.2
Rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	149.8	3.4	1.6	187.2	2.7	1.2	181.9	3.0	1.2	176.6	2.2	1.1
Household services less rent of shelter <sup>4 6</sup> .....	132.5	2.2	1.6	149.1	2.0	1.2	148.9	2.3	1.2	145.3	1.8	1.3
Transportation services .....	152.7	1.7	.5	189.1	1.9	.6	193.5	2.8	1.5	184.5	1.2	-.3
Medical care services .....	189.3	2.4	1.0	240.5	3.7	1.8	247.2	2.9	1.0	233.9	2.6	1.1
Other services .....	172.4	4.0	2.0	213.2	4.5	2.6	209.2	3.8	2.0	207.3	4.7	2.4
<b>Special indexes</b>												
All items less food .....	146.1	2.2	.9	161.8	1.9	.7	161.7	2.0	.7	157.9	1.5	.6
All items less shelter .....	143.9	1.6	.5	156.1	1.6	.6	157.1	1.7	.5	154.1	1.4	.5
All items less homeowners' costs <sup>4 6</sup> .....	144.6	1.9	.6	162.0	1.8	.6	161.0	1.8	.6	158.2	1.4	.4
All items less medical care .....	143.2	2.1	.8	156.9	1.8	.6	156.2	2.0	.7	152.1	1.5	.6
Commodities less food .....	131.9	.4	-.6	131.9	.1	-.7	134.6	.3	-.6	132.4	-.2	-.6
Nondurables less food .....	140.4	1.2	-.1	134.4	.8	-.5	139.3	1.2	.0	135.1	.7	.0
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	151.0	1.1	.2	139.9	.6	-.2	142.0	1.2	.3	138.5	.7	-.1
Nondurables .....	141.5	1.7	.4	145.5	1.4	.2	147.5	1.5	.4	144.1	1.3	.4
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	156.9	2.6	1.4	190.0	2.9	1.5	190.9	2.9	1.4	186.0	2.5	1.1
Services less medical care services .....	150.2	3.0	1.6	176.9	2.7	1.3	174.5	2.9	1.3	169.5	2.4	1.3
Energy .....	140.3	.1	.3	108.7	-.2	-.5	112.0	-.5	-1.1	105.4	-1.4	-.8
All items less energy .....	145.9	2.3	.9	168.5	2.1	.9	167.9	2.2	.8	164.7	1.8	.7
All items less food and energy .....	146.6	2.4	.9	170.9	2.1	.8	170.6	2.3	.8	167.4	1.9	.8
Commodities less food and energy .....	129.3	.5	-.5	141.0	.4	-.4	144.2	.8	-.2	142.1	.4	-.2
Energy commodities .....	153.0	-1.2	-1.3	103.0	-1.9	-2.6	103.4	-2.9	-2.9	102.0	-3.4	-2.8
Services less energy services .....	154.9	3.1	1.4	188.9	2.9	1.3	187.2	3.0	1.4	183.3	2.6	1.2

<sup>1</sup> See region and area size on table 10 for information about population size classes.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

<sup>5</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> 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 33. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of region and population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast								
	Size class A			Size class B <sup>2</sup>			Size class C <sup>2</sup>		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>									
All items .....	169.0	2.2	0.8	166.0	2.0	0.7	167.1	2.5	1.1
All items (December 1977=100) .....	261.1	-	-	267.0	-	-	277.5	-	-
Food and beverages .....	160.5	1.6	.6	165.4	2.2	.9	159.6	1.6	.8
Food .....	159.9	1.6	.6	165.1	2.1	.8	159.0	1.7	.8
Food at home .....	161.3	1.1	.1	167.5	1.9	.6	156.1	1.2	.4
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	184.7	1.2	.5	173.8	3.1	1.0	185.4	3.2	.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	150.2	-.1	-1.0	162.6	3.6	.0	151.3	.5	.2
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	138.0	-.5	-1.3	142.6	-.1	-.8	119.9	-3.2	-.5
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....	188.9	.7	.1	192.0	-2.9	.2	183.3	-.1	-.7
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	155.5	3.8	2.2	168.4	3.8	2.1	148.4	4.2	2.1
Food away from home .....	160.1	2.5	1.5	163.2	2.5	1.2	165.9	2.5	1.5
Alcoholic beverages .....	167.9	2.3	.5	171.0	2.3	.9	166.9	1.2	1.2
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	169.4	2.6	1.0	167.6	1.8	.7	168.2	3.1	1.4
Shelter .....	196.9	3.5	1.7	198.9	2.3	1.4	201.8	3.8	2.4
Renters' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	207.8	4.6	1.5	217.4	2.9	3.2	195.4	5.4	3.0
Rent, residential .....	181.6	3.3	1.7	171.3	2.5	.9	176.2	2.8	1.8
Other renters' costs <sup>3</sup> .....	262.7	7.6	1.2	283.0	3.4	6.3	216.7	11.1	5.2
Homeowners' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	201.0	3.0	1.7	206.7	2.1	.7	216.6	3.3	2.2
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>5</sup> .....	201.9	3.1	1.8	208.5	2.3	.8	217.6	3.2	2.1
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	124.7	1.1	-.9	132.5	1.3	-1.5	118.3	.4	-2.6
Fuels .....	119.1	.8	-1.7	116.2	.9	-2.7	98.8	-1.1	-5.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	97.4	-5.6	-9.5	89.9	-3.6	-7.8	80.7	-6.5	-12.9
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	95.5	-6.2	-9.9	91.5	-2.1	-8.0	80.7	-8.7	-14.1
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	137.7	-.5	-5.0	111.2	-9.2	-6.9	99.3	2.9	-7.7
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	132.2	2.4	.2	139.6	2.3	-1.1	116.3	1.7	-.9
Electricity .....	138.7	.4	2.1	148.1	-.4	-.5	119.8	-.1	-.1
Utility (piped) gas .....	123.2	5.9	-2.9	123.1	9.8	-2.6	111.9	8.1	-3.4
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	126.8	-1.0	-.3	120.9	-.2	-.2	124.2	3.5	1.8
Apparel and upkeep .....	128.0	2.2	.8	131.6	4.9	.0	145.3	3.1	1.0
Apparel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	123.0	2.3	.8	128.3	5.2	.0	142.4	3.3	1.0
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	124.8	3.7	3.4	153.3	6.3	2.3	164.3	10.5	5.8
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	115.1	2.8	-.1	119.2	5.4	-1.7	134.9	2.2	-.2
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	129.3	1.6	-.6	122.9	3.8	.5	141.8	-2.1	-1.5
Transportation .....	149.2	.3	-.2	142.3	1.0	.0	143.2	.0	-.5
Private transportation .....	144.2	.3	-.3	138.9	.4	-.3	136.0	.2	-.4
Motor fuel .....	103.7	-.7	-.9	105.9	-.4	-1.6	104.3	-.5	-1.2
Gasoline .....	103.3	-.6	-.6	106.1	.1	-1.2	104.1	-.2	-1.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	102.3	-.4	-.5	103.9	.0	-1.2	103.8	-.3	-1.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7</sup> .....	105.5	-.9	-.7	112.7	.4	-1.2	112.1	.2	-.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	102.9	-1.2	-.6	106.7	.2	-1.3	107.2	-.6	-1.1
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	179.6	.8	.7	201.2	9.2	4.1	248.6	-1.7	-.7
Medical care .....	249.2	2.8	.9	241.3	1.3	.8	229.7	1.7	.2
Entertainment <sup>8</sup> .....	172.8	1.9	.2	158.3	2.0	1.4	176.6	4.7	2.5
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	233.9	4.1	2.4	232.9	3.7	2.1	244.3	4.8	2.5
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	167.5	1.0	-.3	150.1	-.1	.1	151.5	2.6	1.5

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**Table 33. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of region and population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast								
	Size class A			Size class B <sup>2</sup>			Size class C <sup>2</sup>		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>									
All items .....	169.0	2.2	0.8	166.0	2.0	0.7	167.1	2.5	1.1
Commodities .....	143.3	.8	.0	141.5	1.6	.1	140.5	1.0	-.2
Food and beverages .....	160.5	1.6	.6	165.4	2.2	.9	159.6	1.6	.8
Commodities less food and beverages .....	130.9	.2	-.5	127.4	1.2	-.5	129.2	.5	-.9
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	132.8	1.1	-.1	128.1	1.6	-.7	134.5	1.4	-.6
Durables .....	128.7	-1.3	-1.0	125.0	.5	.2	121.4	-.8	-1.4
Services .....	193.1	3.0	1.4	194.5	2.4	1.2	196.5	3.6	2.0
Medical care services .....	255.9	3.2	1.1	245.8	1.2	.8	233.8	1.4	.0
<b>Special indexes</b>									
All items less shelter .....	159.5	1.5	.4	156.7	1.9	.4	156.7	1.9	.4
All items less medical care .....	165.0	2.1	.8	162.1	2.1	.7	164.0	2.6	1.2
All items less energy .....	175.9	2.3	.9	174.9	2.2	1.0	176.7	2.7	1.4
All items less food and energy .....	180.1	2.5	1.1	177.5	2.1	1.0	181.3	3.0	1.6
Energy .....	112.9	.4	-1.4	111.8	.4	-2.4	99.7	-.9	-3.7
Commodities less food .....	132.6	.4	-.3	129.2	1.3	-.3	130.8	.6	-.8
Nondurables less food .....	135.0	1.3	.0	130.4	1.6	-.6	136.4	1.4	-.4
Nondurables .....	147.5	1.4	.3	146.1	1.9	.1	146.7	1.5	.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	196.2	2.5	.9	196.8	2.3	.9	197.0	3.4	1.5
Services less medical care services .....	188.1	3.1	1.3	189.6	2.5	1.2	193.3	3.8	2.2

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**Table 33. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of region and population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	North Central											
	Size class A			Size class B <sup>2</sup>			Size class C <sup>2</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	158.1	2.3	0.9	156.3	1.8	0.9	159.2	2.1	0.6	153.1	1.3	0.6
All items (December 1977 = 100) .....	261.0	-	-	252.6	-	-	253.6	-	-	245.4	-	-
Food and beverages .....	157.7	2.0	1.0	151.4	1.5	.9	154.6	1.5	.5	149.2	1.5	.6
Food .....	157.1	2.0	1.0	151.6	1.3	.9	153.6	1.4	.5	148.1	1.4	.5
Food at home .....	157.8	1.7	.8	152.5	.4	.5	152.1	.9	.2	145.0	.5	-.1
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	178.7	1.8	.7	182.8	.4	.1	172.1	1.5	-.2	174.8	.7	-.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	152.8	1.2	.9	139.8	.0	1.5	138.8	1.2	1.2	138.0	1.2	1.4
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	148.1	-2.1	-1.3	141.1	-6.8	-3.9	139.3	-1.1	-.4	135.9	-1.7	-.8
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....	183.3	3.6	2.0	169.1	1.8	1.2	176.9	-2.6	-1.7	158.6	-1.1	-2.6
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	142.5	2.5	.8	147.5	3.2	1.2	149.1	3.5	1.0	134.2	2.1	.7
Food away from home .....	156.4	2.7	1.4	150.3	3.2	1.9	156.9	2.3	1.0	154.4	3.1	1.8
Alcoholic beverages .....	163.4	1.6	.5	149.2	3.3	.9	167.9	2.4	.5	166.2	3.7	1.3
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	153.0	2.8	1.5	154.6	2.7	1.2	156.3	2.4	.8	146.3	1.9	1.2
Shelter .....	175.5	3.5	1.9	181.9	3.2	1.3	176.2	3.0	1.1	159.9	2.1	1.1
Renters' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	178.6	3.4	1.5	195.0	1.9	-1.7	181.4	2.8	-.2	160.6	1.6	.6
Rent, residential .....	168.4	3.5	1.9	171.3	3.4	2.0	160.8	2.9	1.1	149.9	2.5	1.6
Other renters' costs <sup>3</sup> .....	185.6	3.1	.4	224.2	.3	-5.5	218.3	2.6	-2.4	176.8	-.4	-2.0
Homeowners' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	180.1	3.6	2.0	183.2	3.6	2.2	180.0	3.2	1.5	167.7	2.3	1.3
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>5</sup> .....	180.2	3.6	1.9	184.5	3.7	2.3	181.0	3.2	1.6	167.7	2.1	1.3
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	124.3	1.3	.5	119.5	1.8	.8	131.7	2.4	.6	134.9	1.9	2.0
Fuels .....	111.5	-1.0	.0	103.8	.7	.4	118.0	2.3	.3	109.0	1.4	2.8
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	92.4	-6.2	-9.4	89.3	-5.6	-10.2	92.1	-9.1	-11.8	89.9	-2.9	-5.8
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	89.8	-7.1	-8.5	90.8	-5.3	-9.3	83.4	-8.7	-11.3	88.5	-7.4	-9.0
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	118.6	-5.2	-10.6	122.3	-5.6	-10.7	129.1	-9.3	-12.4	130.3	2.2	-2.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	114.9	-.9	.3	109.8	.9	.9	127.9	3.0	1.0	117.7	1.6	3.3
Electricity .....	128.7	-.5	3.4	130.4	1.4	1.8	135.5	.4	1.2	122.7	-.2	8.3
Utility (piped) gas .....	102.3	-1.4	-3.1	90.6	.1	-.4	121.9	7.4	.8	114.8	4.1	-2.4
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	119.2	1.3	.8	126.0	1.3	1.4	134.1	.4	-.1	124.4	.5	.4
Apparel and upkeep .....	127.4	1.7	-2.1	134.8	-.2	1.0	132.8	3.3	.4	144.1	1.6	-.1
Apparel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	125.2	1.5	-2.4	131.7	-.7	1.1	128.8	3.5	.3	143.4	1.6	-.1
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	130.2	3.6	1.2	126.4	-5.8	-2.2	129.0	6.3	2.7	143.4	6.3	1.0
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	115.7	3.1	-4.5	144.4	.3	1.6	130.0	1.0	-2.3	143.7	-.6	-.3
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	131.4	-1.2	-.3	109.2	.7	3.2	128.9	5.9	5.1	157.4	.9	-.5
Transportation .....	143.0	-.2	-.8	141.1	-.4	-.8	142.1	.2	-.5	136.9	-1.7	-1.7
Private transportation .....	140.2	-.4	-.8	137.1	-.4	-.8	138.2	-.3	-.8	130.2	-1.6	-1.3
Motor fuel .....	106.2	-3.9	-2.3	106.9	-2.9	-1.7	103.3	-3.3	-2.3	102.1	-4.0	-2.0
Gasoline .....	106.2	-3.7	-1.8	107.2	-2.8	-1.6	103.3	-3.1	-2.1	101.5	-3.9	-1.9
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	105.1	-3.8	-2.0	104.2	-3.1	-1.7	101.6	-3.3	-2.2	98.5	-3.9	-2.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7</sup> .....	115.1	-3.7	-1.7	116.7	-2.5	-1.4	116.7	-3.2	-1.4	118.8	-4.1	-1.0
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	107.7	-3.4	-1.7	112.7	-2.5	-1.2	104.2	-2.4	-2.3	104.5	-3.2	-1.3
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	179.2	1.1	-.8	235.7	-1.2	-.7	228.0	7.1	2.8	298.7	-3.7	-6.1
Medical care .....	225.5	1.8	.9	226.7	3.0	1.7	243.2	2.9	1.0	221.0	2.4	1.3
Entertainment <sup>8</sup> .....	166.7	3.2	1.0	154.4	2.3	1.6	171.3	2.9	.9	153.9	1.7	1.1
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	228.3	5.6	3.5	217.2	2.6	1.8	214.5	4.5	3.1	210.1	4.2	2.0
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	142.8	3.0	1.1	166.1	1.8	.6	161.0	2.5	1.7	138.4	3.8	2.7

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**Table 33. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of region and population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	North Central											
	Size class A			Size class B <sup>2</sup>			Size class C <sup>2</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>												
All items .....	158.1	2.3	0.9	156.3	1.8	0.9	159.2	2.1	0.6	153.1	1.3	0.6
Commodities .....	141.9	.9	-.1	137.0	.0	.2	142.0	1.0	-.1	139.8	.4	-.1
Food and beverages .....	157.7	2.0	1.0	151.4	1.5	.9	154.6	1.5	.5	149.2	1.5	.6
Commodities less food and beverages .....	132.1	.2	-.9	129.8	-.8	-.1	134.9	.7	-.4	134.4	-.1	-.4
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	136.3	1.0	-.5	131.7	-.8	.0	136.0	1.9	.1	138.9	.5	-.1
Durables .....	124.7	-1.2	-1.4	128.6	-.6	-.2	132.6	-1.3	-1.4	128.4	-.9	-1.0
Services .....	174.9	3.2	1.6	176.6	3.0	1.4	179.0	3.1	1.3	167.4	1.9	1.1
Medical care services .....	228.8	1.9	1.1	228.8	3.4	2.0	251.2	2.6	.9	223.9	2.4	1.3
<b>Special indexes</b>												
All items less shelter .....	153.1	1.7	.5	149.3	1.2	.7	154.6	1.8	.5	151.5	1.0	.4
All items less medical care .....	154.6	2.2	.9	152.6	1.7	.9	154.9	2.0	.6	148.1	1.2	.5
All items less energy .....	164.9	2.6	1.0	164.8	2.0	1.0	166.9	2.3	.7	160.0	1.5	.6
All items less food and energy .....	166.9	2.8	1.0	167.8	2.1	1.0	170.4	2.5	.8	162.6	1.5	.6
Energy .....	109.2	-2.4	-1.2	102.9	-1.0	-.6	110.2	-.2	-.8	104.6	-.9	.8
Commodities less food .....	133.5	.2	-.8	130.3	-.6	-.1	136.1	.8	-.4	135.4	.0	-.4
Nondurables less food .....	138.0	1.1	-.4	132.4	-.5	.1	137.7	2.0	.2	140.4	.7	.0
Nondurables .....	147.3	1.6	.3	141.0	.3	.4	144.9	1.8	.3	144.7	1.0	.3
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	180.5	3.1	1.6	174.7	2.7	1.3	185.3	3.1	1.4	177.4	1.9	1.1
Services less medical care services .....	170.2	3.5	1.8	172.2	3.0	1.4	172.5	3.2	1.3	160.1	1.8	1.1

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**Table 33. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of region and population size classes<sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	South											
	Size class A			Size class B <sup>2</sup>			Size class C <sup>2</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	156.3	1.8	0.6	160.8	2.1	0.8	156.5	1.4	0.4	156.8	2.1	0.6
All items (December 1977=100) .....	252.2	-	-	262.5	-	-	253.4	-	-	254.6	-	-
Food and beverages .....	157.4	2.0	.9	157.6	1.7	1.0	157.9	2.1	1.3	153.5	2.3	.9
Food .....	157.5	2.1	1.0	157.8	1.8	1.0	157.7	1.9	1.2	153.8	2.5	.9
Food at home .....	156.0	1.2	.6	159.0	1.9	1.3	156.0	1.4	1.0	151.1	2.5	1.1
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	171.3	2.0	.5	173.4	1.8	.9	169.1	1.4	.9	186.5	2.9	3.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	145.3	.6	.6	147.8	.7	1.0	143.2	.4	.6	144.5	1.3	.3
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	151.8	-.8	.2	148.7	-.1	.5	145.1	-.5	.8	134.5	-.5	-.7
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....	189.2	1.1	.3	203.6	2.6	1.8	182.8	2.8	1.9	165.9	2.1	.2
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	143.3	2.9	1.1	143.6	3.7	1.7	154.6	2.9	1.2	140.8	5.5	2.0
Food away from home .....	161.1	3.1	1.4	157.5	1.8	.8	162.7	2.8	1.4	160.8	2.5	.5
Alcoholic beverages .....	156.4	1.8	.8	156.3	1.3	.1	161.1	3.7	2.4	147.0	-.3	-.4
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	146.8	1.8	.9	156.8	2.5	1.2	144.4	1.8	.3	149.8	2.5	1.2
Shelter .....	159.5	2.7	1.1	167.7	3.4	1.5	153.7	2.1	.5	171.1	3.1	1.6
Renters' costs <sup>3,5</sup> .....	166.6	2.5	-.1	194.8	3.7	.6	157.1	2.1	-.3	176.9	2.1	-.5
Rent, residential .....	156.8	2.3	1.4	159.0	3.3	1.8	149.0	2.1	.9	160.9	3.7	2.4
Other renters' costs <sup>3</sup> .....	190.6	2.6	-.4	283.0	4.4	-.1	176.6	2.2	-.3	196.1	-.2	-.4
Homeowners' costs <sup>3,5</sup> .....	162.2	2.8	1.7	167.3	3.3	1.9	156.5	2.2	.9	174.0	3.3	2.2
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>5</sup> .....	162.1	2.7	1.6	167.1	3.3	2.0	156.2	2.2	.9	172.5	3.5	2.3
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	124.9	1.0	2.3	147.9	1.9	1.1	145.4	1.3	.5	127.0	1.3	1.0
Fuels .....	114.7	.8	3.7	122.2	1.2	1.6	138.3	.4	-.2	109.9	-.8	-.9
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	97.3	-.2	-.5	104.9	-.3	-.8	122.2	-.7	-.5	95.3	-.4	-.6
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	93.8	-.2	-.5	94.1	-.3	-.7	87.1	3.9	-.3	90.0	-.4	-.6
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3,6</sup> .....	131.5	-.2	-.5	136.7	-.2	-.8	153.8	-.1	-.6	112.9	-.5	-.7
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	118.7	1.0	4.3	123.2	1.6	2.8	140.5	.4	.2	114.8	-.4	-.3
Electricity .....	118.0	-.3	5.3	123.3	1.1	3.9	144.2	-.1	-.1	118.2	-.8	.0
Utility (piped) gas .....	116.9	5.0	1.3	126.4	4.0	-.2	135.2	8.6	1.4	106.9	3.0	-.2
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	129.6	-.1	-.1	133.6	-.5	-.2	117.1	1.1	-.8	122.9	1.9	.2
Apparel and upkeep .....	148.3	2.1	-.1	134.7	1.3	-.1	146.9	.1	-.7	129.9	1.3	-.5
Apparel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	143.4	2.1	-.1	129.0	1.1	-.1	144.9	.0	-.8	125.2	1.3	-.6
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	147.1	3.7	1.4	132.5	2.3	-.1	134.5	-.1	.3	125.4	5.2	3.5
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	139.0	3.6	-.3	129.4	.5	-.4	144.8	-.2	-.3	133.7	-.1	-.1
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	138.7	2.1	.4	126.5	1.6	4.1	139.3	8.4	6.3	105.4	6.5	-.2
Transportation .....	141.6	-.2	-.8	141.3	-.5	-.1	143.5	-.8	-.9	140.5	-.8	-.1
Private transportation .....	141.7	-.1	-.8	139.0	-.6	-.9	141.4	-.8	-.1	139.2	-.8	-.1
Motor fuel .....	105.4	-.3	-.2	103.2	-.2	-.2	102.9	-.3	-.3	96.3	-.3	-.2
Gasoline .....	104.7	-.3	-.1	102.8	-.2	-.2	103.6	-.3	-.2	95.6	-.2	-.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	102.4	-.3	-.2	100.4	-.2	-.2	99.3	-.3	-.2	91.3	-.2	-.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7</sup> .....	106.7	-.2	-.1	108.3	-.2	-.2	112.0	-.3	-.2	113.1	-.3	-.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	106.6	-.3	-.1	105.0	-.2	-.2	108.5	-.2	-.2	102.7	-.2	-.1
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	143.7	-.1	-.1	185.8	.4	-.3	192.9	-.7	-.1	168.2	-.1	-.3
Medical care .....	234.1	2.2	.8	232.9	4.3	1.7	236.7	2.2	1.1	234.3	2.5	.5
Entertainment <sup>8</sup> .....	167.4	2.3	.4	161.6	1.8	1.2	153.7	-.5	.1	153.8	3.5	1.4
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	213.1	4.5	2.8	235.5	5.2	3.1	217.6	4.8	3.0	213.5	6.2	3.3
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	152.9	3.2	.9	151.9	.7	.9	144.3	3.5	2.1	124.6	.3	-.2

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 33. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of region and population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	South											
	Size class A			Size class B <sup>2</sup>			Size class C <sup>2</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>												
All items .....	156.3	1.8	0.6	160.8	2.1	0.8	156.5	1.4	0.4	156.8	2.1	0.6
Commodities .....	142.2	.7	-.4	142.5	.6	-.2	142.9	.7	-.1	138.5	1.0	-.1
Food and beverages .....	157.4	2.0	.9	157.6	1.7	1.0	157.9	2.1	1.3	153.5	2.3	.9
Commodities less food and beverages .....	133.4	-.1	-1.3	133.7	-.1	-.9	134.1	-.3	-1.0	130.3	.2	-.8
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	135.1	.9	-1.0	136.6	.9	-.7	139.5	.4	-.4	132.0	1.4	-.2
Durables .....	131.9	-1.3	-1.6	129.4	-1.6	-1.2	127.9	-1.1	-1.8	128.2	-1.3	-1.5
Services .....	170.5	2.6	1.3	179.6	3.3	1.6	171.4	2.1	.9	176.4	2.9	1.3
Medical care services .....	238.7	2.2	.8	239.5	4.7	2.1	244.5	2.2	1.2	238.0	2.5	.5
<b>Special indexes</b>												
All items less shelter .....	155.5	1.4	.3	159.0	1.7	.6	157.8	1.2	.4	153.2	1.7	.3
All items less medical care .....	152.0	1.7	.6	156.2	1.9	.7	150.9	1.3	.4	150.5	2.0	.7
All items less energy .....	162.9	1.9	.5	167.2	2.3	.9	161.9	1.6	.6	164.7	2.4	.9
All items less food and energy .....	164.3	1.9	.4	169.5	2.4	.9	163.1	1.6	.5	167.3	2.4	.8
Energy .....	108.7	-1.1	.9	109.6	-.4	-.1	119.4	-1.2	-1.3	101.2	-1.7	-1.7
Commodities less food .....	134.4	.0	-1.2	134.5	-.1	-.8	135.1	-.1	-.8	130.7	.2	-.8
Nondurables less food .....	136.3	.9	-.8	137.5	.9	-.6	140.6	.6	-.1	132.4	1.3	-.2
Nondurables .....	146.2	1.5	.0	147.3	1.4	.2	148.8	1.3	.5	142.5	1.9	.4
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	186.7	2.5	1.6	193.5	3.2	1.7	189.0	2.1	1.1	185.2	2.7	1.0
Services less medical care services .....	164.3	2.6	1.4	173.1	3.0	1.5	162.6	2.1	.9	167.4	3.0	1.4

See footnotes at end of table.



**Table 33. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of region and population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	West					
	Size class A			Size class C <sup>2</sup>		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>						
All items .....	162.4	2.4	1.1	167.7	2.8	1.1
All items (December 1977=100) .....	264.8	-	-	260.1	-	-
Food and beverages .....	161.2	2.9	1.0	157.9	3.2	1.2
Food .....	160.4	2.7	.9	157.4	3.1	1.1
Food at home .....	164.8	2.7	1.0	154.7	2.7	.5
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	181.4	2.4	1.2	170.4	2.5	.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	154.4	2.8	1.0	143.2	2.8	-.1
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	158.4	-1.2	.0	143.5	.3	.8
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....	196.6	4.1	.7	193.9	2.4	-1.4
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	149.9	3.9	1.6	141.8	4.1	2.5
Food away from home .....	154.5	2.7	.9	162.4	4.0	2.0
Alcoholic beverages .....	167.9	4.0	1.4	165.3	3.6	1.7
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	162.8	3.0	1.7	167.9	3.3	1.6
Shelter .....	176.8	3.3	1.8	190.1	3.7	1.4
Renters' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	191.7	3.5	1.5	186.8	4.0	1.1
Rent, residential .....	172.0	3.7	2.1	167.0	2.6	.8
Other renters' costs <sup>3</sup> .....	228.9	2.7	-.5	225.5	8.3	2.1
Homeowners' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	188.0	3.3	2.0	207.2	3.5	1.5
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>5</sup> .....	187.9	3.3	2.0	208.7	3.5	1.5
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	145.7	3.0	2.8	134.8	4.7	2.7
Fuels .....	136.4	2.9	3.7	115.2	4.9	3.7
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	105.8	2.3	-1.6	264.1	-1.0	-7.4
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	104.8	1.5	-2.1	350.3	.2	-1.0
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	138.2	3.1	-1.2	118.1	-1.2	-8.2
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	138.9	3.0	3.9	114.1	5.1	4.1
Electricity .....	153.0	-.5	.4	125.4	2.3	1.5
Utility (piped) gas .....	126.9	11.7	12.5	102.7	10.2	8.8
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	126.1	.8	-.2	126.6	.3	1.4
Apparel and upkeep .....	119.9	-1.2	-1.3	133.2	-1.3	-3.3
Apparel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	114.6	-1.7	-1.5	131.1	-1.5	-3.6
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	118.4	-.5	.1	140.6	-4.5	-4.4
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	107.3	.8	-1.5	127.1	2.3	-.2
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	118.8	-4.0	-1.3	122.9	-1.1	-2.7
Transportation .....	145.0	.8	.3	147.4	.7	.5
Private transportation .....	141.1	.9	.2	145.2	.3	.4
Motor fuel .....	110.4	3.9	2.9	111.1	-.8	2.0
Gasoline .....	109.4	4.1	3.1	110.3	-.5	2.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	106.8	4.6	3.2	106.8	-.9	2.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7</sup> .....	105.1	4.4	3.1	117.4	.1	2.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	111.3	3.8	3.0	110.4	-.3	2.1
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	190.2	-.2	.7	184.6	6.2	3.1
Medical care .....	231.8	2.2	.8	253.8	6.2	1.6
Entertainment <sup>8</sup> .....	156.1	.4	-.6	171.5	2.1	.9
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	240.3	4.7	2.4	231.5	3.8	1.7
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	161.2	-.2	.6	160.3	2.7	.2

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 33. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of region and population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	West					
	Size class A			Size class C <sup>2</sup>		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>						
All items .....	162.4	2.4	1.1	167.7	2.8	1.1
Commodities .....	141.9	1.5	.3	142.8	1.0	.4
Food and beverages .....	161.2	2.9	1.0	157.9	3.2	1.2
Commodities less food and beverages .....	129.6	.5	-.2	134.4	-.2	-.1
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	131.6	1.0	.5	141.8	.9	.4
Durables .....	126.3	-.5	-1.3	125.7	-1.8	-.9
Services .....	180.5	3.0	1.6	191.5	4.1	1.6
Medical care services .....	232.7	2.2	.9	263.6	6.8	1.9
<b>Special indexes</b>						
All items less shelter .....	157.9	1.9	.8	160.3	2.4	.9
All items less medical care .....	158.8	2.4	1.1	162.3	2.5	1.0
All items less energy .....	167.2	2.3	.9	174.2	2.9	1.0
All items less food and energy .....	169.0	2.2	1.0	177.7	2.8	1.0
Energy .....	119.0	3.4	3.3	112.8	1.6	2.7
Commodities less food .....	131.6	.7	-.2	135.7	.0	-.1
Nondurables less food .....	134.5	1.4	.5	143.4	1.1	.5
Nondurables .....	147.0	2.1	.8	150.2	2.0	.7
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	193.2	2.4	1.3	198.5	4.5	1.8
Services less medical care services .....	176.3	3.0	1.7	184.0	3.7	1.6

<sup>1</sup> See region and area size on table 10 for information about cross classifications.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>3</sup> This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

<sup>4</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January,

1998.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> 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 34. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Anchorage, AK			Atlanta, GA <sup>1</sup>			Baltimore, MD <sup>2</sup>			Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH		
	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	145.4	1.2	0.9	159.5	1.5	0.8	156.5	0.8	0.2	168.4	2.4	0.5
All items (1967 = 100) <sup>3</sup> .....	388.2	—	—	480.9	—	—	468.1	—	—	489.5	—	—
Food and beverages .....	146.1	1.0	.3	160.8	2.8	1.6	160.9	.3	.1	161.1	1.7	.9
Food .....	146.5	1.0	.2	164.7	2.9	1.7	161.5	.3	.1	161.4	2.0	1.1
Food at home .....	149.0	-.5	-1.0	159.8	3.2	1.7	161.3	-.5	-.2	158.0	1.0	.4
Cereals and bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	143.8	-2.6	-.6	155.6	.8	-.1	192.5	-1.1	-1.7	176.0	1.8	2.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>4</sup> .....	136.8	2.1	.6	156.4	3.4	2.6	141.8	.1	-.3	148.8	-2.0	-.9
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	137.1	2.6	.9	155.3	3.1	2.7	143.8	.6	-.1	148.8	-2.2	-1.1
Dairy products <sup>4</sup> .....	131.2	-2.9	-1.9	159.0	4.4	-2.0	154.4	-4.0	-.1	145.0	3.3	1.3
Fruits and vegetables <sup>4 5</sup> .....	217.9	-2.8	-4.8	207.9	2.6	4.8	201.8	2.6	1.9	196.3	3.1	-1.9
Other food at home <sup>4</sup> .....	128.3	1.8	1.9	135.2	4.2	.4	150.8	-1.4	-.9	139.7	1.7	2.9
Food away from home .....	141.8	3.0	1.1	173.2	3.8	1.8	161.7	2.9	1.3	168.6	3.6	2.7
Alcoholic beverages .....	142.6	.4	.9	127.9	1.7	.2	153.7	1.4	-.2	159.3	-1.1	-1.2
Housing <sup>5</sup> .....	129.5	.6	.1	157.0	2.6	.8	146.3	1.0	1.0	162.5	2.8	.0
Shelter .....	130.5	.6	.1	172.2	2.7	.9	163.6	1.7	.8	189.6	3.3	1.0
Renters' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	155.4	1.3	-1.0	195.2	2.5	-.8	168.0	2.7	1.8	202.1	3.9	.6
Rent, residential .....	119.2	.6	.8	173.6	2.7	1.1	162.5	1.4	.4	177.6	3.6	1.4
Other renters' costs <sup>4 8</sup> .....	288.2	2.4	-4.0	258.7	1.9	-4.8	161.9	6.2	5.9	237.5	4.4	-.8
Homeowners' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	131.7	.4	.6	168.7	3.0	1.7	169.4	1.3	.4	193.2	3.1	1.3
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>7</sup> .....	131.6	.3	.6	168.9	2.9	1.7	170.4	1.2	.4	193.7	3.1	1.3
Fuel and other utilities <sup>5</sup> .....	146.7	3.7	.5	139.9	2.5	1.1	123.0	.3	4.0	123.6	.7	-3.7
Fuels .....	143.9	5.3	.6	135.0	4.2	6.4	115.8	.4	3.3	103.8	.9	-8.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	104.7	1.8	-2.5	102.1	-6.2	-8.1	88.2	-6.9	-9.3	90.0	-6.5	-11.1
Fuel oil <sup>4</sup> .....	109.5	.9	.3	NA	—	—	90.2	-6.8	-9.3	90.4	-7.4	-11.5
Other household fuel commodities <sup>4 9</sup> .....	116.2	3.9	-8.3	122.2	-6.1	-8.1	NA	—	—	108.0	6.9	-2.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	160.3	5.6	.9	136.5	4.4	6.7	134.5	1.7	5.7	124.8	3.7	-7.3
Electricity .....	155.2	3.7	1.4	143.6	1.4	12.2	143.1	-.3	9.8	140.5	1.1	-.9
Utility (piped) gas .....	165.4	9.6	.0	127.3	8.7	-.2	115.7	7.5	-3.9	103.3	8.2	-16.1
Household furnishings and operation <sup>5</sup> .....	111.0	-2.3	-.3	128.9	2.1	-.3	124.8	-.8	-.6	119.0	2.0	-1.0
Apparel and upkeep .....	129.6	-2.6	4.3	137.1	-4.7	.1	130.7	-1.7	-3.5	143.9	.0	.1
Apparel commodities <sup>4 8</sup> .....	127.9	-3.3	4.6	129.2	-6.1	-.2	124.5	-2.0	-3.9	134.0	.0	.3
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	153.8	-.7	2.1	134.6	-.8	.6	130.6	3.7	3.3	132.5	1.6	3.1
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	126.7	-10.0	9.2	115.0	-15.6	-5.2	111.0	-3.2	-6.6	118.7	.9	.5
Footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	90.6	3.0	1.8	155.7	12.6	14.2	146.3	-4.9	-6.6	144.7	1.9	1.7
Transportation .....	147.5	.3	.6	131.8	-2.9	-1.1	140.3	-.1	-1.3	141.9	1.0	.5
Private transportation .....	142.2	-1.1	-1.2	132.6	-3.3	-1.3	139.3	-.4	-1.3	142.5	.8	.3
Motor fuel .....	113.6	-.3	-.3	92.5	-5.7	-1.3	103.9	-4.6	-2.9	108.2	-.2	-1.3
Gasoline .....	113.6	-.7	-.1	92.2	-5.4	-1.0	101.6	-4.7	-2.7	107.0	-.2	-.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	109.3	-1.5	-.4	88.5	-5.9	-1.2	102.1	-4.6	-2.8	104.7	-.5	-1.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>10</sup> .....	111.1	.3	-.4	112.9	-5.1	-.9	103.1	-3.8	-2.4	109.9	-.6	-.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	119.1	1.3	.7	99.4	-4.8	-.6	98.5	-5.8	-3.1	108.3	-1.8	-1.3
Public transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	180.7	8.3	10.6	110.5	5.0	3.6	153.7	5.9	.4	138.8	3.5	2.6
Medical care .....	250.4	7.0	1.2	243.7	.8	.2	237.1	-1.1	-.4	295.0	3.9	1.3
Entertainment <sup>11</sup> .....	181.9	2.5	1.7	187.0	3.5	.5	170.2	.8	-.2	176.1	3.2	.9
Other goods and services <sup>5</sup> .....	175.5	6.6	5.0	216.7	7.0	4.1	227.0	4.8	2.4	232.0	4.5	2.5
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	126.4	.4	2.0	181.2	5.0	2.8	139.5	5.3	-.3	152.2	2.1	-.2

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 34. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Anchorage, AK			Atlanta, GA <sup>1</sup>			Baltimore, MD <sup>2</sup>			Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH		
	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>												
All items .....	145.4	1.2	0.9	159.5	1.5	0.8	156.5	0.8	0.2	168.4	2.4	0.5
Commodities .....	137.9	-.1	.9	138.1	-.1	.4	140.6	-.6	-1.1	141.0	1.1	.0
Food and beverages .....	146.1	1.0	.3	160.8	2.8	1.6	160.9	.3	.1	161.1	1.7	.9
Commodities less food and beverages .....	132.9	-.7	1.1	125.3	-2.0	-.5	129.6	-1.1	-1.9	128.6	.6	-.6
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	131.0	.7	3.6	125.0	-3.1	-.1	133.4	-1.0	-2.1	133.4	1.0	-.8
Durables .....	136.4	-2.2	-1.4	124.6	-.3	-1.1	126.6	-1.1	-1.6	126.0	.2	-.2
Services .....	152.0	2.4	.9	181.4	2.5	.9	175.3	1.8	1.2	194.5	3.2	.9
Medical care services .....	260.2	7.7	1.1	255.7	2.4	.7	236.4	-1.6	-.6	307.6	4.9	1.9
<b>Special Indexes</b>												
All items less shelter .....	151.5	1.5	1.2	155.9	.8	.6	155.3	.5	.0	162.3	2.1	.4
All items less medical care .....	141.0	.9	.9	154.3	1.4	.8	152.6	.9	.3	162.4	2.3	.5
All items less energy .....	147.5	1.2	1.0	166.8	1.6	.8	163.4	1.0	.1	177.7	2.6	.9
All items less food and energy .....	147.5	1.2	1.1	167.7	1.3	.6	164.0	1.2	.1	181.5	2.7	.9
Energy .....	123.7	2.4	.2	105.7	.0	3.2	109.7	-1.9	.5	104.7	.5	-5.8
Commodities less food .....	133.6	-.6	1.1	125.3	-1.8	-.4	130.6	-1.0	-1.7	130.0	.5	-.7
Nondurables less food .....	132.2	.6	3.2	124.8	-2.7	.0	134.6	-.9	-2.0	134.7	.7	-.9
Nondurables .....	138.9	.8	1.8	142.3	-.1	.8	146.4	-.3	-.9	147.0	1.3	.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....	185.4	4.2	1.8	196.4	2.3	1.0	193.9	1.8	1.6	208.5	3.2	.9
Services less medical care services .....	144.3	1.8	.9	174.1	2.5	1.0	170.3	2.2	1.4	185.7	3.1	.8

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**Table 34. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY <sup>12</sup>			Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI			Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN			Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH		
	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	161.2	2.0	0.8	162.4	2.3	0.9	152.8	1.4	0.9	157.0	2.4	1.2
All items (1967=100) .....	454.5	-	-	485.2	-	-	473.0	-	-	503.2	-	-
Food and beverages .....	158.6	2.9	.5	161.3	2.1	1.1	145.7	2.2	.9	158.8	1.7	1.0
Food .....	158.2	3.2	.5	160.5	2.3	1.2	144.1	2.3	.9	160.1	1.8	1.1
Food at home .....	160.2	3.0	.6	167.7	1.9	1.0	141.5	1.5	.5	154.8	1.3	.5
Cereals and bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	187.8	2.2	.6	182.3	1.1	.9	189.3	6.7	1.6	176.6	2.5	1.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>4</sup> .....	147.7	2.3	1.2	170.1	2.0	1.6	116.2	1.1	1.5	152.2	.1	.7
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	150.0	2.7	1.2	173.0	2.1	1.6	115.9	1.4	1.0	154.5	.9	.8
Dairy products <sup>4</sup> .....	122.6	-5.2	-7.3	159.3	-2.2	.4	122.1	-7.1	-5.6	146.8	-2.8	-3.0
Fruits and vegetables <sup>4 5</sup> .....	210.8	5.1	2.1	195.7	5.3	1.3	139.3	-5.3	-3.3	186.8	5.1	1.3
Other food at home <sup>4</sup> .....	151.0	6.6	2.2	143.8	1.8	.5	155.8	6.1	3.5	129.6	1.3	.7
Food away from home .....	154.8	2.4	.7	147.9	2.9	1.5	148.8	2.5	1.7	170.8	2.2	1.7
Alcoholic beverages .....	162.2	.4	.4	170.6	.4	-.3	161.3	.4	.6	147.1	.5	-.1
Housing <sup>5</sup> .....	170.4	2.2	1.0	161.6	3.3	1.8	146.3	2.2	1.6	154.6	3.3	1.9
Shelter .....	199.5	2.2	1.2	190.1	4.7	3.0	164.5	2.2	1.0	172.8	3.4	1.8
Renters' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	205.5	3.2	2.0	190.4	3.9	2.6	163.5	2.1	.4	181.1	2.7	-.2
Rent, residential .....	175.0	1.7	.7	185.1	4.3	2.4	160.9	2.0	.9	164.8	4.4	2.8
Other renters' costs <sup>4 8</sup> .....	238.0	5.1	3.8	178.5	2.3	3.3	147.1	2.8	-1.4	205.0	-1.2	-6.6
Homeowners' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	203.6	2.0	.7	197.2	5.1	3.1	165.5	2.0	1.0	170.7	4.0	2.3
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>7</sup> .....	204.4	2.0	.8	195.6	4.9	3.0	166.4	2.0	1.0	171.7	4.1	2.4
Fuel and other utilities <sup>5</sup> .....	138.9	4.0	1.6	125.1	.7	-1.0	124.8	2.5	4.8	129.8	.9	1.2
Fuels .....	144.4	4.7	4.0	112.3	-3.1	-2.3	113.8	.4	3.5	127.1	1.8	.7
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	92.9	6.8	-2.3	96.5	-1.0	-5.8	86.4	-4.8	-9.9	96.3	-2.5	-4.6
Fuel oil <sup>4</sup> .....	85.0	-4.9	-10.3	93.2	-3.6	-5.9	NA	-	-	87.9	-5.5	-7.2
Other household fuel commodities <sup>4 9</sup> .....	164.9	33.3	14.3	128.5	2.4	-5.7	113.3	-11.2	-14.3	116.6	.9	-1.6
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	156.2	4.7	4.3	115.3	-3.2	-2.2	120.1	.8	4.3	129.3	1.8	.8
Electricity .....	181.4	-2.3	-2.5	127.6	-1.0	.3	128.4	.4	8.4	144.2	-.8	4.9
Utility (piped) gas .....	138.3	11.5	10.8	103.8	-5.5	-4.9	110.8	1.7	-3.5	117.2	4.7	-3.1
Household furnishings and operation <sup>5</sup> .....	131.2	-.3	-.6	114.1	-.3	-.1	119.4	1.5	.4	132.2	5.7	3.5
Apparel and upkeep .....	118.9	-.1	-.6	119.8	.9	-4.1	134.6	3.1	2.9	129.0	.5	1.9
Apparel commodities <sup>4 8</sup> .....	117.3	-.3	-.7	118.7	.6	-4.7	131.3	3.0	3.1	126.1	.2	1.9
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	127.1	2.2	-3.2	124.4	5.7	.4	107.9	-5.4	-2.8	140.9	1.2	.8
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	107.7	-2.2	-.5	107.6	4.0	-6.2	120.0	6.4	7.3	129.5	-.4	3.4
Footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	140.4	2.0	1.8	140.6	-8.1	-4.4	187.0	.1	-5.1	80.7	-4.9	-.9
Transportation .....	132.8	.0	-.3	139.3	-1.1	-1.3	136.8	-1.8	-1.2	141.3	.7	-.6
Private transportation .....	129.3	.5	-.5	136.7	-1.4	-1.6	135.9	-1.5	-1.7	141.2	.9	-.5
Motor fuel .....	103.4	.0	-2.3	105.1	-4.3	-2.8	114.3	-3.4	-3.5	110.3	-5.5	-3.6
Gasoline .....	103.6	.1	-2.1	104.6	-4.5	-2.6	114.0	-3.4	-3.6	109.8	-5.4	-3.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	102.7	-.1	-2.5	102.9	-4.6	-2.6	116.4	-3.0	-3.2	108.7	-5.8	-3.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>10</sup> .....	111.2	.5	-1.9	111.2	-4.3	-2.5	115.2	-3.8	-2.9	112.5	-5.1	-3.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	105.1	.5	-1.2	105.8	-4.1	-2.3	103.8	-3.3	-2.4	112.0	-4.7	-3.0
Public transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	190.8	-6.2	1.9	160.2	1.4	.3	157.3	-6.9	4.4	144.9	-1.4	-2.2
Medical care .....	193.3	2.5	.7	236.3	2.4	.7	222.1	-1.6	.9	212.2	1.1	.7
Entertainment <sup>11</sup> .....	198.9	.4	1.6	176.2	3.2	1.0	162.3	1.2	-1.6	158.6	1.1	.3
Other goods and services <sup>5</sup> .....	227.6	6.3	4.1	236.7	5.3	3.0	238.4	6.7	3.7	207.9	7.6	3.3
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	160.5	1.7	1.9	160.8	5.0	.8	143.7	4.4	2.4	144.1	3.9	2.5

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**Table 34. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY <sup>12</sup>			Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI			Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN			Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH		
	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>												
All items .....	161.2	2.0	0.8	162.4	2.3	0.9	152.8	1.4	0.9	157.0	2.4	1.2
Commodities .....	141.6	1.1	-.1	142.5	.7	-.4	137.5	.6	.1	143.8	.9	.5
Food and beverages .....	158.6	2.9	.5	161.3	2.1	1.1	145.7	2.2	.9	158.8	1.7	1.0
Commodities less food and beverages .....	131.1	.0	-.6	130.1	-.5	-1.7	131.9	-.3	-.3	134.1	.4	.2
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	125.0	.4	-.2	134.2	.7	-1.5	130.2	-.4	.2	137.8	.5	.6
Durables .....	140.7	-.6	-1.2	122.8	-2.2	-1.8	135.5	-.4	-1.0	123.5	.2	-.4
Services .....	183.6	2.7	1.5	181.9	3.6	1.9	170.6	2.2	1.7	171.6	3.8	1.9
Medical care services .....	188.1	2.3	.9	237.6	2.6	1.2	227.6	1.0	1.4	207.4	.4	.2
<b>Special indexes</b>												
All items less shelter .....	151.0	1.9	.7	153.8	1.4	.0	149.6	1.2	.9	152.1	2.1	1.1
All items less medical care .....	159.4	1.9	.8	158.7	2.4	.9	149.0	1.7	.9	154.3	2.5	1.3
All items less energy .....	168.0	1.9	.8	169.5	2.9	1.1	158.9	1.9	1.1	162.5	3.0	1.5
All items less food and energy .....	170.9	1.5	.9	171.9	3.0	1.1	162.6	1.7	1.1	162.8	3.2	1.6
Energy .....	126.6	2.9	1.6	108.2	-3.7	-2.5	114.6	-1.4	.0	120.2	-1.9	-1.4
Commodities less food .....	132.5	-.1	-.6	132.1	-.4	-1.6	133.2	-.3	-.2	134.6	.4	.2
Nondurables less food .....	127.8	.4	-.1	136.9	.7	-1.4	132.3	-.3	.2	137.9	.5	.5
Nondurables .....	142.0	1.8	.2	148.2	1.4	-.1	138.5	.9	.6	148.7	1.2	.7
Services less rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....	175.2	3.1	2.0	182.0	2.7	.9	181.0	2.3	2.3	173.8	4.1	1.9
Services less medical care services .....	183.0	2.7	1.6	177.3	3.8	2.0	165.4	2.4	1.7	168.4	4.1	2.0

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**Table 34. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Dallas-Fort Worth, TX			Denver-Boulder, CO			Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI			Honolulu, HI		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	152.1	1.4	0.9	159.1	3.2	1.3	157.1	2.4	1.1	171.8	0.5	-0.2
All items (1967=100) .....	477.0	-	-	530.5	-	-	467.1	-	-	473.0	-	-
Food and beverages .....	158.1	2.3	1.4	149.0	4.1	1.4	151.9	1.4	.6	159.0	1.7	-.3
Food .....	155.9	2.5	1.4	151.0	4.0	1.3	151.1	1.2	.5	159.3	2.0	-.3
Food at home .....	148.5	1.7	.7	157.0	4.9	1.5	151.3	1.3	.7	164.0	3.1	-.2
Cereals and bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	160.4	1.1	-.1	181.8	.8	.3	172.8	.4	.6	167.4	-2.4	-1.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>4</sup> .....	140.7	-.4	.6	139.2	1.8	.0	144.3	.4	.3	136.6	.3	-1.8
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	141.3	-.3	.4	136.3	1.0	-.1	145.4	.5	.6	135.9	.4	-1.9
Dairy products <sup>4</sup> .....	150.1	.7	-.2	150.2	11.3	1.1	135.5	.6	-.4	145.6	3.1	1.0
Fruits and vegetables <sup>4 5</sup> .....	160.4	.4	.7	191.5	11.2	10.1	182.3	.7	1.3	203.4	4.8	-.9
Other food at home <sup>4</sup> .....	143.3	6.0	1.7	144.6	2.6	-2.4	139.9	3.9	1.4	174.6	7.6	2.5
Food away from home .....	168.0	3.7	1.9	142.4	2.5	1.0	152.5	1.6	.9	152.9	1.1	.5
Alcoholic beverages .....	182.3	1.4	2.0	133.6	4.9	1.3	160.5	3.3	1.3	155.5	-1.0	.3
Housing <sup>5</sup> .....	139.9	2.0	1.7	148.9	3.7	1.6	150.9	3.1	1.3	177.0	.1	-.2
Shelter .....	147.1	4.7	2.8	161.9	4.1	2.0	172.7	3.7	1.8	192.4	-.3	.0
Renters' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	153.8	4.3	2.5	171.6	4.6	1.2	171.2	3.9	2.6	200.7	.4	.7
Rent, residential .....	144.9	4.5	2.8	151.7	4.3	2.3	156.9	2.0	.8	185.6	-.7	-.2
Other renters' costs <sup>4 8</sup> .....	163.9	3.8	1.5	222.6	5.1	-1.3	183.4	6.9	5.3	248.5	5.5	4.9
Homeowners' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	153.2	4.5	2.9	163.8	3.9	2.0	176.4	3.4	1.4	197.6	-.6	-.3
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>7</sup> .....	155.5	4.6	2.8	162.9	3.8	1.9	177.3	3.4	1.4	198.7	-.6	-.3
Fuel and other utilities <sup>5</sup> .....	129.5	-1.7	1.4	127.6	4.3	1.5	126.8	3.2	.8	136.6	.3	-.7
Fuels .....	125.6	-2.2	4.7	102.7	7.4	2.1	106.5	-.5	-.9	118.5	-1.5	-2.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	109.6	-2.9	-9.3	106.9	4.2	3.2	92.5	-6.8	-8.4	NA	.3	.0
Fuel oil <sup>4</sup> .....	NA	-	-	NA	-	-	93.4	-10.1	-12.0	NA	-	-
Other household fuel commodities <sup>4 9</sup> .....	114.8	-3.0	-9.4	139.0	4.2	3.2	111.5	-3.1	-4.3	NA	.0	.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	125.1	-2.2	4.8	102.6	7.7	2.1	109.8	-.2	-.5	117.8	-1.4	-2.2
Electricity .....	126.1	-2.9	6.4	104.2	-2.3	.3	131.2	-.8	.4	117.3	-1.4	-2.1
Utility (piped) gas .....	124.3	-.7	1.5	100.3	23.8	4.5	94.5	.5	-1.6	113.5	-2.5	-4.5
Household furnishings and operation <sup>5</sup> .....	132.4	-3.7	-2.0	118.2	.5	-.1	114.7	-.2	.1	149.5	2.0	-.7
Apparel and upkeep .....	136.8	-1.9	-.6	104.1	3.8	.2	134.6	4.9	-.9	114.8	-1.8	-4.2
Apparel commodities <sup>4 8</sup> .....	129.4	-2.6	-.2	100.9	3.6	.2	133.2	5.2	-1.0	111.2	-1.9	-4.5
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	112.9	-1.4	-.3	103.3	10.2	-1.5	130.8	5.5	6.0	141.7	-3.9	-7.3
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	118.8	-1.6	1.6	99.2	2.9	4.4	135.0	9.0	-6.1	92.9	-1.6	-3.5
Footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	154.0	-5.3	-2.2	124.3	-12.3	-8.3	141.8	1.6	6.0	94.4	-1.9	-7.3
Transportation .....	141.8	-.8	-1.5	166.2	.2	.7	149.4	.1	.5	164.6	-1.8	-1.9
Private transportation .....	143.2	-.3	-1.3	164.4	1.4	.6	147.5	.3	.7	165.1	-2.4	-2.5
Motor fuel .....	104.9	-1.6	-1.0	106.5	-.9	-.7	105.2	-2.4	-.1	131.9	-2.3	-.2
Gasoline .....	104.3	-1.7	-1.1	106.7	-.7	-.4	105.4	-2.0	.4	135.0	-2.3	-.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	101.2	-1.9	-1.6	102.4	-1.1	-.8	105.3	-2.2	.5	141.8	-2.3	-.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>10</sup> .....	106.4	-1.4	-.6	107.6	.1	.1	119.8	-2.0	.3	105.4	-2.9	.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	106.0	-1.1	-.5	112.6	-.4	-.4	108.1	-1.7	.3	123.7	-2.4	-.2
Public transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	129.7	-8.2	-3.7	181.2	-7.1	1.2	187.3	-4.1	-2.1	159.7	3.1	3.6
Medical care .....	227.0	1.4	1.6	268.1	6.3	1.8	214.7	1.0	.6	219.1	1.9	1.6
Entertainment <sup>11</sup> .....	169.4	3.2	.6	155.3	1.6	.1	161.4	3.2	1.4	147.4	-.2	-.6
Other goods and services <sup>5</sup> .....	208.5	4.9	2.8	215.1	3.7	2.2	233.4	6.3	4.4	245.5	5.6	5.6
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	181.6	9.1	3.9	166.3	3.4	3.4	133.6	-.2	-.6	169.6	-.6	.4

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**Table 34. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Dallas-Fort Worth, TX			Denver-Boulder, CO			Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI			Honolulu, HI		
	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>												
All items .....	152.1	1.4	0.9	159.1	3.2	1.3	157.1	2.4	1.1	171.8	0.5	-0.2
Commodities .....	139.8	-.4	-.4	134.7	2.0	.6	139.5	1.2	.0	148.0	1.2	-.5
Food and beverages .....	158.1	2.3	1.4	149.0	4.1	1.4	151.9	1.4	.6	159.0	1.7	-.3
Commodities less food and beverages .....	130.1	-1.8	-1.2	126.3	.8	.1	132.2	.9	-.5	139.1	.7	-.8
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	129.3	-1.7	-1.0	128.4	2.0	.5	137.7	2.4	.1	142.9	.4	-.4
Durables .....	132.5	-2.0	-1.6	123.3	-.9	-.8	121.1	-1.5	-1.2	133.3	1.2	-1.3
Services .....	163.8	3.0	1.9	179.4	3.8	1.8	176.2	3.5	2.0	192.9	.1	.1
Medical care services .....	237.3	.6	1.4	274.3	6.5	1.7	222.2	.8	.4	219.1	1.2	1.5
<b>Special indexes</b>												
All items less shelter .....	154.4	.2	.1	157.9	2.7	1.0	153.1	2.0	.9	163.8	.9	-.2
All items less medical care .....	147.9	1.4	.8	152.9	2.8	1.2	154.3	2.5	1.2	169.2	.4	-.3
All items less energy .....	159.0	1.7	.9	165.1	3.1	1.4	164.1	2.7	1.2	176.6	.6	-.1
All items less food and energy .....	159.8	1.6	.8	167.9	2.9	1.3	167.2	3.0	1.4	181.3	.3	-.1
Energy .....	114.3	-1.9	1.9	103.5	3.0	.6	107.3	-1.4	-.5	125.7	-1.9	-1.0
Commodities less food .....	131.9	-1.6	-1.1	126.5	1.0	.2	133.4	1.1	-.4	139.8	.5	-.7
Nondurables less food .....	132.2	-1.4	-.8	128.6	2.3	.7	139.0	2.4	.1	143.7	.3	-.3
Nondurables .....	143.4	.2	.1	138.8	3.1	1.0	145.0	1.9	.3	151.8	1.2	-.3
Services less rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....	188.4	1.7	1.3	204.4	3.5	1.6	184.5	3.2	2.3	195.6	.5	.2
Services less medical care services .....	157.6	3.1	1.9	171.1	3.4	1.7	172.1	3.7	2.2	190.2	-.1	-.1

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**Table 34. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX			Kansas City, MO-KS			Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA			Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	146.0	2.0	0.9	156.4	2.5	0.8	160.5	1.5	0.6	158.7	2.5	0.3
All items (1967=100) <sup>13</sup> .....	468.4	-	-	464.4	-	-	474.0	-	-	255.8	-	-
Food and beverages .....	148.8	2.8	1.4	161.2	2.9	1.5	163.7	2.7	.6	166.2	1.7	.5
Food .....	148.4	2.7	1.2	162.3	3.0	1.6	161.9	2.5	.6	166.6	1.8	.7
Food at home .....	154.9	1.3	-.1	162.5	5.2	2.3	169.5	2.5	.4	164.2	1.5	.6
Cereals and bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	170.1	4.0	1.7	181.5	1.2	-1.5	178.7	2.3	.7	171.9	3.6	.9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>4</sup> .....	143.8	-.1	-1.5	155.5	6.7	3.7	162.9	4.0	1.4	145.0	1.0	.3
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	146.7	.6	-1.7	154.4	8.7	4.1	159.7	4.2	1.1	146.8	1.2	.2
Dairy products <sup>4</sup> .....	142.5	-1.2	.2	163.5	-3.0	-1.4	166.2	-2.9	-1.0	147.4	-3.9	1.0
Fruits and vegetables <sup>4 5</sup> .....	181.4	1.0	-1.5	183.4	14.9	5.3	203.9	3.0	-1.5	239.0	1.8	-.9
Other food at home <sup>4</sup> .....	152.4	3.0	1.5	148.0	3.8	2.8	151.2	3.8	1.7	139.8	4.2	2.9
Food away from home .....	137.1	4.1	2.3	161.4	.5	.4	151.0	2.6	.7	172.1	2.6	1.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	150.4	3.9	3.8	148.5	1.6	.1	181.1	3.8	.9	160.4	.4	-.3
Housing <sup>5</sup> .....	126.9	1.8	1.3	147.2	2.6	1.4	157.5	1.6	1.2	150.6	3.0	.5
Shelter .....	141.5	2.5	1.2	160.4	3.4	2.3	167.7	1.6	1.0	159.0	3.3	.8
Renters' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	145.6	2.0	-1.7	176.6	4.9	3.0	177.2	1.7	.7	160.0	3.1	-1.7
Rent, residential .....	136.5	2.6	1.8	156.2	5.0	3.0	160.4	1.6	1.0	149.3	2.0	.9
Other renters' costs <sup>4 8</sup> .....	237.2	.0	-10.0	218.7	4.8	3.2	221.9	2.4	-.4	218.4	7.9	-11.2
Homeowners' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	136.4	1.8	1.7	159.2	3.0	2.1	177.0	1.4	1.0	164.3	3.5	2.0
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>7</sup> .....	132.2	2.8	1.6	158.0	3.0	2.1	176.6	1.4	1.0	160.6	2.8	1.6
Fuel and other utilities <sup>5</sup> .....	109.5	2.2	4.9	132.4	-1.4	-2.1	157.1	4.2	4.1	119.0	-.2	-1.3
Fuels .....	104.4	4.3	6.6	115.6	-2.0	-1.7	153.7	4.1	4.9	109.7	-.8	-2.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	NA	-	-	104.7	-6.4	-7.3	126.3	6.0	-.6	168.5	4.9	-1.2
Fuel oil <sup>4</sup> .....	NA	-	-	98.9	-12.3	-12.9	NA	-	-	NA	-	-
Other household fuel commodities <sup>4 9</sup> .....	119.2	.7	-1.5	127.7	-5.0	-6.0	126.3	6.0	-.6	152.2	5.0	-1.2
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	104.4	4.4	6.9	116.4	-1.9	-1.6	154.2	4.0	5.0	108.7	-.9	-2.2
Electricity .....	107.3	3.1	7.4	107.1	-1.5	2.7	168.2	.8	.4	106.6	-1.3	-2.5
Utility (piped) gas .....	97.6	9.9	5.4	126.8	-2.3	-4.7	145.8	11.6	16.5	165.6	6.8	3.7
Household furnishings and operation <sup>5</sup> .....	108.9	-.5	-1.3	129.9	4.2	2.4	120.8	-.5	-.2	151.0	4.4	.3
Apparel and upkeep .....	143.5	4.8	2.0	131.8	5.6	-2.4	118.8	-4.1	-3.6	152.6	5.0	-1.2
Apparel commodities <sup>4 8</sup> .....	143.1	4.8	1.8	127.6	5.7	-2.9	113.4	-5.0	-4.0	144.8	5.8	-1.3
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	162.5	.4	-1.7	138.9	8.4	1.7	122.5	-3.8	-.8	136.4	1.2	.5
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	150.7	14.7	5.9	118.0	1.4	-6.1	110.8	-.9	-4.2	160.2	9.5	-5.1
Footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	128.4	.6	2.1	133.6	5.9	6.9	100.1	-10.0	-3.0	154.8	8.3	.2
Transportation .....	140.5	-.4	-1.3	140.4	1.3	-.5	145.5	1.2	.5	146.9	.8	-.4
Private transportation .....	140.4	-.4	-1.0	138.9	.9	-.6	140.6	1.1	.2	146.7	.8	-.5
Motor fuel .....	102.8	-2.0	-.7	105.1	-.7	-.3	107.7	8.0	4.4	115.0	-2.3	-2.1
Gasoline .....	102.7	-2.0	-.4	105.0	-.8	-.3	105.6	8.4	4.8	114.6	-2.4	-1.7
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	102.3	-2.1	-.6	101.1	-.7	-.5	103.7	9.0	5.0	112.8	-2.3	-1.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>10</sup> .....	105.9	-1.6	-.3	128.5	-.9	.1	103.1	8.0	4.7	108.9	-2.4	-1.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	100.2	-1.7	.1	107.6	-1.1	-.1	106.0	7.8	4.4	115.5	-2.4	-1.5
Public transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	176.1	.0	-5.2	174.9	9.2	1.8	210.1	1.9	2.4	146.7	.8	1.2
Medical care .....	230.1	3.9	1.5	209.2	-1.5	-.8	232.3	1.1	.3	220.1	2.4	.8
Entertainment <sup>11</sup> .....	161.8	1.8	.2	170.4	-.2	-.8	147.1	1.0	-.7	154.1	4.0	.4
Other goods and services <sup>5</sup> .....	200.3	3.2	2.7	242.1	7.7	3.7	242.3	2.9	1.3	183.8	3.8	2.8
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	121.5	-1.9	-1.1	150.4	9.3	4.4	160.4	-2.7	-.6	101.0	-.3	-1.4

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**Table 34. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX			Kansas City, MO-KS			Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA			Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL		
	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>												
All items .....	146.0	2.0	0.9	156.4	2.5	0.8	160.5	1.5	0.6	158.7	2.5	0.3
Commodities .....	137.3	1.6	.4	146.7	1.9	.0	141.4	.9	-.2	152.3	2.2	-.2
Food and beverages .....	148.8	2.8	1.4	161.2	2.9	1.5	163.7	2.7	.6	166.2	1.7	.5
Commodities less food and beverages .....	130.4	.8	-.2	138.8	1.4	-.9	127.1	-.4	-.8	142.5	2.7	-.8
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	131.9	2.3	1.0	142.3	3.1	-.3	130.7	.2	-.3	136.8	3.1	-.7
Durables .....	128.0	-1.4	-2.0	132.0	-1.1	-1.8	121.7	-1.2	-1.4	151.4	2.2	-.8
Services .....	155.6	2.5	1.4	166.7	2.9	1.4	177.3	1.8	1.1	164.8	2.7	.9
Medical care services .....	230.0	-	1.5	215.6	-.4	-.3	233.9	.9	.2	225.1	2.1	.9
<b>Special indexes</b>												
All items less shelter .....	147.1	1.9	.8	155.8	2.2	.3	158.5	1.4	.4	158.6	2.1	.2
All items less medical care .....	141.0	1.9	.9	153.1	2.9	.9	156.6	1.6	.6	155.1	2.4	.3
All items less energy .....	153.0	2.1	.7	163.8	3.0	1.2	164.7	1.2	.4	164.1	2.8	.6
All items less food and energy .....	154.0	2.0	.5	164.1	2.9	1.0	165.6	.9	.3	163.4	3.0	.5
Energy .....	103.6	.8	2.6	110.1	-1.3	-1.0	123.5	6.1	4.7	110.7	-1.6	-2.1
Commodities less food .....	131.2	.9	-.1	139.1	1.5	-.8	130.0	-.1	-.6	143.7	2.6	-.7
Nondurables less food .....	132.8	2.4	1.1	142.4	3.0	-.3	135.0	.6	-.1	138.7	2.7	-.7
Nondurables .....	140.6	2.6	1.2	151.6	3.1	.6	148.1	1.6	.2	152.7	2.3	.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....	168.7	2.2	1.7	179.3	2.6	.7	197.5	2.1	1.3	177.7	2.5	1.2
Services less medical care services .....	147.1	2.2	1.3	161.5	3.4	1.6	172.5	1.9	1.2	159.1	2.8	1.0

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**Table 34. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Milwaukee, WI			Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI			N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT			Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD <sup>14</sup>		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	157.8	1.4	0.1	155.9	1.9	0.6	171.6	2.2	0.9	167.1	1.8	0.7
All items (1967=100) .....	487.3	-	-	489.8	-	-	496.0	-	-	482.6	-	-
Food and beverages .....	154.6	.9	.1	165.0	2.6	1.9	163.5	1.8	.6	154.4	.8	.1
Food .....	155.6	1.0	.1	162.7	2.7	1.8	162.8	1.6	.6	153.5	.9	.1
Food at home .....	154.6	-.1	-1.9	159.3	1.1	1.6	163.5	1.2	.1	161.8	.4	-.4
Cereals and bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	199.3	2.4	-1.6	177.4	2.6	2.7	186.7	.8	.3	190.9	1.8	.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>4</sup> .....	152.4	-1.4	-1.9	147.8	-1.1	.3	153.1	.5	-1.1	147.5	-.7	-1.0
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	153.5	-1.4	-2.0	150.1	-.7	.0	153.8	.5	-1.0	148.4	-.3	-.5
Dairy products <sup>4</sup> .....	121.5	-6.2	-9.1	158.4	-.2	.4	137.7	-.8	-.8	135.0	-1.7	-3.2
Fruits and vegetables <sup>4 5</sup> .....	160.4	1.0	1.3	208.3	6.3	7.0	193.1	1.7	.9	186.2	-1.6	-2.0
Other food at home <sup>4</sup> .....	146.8	1.7	-.9	135.7	-1.0	-1.2	156.0	3.5	1.8	161.4	3.5	2.2
Food away from home .....	156.3	3.1	2.0	167.4	4.7	1.6	165.6	2.4	1.3	139.2	1.8	1.0
Alcoholic beverages .....	146.4	.5	-.3	186.4	2.5	3.1	171.2	3.4	1.0	166.8	.7	.4
Housing <sup>5</sup> .....	156.0	.9	-.1	141.6	2.1	1.1	172.7	2.5	1.2	168.2	2.9	1.1
Shelter .....	187.4	.4	.1	155.7	3.0	1.0	201.3	3.7	1.8	197.4	3.5	1.3
Renters' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	180.4	1.3	-.4	167.6	4.9	1.3	209.4	5.0	1.9	221.8	4.4	.9
Rent, residential .....	167.2	1.5	1.0	154.6	3.4	1.5	186.1	3.5	1.8	176.9	2.3	1.1
Other renters' costs <sup>4 8</sup> .....	191.0	1.0	-3.1	187.0	8.1	.6	267.6	9.1	2.0	302.8	7.1	.6
Homeowners' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	199.3	.2	.5	160.7	2.6	1.1	207.4	3.2	1.9	199.7	3.1	1.4
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>7</sup> .....	200.0	.1	.5	161.9	2.6	1.2	208.4	3.2	1.9	200.8	3.2	1.5
Fuel and other utilities <sup>5</sup> .....	107.7	3.6	-.6	122.2	.6	3.3	118.7	.3	-.8	132.6	2.2	1.0
Fuels .....	91.3	3.0	-1.3	112.8	.0	5.3	116.5	-.2	-1.4	123.1	2.1	.8
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	91.2	-1.8	-9.2	85.9	-14.5	-11.5	100.5	-5.0	-8.9	95.8	-8.0	-10.9
Fuel oil <sup>4</sup> .....	86.8	-5.7	-7.9	96.1	-10.9	-5.2	99.3	-5.5	-9.4	89.9	-8.0	-10.8
Other household fuel commodities <sup>4 9</sup> .....	143.2	10.6	-12.4	96.8	-18.3	-17.6	128.8	1.3	-2.8	NA	-	-
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	94.8	3.7	-.3	115.8	.6	6.0	126.6	1.1	.7	141.6	3.7	2.7
Electricity .....	98.9	.3	2.7	142.5	1.9	6.3	129.8	.5	2.4	156.8	.2	4.0
Utility (piped) gas .....	91.2	7.2	-2.9	98.9	-.9	5.9	121.3	2.3	-2.3	120.9	11.9	-.3
Household furnishings and operation <sup>5</sup> .....	115.6	1.0	-.6	119.9	-.6	-.2	130.2	-2.3	-.2	121.2	.3	-.2
Apparel and upkeep .....	119.4	-3.4	-5.5	141.9	1.0	-5.0	130.6	2.6	.4	105.5	.7	2.9
Apparel commodities <sup>4 8</sup> .....	114.5	-4.0	-6.3	139.7	.9	-5.5	126.1	2.8	.2	100.3	.7	3.2
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	109.5	-1.4	-1.0	159.0	2.5	-.5	124.6	4.4	3.5	122.8	5.1	6.5
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	111.7	-9.1	-12.3	102.2	5.7	-6.4	122.7	2.7	-1.6	73.3	-1.6	2.8
Footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	146.5	10.9	2.4	109.7	6.3	-3.7	133.5	3.8	.2	113.2	-4.9	-2.2
Transportation .....	142.8	-.3	-1.2	142.9	-.7	-1.4	153.9	.1	-.3	152.6	-.1	-.3
Private transportation .....	136.0	-1.0	-1.7	136.1	-.4	-.7	145.9	-.1	-.5	150.3	-.1	-.5
Motor fuel .....	105.8	-5.3	-4.2	101.1	-4.1	-2.1	101.4	-.6	.0	106.6	-1.3	-1.8
Gasoline .....	104.8	-5.2	-4.0	102.6	-3.6	-.9	101.3	-.5	.3	105.3	-.8	-1.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	106.9	-5.3	-4.3	102.2	-3.4	-.5	100.8	.1	.6	104.8	-.8	-1.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>10</sup> .....	111.5	-4.9	-3.5	110.4	-3.7	-.9	103.9	-1.0	.1	103.5	-1.5	-1.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	98.8	-4.4	-3.0	111.5	-3.9	-1.8	102.2	-1.4	-.1	100.1	-1.0	-1.2
Public transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	254.0	6.9	3.0	230.4	-2.6	-6.5	189.9	1.4	.8	176.2	-.6	.2
Medical care .....	232.9	4.9	2.1	220.4	1.9	1.5	245.7	3.2	.9	249.0	1.1	.9
Entertainment <sup>11</sup> .....	141.3	8.0	1.8	172.1	3.9	1.5	167.6	2.1	.0	181.9	1.4	.1
Other goods and services <sup>5</sup> .....	229.8	4.4	3.8	225.1	4.6	2.6	232.9	4.1	2.5	243.4	3.9	1.7
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	136.4	-.6	1.7	127.7	2.8	1.0	166.1	-.5	-.6	196.7	4.1	1.1

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 34. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Milwaukee, WI			Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI			N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT			Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD <sup>14</sup>		
	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>												
All items .....	157.8	1.4	0.1	155.9	1.9	0.6	171.6	2.2	0.9	167.1	1.8	0.7
Commodities .....	138.2	.1	-.9	145.8	.6	-.6	146.3	.8	.1	136.4	.1	-.2
Food and beverages .....	154.6	.9	.1	165.0	2.6	1.9	163.5	1.8	.6	154.4	.8	.1
Commodities less food and beverages .....	128.6	-.2	-1.6	134.9	-.7	-2.2	132.8	.0	-.4	125.0	-.4	-.5
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	132.3	-.4	-1.9	142.8	.8	-1.8	134.5	1.2	-.1	125.4	-.1	.1
Durables .....	124.1	-.2	-1.1	126.3	-2.7	-2.7	129.5	-2.4	-1.1	125.9	-.7	-1.1
Services .....	176.8	2.2	.8	166.1	2.9	1.6	193.9	3.1	1.4	199.2	2.9	1.4
Medical care services .....	234.4	3.8	1.9	228.0	1.6	1.3	252.3	3.6	1.0	256.5	1.3	1.4
<b>Special indexes</b>												
All items less shelter .....	148.3	1.8	.1	156.9	1.4	.4	160.5	1.5	.4	158.3	1.2	.5
All items less medical care .....	154.2	1.1	-.1	152.3	1.9	.5	168.0	2.1	.9	163.1	1.9	.7
All items less energy .....	166.3	1.6	.4	162.5	2.2	.5	178.4	2.4	1.0	174.0	1.9	.8
All items less food and energy .....	168.6	1.6	.4	162.7	2.1	.2	182.4	2.5	1.1	179.6	2.1	1.0
Energy .....	98.4	-1.1	-2.7	107.5	-2.1	1.4	110.6	-.4	-1.0	116.2	.9	-.2
Commodities less food .....	129.3	-.2	-1.6	137.3	-.4	-1.8	134.5	.2	-.3	126.7	-.3	-.4
Nondurables less food .....	132.9	-.3	-1.8	146.0	1.0	-1.2	136.8	1.4	.1	128.0	.0	.1
Nondurables .....	143.8	.3	-.9	154.2	1.8	.1	150.4	1.6	.3	140.3	.4	.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....	172.5	4.5	1.8	183.3	3.0	2.2	193.6	2.3	.9	206.4	2.4	1.3
Services less medical care services .....	172.4	2.1	.8	160.2	3.1	1.6	189.5	3.1	1.5	194.6	3.1	1.4

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 34. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA <sup>15</sup>			Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA			St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL <sup>15</sup>			San Diego, CA		
	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	157.5	2.1	0.6	165.5	3.4	1.8	153.7	1.9	1.1	163.7	1.1	0.0
All items (1967 = 100) .....	480.7	-	-	484.4	-	-	456.5	-	-	553.7	-	-
Food and beverages .....	151.9	1.5	.2	149.8	3.5	1.9	155.8	2.3	1.1	161.9	2.3	.6
Food .....	150.7	1.1	.2	149.8	3.3	1.9	154.2	2.2	1.2	160.1	2.0	.3
Food at home .....	149.9	.4	.3	149.5	3.2	2.9	150.1	1.6	1.6	161.4	1.6	.0
Cereals and bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	161.5	1.7	.9	198.9	4.6	4.6	158.1	2.5	.7	196.1	1.8	.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>4</sup> .....	138.6	-1.6	-1.4	131.0	3.7	3.5	134.8	1.6	.6	152.2	1.5	-.1
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	140.4	-1.5	-1.6	131.4	4.0	3.1	136.7	1.6	.2	152.3	1.5	-.2
Dairy products <sup>4</sup> .....	144.4	.8	-1.7	134.5	-.1	1.0	149.2	-.6	.6	155.3	-1.8	-2.1
Fruits and vegetables <sup>4 5</sup> .....	151.8	-7.3	-.1	185.0	2.3	1.5	174.3	-1.6	4.4	166.6	3.3	.2
Other food at home <sup>4</sup> .....	159.7	7.9	3.2	134.2	4.6	3.5	150.0	4.5	1.6	153.5	2.3	.8
Food away from home .....	154.4	4.0	1.4	150.6	2.7	.6	162.3	3.6	1.4	157.6	3.2	1.5
Alcoholic beverages .....	166.6	4.1	.2	149.6	5.6	1.0	167.4	4.3	.5	176.7	4.2	2.9
Housing <sup>5</sup> .....	156.7	1.9	.6	163.9	2.7	1.7	146.3	1.5	1.2	163.1	.9	-.5
Shelter .....	173.3	2.2	1.8	186.5	4.2	2.4	162.6	1.8	.2	177.3	.8	-.7
Renters' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	172.5	2.7	1.1	188.1	6.3	4.8	167.2	1.6	-.9	200.5	-.3	-2.2
Rent, residential .....	152.9	1.9	1.9	177.8	4.5	1.9	148.8	2.9	1.8	161.0	2.7	1.5
Other renters' costs <sup>4 8</sup> .....	207.4	4.1	-.1	219.5	12.2	14.7	194.7	-.7	-6.1	335.6	-7.8	-11.4
Homeowners' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	172.6	1.9	2.3	194.9	3.1	1.2	170.6	1.8	.7	190.2	2.5	1.3
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>7</sup> .....	173.0	1.9	2.2	195.1	3.2	1.2	172.0	1.9	.8	190.1	2.5	1.3
Fuel and other utilities <sup>5</sup> .....	144.2	2.0	-1.4	130.0	-1.4	.2	126.4	-1.4	4.1	123.9	3.3	1.1
Fuels .....	139.1	4.0	-1.7	103.6	-5.1	-.9	116.6	-2.8	3.5	102.9	6.9	1.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	110.3	-3.6	-4.7	107.1	2.4	-2.3	87.6	-13.9	-14.3	120.5	1.4	-2.0
Fuel oil <sup>4</sup> .....	76.6	-15.6	-10.8	106.2	1.9	-1.0	82.1	-10.4	-7.1	171.5	-2.7	.0
Other household fuel commodities <sup>4 9</sup> .....	150.1	5.3	-.7	174.7	3.6	-7.0	107.4	-16.1	-18.7	110.9	1.6	-2.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	141.5	4.1	-1.7	127.4	-5.8	-.7	120.9	-2.1	4.9	102.5	7.1	1.3
Electricity .....	137.7	-.1	.0	145.2	-6.7	-1.0	147.7	.1	13.2	95.3	3.6	.1
Utility (piped) gas .....	144.5	7.7	-2.8	83.4	-2.2	.5	95.9	-5.0	-5.1	126.4	14.7	3.9
Household furnishings and operation <sup>5</sup> .....	126.0	.4	-1.3	118.6	-1.3	-1.0	125.8	4.0	1.9	147.2	.1	-.5
Apparel and upkeep .....	142.6	4.7	2.4	134.2	6.0	4.3	123.7	.2	-.2	124.5	-2.8	-2.6
Apparel commodities <sup>4 9</sup> .....	139.8	5.0	2.6	131.8	6.3	4.6	121.1	.0	-.4	118.4	-2.9	-2.7
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	116.3	-1.7	-2.4	152.3	1.5	-2.6	139.6	1.7	1.6	83.7	-2.4	-3.7
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	158.6	12.3	10.0	120.2	13.7	10.8	101.9	-4.0	-3.9	144.1	-4.1	-3.6
Footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	118.1	.2	-5.4	119.1	-2.9	-2.2	106.4	10.3	3.2	123.3	.9	2.8
Transportation .....	132.6	1.9	-.1	151.0	1.4	.1	143.2	.5	-.8	153.3	2.1	1.5
Private transportation .....	132.5	2.7	.3	151.6	1.9	.6	143.9	.3	-.5	148.6	2.1	1.4
Motor fuel .....	105.1	-1.3	-1.9	122.1	.7	2.7	107.4	-3.9	-1.6	113.9	5.1	5.1
Gasoline .....	105.6	-.8	-1.7	122.5	.4	2.7	107.1	-3.2	-.8	114.0	5.1	5.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	103.2	-.9	-1.8	119.2	.3	2.8	103.4	-3.3	-1.1	116.6	5.3	5.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>10</sup> .....	114.7	.2	-1.5	108.5	.6	2.3	123.1	-3.1	-.6	103.2	5.4	5.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	106.2	.7	-1.4	120.7	.7	2.5	107.8	-2.6	-.5	116.4	4.4	4.6
Public transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	120.1	-11.9	-6.8	149.9	-3.3	-5.5	146.4	3.9	-3.6	207.5	3.5	2.0
Medical care .....	229.1	1.1	.2	218.5	2.3	.9	228.2	3.6	1.6	236.1	.0	-.6
Entertainment <sup>11</sup> .....	166.7	1.2	1.2	174.1	3.4	2.2	165.6	2.6	1.7	161.0	-1.8	-.5
Other goods and services <sup>5</sup> .....	216.0	4.3	1.6	260.3	10.2	4.5	197.4	4.6	4.4	227.1	3.3	1.7
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	124.1	1.3	-3.9	170.5	.3	.1	99.6	-3.9	-.8	161.1	1.5	.8

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**Table 34. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA <sup>15</sup>			Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA			St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL <sup>15</sup>			San Diego, CA		
	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>												
All items .....	157.5	2.1	0.6	165.5	3.4	1.8	153.7	1.9	1.1	163.7	1.1	0.0
Commodities .....	142.7	1.9	.1	142.3	3.0	1.7	140.9	1.5	.6	146.1	.9	-.3
Food and beverages .....	151.9	1.5	.2	149.8	3.5	1.9	155.8	2.3	1.1	161.9	2.3	.6
Commodities less food and beverages .....	136.4	2.2	.1	138.6	2.7	1.7	131.8	1.0	.5	136.4	-.1	-.9
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	140.2	2.9	.9	139.8	5.2	3.3	134.0	.9	1.1	131.2	-.7	-1.1
Durables .....	130.2	1.2	-1.1	132.9	-1.9	-1.7	127.1	1.0	-.8	142.7	.5	-.8
Services .....	174.3	2.3	1.1	188.6	3.6	1.8	167.9	2.1	1.3	179.8	1.3	.3
Medical care services .....	226.6	.6	.4	210.9	3.1	.9	234.1	4.0	1.8	252.1	4.0	3.2
<b>Special indexes</b>												
All items less shelter .....	153.4	2.1	.3	158.0	2.9	1.5	151.9	1.9	1.3	160.4	1.3	.4
All items less medical care .....	153.4	2.1	.7	162.2	3.4	1.8	149.4	1.7	1.0	160.1	1.2	.1
All items less energy .....	162.1	2.1	.9	172.2	3.7	1.8	159.6	2.4	.9	169.7	1.0	-.1
All items less food and energy .....	165.4	2.4	1.0	177.8	3.9	1.8	160.9	2.4	.8	172.1	.8	-.2
Energy .....	124.4	1.6	-1.8	111.2	-2.1	.9	112.2	-3.4	1.0	107.8	5.9	3.5
Commodities less food .....	137.8	2.3	.1	138.9	2.9	1.6	133.5	1.2	.5	138.4	.2	-.6
Nondurables less food .....	141.9	2.9	.8	140.2	5.3	3.2	136.4	1.3	1.1	134.8	-.1	-.6
Nondurables .....	146.4	2.1	.5	144.4	4.3	2.6	145.5	1.7	1.1	147.4	1.0	-.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....	180.4	2.4	.4	194.3	2.6	1.0	177.0	2.3	2.3	194.1	1.9	1.4
Services less medical care services .....	169.3	2.5	1.1	186.5	3.6	1.9	161.4	1.8	1.3	174.5	1.0	-.1

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**Table 34. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA <sup>14</sup>			Seattle-Tacoma, WA <sup>16</sup>			Washington, DC-MD-VA <sup>2</sup>		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>									
All items .....	161.9	3.6	1.9	164.1	2.9	1.4	162.8	1.2	0.5
All items (1967=100) .....	497.6	-	-	500.3	-	-	480.6	-	-
Food and beverages .....	161.2	2.9	1.3	161.5	2.5	1.6	155.9	1.4	.8
Food .....	161.6	2.9	1.3	162.0	2.6	1.8	156.5	1.4	.9
Food at home .....	166.3	2.8	1.2	161.3	2.3	2.1	159.7	.3	.1
Cereals and bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	181.6	4.0	.8	172.3	-3.6	.8	183.6	1.6	.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>4</sup> .....	154.1	.9	.5	138.9	2.1	.1	146.4	-1.9	.4
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	149.0	1.6	.3	137.7	2.7	.1	147.6	-1.5	.5
Dairy products <sup>4</sup> .....	152.8	-2.3	2.5	155.3	4.2	-6	159.9	-1	.3
Fruits and vegetables <sup>4 5</sup> .....	194.0	5.3	1.3	221.5	4.8	6.1	182.3	.9	-1.2
Other food at home <sup>4</sup> .....	158.0	4.8	1.7	144.5	2.8	2.6	148.7	2.2	.6
Food away from home .....	156.2	2.9	1.3	164.2	2.9	1.0	153.9	2.3	1.0
Alcoholic beverages .....	158.6	3.9	2.1	156.8	1.9	-1	151.7	1.6	-2
Housing <sup>5</sup> .....	168.1	5.5	3.1	165.6	4.0	1.5	157.5	.4	.5
Shelter .....	185.2	6.4	3.5	180.2	3.7	2.3	173.5	1.2	.7
Renters' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	210.0	6.0	2.7	188.9	4.2	2.4	186.5	.9	-.9
Rent, residential .....	188.9	7.0	4.2	171.2	4.3	2.3	171.0	.8	.5
Other renters' costs <sup>4 8</sup> .....	210.5	2.6	-2.3	242.1	4.3	2.9	192.9	1.3	-5.1
Homeowners' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	200.3	6.6	3.9	184.5	3.2	1.8	175.2	1.2	.8
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>7</sup> .....	200.6	6.6	3.9	184.6	3.3	1.9	176.0	1.3	.7
Fuel and other utilities <sup>5</sup> .....	151.5	3.0	2.9	121.0	1.3	.1	133.5	2.2	4.6
Fuels .....	153.7	4.1	5.3	116.3	.3	1.1	121.4	1.9	7.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	150.6	1.9	.1	105.5	.5	-3.1	103.2	1.0	-2.5
Fuel oil <sup>4</sup> .....	107.7	-5.8	-5.4	105.7	1.3	-2.7	97.9	1.9	-2.7
Other household fuel commodities <sup>4 9</sup> .....	172.7	2.6	.6	122.5	-	-	163.2	-2.1	-2.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	153.9	4.1	5.4	140.2	.3	1.9	130.7	2.0	8.4
Electricity .....	175.7	.0	.9	156.3	.4	2.4	140.6	-.6	12.9
Utility (piped) gas .....	131.3	12.9	15.2	88.0	-.1	-.1	115.8	7.2	.9
Household furnishings and operation <sup>5</sup> .....	118.9	1.8	.6	159.4	7.1	-4	126.2	-5.2	-4.2
Apparel and upkeep .....	116.6	1.4	.9	125.2	-.9	-1.0	141.6	.4	-2.5
Apparel commodities <sup>4 8</sup> .....	111.0	1.1	.7	120.8	-.8	-1.3	136.2	.0	-3.1
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	113.7	2.6	3.9	130.3	1.5	-.5	166.4	5.8	4.3
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	88.6	1.5	-1.8	85.3	-4.0	-4.9	126.7	-3.0	-10.8
Footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	146.3	2.0	2.0	145.6	6.6	-1.4	131.7	3.8	-1.1
Transportation .....	133.3	-.2	-.4	145.8	.2	.3	146.4	.3	.3
Private transportation .....	127.0	-.1	-.5	151.3	.6	.6	147.6	.8	.7
Motor fuel .....	111.0	1.0	.5	125.6	-4.0	1.6	109.7	-3.9	-1.6
Gasoline .....	109.7	1.4	.7	128.0	-3.7	1.9	108.8	-4.2	-1.6
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	107.1	1.5	.7	129.5	-3.6	1.9	107.4	-4.1	-1.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>10</sup> .....	105.2	.9	1.0	111.1	-	-	103.6	-4.2	-1.4
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	110.6	1.7	1.0	132.6	-3.6	1.8	106.8	-4.6	-2.1
Public transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	184.5	-1.3	.0	109.9	-3.5	-2.9	143.8	-3.1	-2.6
Medical care .....	223.4	3.5	1.5	226.9	4.1	2.0	232.1	4.5	.4
Entertainment <sup>11</sup> .....	163.6	-1.9	-2.5	153.0	1.0	.9	176.1	2.8	1.7
Other goods and services <sup>5</sup> .....	244.7	6.3	4.0	226.6	6.4	3.2	240.4	4.3	2.4
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	165.0	2.9	2.0	125.9	1.0	2.5	170.8	2.0	.9

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**Table 34. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA <sup>14</sup>			Seattle-Tacoma, WA <sup>16</sup>			Washington, DC-MD-VA <sup>2</sup>		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>									
All items .....	161.9	3.6	1.9	164.1	2.9	1.4	162.8	1.2	0.5
Commodities .....	140.8	2.0	.7	148.2	1.8	.4	142.0	-.5	-.8
Food and beverages .....	161.2	2.9	1.3	161.5	2.5	1.6	155.9	1.4	.8
Commodities less food and beverages .....	126.7	1.0	.1	140.7	1.2	-.5	134.4	-1.6	-1.8
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	130.4	2.2	1.3	135.8	-1.1	.0	136.0	-.6	-2.1
Durables .....	120.6	-1.0	-1.7	147.5	4.2	-1.0	133.2	-3.1	-1.6
Services .....	179.5	4.5	2.5	179.9	3.9	2.1	181.8	2.4	1.5
Medical care services .....	221.3	2.0	.8	226.0	4.3	2.1	236.1	5.3	.6
<b>Special indexes</b>									
All items less shelter .....	154.2	2.1	1.0	158.8	2.7	1.0	159.1	1.3	.4
All items less medical care .....	159.0	3.6	1.9	161.1	2.9	1.3	159.2	1.0	.5
All items less energy .....	166.2	3.7	1.8	169.2	3.3	1.4	168.9	1.4	.4
All items less food and energy .....	167.4	3.8	1.9	170.9	3.5	1.4	171.8	1.4	.2
Energy .....	127.0	2.6	2.8	121.8	-2.2	1.5	114.8	-1.0	2.8
Commodities less food .....	128.7	1.3	.3	141.3	1.2	-.4	135.2	-1.5	-1.7
Nondurables less food .....	132.7	2.5	1.4	136.9	-.8	-.1	136.9	-.4	-1.9
Nondurables .....	146.6	2.7	1.3	148.4	1.0	.9	145.7	.4	-.7
Services less rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....	181.5	2.3	1.3	184.5	3.9	1.8	197.5	3.3	2.1
Services less medical care services .....	176.8	4.7	2.7	176.3	3.9	2.1	177.2	2.1	1.5

<sup>1</sup> Starting in January, 1998, indexes for the city of Atlanta will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>3</sup> Index on an October 1967=100 base in Anchorage.

<sup>4</sup> This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997 below the U.S. city average level.

<sup>5</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

<sup>6</sup> This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a November 1982=100 base in Anchorage, Baltimore, Boston, Cincinnati, Denver, Miami, Milwaukee, Portland, St. Louis, San Diego, Seattle, and Washington. Indexes on a December 1982=100 base in Atlanta, Buffalo, Chicago, Cleveland, Dallas, Detroit, Honolulu, Houston, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, and San Francisco.

<sup>8</sup> 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.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a November 1986=100 base in Baltimore, Boston,

Cincinnati, Cleveland, Miami, Minneapolis, Portland, St. Louis, San Diego, and Washington. Indexes on a December 1986=100 base in Anchorage, Atlanta, Buffalo, Chicago, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Honolulu, Houston, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Milwaukee, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, San Francisco, and Seattle.

<sup>10</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>11</sup> This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

<sup>12</sup> Information for Buffalo and New Orleans will no longer be calculated after January, 1998.

<sup>13</sup> Index on an November 1977=100 base in Miami.

<sup>14</sup> 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.

<sup>15</sup> 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.

<sup>16</sup> Starting in February, 1998, indexes for the city of Seattle will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

<sup>NA</sup> Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.



**Table 35. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, semiannual averages, all items index**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Semiannual average indexes				Percent change from preceding semiannual average		
	1996	1996	1997	1997	1996	1997	1997
	1st half	2nd half	1st half	2nd half	2nd half	1st half	2nd half
U.S. city average .....	153.1	155.2	157.0	158.1	1.4	1.2	0.7
<b>Region and area size <sup>1</sup></b>							
Northeast urban .....	160.0	162.2	164.2	165.4	1.4	1.2	.7
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	159.7	161.8	163.8	165.1	1.3	1.2	.8
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000 <sup>2</sup> .....	157.9	160.4	162.5	163.4	1.6	1.3	.6
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000 <sup>2</sup> .....	162.3	164.6	166.9	168.4	1.4	1.4	.9
North Central urban .....	148.5	150.8	152.6	153.7	1.5	1.2	.7
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	148.6	150.6	152.5	153.6	1.3	1.3	.7
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000 <sup>2</sup> .....	146.7	149.7	150.9	152.4	2.0	.8	1.0
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000 <sup>2</sup> .....	150.8	153.3	155.5	156.5	1.7	1.4	.6
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	146.3	149.3	150.3	151.1	2.1	.7	.5
South urban .....	151.2	153.2	154.9	155.8	1.3	1.1	.6
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	150.0	151.8	153.5	154.3	1.2	1.1	.5
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000 <sup>2</sup> .....	151.3	153.8	155.5	156.7	1.7	1.1	.8
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000 <sup>2</sup> .....	152.4	154.3	155.7	156.3	1.2	.9	.4
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	152.2	154.1	156.1	157.3	1.2	1.3	.8
West urban .....	153.6	155.4	157.3	158.7	1.2	1.2	.9
Size A - More than 1,200,000 .....	152.2	153.9	155.7	157.2	1.1	1.2	1.0
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000 <sup>2</sup> .....	158.4	160.1	162.7	164.3	1.1	1.6	1.0
<b>Size classes</b>							
A <sup>3</sup> .....	139.7	141.5	143.2	144.3	1.3	1.2	.8
B <sup>2</sup> .....	152.8	155.3	157.0	158.1	1.6	1.1	.7
C <sup>2</sup> .....	154.8	156.9	158.8	159.9	1.4	1.2	.7
D .....	151.7	154.2	155.5	156.5	1.6	.8	.6

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 35. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, semiannual averages, all items index—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Semiannual average indexes				Percent change from preceding semiannual average		
	1996 1st half	1996 2nd half	1997 1st half	1997 2nd half	1996 2nd half	1997 1st half	1997 2nd half
<b>Selected local areas</b>							
Anchorage, AK .....	141.4	143.5	144.0	145.0	1.5	0.3	0.7
Atlanta, GA <sup>4</sup> .....	152.3	155.0	155.9	157.0	1.8	.6	.7
Baltimore, MD <sup>5</sup> .....	152.0	154.2	155.0	155.2	1.4	.5	.1
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH .....	161.2	163.3	166.3	166.9	1.3	1.8	.4
Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY <sup>6</sup> .....	150.9	152.7	154.5	155.9	1.2	1.2	.9
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI .....	151.2	153.6	155.6	156.8	1.6	1.3	.8
Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN .....	145.9	147.9	148.7	150.0	1.4	.5	.9
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH .....	143.1	145.6	147.3	149.0	1.7	1.2	1.2
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	147.7	150.1	150.8	152.1	1.6	.5	.9
Denver-Boulder, CO .....	147.9	150.1	152.7	154.5	1.5	1.7	1.2
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI .....	146.9	148.5	150.3	151.7	1.1	1.2	.9
Honolulu, HI .....	170.8	171.2	172.4	172.0	.2	.7	-.2
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	141.6	142.5	143.8	145.2	.6	.9	1.0
Kansas City, MO-KS .....	146.8	148.7	151.0	151.9	1.3	1.5	.6
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA .....	151.6	152.6	153.9	154.7	.7	.9	.5
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	150.5	153.1	155.9	156.3	1.7	1.8	.3
Milwaukee, WI .....	156.2	157.9	159.8	159.8	1.1	1.2	.0
Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI .....	148.5	150.6	152.5	153.3	1.4	1.3	.5
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT .....	162.2	164.1	166.0	167.5	1.2	1.2	.9
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD <sup>7</sup> .....	161.0	163.4	165.0	166.3	1.5	1.0	.8
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA <sup>8</sup> .....	145.8	147.8	150.0	151.0	1.4	1.5	.7
Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA .....	153.9	156.5	159.0	161.7	1.7	1.6	1.7
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL <sup>8</sup> .....	147.5	150.0	151.1	152.7	1.7	.7	1.1
San Diego, CA .....	149.9	151.3	152.6	153.1	.9	.9	.3
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA <sup>7</sup> .....	151.6	153.6	156.0	158.8	1.3	1.6	1.8
Seattle-Tacoma, WA <sup>9</sup> .....	152.6	155.9	158.2	159.9	2.2	1.5	1.1
Washington, DC-MD-VA <sup>5</sup> .....	155.6	158.3	159.3	160.1	1.7	.6	.5

<sup>1</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Starting in January, 1998, indexes for the city of Atlanta will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

<sup>5</sup> 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.

<sup>6</sup> Information for Buffalo and New Orleans will no longer be calculated after January, 1998.

<sup>7</sup> 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.

<sup>8</sup> 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.

<sup>9</sup> Starting in February, 1998, indexes for the city of Seattle will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

**Table 36. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Regions <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	U.S. City Average			Northeast			North Central			South			West			
	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	
Expenditure category																
All items .....	158.1	1.9	0.7	165.4	2.0	0.7	153.7	1.9	0.7	155.8	1.7	0.6	158.7	2.1	0.9	
All items (December 1977=100) <sup>2</sup> .....	471.1	-	-	258.3	-	-	248.6	-	-	252.3	-	-	255.3	-	-	
Food and beverages .....	157.9	2.1	.9	160.5	1.6	.6	155.2	1.8	.9	156.0	2.0	1.0	160.2	2.9	1.1	
Food .....	157.5	2.0	.9	160.0	1.6	.6	154.5	1.8	.9	156.2	2.0	1.0	159.5	2.8	1.1	
Food at home .....	157.8	1.6	.7	160.7	1.1	.2	154.1	1.2	.6	154.9	1.6	.9	162.7	2.7	1.1	
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	178.0	1.8	.7	183.3	1.7	.6	177.2	1.4	.3	173.1	2.0	1.2	178.1	2.3	.8	
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	148.5	1.1	.4	151.7	.6	-.7	146.3	1.0	1.1	144.7	.6	.5	152.1	2.6	.8	
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	144.8	-1.2	-.5	136.6	-.8	-1.1	143.4	-2.5	-1.4	146.2	-.4	.3	155.6	-.9	.1	
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3 4</sup> .....	187.4	1.8	.9	187.0	-.1	.0	178.7	1.7	1.0	187.1	2.1	1.2	198.8	4.2	1.6	
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	147.8	3.3	1.4	156.0	3.6	1.9	143.3	2.8	.9	144.8	3.2	1.3	148.8	3.8	1.6	
Sugar and sweets <sup>3</sup> .....	148.1	2.3	.5	155.6	1.8	.3	145.5	2.0	.1	144.6	2.6	.8	149.1	2.8	.6	
Fats and oils <sup>3</sup> .....	140.9	.1	-.7	147.6	-.7	-.9	135.6	.0	-.7	138.7	.7	-.5	143.4	.8	-.8	
Nonalcoholic beverages <sup>3</sup> .....	134.3	5.7	3.1	145.1	5.9	4.1	128.4	4.0	1.6	129.3	5.9	2.8	135.9	7.1	4.1	
Other prepared food <sup>3</sup> .....	161.8	2.7	.9	169.7	3.4	1.3	157.7	2.8	1.0	161.5	2.2	.7	160.8	2.7	.8	
Food away from home .....	158.0	2.7	1.3	161.0	2.4	1.3	155.7	2.8	1.4	159.9	2.7	1.2	154.8	3.1	1.2	
Alcoholic beverages .....	162.7	2.3	.7	166.3	1.7	.5	163.2	2.0	.6	153.7	1.9	.8	167.0	3.5	1.0	
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	154.3	2.4	1.1	165.9	2.3	.9	148.2	2.6	1.3	148.1	2.1	1.0	157.2	2.7	1.5	
Shelter .....	172.5	3.0	1.5	193.9	3.1	1.7	166.3	3.3	1.6	160.0	2.8	1.4	170.4	3.0	1.5	
Renters' costs <sup>3 5 6</sup> .....	163.4	3.2	1.2	179.0	3.7	1.8	161.2	3.0	.8	151.8	2.7	.7	160.9	3.4	1.6	
Rent, residential .....	167.7	3.0	1.6	180.1	3.0	1.5	165.4	3.2	1.8	155.7	2.6	1.4	168.5	3.2	1.8	
Other renters' costs <sup>3 6</sup> .....	224.4	4.1	-.1	262.6	6.3	2.7	196.7	2.2	-1.8	211.1	2.9	-3.2	228.4	4.4	.7	
Homeowners' costs <sup>3 5 6</sup> .....	166.9	3.0	1.6	181.1	2.8	1.6	166.3	3.4	1.9	152.4	2.8	1.6	166.6	2.7	1.5	
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>5</sup> .....	167.2	3.0	1.6	181.8	2.8	1.6	166.7	3.3	1.9	152.3	2.8	1.6	166.5	2.7	1.5	
Maintenance and repairs <sup>3 6</sup> .....	142.9	3.0	1.3	137.4	1.7	.4	140.9	1.9	.9	148.3	5.0	3.4	143.9	3.4	.4	
Maintenance and repair services <sup>3 6</sup> .....	154.8	3.6	2.6	150.3	-.1	1.1	156.4	2.0	.7	156.2	7.9	6.9	147.1	1.1	.8	
Maintenance and repair commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	128.0	2.2	-.2	118.4	1.0	-.8	123.4	1.8	1.1	137.7	1.0	-1.6	136.9	5.3	.1	
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	131.0	1.7	.8	125.1	1.1	-1.1	127.1	1.8	.8	137.7	1.5	1.4	140.3	3.0	2.6	
Fuels .....	117.6	.9	.5	115.5	.8	-2.2	111.4	.2	.4	122.3	.6	1.6	130.2	2.8	3.5	
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	94.9	-4.9	-9.0	92.0	-5.5	-9.8	91.2	-6.7	-10.0	104.0	-2.9	-7.1	109.1	1.1	-3.8	
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	92.2	-5.7	-9.7	91.5	-6.2	-10.5	88.0	-7.3	-9.5	92.4	-3.1	-6.6	121.4	.9	-3.0	
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	126.0	-3.2	-7.6	118.7	-2.7	-6.7	122.7	-6.0	-10.3	135.3	-2.9	-7.4	123.4	1.4	-4.1	
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	125.5	1.5	1.5	131.7	2.3	-.3	117.0	.5	.9	125.6	.8	2.1	132.9	2.8	3.7	
Electricity .....	133.4	-.1	2.1	139.0	.1	1.2	129.0	.1	3.2	127.1	-.2	2.6	146.4	-.5	.8	
Utility (piped) gas .....	114.3	4.8	.0	121.0	6.6	-3.0	105.8	1.1	-1.9	121.9	5.6	.2	118.7	10.6	10.6	
Other utilities and public services <sup>3 6</sup> .....	163.3	2.8	1.2	162.0	1.6	.5	163.2	3.7	1.2	167.2	2.4	1.2	159.8	3.3	1.9	
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	123.8	.3	-.1	123.3	-.8	-.2	122.4	1.1	.7	125.1	.1	-.7	124.8	.7	.1	
Housefurnishings <sup>3 6</sup> .....	108.9	-.8	-.8	104.2	-2.1	-.7	107.6	.2	.0	112.2	-1.5	-1.8	111.4	.1	-.4	
Housekeeping supplies <sup>3</sup> .....	144.0	1.4	.4	151.0	-.4	-.7	145.3	2.0	1.5	137.6	2.8	.4	142.8	1.0	.2	
Housekeeping services <sup>3 6</sup> .....	155.9	2.5	1.6	161.7	2.6	1.5	149.8	3.0	2.1	162.2	2.3	1.4	150.5	2.4	1.3	
Apparel and upkeep .....	131.5	1.2	-.8	129.1	2.8	.9	129.9	1.5	-1.2	141.9	1.4	-1.0	122.9	-1.4	-2.0	
Apparel commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	128.0	1.1	-.9	125.2	3.0	1.0	127.8	1.4	-1.4	137.7	1.3	-1.2	118.6	-1.8	-2.2	
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	130.6	2.4	1.2	133.0	4.3	2.9	129.2	3.6	1.7	137.5	2.8	.9	121.7	-1.7	-1.3	
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	123.4	1.5	-2.4	116.3	3.9	.4	123.8	1.2	-3.4	136.8	.1	-4.1	113.4	.4	-2.1	
Infants' and toddlers' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	128.3	-.1	-2.7	130.2	.2	-.2	130.9	3.8	-3.4	132.3	-.6	-3.0	115.0	-5.2	-4.0	
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	129.0	1.1	.7	129.2	1.1	-.5	132.8	.6	.8	131.7	3.8	2.8	117.8	-3.0	-1.8	
Other apparel commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	144.1	-2.9	-2.0	154.5	-1.9	.0	139.4	-5.0	-4.2	154.3	-.1	-.1	130.0	-5.7	-4.2	
Apparel services <sup>3 6</sup> .....	162.7	1.8	.7	167.2	1.1	.6	151.7	2.4	1.1	173.8	2.2	1.0	158.4	1.6	.1	
Transportation .....	143.2	-.3	-.6	146.9	.3	-.3	141.1	-.6	-.9	141.6	-.8	-1.1	144.2	.3	-.1	
Private transportation .....	140.8	-.4	-.8	143.0	.1	-.5	138.8	-.6	-.9	140.7	-.9	-1.1	141.7	.2	-.2	
New vehicles .....	144.7	-.2	-1.1	144.0	-.2	-.8	143.2	-.3	-1.0	146.5	-.3	-1.1	145.5	.1	-1.2	
New cars .....	140.4	-.6	-1.3	140.6	-.3	-.7	137.0	-.9	-1.4	144.8	-.5	-1.4	139.0	-.6	-1.5	
Used cars .....	149.9	-5.0	-3.5	152.3	-4.6	-3.2	150.3	-5.4	-3.8	150.4	-5.0	-3.4	147.0	-5.0	-3.5	
Motor fuel .....	105.6	-1.7	-1.1	104.6	-.6	-.9	105.3	-3.7	-2.1	103.1	-2.8	-2.3	110.3	2.0	1.9	
Gasoline .....	105.3	-1.5	-.9	104.3	-.4	-.8	105.3	-3.5	-1.9	102.8	-2.7	-2.2	109.6	2.4	2.3	
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	103.3	-1.5	-1.0	103.3	-.3	-.7	103.7	-3.7	-2.1	99.9	-3.0	-2.3	106.8	2.9	2.4	
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>8</sup> .....	109.8	-1.3	-.8	107.9	-.6	-.8	116.1	-3.5	-1.5	109.2	-2.8	-2.1	106.9	2.9	2.5	
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	106.3	-1.5	-.9	104.1	-.9	-.7	108.3	-3.1	-1.7	105.9	-2.6	-1.8	110.5	2.4	2.3	
Maintenance and repairs .....	164.7	2.6	1.2	174.2	2.8	1.5	155.7	3.5	1.4	163.6	2.4	1.6	166.8	1.7	.6	
Other private transportation <sup>3 6</sup> .....	173.4	1.6	.5	177.5	1.4	.4	168.4	2.6	.9	180.6	1.4	.3	169.4	1.1	.6	
Other private transportation commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	103.9	-.2	-.1	105.9	-.2	-.6	105.4	1.2	.3	101.8	-.6	.0	101.7	-1.2	-.5	
Other private transportation services <sup>3 6</sup> .....	191.0	1.9	.6	191.7	1.5	.5	182.9	2.8	.9	203.9	1.7	.3	188.4	1.6	.8	
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	184.3	.8	.1	186.2	1.2	.7	193.0	1.0	-.6	165.2	.2	-1.5	188.9	.2	1.1	

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 36. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Regions <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	U.S. City Average			Northeast			North Central			South			West		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>															
Medical care .....	235.2	2.6	1.0	243.8	2.4	0.8	228.7	2.3	1.0	234.8	2.8	1.0	234.7	3.1	1.2
Medical care commodities .....	213.1	2.0	.5	216.0	1.0	.1	210.8	1.9	.5	210.0	2.2	.6	220.0	2.5	.7
Medical care services .....	240.1	2.7	1.1	249.8	2.7	1.0	232.8	2.4	1.2	240.7	2.9	1.2	238.2	3.2	1.3
Professional medical services .....	218.0	3.2	1.2	227.7	3.0	1.2	213.1	3.4	1.4	222.8	3.7	1.2	206.8	2.7	1.0
Entertainment <sup>9</sup> .....	160.4	1.8	.6	168.9	1.9	.6	161.4	2.7	1.0	156.7	1.6	.5	154.3	.8	.0
Entertainment commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	143.1	.5	.1	147.3	.3	-.1	145.4	1.3	.1	141.3	.2	.0	137.7	-.2	.1
Entertainment services <sup>3</sup> .....	185.0	3.1	1.0	198.0	3.4	1.3	182.7	4.1	1.8	182.3	2.9	1.1	177.6	1.8	-.1
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	224.5	4.8	2.7	235.5	4.6	2.3	219.3	5.1	3.1	216.3	4.8	2.9	228.5	4.4	2.1
Tobacco and smoking products <sup>3</sup> .....	247.0	5.5	3.1	240.4	5.6	2.9	257.0	6.1	3.6	231.3	4.9	3.2	269.6	5.4	2.3
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	153.2	1.7	.7	163.4	1.1	.0	148.7	2.8	1.3	146.2	2.2	1.0	155.8	.3	.4
Personal and educational expenses <sup>3 6</sup> .....	259.0	5.2	2.9	272.4	4.9	2.7	243.4	5.2	3.4	256.6	5.6	3.3	266.6	5.2	2.5
<b>Commodity and service group</b>															
All items .....	158.1	1.9	.7	165.4	2.0	.7	153.7	1.9	.7	155.8	1.7	.6	158.7	2.1	.9
Commodities .....	141.8	.9	-.1	143.5	1.0	.0	139.9	.7	-.1	141.8	.6	-.3	142.1	1.2	.2
Food and beverages .....	157.9	2.1	.9	160.5	1.6	.6	155.2	1.8	.9	156.0	2.0	1.0	160.2	2.9	1.1
Commodities less food and beverages .....	132.0	.1	-.7	131.6	.4	-.5	131.2	.0	-.7	133.6	-.4	-.1	131.1	.0	-.5
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	134.4	1.0	-.2	132.1	1.4	-.1	135.3	.8	-.3	136.2	.8	-.6	133.4	.9	.3
Apparel commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	128.0	1.1	-.9	125.2	3.0	1.0	127.8	1.4	-.1	137.7	1.3	-.1	118.8	-.1	-.2
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	140.5	.9	.1	139.2	.7	-.5	141.4	.6	.1	138.4	.5	-.3	143.6	2.1	1.3
Durables .....	127.5	-.1	-.1	128.0	-.1	-.1	124.5	-.1	-.1	129.3	-.1	-.1	128.2	-.1	-.1
Services .....	177.8	2.9	1.4	191.4	2.8	1.3	170.9	3.0	1.5	172.9	2.7	1.4	176.6	2.8	1.5
Rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	166.0	3.0	1.5	181.0	3.1	1.6	165.2	3.3	1.6	152.2	2.8	1.3	184.2	2.9	1.5
Household services less rent of shelter <sup>3 6</sup> .....	134.9	2.1	1.4	135.6	2.0	.3	128.8	2.1	1.3	137.9	1.8	1.8	139.4	2.9	2.3
Transportation services .....	183.2	1.8	.7	186.5	1.7	.8	177.7	2.7	.8	187.8	1.7	.4	182.9	1.3	.8
Medical care services .....	240.1	2.7	1.1	249.8	2.7	1.0	232.8	2.4	1.2	240.7	2.9	1.2	238.2	3.2	1.3
Other services .....	208.5	4.2	2.1	226.5	4.0	1.9	196.4	4.6	2.8	206.7	4.4	2.3	203.5	3.6	1.3
<b>Special indexes</b>															
All items less food .....	158.2	1.9	.7	166.6	2.1	.8	153.4	1.9	.7	155.5	1.6	.5	158.5	1.9	.8
All items less shelter .....	154.3	1.5	.5	157.1	1.6	.4	150.8	1.4	.4	154.9	1.3	.4	155.2	1.8	.6
All items less homeowners' costs <sup>3 6</sup> .....	148.2	1.6	.5	152.1	1.8	.5	145.4	1.6	.5	147.1	1.4	.3	148.8	2.0	.8
All items less medical care .....	154.5	1.8	.7	162.2	2.0	.7	150.3	1.9	.7	151.3	1.6	.6	155.2	2.0	.8
Commodities less food .....	133.2	.2	-.6	133.1	.5	-.4	132.4	.1	-.6	134.3	-.2	-.1	132.9	.3	-.4
Nondurables less food .....	136.1	1.1	-.1	134.2	1.4	.0	137.0	1.0	-.2	136.9	.8	-.5	135.9	1.2	.3
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	141.7	1.1	.2	140.9	.8	-.4	142.7	.8	.1	138.8	.7	-.2	144.9	2.3	1.3
Nondurables .....	146.5	1.6	.4	146.9	1.5	.3	145.4	1.3	.3	146.2	1.5	.3	147.4	2.0	.8
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	168.7	2.7	1.3	173.5	2.7	1.0	161.6	2.9	1.4	170.2	2.6	1.4	171.1	2.7	1.4
Services less medical care services .....	172.4	2.9	1.4	187.1	2.9	1.4	165.7	3.1	1.5	165.8	2.7	1.4	171.9	2.8	1.5
Energy .....	110.9	-.4	-.3	110.1	.2	-.1	107.9	-.1	-.9	110.6	-.1	-.3	118.1	2.3	2.6
All items less energy .....	164.8	2.1	.9	173.2	2.2	.9	160.6	2.3	.9	162.3	1.9	.7	163.6	2.1	.8
All items less food and energy .....	166.6	2.1	.8	177.0	2.3	1.0	162.1	2.3	.9	163.8	1.9	.6	164.7	1.9	.7
Commodities less food and energy .....	141.6	.5	-.4	143.4	.9	.1	140.2	.8	-.3	142.9	.2	-.7	139.7	.0	-.7
Energy commodities .....	104.9	-.2	-.1	101.5	-.1	-.3	104.9	-.3	-.2	103.5	-.2	-.2	111.3	2.0	1.8
Services less energy services .....	183.5	3.0	1.4	197.7	2.9	1.4	178.0	3.2	1.5	178.7	2.8	1.4	180.1	2.9	1.4

<sup>1</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes are on a December 1977=100 base except for the U.S. which is on a 1967=100 base.

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

<sup>4</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> 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.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> 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 37. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Size class A <sup>2</sup>			Size class B <sup>3</sup>			Size class C <sup>3</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	144.3	2.0	0.8	158.1	1.8	0.7	159.9	1.9	0.7	156.5	1.5	0.6
All items (December 1977=100) .....	144.3	-	-	255.2	-	-	256.1	-	-	252.9	-	-
Food and beverages .....	142.8	2.1	.8	157.6	2.1	1.0	156.7	2.0	1.0	153.5	1.9	.8
Food .....	142.4	2.0	.8	157.7	2.1	1.1	156.1	1.8	.9	153.0	1.9	.9
Food at home .....	146.0	1.6	.6	159.7	1.8	1.0	153.9	1.3	.7	150.7	1.5	.7
Cereals and bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	159.7	1.8	.8	176.0	1.7	.4	172.7	1.8	.3	181.0	1.9	1.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>4</sup> .....	137.7	1.0	.3	150.7	1.4	.7	142.9	.8	.6	139.3	1.2	.6
Dairy products <sup>4</sup> .....	140.1	-1.2	-.7	147.0	-1.3	-.7	137.8	-1.1	.1	139.2	-.6	-.9
Fruits and vegetables <sup>4</sup> .....	172.6	2.5	.8	194.1	2.1	2.2	183.1	.5	.1	170.9	.1	.8
Other food at home <sup>4</sup> .....	135.3	3.1	1.3	149.6	3.6	1.7	149.4	3.3	1.3	143.7	3.5	1.1
Sugar and sweets <sup>4</sup> .....	137.6	2.5	.4	147.0	1.7	.6	144.5	1.8	.6	140.2	3.3	.5
Fats and oils <sup>4</sup> .....	132.7	-.5	-1.2	139.2	1.2	.7	140.4	.1	-1.3	139.3	1.6	.5
Nonalcoholic beverages <sup>4</sup> .....	124.9	5.2	3.1	130.9	5.6	2.8	138.4	5.9	2.5	127.1	7.4	4.2
Other prepared food <sup>4</sup> .....	144.6	2.6	.9	171.0	3.3	1.4	163.3	2.8	1.3	158.5	1.8	-.6
Food away from home .....	136.8	2.8	1.3	155.6	2.5	1.2	161.4	2.8	1.4	158.2	2.9	1.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	146.5	2.3	.8	157.8	2.2	.4	164.1	2.8	1.2	160.3	1.3	.3
Housing <sup>5</sup> .....	139.9	2.6	1.4	155.4	2.2	1.0	157.3	2.5	.9	152.2	1.9	1.1
Shelter .....	148.0	3.3	1.7	172.5	2.6	1.3	178.6	2.9	1.2	173.4	2.3	1.3
Renters' costs <sup>4 6</sup> .....	146.0	3.5	1.5	172.5	2.7	1.2	156.9	2.8	.7	155.4	2.2	.8
Rent, residential .....	139.7	3.3	1.8	166.4	2.4	1.2	161.7	2.5	1.2	159.9	2.2	1.3
Other renters' costs <sup>4</sup> .....	185.6	4.5	-.2	262.7	3.3	.9	202.7	4.5	-1.1	199.9	2.1	-1.6
Homeowners' costs <sup>4 6</sup> .....	149.2	3.1	1.8	166.8	2.6	1.4	170.7	3.0	1.5	164.9	2.4	1.5
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	149.5	3.1	1.8	167.3	2.7	1.5	171.3	2.9	1.5	164.8	2.4	1.5
Maintenance and repairs <sup>4</sup> .....	128.2	4.1	2.0	137.1	1.3	.1	156.9	2.0	.8	140.4	1.2	.4
Maintenance and repair services <sup>4</sup> .....	133.8	4.0	3.2	148.9	3.2	1.8	174.7	4.5	2.9	156.5	1.0	.3
Maintenance and repair commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	121.5	4.4	.6	127.8	-.2	-1.2	133.6	-2.1	-2.7	120.7	1.6	.8
Fuel and other utilities <sup>5</sup> .....	130.9	1.6	1.0	136.5	1.9	.7	134.9	1.9	.4	130.1	1.7	1.2
Fuels .....	129.6	.9	.9	115.7	1.0	.5	121.0	1.2	-.5	109.6	.0	.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	136.0	-4.9	-8.6	93.9	-3.7	-8.1	93.4	-5.8	-11.1	89.2	-5.1	-8.0
Fuel oil <sup>4</sup> .....	138.0	-5.8	-9.3	93.2	-2.8	-8.0	84.9	-8.3	-13.3	87.9	-6.5	-8.5
Other household fuel commodities <sup>2 4</sup> .....	130.0	-1.8	-6.1	123.2	-4.9	-8.4	126.6	-2.5	-8.5	121.3	-3.8	-7.4
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	129.1	1.4	1.8	122.8	1.6	1.6	130.2	1.8	.5	118.4	.5	.9
Electricity .....	133.3	-.1	2.9	131.8	.7	2.2	137.0	-.3	.4	126.0	-1.1	2.4
Utility (piped) gas .....	122.3	4.0	.0	108.3	4.1	-.4	121.5	8.2	1.3	107.7	5.2	-2.4
Other utilities and public services <sup>4</sup> .....	132.5	2.6	1.1	180.0	2.7	.8	164.3	2.8	1.4	170.8	3.4	2.4
Household furnishings and operation <sup>5</sup> .....	116.2	-.3	-.3	126.3	.6	.5	123.2	1.3	.1	124.9	1.1	.1
Housefurnishings <sup>4</sup> .....	104.3	-1.6	-1.4	114.2	-.1	.4	108.4	.4	-.6	109.8	-.4	-.7
Housekeeping supplies <sup>4</sup> .....	136.0	1.0	.7	135.5	1.2	-.5	142.5	2.2	.1	137.8	3.1	1.0
Housekeeping services <sup>4</sup> .....	137.8	2.5	1.6	161.5	2.6	1.6	159.0	2.8	1.8	162.9	2.8	1.3
Apparel and upkeep .....	120.6	1.2	-.9	131.1	1.4	-1.4	141.3	1.4	-.5	134.5	.7	.4
Apparel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	119.0	1.0	-1.1	127.0	1.2	-1.6	138.8	1.4	-.6	131.3	.5	.3
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	120.7	2.9	1.8	131.8	.7	-1.2	139.7	2.2	1.2	127.3	4.5	3.0
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	112.9	2.5	-2.3	128.5	1.2	-3.1	134.6	-.2	-3.0	133.4	-1.5	-.4
Infants' and toddlers' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	107.2	-1.6	-2.2	127.9	5.8	-2.5	146.7	-1.2	-3.8	119.8	-1.2	-2.4
Footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	125.7	-.3	-.5	118.0	1.5	1.6	135.9	5.3	4.2	133.9	1.8	-.4
Other apparel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	139.7	-5.1	-3.3	124.6	.3	1.0	164.4	1.4	-.5	141.3	-1.3	-.6
Apparel services <sup>4</sup> .....	136.8	1.8	.5	169.2	2.5	1.2	169.5	.8	.9	165.6	2.4	1.0
Transportation .....	142.6	-.1	-.6	142.6	-.3	-.8	141.7	-.4	-.7	141.5	-1.4	-1.4
Private transportation .....	142.2	-.1	-.6	140.6	-.5	-.8	139.6	-.5	-.8	139.1	-1.4	-1.3
New vehicles .....	127.1	-.2	-1.1	144.2	.1	-.7	144.9	-.5	-1.2	146.3	-.5	-1.2
New cars .....	123.9	-.4	-1.2	137.1	-.6	-.9	140.9	-.9	-1.5	141.3	-1.3	-1.6
Used cars .....	141.7	-4.9	-3.3	150.3	-4.8	-3.3	149.5	-4.9	-3.6	143.3	-6.3	-4.1
Motor fuel .....	154.6	-1.1	-.6	104.6	-1.7	-1.8	104.4	-2.6	-1.9	103.5	-3.3	-2.0
Gasoline .....	154.3	-.8	-.2	104.5	-1.5	-1.6	104.5	-2.4	-1.6	103.1	-3.1	-1.9
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	154.7	-.9	-.3	101.9	-1.8	-1.8	101.9	-2.6	-1.7	99.4	-3.0	-2.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7</sup> .....	107.6	-.6	.0	110.0	-1.4	-1.7	114.1	-2.1	-1.2	113.8	-3.3	-1.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	143.9	-1.4	-.4	106.9	-1.5	-1.5	108.1	-1.7	-1.4	105.2	-2.4	-1.9
Maintenance and repairs .....	146.8	2.7	1.1	167.6	2.3	1.1	162.6	2.9	1.9	151.5	2.4	1.5
Other private transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	148.1	1.7	.5	172.1	1.0	.2	175.4	2.3	1.1	170.5	1.2	-.2
Other private transportation commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	107.5	.5	.4	98.8	-1.1	-1.0	103.9	-.9	-.8	120.6	-.7	-.2
Other private transportation services <sup>4</sup> .....	157.6	1.9	.5	191.1	1.4	.5	196.0	2.8	1.4	183.8	1.6	-.2
Public transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	147.8	.3	.1	200.6	2.7	.2	209.0	2.5	.9	208.7	-1.4	-2.4

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 37. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Size class A <sup>2</sup>			Size class B <sup>3</sup>			Size class C <sup>3</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
Expenditure category												
Medical care .....	186.0	2.3	0.9	235.1	3.4	1.6	239.8	2.9	1.0	228.1	2.5	0.9
Medical care commodities .....	172.5	1.6	.4	211.9	2.2	.5	207.8	2.7	.9	214.0	2.2	.5
Medical care services .....	189.0	2.4	1.0	240.2	3.7	1.8	246.6	3.0	1.1	231.6	2.5	1.0
Professional medical services .....	172.4	2.8	1.0	214.8	4.8	2.0	227.1	2.9	1.1	223.7	3.6	1.1
Entertainment <sup>8</sup> .....	143.1	1.8	.2	156.3	1.6	1.1	165.0	1.9	.9	147.1	2.3	1.0
Entertainment commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	132.0	.7	-.2	137.6	-1.0	-.3	147.8	.7	.5	138.2	2.1	1.2
Entertainment services <sup>4</sup> .....	155.3	2.8	.6	185.5	4.3	2.5	192.9	3.2	1.2	161.3	2.7	.7
Other goods and services <sup>5</sup> .....	181.7	5.0	2.8	224.3	4.0	2.3	221.4	4.6	2.7	222.5	5.3	2.6
Tobacco and smoking products <sup>4</sup> .....	193.2	6.0	3.2	252.3	4.0	2.4	251.3	5.7	3.8	236.3	5.6	2.4
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	137.0	1.5	.4	149.6	.9	.4	153.7	3.0	1.6	139.0	2.0	.9
Personal and educational expenses <sup>4</sup> .....	194.2	5.4	3.2	259.2	5.0	2.9	250.0	4.4	2.2	268.5	5.9	3.1
Commodity and service group												
All items .....	144.3	2.0	.8	158.1	1.8	.7	159.9	1.9	.7	156.5	1.5	.6
Commodities .....	136.4	.9	.0	140.9	.8	-.1	142.9	.8	-.1	140.9	.5	-.1
Food and beverages .....	142.8	2.1	.8	157.6	2.1	1.0	156.7	2.0	1.0	153.5	1.9	.8
Commodities less food and beverages .....	132.0	.1	-.7	131.3	-.2	-.8	134.9	.1	-.7	133.4	-.4	-.7
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	140.5	1.1	-.1	133.2	.6	-.7	137.7	1.1	-.1	134.7	.5	-.1
Apparel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	119.0	1.0	-1.1	127.0	1.2	-1.6	138.8	1.4	-.6	131.3	.5	.3
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	153.1	1.1	.3	138.7	.4	-.4	140.1	1.0	.2	137.5	.5	-.2
Durables .....	120.9	-1.5	-1.5	127.3	-1.1	-.9	129.6	-1.3	-1.5	129.2	-1.7	-1.5
Services .....	151.6	2.9	1.5	178.8	2.8	1.4	181.9	2.9	1.3	177.0	2.5	1.3
Rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	148.3	3.3	1.6	168.9	2.7	1.3	167.1	2.9	1.3	162.1	2.3	1.3
Household services less rent of shelter <sup>4 6</sup> .....	131.8	2.0	1.5	139.2	2.1	1.2	136.1	2.4	1.1	134.3	2.1	1.7
Transportation services .....	153.1	1.7	.6	185.8	1.7	.6	187.7	2.8	1.5	179.0	1.4	-.1
Medical care services .....	189.0	2.4	1.0	240.2	3.7	1.8	246.6	3.0	1.1	231.6	2.5	1.0
Other services .....	171.0	4.2	2.0	210.0	4.3	2.4	206.9	3.8	1.8	205.5	4.7	2.2
Special indexes												
All items less food .....	144.7	2.0	.8	158.1	1.7	.6	160.6	1.9	.6	157.0	1.4	.5
All items less shelter .....	142.9	1.5	.4	154.5	1.5	.5	154.9	1.6	.5	152.5	1.3	.4
All items less homeowners' costs <sup>4 6</sup> .....	143.2	1.7	.6	148.8	1.6	.5	148.0	1.6	.5	145.5	1.3	.5
All items less medical care .....	142.3	1.9	.8	154.3	1.7	.7	155.8	1.8	.6	152.2	1.5	.6
Commodities less food .....	132.8	.2	-.6	132.3	.1	-.8	135.9	.2	-.6	134.3	-.4	-.6
Nondurables less food .....	141.1	1.2	-.1	134.5	.7	-.7	139.1	1.2	.1	136.0	.6	-.1
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	152.1	1.2	.3	139.5	.6	-.3	141.3	1.1	.3	138.7	.6	-.2
Nondurables .....	141.8	1.6	.4	145.6	1.5	.3	147.2	1.5	.5	144.4	1.3	.4
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	155.1	2.6	1.3	171.1	2.8	1.5	170.4	2.9	1.4	166.1	2.6	1.2
Services less medical care services .....	148.8	3.0	1.6	173.2	2.7	1.3	175.7	2.9	1.3	170.7	2.5	1.3
Energy .....	140.9	-.1	.2	108.9	-.4	-.6	111.2	-.6	-1.1	105.7	-1.7	-.9
All items less energy .....	144.5	2.1	.8	165.0	2.0	.9	167.1	2.1	.8	163.8	1.8	.8
All items less food and energy .....	145.1	2.2	.8	166.9	2.0	.7	170.0	2.2	.8	166.6	1.7	.7
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	130.0	.4	-.5	140.3	.4	-.4	145.3	.7	-.3	142.9	.2	-.3
Energy commodities .....	153.1	-1.4	-1.2	103.6	-1.9	-2.4	103.7	-2.9	-2.7	102.2	-3.4	-2.5
Services less energy services .....	153.4	3.0	1.5	185.3	2.8	1.4	188.3	3.0	1.3	184.4	2.6	1.3

<sup>1</sup> See region and area size on table 10 for information about population size classes.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

<sup>5</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> 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 38. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of region and population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast								
	Size class A			Size class B <sup>2</sup>			Size class C <sup>2</sup>		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>									
All items .....	165.1	2.0	0.8	163.4	1.9	0.6	168.4	2.3	0.9
All items (December 1977=100) .....	252.2	-	-	260.8	-	-	280.1	-	-
Food and beverages .....	159.9	1.5	.6	164.4	2.2	.8	158.8	1.6	.8
Food .....	159.4	1.5	.6	164.2	2.2	.8	158.1	1.6	.8
Food at home .....	160.2	.9	.1	167.4	2.0	.5	155.0	1.2	.5
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	184.7	1.2	.5	173.3	3.2	-1.0	185.7	3.1	.4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	150.0	-2	-1.0	162.8	3.6	.1	150.3	.5	.1
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	137.2	-7	-1.3	142.1	-1	-8	120.1	-3.6	-6
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....	187.5	.8	.2	191.0	-2.7	.1	182.2	-1	-7
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	154.4	3.6	2.0	169.3	3.6	1.9	147.8	4.2	2.1
Food away from home .....	159.8	2.5	1.4	162.6	2.5	1.1	165.7	2.4	1.4
Alcoholic beverages .....	166.6	2.0	.5	168.4	1.7	.5	165.6	1.2	1.0
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	163.7	2.4	.9	164.5	1.8	.7	174.7	2.9	1.3
Shelter .....	188.7	3.3	1.6	191.7	2.3	1.5	215.0	3.4	2.2
Renters' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	178.4	4.1	1.5	194.9	2.9	3.2	165.2	3.7	2.2
Rent, residential .....	181.6	3.2	1.6	171.4	2.6	.9	176.2	2.8	1.8
Other renters' costs <sup>3</sup> .....	260.6	7.4	1.0	284.2	3.3	6.3	213.6	10.2	5.0
Homeowners' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	177.4	3.0	1.7	180.7	2.1	.7	195.1	3.3	2.2
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>5</sup> .....	178.1	2.9	1.7	181.7	2.3	.7	195.7	3.3	2.1
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	123.8	1.1	-8	135.2	1.4	-1.3	118.4	.9	-2.1
Fuels .....	118.6	1.1	-1.5	118.2	1.0	-2.5	98.3	-3	-4.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	97.4	-5.6	-9.4	89.8	-4.0	-7.7	79.9	-6.3	-12.8
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	95.5	-6.2	-9.9	91.5	-2.0	-8.0	80.7	-8.7	-14.1
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	136.9	-9	-5.3	111.2	-9.2	-6.9	99.3	2.9	-7.7
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	132.3	2.5	.2	139.0	2.4	-1.1	116.9	2.0	-.9
Electricity .....	138.8	.3	2.1	148.1	-.4	-.5	120.7	.0	.0
Utility (piped) gas .....	123.5	6.2	-2.7	123.1	9.8	-2.6	112.0	8.0	-3.4
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	124.1	-1.7	-6	119.8	.0	.0	120.4	2.9	1.2
Apparel and upkeep .....	124.8	2.5	1.0	129.9	4.2	-.6	148.4	3.6	1.2
Apparel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	120.0	2.7	1.0	127.0	4.3	-.6	145.9	3.8	1.1
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	123.1	3.4	3.0	150.0	4.9	.8	166.3	9.6	5.3
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	110.7	4.1	.7	119.3	4.4	-2.0	133.6	2.9	.1
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	129.0	1.7	-.4	124.8	3.7	.2	140.8	-1.8	-1.6
Transportation .....	149.9	.1	-.3	143.0	.6	-.2	139.7	.0	-.5
Private transportation .....	145.5	.1	-.4	140.3	.0	-.6	136.3	.1	-.4
Motor fuel .....	103.6	-7	-9	105.9	-.4	-1.6	104.3	-.5	-1.2
Gasoline .....	103.3	-5	-6	106.1	.1	-1.2	104.1	-.2	-1.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	102.3	-3	-.4	103.8	-.1	-1.2	103.8	-.3	-1.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7</sup> .....	105.5	-.9	-.7	112.7	.4	-1.2	112.1	.2	-.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	102.8	-1.2	-.5	106.8	.2	-1.2	107.2	-.6	-1.1
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	179.2	.2	.3	201.3	9.3	4.1	233.9	-1.8	-.7
Medical care .....	247.0	2.7	.9	239.4	1.4	.8	231.8	1.8	.2
Entertainment <sup>8</sup> .....	170.4	1.4	.1	159.7	2.1	1.3	174.5	4.3	2.1
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	234.4	4.9	2.6	229.6	3.3	1.6	239.9	4.8	2.3
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	167.9	.9	-.4	148.5	-.1	.1	152.7	2.8	1.7

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 38. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of region and population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast								
	Size class A			Size class B <sup>2</sup>			Size class C <sup>2</sup>		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>									
All items .....	165.1	2.0	0.8	163.4	1.9	0.6	168.4	2.3	0.9
Commodities .....	143.2	.8	.1	142.7	1.4	-.1	144.8	1.0	-.1
Food and beverages .....	159.9	1.5	.6	164.4	2.2	.8	158.8	1.6	.8
Commodities less food and beverages .....	130.9	.3	-.4	128.9	.9	-.7	135.5	.6	-.8
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	131.2	1.4	.2	130.2	1.4	-1.0	137.3	1.6	-.3
Durables .....	128.0	-1.9	-1.4	124.9	.1	-.2	128.9	-1.1	-1.6
Services .....	189.2	2.9	1.3	191.6	2.4	1.2	199.8	3.4	1.8
Medical care services .....	253.8	3.1	1.2	244.1	1.3	.7	236.5	1.6	.1
<b>Special indexes</b>									
All items less shelter .....	157.6	1.5	.4	156.0	1.8	.3	155.0	1.9	.5
All items less medical care .....	161.7	2.0	.7	160.4	1.9	.6	165.6	2.4	1.0
All items less energy .....	172.2	2.2	.9	171.3	2.0	.8	178.6	2.6	1.3
All items less food and energy .....	175.9	2.3	1.0	173.4	1.9	.8	184.2	2.8	1.4
Energy .....	111.8	.4	-1.2	112.3	.4	-2.2	99.3	-.5	-3.1
Commodities less food .....	132.5	.5	-.3	130.5	.9	-.6	137.0	.6	-.7
Nondurables less food .....	133.4	1.4	.2	132.4	1.5	-.8	139.1	1.6	-.1
Nondurables .....	146.5	1.5	.3	147.7	1.9	.0	148.0	1.6	.3
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	172.6	2.5	.9	174.7	2.2	.9	173.9	3.6	1.5
Services less medical care services .....	184.6	3.0	1.3	187.4	2.4	1.2	196.8	3.6	2.0

See footnotes at end of table.



**Table 38. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of region and population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	North Central											
	Size class A			Size class B <sup>2</sup>			Size class C <sup>2</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	153.6	2.0	0.7	152.4	1.8	1.0	156.5	2.1	0.6	151.1	1.2	0.5
All items (December 1977=100) .....	251.1	-	-	245.4	-	-	246.0	-	-	244.9	-	-
Food and beverages .....	157.6	2.0	1.0	151.3	1.5	1.0	154.3	1.4	.5	148.6	1.5	.7
Food .....	157.0	2.0	1.0	151.3	1.3	.9	153.1	1.4	.5	147.5	1.4	.7
Food at home .....	157.7	1.6	.8	151.8	.2	.5	151.5	.9	.3	144.1	.6	.1
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	178.7	1.8	.7	182.4	.3	.0	171.7	1.4	-.2	174.4	.7	-.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	152.5	1.1	.9	139.0	-.2	1.5	138.5	1.2	1.3	137.2	1.3	1.6
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	147.9	-2.1	-1.3	140.9	-6.9	-3.9	139.0	-1.1	-.4	135.5	-1.8	-.8
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....	185.7	3.8	2.3	167.6	1.5	1.5	177.3	-2.6	-1.5	157.8	-1.0	-1.9
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	142.1	2.6	.9	147.8	3.1	1.2	148.7	3.4	.9	134.3	1.9	.5
Food away from home .....	156.2	2.6	1.3	150.8	3.3	1.8	157.2	2.4	1.0	154.4	3.1	1.8
Alcoholic beverages .....	163.8	1.5	.5	150.1	3.4	.9	168.9	2.4	.5	165.4	3.6	1.3
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	146.7	2.7	1.5	148.2	2.8	1.4	154.0	2.5	.9	146.3	1.9	1.4
Shelter .....	164.7	3.5	1.8	169.6	3.2	1.4	172.5	3.0	1.2	160.7	2.3	1.3
Renters' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	160.3	3.4	1.5	171.6	2.3	-.8	165.5	2.8	-.2	148.4	2.1	1.2
Rent, residential .....	168.5	3.5	1.9	171.3	3.4	2.0	160.8	2.9	1.1	149.9	2.5	1.6
Other renters' costs <sup>3</sup> .....	185.2	3.1	.0	223.7	.2	-5.7	216.8	2.5	-2.9	181.0	.3	-1.4
Homeowners' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	165.0	3.6	2.0	170.5	3.6	2.3	172.2	3.1	1.5	159.3	2.2	1.3
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>5</sup> .....	165.1	3.5	2.0	171.4	3.7	2.3	173.2	3.2	1.5	159.7	2.2	1.3
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	124.9	1.4	.6	118.9	1.9	.8	133.0	2.4	.5	138.4	1.9	2.0
Fuels .....	111.4	-1.1	.0	103.3	.6	.3	119.0	2.2	.3	109.5	1.3	2.8
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	91.6	-6.2	-9.6	89.1	-5.5	-10.2	93.1	-9.0	-11.8	90.4	-3.4	-6.1
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	89.6	-6.7	-8.3	90.8	-5.4	-9.3	83.3	-8.8	-11.3	88.5	-7.4	-9.1
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	117.1	-5.8	-10.7	122.3	-5.6	-10.7	129.1	-9.3	-12.4	130.3	2.2	-2.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	115.0	-.9	.4	109.2	.8	.8	128.9	3.0	1.0	117.8	1.6	3.3
Electricity .....	128.3	-.4	3.6	130.5	1.5	1.8	135.4	.4	1.2	122.7	-.2	8.3
Utility (piped) gas .....	103.0	-1.3	-3.1	90.5	.1	-.4	121.9	7.4	.8	114.8	4.1	-2.3
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	116.9	1.0	.6	127.4	2.2	1.8	132.8	.8	.2	125.1	.6	.6
Apparel and upkeep .....	126.6	1.0	-2.2	133.5	.8	1.1	132.2	3.2	.0	141.1	1.2	-1.0
Apparel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	124.9	.9	-2.4	130.7	.6	1.2	128.8	3.5	-.1	140.2	1.1	-1.1
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	128.0	3.9	1.7	123.7	-5.2	-1.5	128.1	7.2	3.5	143.7	6.7	1.0
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	115.7	1.8	-4.5	145.7	2.0	1.3	129.0	.2	-4.2	132.9	-1.9	-2.1
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	130.9	-.9	-.5	106.8	.8	3.3	131.4	6.0	6.4	165.9	.7	-2.0
Transportation .....	141.3	-.6	-.9	141.8	-.5	-.7	141.6	.1	-.6	138.0	-1.8	-1.6
Private transportation .....	139.3	-.7	-.9	139.6	-.5	-.7	139.4	-.2	-.7	133.9	-1.7	-1.3
Motor fuel .....	106.3	-4.0	-2.4	106.9	-2.9	-1.7	103.3	-3.3	-2.3	102.1	-4.0	-1.9
Gasoline .....	106.3	-3.7	-1.9	107.2	-2.8	-1.6	103.3	-3.1	-2.1	101.5	-3.9	-1.9
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	105.2	-3.9	-2.0	104.2	-3.1	-1.7	101.8	-3.3	-2.2	98.5	-3.9	-2.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7</sup> .....	115.1	-3.7	-1.7	116.7	-2.5	-1.4	116.7	-3.2	-1.4	118.8	-4.1	-1.0
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	107.3	-3.5	-1.8	112.7	-2.5	-1.2	104.2	-2.4	-2.3	104.5	-3.2	-1.3
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	174.5	.6	-.6	240.4	-1.2	-.7	228.0	7.1	2.8	290.8	-3.3	-5.8
Medical care .....	227.2	1.9	.8	227.6	3.0	1.7	242.3	2.9	1.0	218.8	2.5	1.3
Entertainment <sup>8</sup> .....	164.2	3.1	.9	148.5	1.4	1.2	170.6	2.9	.9	148.8	1.6	1.0
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	225.0	5.9	3.5	213.7	2.2	1.7	213.0	5.2	3.4	208.9	4.4	2.0
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	142.7	2.8	1.1	165.8	1.8	.5	162.2	2.9	1.8	138.6	3.7	2.7

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**Table 38. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of region and population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	North Central											
	Size class A <sup>1</sup>			Size class B <sup>2</sup>			Size class C <sup>2</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>												
All items .....	153.6	2.0	0.7	152.4	1.8	1.0	156.5	2.1	0.6	151.1	1.2	0.5
Commodities .....	139.9	.7	-.2	137.0	.2	.4	141.5	1.1	-.1	140.2	.4	-.1
Food and beverages .....	157.6	2.0	1.0	151.3	1.5	1.0	154.3	1.4	.5	148.6	1.5	.7
Commodities less food and beverages .....	129.6	-.2	-1.0	129.6	-.4	.1	134.6	.8	-.4	135.5	-.2	-.7
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	135.7	.9	-.5	131.3	-.5	-.1	136.0	1.9	.1	138.2	.3	-.5
Durables .....	121.5	-1.5	-1.5	126.3	-.3	.2	130.2	-.8	-1.1	127.5	-1.0	-.9
Services .....	170.2	3.3	1.7	170.6	3.0	1.4	176.5	3.0	1.3	165.6	2.0	1.2
Medical care services .....	231.1	2.0	1.0	229.6	3.3	2.0	249.4	2.8	.9	221.0	2.5	1.2
<b>Special indexes</b>												
All items less shelter .....	151.1	1.5	.3	148.5	1.2	.7	152.6	1.8	.5	149.3	.9	.3
All items less medical care .....	150.3	2.0	.7	148.8	1.6	.9	152.9	2.0	.6	147.4	1.1	.5
All items less energy .....	160.2	2.4	.9	160.4	2.0	1.1	163.7	2.3	.7	157.5	1.5	.6
All items less food and energy .....	161.0	2.5	.9	162.7	2.2	1.1	166.6	2.6	.8	160.0	1.6	.6
Energy .....	108.8	-2.6	-1.3	103.4	-1.1	-.7	109.8	-.5	-1.0	105.8	-1.4	.4
Commodities less food .....	131.1	.0	-.8	130.2	-.3	.1	135.7	.8	-.4	136.4	-.1	-.6
Nondurables less food .....	137.5	.9	-.4	132.2	-.3	.0	137.8	1.9	.1	139.9	.5	-.4
Nondurables .....	147.0	1.5	.3	141.0	.4	.4	144.9	1.7	.3	144.0	1.0	.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	162.9	3.0	1.5	160.0	2.7	1.3	162.3	3.0	1.3	155.9	2.0	1.2
Services less medical care services .....	165.2	3.4	1.7	165.5	2.9	1.3	170.8	3.1	1.3	159.6	2.0	1.2

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**Table 38. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of region and population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	South											
	Size class A			Size class B <sup>2</sup>			Size class C <sup>2</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	154.3	1.6	0.5	156.7	1.9	0.8	156.3	1.3	0.4	157.3	2.1	0.8
All items (December 1977=100) .....	250.0	-	-	253.9	-	-	253.0	-	-	254.6	-	-
Food and beverages .....	156.3	2.1	.9	156.8	1.8	1.0	157.0	1.9	1.2	152.8	2.2	.9
Food .....	156.5	2.1	.8	157.0	1.7	1.0	156.9	1.8	1.2	153.1	2.3	1.0
Food at home .....	155.1	1.2	.5	157.2	1.8	1.3	155.0	1.4	1.0	150.2	2.3	1.1
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	169.9	2.2	.5	174.6	1.8	1.0	168.3	1.4	.8	186.1	2.9	3.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	145.2	.6	.3	146.4	.6	.9	142.8	.3	.6	143.1	1.3	.4
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	151.2	-.6	.1	148.4	.0	.6	145.3	-.5	.8	134.5	-.5	-.6
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....	187.4	1.3	.2	202.5	2.8	2.2	182.8	2.6	2.2	167.6	1.7	.7
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	142.8	2.6	1.0	142.1	3.5	1.6	153.3	2.9	1.1	139.5	4.7	1.6
Food away from home .....	160.2	3.3	1.5	157.9	1.8	.7	162.2	2.7	1.4	160.6	2.5	.5
Alcoholic beverages .....	153.4	1.9	1.0	153.3	1.2	.1	158.8	3.5	1.7	146.9	-.2	-.2
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	144.6	1.8	1.1	151.0	2.4	1.2	147.4	1.8	.4	153.0	2.7	1.5
Shelter .....	156.9	2.7	1.4	158.6	3.3	1.7	158.7	2.2	.8	178.5	3.2	1.9
Renters' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	148.1	2.4	.6	165.1	3.4	1.1	143.2	2.1	.4	155.3	3.1	1.1
Rent, residential .....	155.9	2.4	1.4	159.0	3.3	1.8	149.0	2.1	.9	160.9	3.7	2.4
Other renters' costs <sup>3</sup> .....	188.4	2.5	-5.2	280.3	4.3	-1.1	177.1	2.3	-3.0	197.0	.1	-4.1
Homeowners' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	151.1	2.7	1.7	154.9	3.3	1.9	147.7	2.2	.9	164.0	3.3	2.2
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>5</sup> .....	151.2	2.8	1.6	155.0	3.3	1.9	147.4	2.3	1.0	163.0	3.4	2.3
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	124.7	1.1	2.5	149.3	2.0	1.2	145.6	1.3	.6	128.9	1.7	1.3
Fuels .....	114.8	.9	4.0	121.9	1.2	1.6	138.6	.4	-.1	109.7	-.9	-.9
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	96.1	-2.6	-5.7	107.6	-3.0	-8.1	127.9	-1.5	-6.4	90.8	-4.9	-7.1
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	92.1	-2.8	-6.0	94.2	-3.6	-7.4	87.2	3.9	-3.4	90.0	-4.2	-6.0
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	129.6	-2.3	-5.3	136.7	-2.6	-8.6	153.8	-1.9	-6.7	112.9	-5.3	-7.5
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	118.9	1.1	4.5	122.7	1.6	2.7	140.6	.5	.2	115.0	-.4	-.3
Electricity .....	118.7	-.2	5.6	123.2	1.1	4.0	144.2	-1.1	-.1	118.3	-.8	.0
Utility (piped) gas .....	116.6	5.0	1.5	125.9	4.0	-2.8	135.4	8.7	1.5	107.0	3.1	-2.4
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	127.2	-1.2	-1.5	132.2	-.2	.0	116.7	1.4	-.9	120.8	2.2	.3
Apparel and upkeep .....	146.8	2.4	-1.2	135.1	1.1	-1.5	148.5	.5	-.3	129.1	.7	-.3
Apparel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	141.9	2.2	-1.5	129.9	.9	-2.0	146.5	.4	-.4	123.7	.6	-.4
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	147.4	4.6	1.4	133.5	2.5	-.2	134.2	-1.1	.3	119.1	5.1	4.0
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	138.8	2.7	-4.1	129.6	-.2	-5.1	143.7	-2.3	-4.0	135.3	-2.4	-1.2
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	136.2	1.5	.2	126.5	1.7	3.8	141.3	9.2	7.3	105.6	6.1	-2.4
Transportation .....	142.7	-.5	-.9	141.2	-.9	-1.1	140.9	-1.2	-1.3	141.0	-1.1	-1.6
Private transportation .....	142.3	-.6	-1.0	140.3	-.9	-1.1	139.4	-1.2	-1.3	140.1	-1.1	-1.5
Motor fuel .....	105.6	-2.9	-1.7	103.2	-2.3	-2.4	102.9	-3.5	-3.0	96.3	-3.1	-2.8
Gasoline .....	104.9	-2.9	-1.5	102.8	-2.2	-2.2	103.6	-3.3	-2.8	95.6	-2.8	-2.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	102.7	-3.1	-1.9	100.4	-2.2	-2.3	99.3	-3.5	-2.9	91.3	-2.9	-2.8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7</sup> .....	106.7	-2.9	-1.3	108.3	-2.2	-2.3	112.0	-3.3	-2.9	113.1	-3.1	-2.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	106.5	-2.9	-1.3	105.0	-2.3	-2.1	108.4	-2.6	-2.4	102.7	-2.5	-1.9
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	147.1	.3	-.9	176.4	1.3	-2.4	196.1	-.5	-.8	167.1	-1.1	-3.4
Medical care .....	234.5	2.1	.7	233.4	4.3	1.7	237.8	2.2	1.1	232.9	2.4	.5
Entertainment <sup>3</sup> .....	165.9	2.2	.2	155.2	1.7	1.2	150.5	-.5	-.1	151.6	3.8	1.5
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	206.5	4.3	2.6	230.4	5.1	3.0	215.5	4.5	2.8	218.1	6.8	3.8
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	151.8	3.1	1.0	150.1	.6	.8	143.7	3.4	2.0	124.8	.0	-.3

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**Table 38. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of region and population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	South											
	Size class A			Size class B <sup>2</sup>			Size class C <sup>2</sup>			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>												
All items .....	154.3	1.6	0.5	156.7	1.9	0.8	156.3	1.3	0.4	157.3	2.1	0.8
Commodities .....	142.1	.6	-.4	141.5	.5	-.2	143.2	.4	-.2	138.8	.8	-.1
Food and beverages .....	156.3	2.1	.9	156.8	1.8	1.0	157.0	1.9	1.2	152.8	2.2	.9
Commodities less food and beverages .....	133.9	-.2	-1.2	133.1	-.4	-1.0	135.1	-.5	-1.0	130.8	-.2	-.8
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	136.4	.8	-.8	136.1	.8	-.7	138.4	.4	-.3	131.2	1.1	-.2
Durables .....	130.3	-1.7	-1.7	127.4	-1.9	-1.5	130.5	-1.7	-2.1	128.1	-1.8	-1.6
Services .....	168.9	2.5	1.4	174.6	3.3	1.7	173.0	2.1	1.0	181.4	3.2	1.6
Medical care services .....	239.0	2.1	.8	240.5	4.7	2.1	244.8	2.3	1.1	236.5	2.4	.5
<b>Special indexes</b>												
All items less shelter .....	154.0	1.3	.3	156.8	1.5	.4	155.6	1.0	.3	152.4	1.7	.5
All items less medical care .....	150.3	1.6	.5	152.5	1.7	.7	151.4	1.1	.3	151.8	2.0	.9
All items less energy .....	161.0	1.8	.5	162.9	2.1	.9	162.5	1.6	.6	165.5	2.4	1.0
All items less food and energy .....	162.1	1.8	.4	164.3	2.2	.8	163.9	1.5	.4	168.8	2.4	1.0
Energy .....	109.1	-1.2	.9	109.6	-.5	-.4	117.8	-1.4	-1.4	100.7	-1.9	-1.8
Commodities less food .....	134.7	-.1	-1.0	133.7	-.3	-1.0	135.8	-.4	-.9	131.1	-.2	-.8
Nondurables less food .....	137.2	1.0	-.7	136.8	.8	-.7	139.3	.6	-.1	131.6	1.0	-.2
Nondurables .....	146.4	1.5	.1	146.5	1.2	.1	147.7	1.2	.5	142.0	1.7	.4
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	166.2	2.3	1.5	173.5	3.2	1.6	172.3	2.1	1.2	170.2	3.1	1.3
Services less medical care services .....	162.6	2.6	1.4	168.0	3.1	1.6	164.8	2.0	.9	173.4	3.3	1.8

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**Table 38. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of region and population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	West					
	Size class A			Size class C <sup>2</sup>		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>						
All items .....	157.2	2.1	1.0	164.3	2.6	1.0
All items (December 1977=100) .....	254.5	-	-	253.4	-	-
Food and beverages .....	160.9	2.7	.9	158.1	3.3	1.2
Food .....	160.2	2.7	.9	157.6	3.2	1.2
Food at home .....	163.9	2.6	1.0	154.7	2.8	.7
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	181.3	2.4	1.2	169.8	2.6	1.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	153.9	2.8	1.1	142.4	3.0	.0
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	159.1	-1.3	.0	143.5	.3	.8
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....	195.8	4.0	.6	196.6	2.7	-1.3
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	149.3	3.6	1.5	141.8	4.0	2.4
Food away from home .....	154.6	2.7	.9	162.8	4.0	2.0
Alcoholic beverages .....	167.7	3.6	1.0	165.6	3.8	1.8
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	156.0	2.9	1.7	165.1	3.3	1.6
Shelter .....	166.6	3.4	1.9	186.6	3.5	1.3
Renters' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	162.7	3.7	1.9	162.6	3.6	1.0
Rent, residential .....	172.5	3.8	2.2	167.6	2.6	.9
Other renters' costs <sup>3</sup> .....	226.4	3.2	.2	227.0	8.7	1.8
Homeowners' costs <sup>3 6</sup> .....	164.4	3.1	1.9	188.1	3.5	1.5
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>5</sup> .....	164.1	3.1	1.9	189.1	3.5	1.5
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	144.9	3.1	2.8	135.1	4.8	2.7
Fuels .....	137.1	2.8	3.7	115.3	4.8	3.7
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	106.5	2.7	-1.4	272.9	-.7	-6.7
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	103.9	1.5	-2.0	353.3	.2	-1.2
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	139.9	3.6	-1.0	118.0	-1.0	-8.2
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	139.2	2.8	3.8	114.1	5.0	4.0
Electricity .....	153.5	-.6	.4	125.3	2.3	1.5
Utility (piped) gas .....	126.0	11.3	12.4	102.6	10.2	8.8
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	126.5	.6	-.2	122.4	.3	1.5
Apparel and upkeep .....	121.0	-1.5	-1.4	133.0	-2.0	-3.5
Apparel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	115.9	-1.9	-1.5	131.5	-2.2	-3.8
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	120.3	-.7	.3	143.5	-5.1	-4.8
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	107.2	.6	-1.8	126.3	1.6	-.4
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	120.3	-4.4	-1.3	124.0	.2	-3.4
Transportation .....	143.3	.5	.1	143.7	.7	.5
Private transportation .....	140.7	.5	-.1	142.2	.4	.4
Motor fuel .....	110.2	3.8	2.9	111.0	-.8	2.0
Gasoline .....	109.2	3.9	3.0	110.2	-.5	2.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	106.5	4.4	3.2	106.7	-.8	2.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7</sup> .....	105.1	4.4	3.1	117.4	.1	2.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	111.3	3.7	3.0	110.3	-.3	2.1
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	190.9	-.1	1.0	178.9	5.8	2.9
Medical care .....	230.6	2.4	.9	252.8	6.1	1.7
Entertainment <sup>8</sup> .....	152.0	.5	-.3	172.5	2.5	1.5
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	230.7	4.5	2.2	232.3	3.9	1.4
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	162.0	-.2	.6	160.1	2.6	.1

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 38. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of region and population size classes <sup>1</sup>, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	West					
	Size class A			Size class C <sup>2</sup>		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>						
All items .....	157.2	2.1	1.0	164.3	2.6	1.0
Commodities .....	141.2	1.3	.2	142.5	1.1	.4
Food and beverages .....	160.9	2.7	.9	158.1	3.3	1.2
Commodities less food and beverages .....	129.1	.2	-.3	133.7	-.2	-.1
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	131.2	1.1	.5	140.9	.6	.4
Durables .....	126.8	-.9	-1.4	125.1	-1.3	-.8
Services .....	174.0	2.9	1.6	190.4	4.0	1.5
Medical care services .....	232.9	2.4	.9	261.1	6.7	1.9
<b>Special indexes</b>						
All items less shelter .....	154.9	1.7	.6	157.7	2.3	.9
All items less medical care .....	154.2	2.2	1.0	159.6	2.4	.9
All items less energy .....	161.9	2.1	.9	170.5	2.8	.9
All items less food and energy .....	162.4	1.9	.8	173.4	2.7	.8
Energy .....	118.8	3.3	3.2	112.9	1.4	2.7
Commodities less food .....	131.0	.4	-.2	135.1	.0	.0
Nondurables less food .....	134.1	1.4	.6	142.0	1.1	.6
Nondurables .....	146.8	2.1	.8	149.9	2.0	.8
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	170.1	2.4	1.3	176.8	4.5	1.7
Services less medical care services .....	170.0	3.0	1.7	183.3	3.7	1.5

<sup>1</sup> See region and area size on table 10 for information about cross classifications.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>3</sup> This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

<sup>4</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January,

1998.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1984 = 100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1986 = 100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1993 = 100 base.

<sup>8</sup> 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 39. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Anchorage, AK			Atlanta, GA <sup>1</sup>			Baltimore, MD <sup>2</sup>			Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH		
	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	145.0	1.0	0.7	157.0	1.3	0.7	155.2	0.6	0.1	166.9	2.2	0.4
All items (1967=100) <sup>3</sup> .....	377.5	-	-	474.8	-	-	462.7	-	-	482.4	-	-
Food and beverages .....	146.2	.5	.1	159.3	3.1	1.4	160.4	.5	.1	159.4	1.5	.8
Food .....	146.2	.6	-.1	162.4	3.2	1.5	161.0	.4	.1	159.8	1.8	1.1
Food at home .....	148.5	-1.0	-1.3	155.6	3.5	1.2	161.5	-.6	-.3	155.8	.9	.4
Cereals and bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	144.1	-2.6	-.6	155.6	.9	-.1	191.9	-1.0	-1.6	175.8	1.6	1.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>4</sup> .....	136.0	1.9	.5	149.6	3.1	1.9	141.0	.0	-.4	147.4	-1.9	-.8
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	136.3	2.4	.8	148.4	2.8	2.1	143.0	.6	-.3	147.5	-2.1	-.9
Dairy products <sup>4</sup> .....	130.0	-3.0	-2.0	161.1	6.3	-1.8	153.2	-3.8	-.1	144.8	3.8	1.6
Fruits and vegetables <sup>4 5</sup> .....	222.3	-3.7	-5.4	195.6	3.7	3.6	199.4	2.3	1.9	194.5	3.5	-1.7
Other food at home <sup>4</sup> .....	125.9	1.0	1.4	133.8	4.0	.5	151.3	-1.6	-1.1	137.7	1.5	2.8
Food away from home .....	141.3	3.0	1.1	174.6	3.9	1.7	161.1	2.9	1.4	169.0	3.6	2.7
Alcoholic beverages .....	145.9	.4	1.0	125.7	1.1	-.3	152.2	1.2	-.2	157.5	-1.6	-1.6
Housing <sup>5</sup> .....	129.4	.7	.1	154.4	2.5	.9	145.2	1.0	1.1	160.5	2.6	-.1
Shelter .....	128.9	.6	.2	167.3	2.8	1.1	162.9	1.6	.6	187.3	3.3	1.1
Renters' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	132.1	1.1	-.7	169.6	2.5	-.2	148.6	2.1	1.0	172.1	3.8	.9
Rent, residential .....	119.2	.6	.8	173.6	2.7	1.1	162.5	1.4	.4	177.6	3.6	1.4
Other renters' costs <sup>4 8</sup> .....	290.8	2.4	-4.0	262.5	1.8	-5.0	146.3	6.1	5.9	238.2	4.6	-1.2
Homeowners' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	121.8	.2	.6	157.1	2.9	1.7	153.5	1.3	.4	170.2	3.1	1.3
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>7</sup> .....	121.8	.2	.6	157.2	2.9	1.7	154.6	1.2	.4	170.2	3.2	1.3
Fuel and other utilities <sup>5</sup> .....	151.4	3.7	.4	140.7	2.4	1.2	122.2	.6	4.5	125.1	1.3	-3.2
Fuels .....	151.6	5.0	.6	135.9	4.0	6.5	114.1	.9	4.1	103.2	1.6	-7.9
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	110.2	1.8	-2.6	101.5	-6.1	-8.1	87.2	-6.7	-9.2	89.3	-6.3	-10.9
Fuel oil <sup>4</sup> .....	109.5	.9	.3	NA	-	-	90.2	-6.8	-9.3	90.4	-7.3	-11.5
Other household fuel commodities <sup>4 9</sup> .....	116.2	3.9	-8.3	122.2	-6.1	-8.1	NA	-	-	108.0	6.9	-2.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	160.8	5.4	.9	137.0	4.3	6.9	134.4	1.8	5.7	124.7	3.5	-7.2
Electricity .....	155.2	3.7	1.4	143.6	1.4	12.2	143.1	-.3	9.8	140.5	1.1	-.9
Utility (piped) gas .....	165.4	9.6	.0	127.3	8.7	-.2	115.7	7.5	-3.9	103.3	8.2	-16.1
Household furnishings and operation <sup>5</sup> .....	113.2	-2.1	-.6	132.8	1.6	-.4	123.4	-.7	-.6	115.2	.3	-2.6
Apparel and upkeep .....	130.2	-3.3	3.5	132.7	-5.1	.4	126.4	-1.8	-3.9	149.9	-.9	-1.3
Apparel commodities <sup>4 8</sup> .....	128.1	-4.3	3.9	124.5	-6.5	.2	120.4	-2.1	-4.3	140.1	-1.1	-1.5
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	148.6	-.4	2.2	128.9	-3.3	1.1	128.5	4.4	3.2	134.7	.1	1.8
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	130.0	-10.5	7.4	109.3	-16.2	-4.6	105.4	-3.2	-6.7	120.0	.8	-1.7
Footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	87.7	3.4	-.3	145.7	11.4	14.0	152.5	-4.0	-5.4	145.2	1.3	1.0
Transportation .....	145.1	-.1	.0	129.6	-2.8	-1.1	140.9	-.6	-1.4	144.9	.6	.1
Private transportation .....	141.6	-1.0	-1.1	128.9	-3.2	-1.2	140.0	-1.0	-1.5	145.1	.3	-.1
Motor fuel .....	113.6	-.3	-.3	92.5	-5.7	-1.3	103.9	-4.6	-2.9	108.2	-.2	-1.3
Gasoline .....	113.6	-.7	-.1	92.2	-5.4	-1.0	101.6	-4.7	-2.7	107.0	-.2	-.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	109.3	-1.5	-.4	88.5	-5.9	-1.2	102.1	-4.6	-2.8	104.7	-.5	-1.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>10</sup> .....	111.1	.3	-.4	112.9	-5.1	-.9	103.1	-3.8	-2.4	109.9	-.6	-.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	119.1	1.3	.7	99.4	-4.7	-.6	98.5	-5.8	-3.1	108.3	-1.8	-1.3
Public transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	179.1	7.8	10.1	113.6	4.5	3.3	157.9	6.3	-.4	141.3	2.2	1.7
Medical care .....	242.6	7.0	1.4	241.4	.8	.2	231.2	-1.5	-.6	287.1	3.7	1.3
Entertainment <sup>11</sup> .....	190.7	2.6	1.7	185.5	3.5	.4	174.9	.9	-.3	176.3	2.4	.2
Other goods and services <sup>5</sup> .....	174.5	7.8	6.3	222.1	6.7	3.8	227.9	5.1	2.3	233.3	5.9	3.0
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	125.7	.4	1.9	182.5	5.0	2.5	140.4	5.7	-.2	146.7	1.5	-.5

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 39. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Anchorage, AK			Atlanta, GA <sup>1</sup>			Baltimore, MD <sup>2</sup>			Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>												
All items .....	145.0	1.0	0.7	157.0	1.3	0.7	155.2	0.6	0.1	166.9	2.2	0.4
Commodities .....	139.0	-.2	.6	136.9	-.1	.3	140.7	-.5	-1.1	143.5	1.0	-.2
Food and beverages .....	146.2	.5	.1	159.3	3.1	1.4	160.4	.5	.1	159.4	1.5	.8
Commodities less food and beverages .....	135.1	-.7	1.0	124.4	-2.0	-.5	130.1	-1.2	-1.9	133.7	.7	-1.0
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	131.1	.8	3.5	125.9	-3.1	.0	133.6	-.8	-1.9	137.5	1.3	-1.1
Durables .....	139.1	-2.2	-1.7	124.2	-.7	-1.2	123.8	-1.7	-1.8	127.6	-.4	-.8
Services .....	152.1	2.3	.8	180.3	2.5	1.1	175.4	1.7	1.2	193.2	3.1	.8
Medical care services .....	252.4	7.7	1.1	254.8	2.4	.8	230.2	-2.1	-.9	301.4	4.7	1.8
<b>Special indexes</b>												
All items less shelter .....	151.3	1.3	.9	154.6	.8	.6	153.8	.3	-.1	161.7	1.8	.1
All items less medical care .....	141.0	.7	.6	152.3	1.4	.7	151.8	.9	.2	161.5	2.2	.3
All items less energy .....	147.3	1.0	.8	164.5	1.6	.7	162.4	.9	-.1	176.4	2.4	.7
All items less food and energy .....	147.3	1.2	1.0	165.4	1.3	.7	162.7	1.0	-.1	180.9	2.5	.7
Energy .....	122.9	2.0	.1	106.4	-.7	2.8	108.6	-1.8	.6	104.8	.9	-5.3
Commodities less food .....	135.6	-.6	.9	124.5	-2.0	-.5	130.9	-1.1	-1.8	134.5	.5	-1.0
Nondurables less food .....	132.7	.8	3.1	125.8	-2.8	.0	134.6	-.7	-1.8	137.9	1.0	-1.1
Nondurables .....	139.2	.7	1.6	142.4	.1	.8	146.3	-.1	-.8	147.8	1.4	-.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....	160.4	4.0	1.5	177.2	2.3	1.0	171.0	1.8	1.6	187.3	2.9	.5
Services less medical care services .....	145.1	1.8	.8	173.2	2.5	1.1	170.8	2.2	1.4	184.8	2.9	.7

See footnotes at end of table.



**Table 39. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY <sup>12</sup>			Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI			Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN			Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	155.9	2.1	0.9	156.8	2.1	0.8	150.0	1.4	0.9	149.0	2.3	1.2
All items (1967 = 100) .....	434.2	-	-	460.4	-	-	461.0	-	-	465.5	-	-
Food and beverages .....	158.2	2.9	.4	161.5	2.0	1.0	145.5	2.2	.9	158.3	1.7	1.0
Food .....	157.7	3.1	.4	160.6	2.2	1.2	144.5	2.4	1.0	159.3	1.7	1.1
Food at home .....	159.3	2.8	.4	167.3	2.0	1.0	142.2	1.4	.6	153.8	1.2	.4
Cereals and bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	186.6	2.2	.6	181.8	1.2	.9	191.1	6.6	1.4	175.7	2.4	1.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>4</sup> .....	148.6	2.2	1.1	169.2	2.1	1.6	116.3	1.1	1.7	151.3	.1	.8
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	150.8	2.7	1.1	172.1	2.1	1.7	116.0	1.4	1.3	153.4	.9	.9
Dairy products <sup>4</sup> .....	122.9	-5.5	-7.8	159.3	-2.3	.4	121.2	-8.5	-6.2	146.8	-2.7	-3.0
Fruits and vegetables <sup>4 5</sup> .....	204.8	5.3	2.2	198.5	5.4	1.4	141.0	-5.6	-3.2	186.6	5.0	1.3
Other food at home <sup>4</sup> .....	149.4	6.2	1.9	143.5	1.8	.4	155.5	6.1	3.5	129.1	1.2	.7
Food away from home .....	155.2	2.4	.7	148.0	2.8	1.4	148.7	2.6	1.8	170.1	2.2	1.7
Alcoholic beverages .....	163.6	.4	.4	173.4	.3	-4	161.9	.2	.3	148.4	.3	-3
Housing <sup>5</sup> .....	156.4	2.2	1.0	151.8	3.3	1.8	143.0	2.1	1.6	142.8	3.3	1.9
Shelter .....	170.5	2.2	1.1	174.6	4.8	2.9	158.5	2.2	1.0	153.6	3.6	1.9
Renters' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	178.2	3.0	1.9	170.2	4.1	2.5	151.0	2.1	.4	162.5	3.0	.4
Rent, residential .....	175.0	1.7	.7	185.1	4.3	2.4	160.9	2.0	.9	164.8	4.4	2.8
Other renters' costs <sup>4 8</sup> .....	240.2	5.1	3.9	179.4	2.2	3.3	146.6	2.8	-1.5	192.8	-2	-4.6
Homeowners' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	159.3	2.0	.8	178.1	5.1	3.1	154.1	2.0	1.0	158.7	3.9	2.3
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>7</sup> .....	180.0	2.0	.8	175.0	4.9	3.0	154.9	2.0	1.0	159.6	4.0	2.4
Fuel and other utilities <sup>5</sup> .....	138.9	3.9	1.6	124.8	.8	-1.0	125.2	2.7	5.0	130.6	1.0	.9
Fuels .....	144.4	4.6	4.0	111.5	-3.2	-2.3	112.6	.4	3.5	126.6	1.8	.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	92.8	3.9	-4.1	95.8	-1.6	-5.8	87.5	-4.8	-9.8	95.4	-1.5	-3.7
Fuel oil <sup>4</sup> .....	85.0	-4.9	-10.3	93.2	-3.6	-5.9	NA	-	-	87.9	-5.5	-7.2
Other household fuel commodities <sup>4 9</sup> .....	164.9	33.3	14.3	128.5	2.4	-5.7	113.3	-11.2	-14.3	118.6	.9	-1.6
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	156.7	4.6	4.2	115.1	-3.2	-2.2	118.1	.9	4.7	128.9	2.0	.6
Electricity .....	181.4	-2.3	-2.5	127.6	-1.0	.3	128.4	.4	8.4	144.2	-8	4.9
Utility (piped) gas .....	138.3	11.5	10.8	103.8	-5.5	-4.9	110.8	1.7	-3.5	117.2	4.7	-3.1
Household furnishings and operation <sup>5</sup> .....	129.7	-6	-7	110.4	-5	-2	118.2	1.1	.0	128.4	5.1	2.9
Apparel and upkeep .....	118.9	.6	.0	117.1	-.7	-4.2	131.9	3.2	2.2	125.9	.2	1.7
Apparel commodities <sup>4 8</sup> .....	117.3	.5	-.1	118.3	-1.0	-4.7	128.8	3.2	2.2	123.5	.0	1.8
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	124.9	2.3	-2.8	120.8	8.5	1.3	101.7	-2.7	-2.9	133.5	1.4	1.1
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	106.6	-1.1	.4	101.2	.3	-6.5	120.0	5.8	7.2	132.8	-.4	3.3
Footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	143.1	2.1	1.8	140.4	-7.0	-4.4	180.6	.5	-4.9	80.9	-4.4	-6
Transportation .....	135.1	.4	.0	136.5	-1.7	-1.6	140.2	-1.8	-1.4	136.9	.6	-6
Private transportation .....	132.5	1.0	-2	134.0	-2.0	-1.8	140.1	-1.5	-1.6	136.6	.7	-5
Motor fuel .....	103.4	.0	-2.3	105.1	-4.3	-2.8	114.3	-3.4	-3.5	110.3	-5.5	-3.6
Gasoline .....	103.6	.1	-2.1	104.6	-4.5	-2.6	114.0	-3.4	-3.6	109.8	-5.4	-3.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	102.7	-.1	-2.5	102.9	-4.6	-2.6	118.4	-3.0	-3.2	108.7	-5.8	-3.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>10</sup> .....	111.2	.5	-1.9	111.2	-4.3	-2.5	115.2	-3.8	-2.9	112.5	-5.1	-3.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	105.1	.5	-1.2	105.8	-4.1	-2.3	103.8	-3.3	-2.4	112.0	-4.7	-3.0
Public transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	193.2	-8.0	1.8	161.1	1.1	.4	151.3	-6.4	4.1	144.2	-.8	-1.6
Medical care .....	193.5	2.9	1.0	241.1	2.4	.7	219.5	-1.8	.7	209.8	1.3	.7
Entertainment <sup>11</sup> .....	197.2	.1	1.5	174.7	3.2	1.0	157.4	1.5	-1.3	153.7	.6	-.1
Other goods and services <sup>5</sup> .....	231.1	6.9	4.5	235.9	5.6	3.1	229.5	6.5	3.8	209.3	8.3	3.3
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	161.7	2.0	2.0	160.0	4.8	.8	143.0	4.5	2.4	145.3	3.7	2.6

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**Table 39. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY <sup>12</sup>			Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI			Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN			Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>												
All items .....	155.9	2.1	0.9	156.8	2.1	0.8	150.0	1.4	0.9	149.0	2.3	1.2
Commodities .....	142.0	1.5	.1	140.1	.4	-.4	136.2	.5	-.1	138.1	.6	.2
Food and beverages .....	158.2	2.9	.4	161.5	2.0	1.0	145.5	2.2	.9	158.3	1.7	1.0
Commodities less food and beverages .....	131.0	.4	-.2	126.7	-.9	-1.6	130.5	-.5	-.7	126.8	-.1	-.2
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	124.1	.8	.2	134.4	.3	-1.3	129.4	-.3	-.2	136.2	-.1	.1
Durables .....	140.2	-.2	-.8	117.6	-2.5	-1.8	132.3	-.8	-1.2	115.9	.1	-.6
Services .....	172.7	2.7	1.7	175.5	3.5	1.7	167.6	2.3	1.8	162.0	4.0	2.0
Medical care services .....	188.7	2.8	1.1	243.5	2.5	1.2	224.9	.9	1.3	204.7	.6	.3
<b>Special indexes</b>												
All items less shelter .....	151.4	2.2	.9	151.8	1.1	-.1	148.1	1.2	.8	149.5	1.9	.9
All items less medical care .....	154.3	2.1	.9	152.6	2.0	.7	146.7	1.6	.9	146.3	2.3	1.1
All items less energy .....	162.1	2.1	1.0	163.7	2.6	1.0	155.8	1.8	1.0	153.5	2.9	1.4
All items less food and energy .....	163.5	1.9	1.2	164.4	2.6	.9	158.8	1.7	1.0	152.4	3.3	1.5
Energy .....	124.2	2.6	1.1	107.5	-3.8	-2.5	113.4	-1.6	-.1	119.8	-2.2	-1.7
Commodities less food .....	132.7	.4	-.2	128.8	-.8	-1.5	131.6	-.5	-.6	127.6	-.1	-.2
Nondurables less food .....	127.3	.6	.2	137.2	.3	-1.2	131.3	-.3	-.2	136.8	.0	.1
Nondurables .....	141.7	1.9	.3	148.5	1.3	.0	138.0	1.0	.4	147.8	.8	.5
Services less rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....	163.5	3.2	2.1	165.1	2.4	.7	162.7	2.4	2.4	159.8	4.5	2.0
Services less medical care services .....	170.9	2.8	1.7	169.5	3.7	1.9	163.1	2.4	1.7	158.3	4.4	2.1

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**Table 39. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Dallas-Fort Worth, TX			Denver-Boulder, CO			Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI			Honolulu, HI		
	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	152.1	1.3	0.9	154.5	2.9	1.2	151.7	2.2	0.9	172.0	0.5	-0.2
All items (1967=100) .....	468.9	-	-	514.2	-	-	446.9	-	-	480.5	-	-
Food and beverages .....	156.9	2.3	1.4	147.9	3.9	1.2	151.6	1.4	.6	159.1	1.7	-2
Food .....	155.2	2.4	1.3	149.9	3.8	1.1	151.0	1.2	.5	159.2	1.9	-2
Food at home .....	148.1	1.6	.5	154.2	4.4	1.0	151.3	1.3	.8	163.4	2.9	-2
Cereals and bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	161.3	1.1	-2	180.7	.6	.2	173.0	.3	.7	164.4	-2.4	-1.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>4</sup> .....	140.7	-4	.5	138.5	1.9	.1	144.2	.5	.4	141.6	.4	-1.7
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	141.4	-2	.4	135.6	1.0	.0	145.2	.5	.7	140.9	.5	-1.8
Dairy products <sup>4</sup> .....	150.8	.5	-4	148.9	11.5	1.0	135.7	.6	-4	147.7	4.8	2.5
Fruits and vegetables <sup>4 5</sup> .....	160.8	.9	.5	187.6	10.1	9.0	183.3	.6	1.4	196.8	4.3	-1.0
Other food at home <sup>4</sup> .....	141.6	5.6	1.5	143.3	2.2	-2.5	138.3	4.3	1.5	174.1	7.6	2.6
Food away from home .....	167.5	3.8	1.9	143.1	2.6	1.1	152.2	1.6	.9	153.9	1.2	.5
Alcoholic beverages .....	177.3	1.4	1.5	134.9	4.7	1.4	158.2	2.7	1.1	157.0	-7	.4
Housing <sup>5</sup> .....	139.0	2.0	1.7	145.0	3.4	1.5	143.1	2.9	1.3	179.5	.1	-2
Shelter .....	146.9	4.7	2.9	156.8	4.1	2.0	159.9	3.5	1.6	197.6	-3	.0
Renters' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	137.6	4.4	2.7	151.2	4.5	1.6	155.0	3.3	2.0	176.1	.1	.5
Rent, residential .....	144.9	4.5	2.8	151.7	4.3	2.3	156.9	2.0	.8	185.6	-7	-2
Other renters' costs <sup>4 8</sup> .....	161.5	3.7	1.7	225.3	5.2	-1.5	176.5	6.8	5.3	244.5	5.6	4.9
Homeowners' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	140.5	4.5	2.9	152.8	3.9	2.0	168.9	3.4	1.4	185.2	-5	-3
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>7</sup> .....	141.2	4.5	2.8	152.1	3.8	1.9	169.8	3.5	1.4	186.0	-6	-3
Fuel and other utilities <sup>5</sup> .....	128.1	-1.8	1.3	126.4	4.1	1.4	127.0	3.0	.8	136.7	.3	-8
Fuels .....	125.3	-2.3	4.6	102.3	7.5	2.1	106.6	-3	-7	117.8	-1.5	-2.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	109.6	-2.9	-9.3	104.3	4.2	3.2	92.8	-5.1	-6.5	NA	.9	.0
Fuel oil <sup>4</sup> .....	NA	-	-	NA	-	-	93.4	-10.1	-12.0	NA	-	-
Other household fuel commodities <sup>4 9</sup> .....	114.8	-3.0	-9.4	139.0	4.2	3.2	111.5	-3.1	-4.3	NA	.0	.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	124.4	-2.2	4.8	102.5	7.6	2.1	109.5	-1	-6	117.3	-1.5	-2.3
Electricity .....	126.1	-2.9	6.4	104.2	-2.3	.3	131.2	-8	.4	117.4	-1.3	-2.0
Utility (piped) gas .....	124.3	-7	1.5	100.3	23.8	4.5	94.5	.5	-1.6	113.5	-2.5	-4.5
Household furnishings and operation <sup>5</sup> .....	126.7	-3.6	-2.2	117.8	-3	-7	110.9	-1.0	-1	146.2	2.0	-7
Apparel and upkeep .....	133.1	-2.2	.2	103.0	4.4	1.4	137.3	4.8	-9	116.3	-1.8	-4.4
Apparel commodities <sup>4 8</sup> .....	126.9	-3.1	.6	100.4	4.1	1.4	136.8	4.8	-1.1	112.8	-2.0	-4.8
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	103.7	-1.0	-1.0	102.8	13.7	1.4	131.2	6.0	6.5	144.2	-4.3	-8.2
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	130.1	-4.8	3.7	97.4	2.9	5.9	141.0	9.7	-5.2	95.6	-9	-2.9
Footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	149.1	-6.2	-2.7	126.6	-13.0	-8.5	138.8	1.5	4.7	95.9	-1.9	-7.5
Transportation .....	146.7	-9	-1.3	164.1	-1	.3	149.3	-1	.5	162.1	-2.1	-2.1
Private transportation .....	147.7	-6	-1.2	162.5	.6	.1	147.7	.1	.6	161.6	-2.4	-2.5
Motor fuel .....	104.9	-1.6	-1.0	106.5	-9	-7	105.2	-2.4	-1	132.0	-2.2	-1
Gasoline .....	104.3	-1.7	-1.1	106.7	-7	-4	105.4	-2.0	.4	135.0	-2.3	-1
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	101.2	-1.9	-1.6	102.4	-1.1	-8	105.3	-2.2	.5	141.8	-2.3	-1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>10</sup> .....	106.4	-1.4	-6	107.6	.1	.1	119.8	-2.0	.3	105.4	-2.9	.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	106.0	-1.1	-4	112.6	-4	-4	108.1	-1.7	.3	123.7	-2.4	-2
Public transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	124.7	-7.4	-3.3	186.9	-7.1	3.3	184.5	-3.1	-1.2	162.6	2.6	3.0
Medical care .....	231.1	1.4	1.2	267.1	6.2	1.9	213.0	1.0	.6	223.5	2.0	1.7
Entertainment <sup>11</sup> .....	166.4	2.9	.4	144.3	1.3	-5	161.0	2.9	1.3	148.4	-1	-6
Other goods and services <sup>5</sup> .....	204.0	4.7	2.7	209.4	4.0	2.5	223.2	6.0	4.0	246.3	6.1	5.5
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	181.4	9.0	4.0	166.8	3.3	3.3	133.8	-1	-5	168.9	-6	.5

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**Table 39. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Dallas-Fort Worth, TX			Denver-Boulder, CO			Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI			Honolulu, HI		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>												
All items .....	152.1	1.3	0.9	154.5	2.9	1.2	151.7	2.2	0.9	172.0	0.5	-0.2
Commodities .....	141.8	-.1	-.1	134.1	1.7	.4	137.0	1.0	-.1	148.8	1.2	-.4
Food and beverages .....	156.9	2.3	1.4	147.9	3.9	1.2	151.6	1.4	.6	159.1	1.7	-.2
Commodities less food and beverages .....	132.7	-1.6	-.9	125.1	.2	-.1	129.1	.7	-.5	141.1	.6	-.6
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	130.1	-1.2	-.5	128.8	2.0	.9	137.2	2.3	.0	144.9	.6	-.2
Durables .....	136.7	-2.1	-1.4	117.9	-2.4	-1.8	114.4	-2.2	-1.5	134.1	.8	-1.3
Services .....	163.9	2.8	1.8	175.2	3.9	1.8	170.2	3.3	1.9	196.4	-.1	-.2
Medical care services .....	241.6	.4	1.2	273.2	6.3	1.7	221.3	.8	.5	225.3	1.3	1.6
<b>Special indexes</b>												
All items less shelter .....	154.3	.3	.3	154.0	2.5	.9	150.9	1.7	.7	163.3	.7	-.3
All items less medical care .....	148.0	1.4	.9	149.3	2.8	1.2	149.3	2.3	1.0	169.4	.4	-.4
All items less energy .....	159.2	1.8	1.0	159.6	3.0	1.2	158.1	2.4	1.0	177.1	.6	-.2
All items less food and energy .....	160.2	1.6	.8	162.2	2.8	1.2	160.1	2.7	1.2	182.5	.2	-.2
Energy .....	113.6	-1.9	1.5	108.8	2.1	.3	106.8	-1.5	-.5	126.1	-1.9	-1.0
Commodities less food .....	134.2	-1.5	-.8	125.5	.6	.0	130.3	.8	-.5	141.9	.6	-.5
Nondurables less food .....	132.8	-1.0	-.3	128.9	2.3	.9	138.5	2.3	.1	145.6	.5	-.1
Nondurables .....	143.6	.6	.6	138.8	3.0	1.1	144.4	1.8	.3	152.9	1.2	-.2
Services less rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....	169.8	1.6	1.2	191.2	3.8	1.7	164.1	3.0	2.1	182.8	.2	-.3
Services less medical care services .....	157.3	3.1	1.8	167.4	3.6	1.8	166.4	3.5	2.1	193.7	-.3	-.3

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**Table 39. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX			Kansas City, MO-KS			Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA			Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	145.2	1.9	1.0	151.9	2.2	0.6	154.7	1.4	0.5	156.3	2.1	0.3
All items (1967=100) <sup>13</sup> .....	463.5	-	-	445.2	-	-	457.1	-	-	254.0	-	-
Food and beverages .....	149.0	2.7	1.4	161.3	3.0	1.5	163.7	2.6	.6	165.1	1.4	.5
Food .....	148.7	2.6	1.0	162.3	3.2	1.6	161.6	2.5	.5	166.1	1.5	.6
Food at home .....	155.2	1.2	-.3	162.4	5.2	2.4	168.6	2.4	.4	162.3	1.1	.7
Cereals and bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	170.8	4.3	1.7	182.7	1.4	-1.6	179.3	2.4	.8	168.1	3.4	.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>4</sup> .....	144.9	-.1	-1.6	155.4	6.1	3.7	162.6	4.0	1.4	145.1	1.1	.4
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	148.0	.6	-1.8	154.2	8.4	4.1	159.1	4.2	1.1	146.9	1.5	.3
Dairy products <sup>4</sup> .....	142.4	-1.5	.0	162.1	-3.1	-1.3	166.9	-3.0	-.9	147.6	-4.5	.4
Fruits and vegetables <sup>4 5</sup> .....	180.5	1.0	-1.7	186.6	16.6	5.8	201.4	2.9	-1.6	238.2	1.1	-.7
Other food at home <sup>4</sup> .....	152.1	2.6	1.2	147.2	3.7	2.8	150.3	3.4	1.5	140.2	3.8	2.9
Food away from home .....	137.8	4.2	2.3	161.6	.5	.4	151.1	2.5	.7	174.4	2.6	1.0
Alcoholic beverages .....	149.0	3.7	3.7	147.6	1.3	.1	181.3	3.1	.7	150.0	.7	-.4
Housing <sup>5</sup> .....	126.9	1.8	1.5	140.9	2.5	1.4	151.5	1.6	1.2	149.7	2.8	.5
Shelter .....	138.3	2.2	1.5	149.4	3.5	2.4	158.3	1.7	1.0	159.0	3.2	1.0
Renters' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	143.8	2.2	.1	155.2	5.1	3.1	152.6	1.7	.8	151.6	2.7	-.9
Rent, residential .....	136.5	2.6	1.8	156.2	5.0	3.0	160.5	1.6	1.0	149.3	2.0	.9
Other renters' costs <sup>4 8</sup> .....	229.5	-.5	-9.6	216.8	5.2	3.6	220.8	2.4	-.5	214.3	7.9	-11.6
Homeowners' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	138.5	1.5	1.7	144.6	2.9	2.0	157.7	1.4	1.0	158.4	3.7	2.1
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>7</sup> .....	138.4	2.8	1.6	143.8	3.0	2.1	157.2	1.5	1.0	154.4	2.8	1.6
Fuel and other utilities <sup>5</sup> .....	110.2	2.2	4.9	131.6	-1.4	-2.1	156.4	4.2	4.1	119.1	-.2	-1.4
Fuels .....	104.3	4.3	6.6	114.9	-2.0	-1.5	154.2	4.2	5.1	110.0	-.7	-2.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	NA	-	-	98.5	-6.2	-7.1	126.3	5.9	-.8	174.9	4.9	-1.2
Fuel oil <sup>4</sup> .....	NA	-	-	98.9	-12.3	-12.9	NA	-	-	NA	-	-
Other household fuel commodities <sup>4 9</sup> .....	119.2	.7	-1.5	127.7	-5.0	-6.0	126.4	5.9	-.8	152.2	5.0	-1.2
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	104.4	4.4	7.0	116.3	-1.9	-1.6	154.8	4.2	5.2	108.8	-.9	-2.2
Electricity .....	107.3	3.1	7.4	107.1	-1.5	2.7	168.3	.8	.4	106.6	-1.3	-2.5
Utility (piped) gas .....	97.6	9.9	5.4	126.8	-2.3	-4.7	145.7	11.6	16.5	165.6	6.8	3.7
Household furnishings and operation <sup>5</sup> .....	114.3	-.1	-1.4	128.6	3.6	2.6	122.8	-.6	-.3	151.4	3.9	.3
Apparel and upkeep .....	142.5	5.0	1.8	130.9	3.9	-3.4	118.7	-4.3	-3.7	155.5	5.7	-.8
Apparel commodities <sup>4 8</sup> .....	141.3	5.1	1.6	126.5	3.9	-3.9	113.2	-5.2	-4.1	147.5	6.8	-.9
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	174.2	1.6	-1.1	133.9	5.8	.7	123.0	-4.4	-1.1	134.4	-.6	.4
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	143.5	17.1	6.0	116.1	.8	-6.2	110.3	-.5	-4.3	156.4	10.4	-4.9
Footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	124.5	-.2	1.5	126.8	1.9	4.3	98.7	-11.3	-3.4	163.2	8.6	.4
Transportation .....	142.1	-.6	-1.1	137.3	.6	-.8	141.2	.9	.3	144.4	-.1	-.8
Private transportation .....	141.6	-.6	-1.0	136.3	.4	-.8	137.9	.7	.1	144.4	.0	-.8
Motor fuel .....	102.8	-2.0	-.7	105.1	-.7	-.3	107.6	8.0	4.4	115.0	-2.3	-2.1
Gasoline .....	102.7	-2.0	-.4	105.0	-.8	-.3	105.5	8.4	4.8	114.6	-2.4	-1.7
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	102.3	-2.1	-.6	101.1	-.7	-.5	103.6	8.9	5.0	112.8	-2.3	-1.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>10</sup> .....	105.9	-1.6	-.3	128.5	-.9	.1	103.1	8.0	4.7	108.9	-2.4	-1.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	100.2	-1.7	.1	107.6	-1.1	-.1	106.0	7.8	4.5	115.5	-2.4	-1.5
Public transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	176.8	.0	-4.4	170.9	8.4	1.7	211.0	1.8	2.3	143.5	.4	.8
Medical care .....	232.3	3.9	1.6	210.6	-1.3	-.8	229.7	1.0	.3	217.3	2.4	.9
Entertainment <sup>11</sup> .....	166.1	1.8	.1	169.8	-.2	-.8	147.1	1.0	-.3	157.1	4.1	.3
Other goods and services <sup>5</sup> .....	189.4	3.3	2.8	244.9	7.8	3.7	228.5	2.7	1.1	176.3	4.0	2.7
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	121.2	-1.9	-1.0	146.3	6.4	2.2	163.5	-2.6	-.7	100.2	-.4	-1.5

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**Table 39. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX			Kansas City, MO-KS			Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA			Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>												
All items .....	145.2	1.9	1.0	151.9	2.2	0.6	154.7	1.4	0.5	156.3	2.1	0.3
Commodities .....	138.6	1.6	.4	144.5	1.5	-.1	140.0	.9	-.1	150.9	1.7	-.3
Food and beverages .....	149.0	2.7	1.4	161.3	3.0	1.5	163.7	2.6	.6	165.1	1.4	.5
Commodities less food and beverages .....	132.5	.8	-.2	135.9	.7	-1.0	125.7	-.3	-.7	142.0	1.9	-.8
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	136.8	2.3	1.0	140.8	2.8	-.4	129.4	.3	-.2	136.3	3.3	-.5
Durables .....	125.2	-1.5	-1.9	131.8	-1.4	-1.8	122.6	-1.0	-1.3	149.4	.5	-1.3
Services .....	153.5	2.3	1.6	161.5	2.9	1.4	170.2	1.8	1.1	162.8	2.5	.9
Medical care services .....	233.2	-	1.6	216.6	-.4	-.4	232.9	.9	.1	218.9	2.1	.9
<b>Special indexes</b>												
All items less shelter .....	147.6	1.9	.8	153.5	1.9	.1	154.4	1.2	.3	155.5	1.6	.0
All items less medical care .....	140.4	1.8	.9	149.1	2.5	.7	151.6	1.4	.5	153.2	2.1	.3
All items less energy .....	151.5	2.0	.8	159.2	2.6	1.0	158.7	1.0	.2	162.4	2.4	.5
All items less food and energy .....	152.3	1.9	.7	158.5	2.5	.8	158.4	.8	.2	161.7	2.6	.4
Energy .....	105.0	.4	2.1	109.1	-1.4	-1.0	122.0	6.4	4.7	109.1	-1.5	-2.2
Commodities less food .....	133.1	1.0	.0	136.3	.7	-1.1	128.6	-.1	-.6	142.2	1.8	-.9
Nondurables less food .....	137.3	2.5	1.3	141.4	2.8	-.3	134.1	.7	-.1	136.9	3.0	-.5
Nondurables .....	143.2	2.5	1.1	151.2	2.9	.6	147.5	1.6	.2	151.8	2.2	.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....	155.2	1.9	1.8	161.2	2.5	.6	172.4	2.0	1.2	156.8	2.3	1.0
Services less medical care services .....	144.5	2.0	1.6	156.3	3.4	1.6	166.0	1.8	1.2	157.8	2.6	.9

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**Table 39. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Milwaukee, WI			Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI			N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT			Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD <sup>14</sup>		
	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	159.8	1.2	0.0	153.3	1.8	0.5	167.5	2.1	0.9	166.3	1.8	0.8
All items (1967 = 100) .....	510.8	-	-	481.1	-	-	476.8	-	-	483.0	-	-
Food and beverages .....	154.6	.9	.1	166.0	2.7	2.2	162.6	1.7	.6	155.3	.6	-.1
Food .....	155.7	1.0	.3	163.7	2.8	2.0	162.2	1.6	.6	154.3	.7	-.1
Food at home .....	154.5	-.1	-1.9	160.4	1.3	2.1	162.6	1.2	.2	160.9	.2	-.5
Cereals and bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	199.5	2.4	-1.7	178.8	2.8	3.0	186.3	.8	.2	190.8	1.7	.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>4</sup> .....	150.9	-1.6	-1.9	147.4	-.9	.3	153.0	.5	-1.0	148.6	-.8	-1.2
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	151.9	-1.6	-1.9	149.6	-.5	.1	153.7	.5	-.8	149.4	-.6	-.8
Dairy products <sup>4</sup> .....	121.8	-6.1	-9.2	158.0	-.1	.4	136.9	-.7	-.5	134.4	-1.9	-3.2
Fruits and vegetables <sup>4 5</sup> .....	160.7	.8	1.4	222.2	7.5	9.6	192.7	1.9	1.0	184.9	-1.5	-2.0
Other food at home <sup>4</sup> .....	147.9	2.1	-.7	135.2	-1.2	-1.3	154.4	3.1	1.6	160.1	3.0	2.0
Food away from home .....	156.6	3.2	2.0	168.6	4.7	1.7	165.0	2.4	1.4	139.6	1.7	1.0
Alcoholic beverages .....	146.3	.8	-.1	186.7	2.8	3.4	167.6	2.8	1.0	170.4	.6	.2
Housing <sup>5</sup> .....	161.9	1.0	.0	138.4	2.2	1.3	166.9	2.3	1.2	169.8	2.8	1.1
Shelter .....	197.3	.5	.2	149.6	3.0	1.0	194.1	3.5	1.8	200.6	3.4	1.3
Renters' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	161.7	1.4	-.1	151.0	4.7	1.3	178.8	4.3	1.8	192.0	4.1	.9
Rent, residential .....	167.2	1.5	1.0	154.6	3.4	1.5	185.8	3.5	1.8	176.9	2.3	1.1
Other renters' costs <sup>4 8</sup> .....	192.1	1.3	-2.2	186.1	8.1	.6	265.1	9.4	1.6	302.5	7.0	.6
Homeowners' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	178.8	.2	.5	149.3	2.6	1.2	184.4	3.1	1.9	177.7	3.1	1.5
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>7</sup> .....	179.1	.1	.4	150.0	2.5	1.1	185.2	3.1	1.8	178.6	3.2	1.5
Fuel and other utilities <sup>5</sup> .....	108.5	3.6	-.5	122.7	.6	3.2	116.6	.3	-.8	133.0	2.5	1.1
Fuels .....	91.1	3.3	-1.2	112.7	.0	5.4	115.6	-.2	-1.4	122.6	2.3	.7
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	93.0	-1.0	-9.4	84.8	-14.8	-11.9	100.1	-5.1	-9.0	95.9	-7.9	-10.8
Fuel oil <sup>4</sup> .....	86.8	-5.7	-7.9	96.1	-10.9	-5.2	99.2	-5.6	-9.4	89.9	-8.0	-10.8
Other household fuel commodities <sup>4 9</sup> .....	143.2	10.6	-12.4	96.8	-18.3	-17.6	126.8	.9	-3.1	NA	-	-
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	94.8	3.7	-.3	115.8	.5	6.0	126.5	1.1	.7	141.3	3.9	2.5
Electricity .....	98.9	.3	2.7	142.5	1.9	6.3	129.7	.5	2.5	156.8	.2	4.0
Utility (piped) gas .....	91.2	7.2	-2.9	98.9	-.9	5.9	121.5	2.4	-2.1	120.9	11.9	-.3
Household furnishings and operation <sup>5</sup> .....	114.3	1.1	-.6	120.0	-.2	.4	126.5	-3.0	-.5	121.3	-.2	.2
Apparel and upkeep .....	124.3	-2.8	-5.7	139.0	.0	-6.1	126.5	2.9	.4	103.1	1.2	3.9
Apparel commodities <sup>4 8</sup> .....	120.9	-3.2	-6.1	137.3	-.1	-6.5	122.5	3.1	.3	97.6	1.3	4.5
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	110.6	-1.6	-.7	155.2	4.0	1.2	119.7	3.5	2.8	129.7	6.9	7.0
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	121.3	-7.3	-11.2	100.0	4.7	-7.8	118.8	3.9	-1.2	69.8	.1	6.7
Footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	149.4	12.8	2.3	109.4	6.1	-3.6	132.7	3.7	.0	117.8	-3.9	-1.3
Transportation .....	140.8	-1.1	-1.6	142.1	-.9	-1.4	154.3	-.2	-.5	153.2	-.1	-.4
Private transportation .....	137.7	-1.4	-1.8	137.6	-.6	-.9	147.3	-.3	-.6	151.6	-.1	-.4
Motor fuel .....	105.8	-5.3	-4.2	101.1	-4.1	-2.1	101.3	-.6	.0	106.6	-1.3	-1.8
Gasoline .....	104.8	-5.2	-4.1	102.6	-3.6	-.9	101.2	-.5	.3	105.3	-.8	-1.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	106.9	-5.3	-4.3	102.2	-3.4	-.5	100.7	.0	.5	104.8	-.8	-1.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>10</sup> .....	111.5	-4.9	-3.5	110.4	-3.7	-.9	103.9	-1.0	.1	103.5	-1.5	-1.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	98.8	-4.4	-3.0	111.5	-3.9	-1.8	102.1	-1.4	-.1	100.1	-1.0	-1.2
Public transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	215.3	6.1	3.4	222.8	-2.3	-5.9	188.0	.9	.5	177.5	-.3	.1
Medical care .....	233.3	5.5	2.2	220.1	1.9	1.3	246.2	3.1	1.0	244.6	1.1	.9
Entertainment <sup>11</sup> .....	141.2	8.0	1.7	170.8	3.6	1.4	165.1	1.5	-.2	176.6	1.0	-.1
Other goods and services <sup>5</sup> .....	229.6	4.6	3.9	229.8	4.7	2.4	234.8	5.2	2.9	237.2	3.8	1.5
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	135.1	-.9	2.0	126.5	2.8	1.0	168.4	-.4	-.5	195.4	3.8	.9

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**Table 39. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Milwaukee, WI			Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI			N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT			Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD <sup>14</sup>		
	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>												
All items .....	159.8	1.2	0.0	153.3	1.8	0.5	167.5	2.1	0.9	166.3	1.8	0.8
Commodities .....	137.6	.1	-1.0	145.7	.5	-.7	145.4	.8	.1	138.6	.1	-.1
Food and beverages .....	154.6	.9	.1	166.0	2.7	2.2	162.6	1.7	.6	155.3	.6	-.1
Commodities less food and beverages .....	127.4	-.6	-1.8	134.8	-1.0	-2.4	131.9	.0	-.5	126.6	-.3	-.2
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	133.9	-.4	-2.1	141.2	.4	-2.2	132.4	1.5	.2	123.4	.2	.4
Durables .....	118.8	-.8	-1.4	126.9	-2.7	-2.6	127.9	-3.1	-1.6	129.2	-1.3	-1.3
Services .....	188.2	2.3	.9	162.5	3.0	1.7	190.9	3.0	1.4	199.0	2.9	1.3
Medical care services .....	236.8	4.0	1.9	227.7	1.7	1.2	253.0	3.5	1.1	253.3	1.4	1.4
<b>Special indexes</b>												
All items less shelter .....	147.4	1.5	-.1	156.0	1.4	.4	158.5	1.4	.4	157.2	1.1	.6
All items less medical care .....	157.0	1.0	-.1	150.3	1.8	.5	164.3	2.0	.9	163.0	1.8	.8
All items less energy .....	168.7	1.5	.3	160.2	2.1	.4	174.6	2.2	1.0	173.8	1.8	.8
All items less food and energy .....	171.5	1.5	.2	159.7	2.0	.1	178.2	2.4	1.1	179.9	2.1	1.1
Energy .....	99.9	-1.7	-2.8	106.6	-2.3	1.1	109.7	-.3	-.8	114.4	.9	-.3
Commodities less food .....	128.2	-.5	-1.7	137.2	-.7	-2.0	133.5	.2	-.3	128.4	-.2	-.1
Nondurables less food .....	134.4	-.4	-1.9	144.6	.7	-1.6	134.5	1.6	.2	126.3	.2	.5
Nondurables .....	144.8	.3	-1.0	153.9	1.6	-.1	148.8	1.6	.4	140.2	.4	.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....	158.7	4.6	1.8	163.0	3.1	2.3	170.6	2.4	.9	179.6	2.4	1.3
Services less medical care services .....	185.0	2.1	.8	157.2	3.1	1.7	186.6	3.0	1.5	195.0	3.0	1.4

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**Table 39. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA <sup>15</sup>			Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA			St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL <sup>15</sup>			San Diego, CA		
	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—	Index		Percent change from—
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	151.0	2.2	0.7	161.7	3.3	1.7	152.7	1.8	1.1	153.1	1.2	0.3
All items (1967=100) .....	449.1	-	-	466.2	-	-	449.1	-	-	493.9	-	-
Food and beverages .....	151.9	1.5	.1	148.7	3.5	1.8	156.0	2.6	1.1	162.6	2.2	.6
Food .....	150.3	1.2	.2	148.8	3.3	1.8	154.4	2.3	1.2	160.5	2.0	.3
Food at home .....	148.9	.3	.3	148.2	3.3	2.8	149.8	1.6	1.6	161.1	1.5	.0
Cereals and bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	161.7	2.1	1.1	195.3	4.6	4.7	158.0	2.5	.7	197.6	1.7	.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>4</sup> .....	138.5	-1.6	-1.5	131.2	3.7	3.4	135.0	1.5	.6	151.8	1.3	-.3
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	140.1	-1.5	-1.8	131.5	3.9	3.1	136.9	1.6	.2	151.7	1.3	-.3
Dairy products <sup>4</sup> .....	143.4	.5	-1.7	135.4	.0	1.2	149.8	-.5	.7	155.3	-2.0	-2.2
Fruits and vegetables <sup>4 5</sup> .....	147.6	-7.8	-.1	186.3	2.8	1.3	170.1	-2.0	4.4	166.8	3.5	.6
Other food at home <sup>4</sup> .....	159.7	7.8	3.3	132.5	4.5	3.4	152.5	4.7	1.7	152.9	2.1	.7
Food away from home .....	155.5	4.0	1.4	150.6	2.7	.5	162.3	3.5	1.4	159.2	3.1	1.4
Alcoholic beverages .....	169.7	4.6	.4	148.1	5.3	.7	164.3	4.7	.6	178.6	3.9	2.8
Housing <sup>5</sup> .....	144.4	1.7	.6	158.5	2.8	1.8	148.7	1.5	1.2	141.8	1.4	.0
Shelter .....	153.1	2.3	1.9	177.8	4.5	2.6	163.0	1.7	.2	146.9	1.5	.1
Renters' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	156.9	2.7	1.2	179.1	6.3	4.8	151.0	1.5	-1.1	153.6	1.1	-.5
Rent, residential .....	152.9	1.9	1.9	177.8	4.5	1.9	148.8	2.9	1.8	161.0	2.7	1.5
Other renters' costs <sup>4 6</sup> .....	207.4	4.1	-.1	224.1	12.3	14.9	197.8	-1.1	-6.7	334.2	-7.7	-11.3
Homeowners' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	160.2	1.9	2.2	187.0	3.1	1.2	156.7	1.8	.7	157.4	2.5	1.3
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>7</sup> .....	160.7	1.9	2.2	187.4	3.3	1.3	157.5	1.8	.8	156.9	2.5	1.3
Fuel and other utilities <sup>5</sup> .....	143.3	2.0	-1.2	131.5	-1.4	.2	126.8	-1.2	4.2	122.8	3.1	.9
Fuels .....	137.3	4.0	-1.6	103.1	-5.3	-.9	115.9	-3.0	3.5	103.2	7.1	1.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	109.1	-1.2	-3.6	107.4	2.4	-2.7	87.1	-14.2	-14.9	118.5	1.5	-2.0
Fuel oil <sup>4</sup> .....	76.6	-15.6	-10.8	106.2	1.9	-1.0	82.1	-10.4	-7.1	171.5	-2.7	.0
Other household fuel commodities <sup>4 9</sup> .....	150.1	5.3	-.7	174.7	3.6	-7.0	107.4	-16.1	-18.7	110.9	1.6	-2.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	141.9	4.2	-1.7	125.5	-5.9	-.7	120.6	-2.0	5.3	103.0	7.3	1.4
Electricity .....	137.7	-.1	.0	145.2	-6.7	-1.0	147.7	.1	13.2	95.3	3.6	.1
Utility (piped) gas .....	144.5	7.7	-2.8	83.4	-2.2	.5	95.9	-5.0	-5.1	126.4	14.7	3.9
Household furnishings and operation <sup>5</sup> .....	122.6	-.3	-1.6	115.7	-2.0	-1.2	130.1	4.2	1.4	149.0	-.3	-.8
Apparel and upkeep .....	139.1	6.7	3.4	133.1	4.6	3.1	123.9	.4	.0	122.3	-3.4	-2.2
Apparel commodities <sup>4 6</sup> .....	135.3	7.3	3.8	130.7	5.0	3.4	121.8	.2	-.2	115.4	-3.7	-2.4
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	118.1	-.6	-1.7	143.0	2.1	-2.5	144.0	1.6	2.3	82.0	-1.9	-3.4
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	158.2	17.4	11.8	126.2	13.2	10.2	104.3	-4.0	-4.0	138.5	-5.9	-3.2
Footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	116.5	.4	-5.0	124.0	-2.2	-2.1	108.5	9.6	3.2	126.2	.5	2.2
Transportation .....	133.0	1.5	-.2	151.8	1.3	-.1	143.4	-.1	-.8	154.5	1.3	.9
Private transportation .....	133.9	2.3	.2	152.3	1.5	.3	143.1	-.3	-.8	151.6	1.1	.7
Motor fuel .....	105.1	-1.3	-1.9	122.1	.7	2.7	107.4	-3.9	-1.6	113.9	5.1	5.1
Gasoline .....	105.6	-.8	-1.7	122.5	.4	2.7	107.1	-3.2	-.8	114.0	5.1	5.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	103.2	-.9	-1.8	119.2	.3	2.8	103.4	-3.3	-1.1	116.6	5.3	5.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>10</sup> .....	114.7	.2	-1.5	108.5	.6	2.3	123.1	-3.1	-.6	103.2	5.4	5.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	106.2	.7	-1.4	120.7	.7	2.5	107.9	-2.5	-.4	116.4	4.4	4.6
Public transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	116.3	-12.0	-6.7	149.8	-2.4	-4.9	148.2	3.7	-2.8	202.4	3.3	1.9
Medical care .....	223.4	1.0	.2	217.4	2.4	.9	226.6	3.7	1.5	241.0	1.3	.5
Entertainment <sup>11</sup> .....	165.8	2.0	1.7	176.4	3.0	2.0	159.0	2.8	1.8	160.1	-1.7	-.4
Other goods and services <sup>5</sup> .....	221.2	4.4	1.7	261.0	10.7	4.8	192.5	5.5	5.5	220.7	3.0	2.0
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	123.0	1.2	-3.9	170.3	.3	.1	99.4	-4.5	-1.1	154.6	1.9	.8

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 39. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA <sup>15</sup>			Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA			St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL <sup>15</sup>			San Diego, CA		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>												
All items .....	151.0	2.2	0.7	161.7	3.3	1.7	152.7	1.8	1.1	153.1	1.2	0.3
Commodities .....	139.0	1.8	.1	141.5	2.8	1.4	142.2	1.5	.6	146.0	.8	-.1
Food and beverages .....	151.9	1.5	.1	148.7	3.5	1.8	156.0	2.6	1.1	162.6	2.2	.6
Commodities less food and beverages .....	130.4	2.0	.0	138.0	2.3	1.2	134.0	.8	.3	135.9	-.1	-.5
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	137.3	3.3	1.0	140.0	5.5	3.3	131.8	1.3	1.4	132.8	-.1	.2
Durables .....	122.7	.2	-1.4	132.5	-2.0	-1.9	134.6	.1	-1.2	140.8	-.3	-1.1
Services .....	165.7	2.4	1.2	183.8	3.7	1.9	166.4	2.0	1.5	159.5	1.6	.6
Medical care services .....	218.6	.7	.3	209.8	3.2	.9	232.8	4.2	1.7	254.9	4.5	3.3
<b>Special indexes</b>												
All items less shelter .....	150.8	2.1	.3	157.1	2.9	1.4	150.2	1.8	1.2	159.7	1.1	.4
All items less medical care .....	148.1	2.1	.7	159.4	3.4	1.8	149.0	1.6	.9	149.5	1.2	.3
All items less energy .....	155.5	2.3	1.0	168.3	3.8	1.8	159.0	2.3	.8	157.6	1.0	.1
All items less food and energy .....	156.8	2.5	1.1	172.9	3.9	1.8	160.1	2.3	.8	157.1	.8	.1
Energy .....	120.1	1.5	-1.8	110.5	-2.0	1.1	110.4	-3.5	.9	110.2	5.8	3.6
Commodities less food .....	132.3	2.2	.1	138.2	2.5	1.2	135.6	1.0	.3	137.8	.1	-.2
Nondurables less food .....	139.5	3.4	.9	139.9	5.5	3.1	134.4	1.7	1.4	136.5	.5	.5
Nondurables .....	144.9	2.3	.6	144.2	4.4	2.5	144.3	2.0	1.3	149.2	1.2	.4
Services less rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....	157.9	2.7	.6	177.0	2.8	1.1	162.3	2.3	2.5	168.8	1.9	1.4
Services less medical care services .....	162.1	2.6	1.3	181.9	3.8	2.0	160.2	1.8	1.4	153.0	1.3	.3

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 39. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA <sup>14</sup>			Seattle-Tacoma, WA <sup>16</sup>			Washington, DC-MD-VA <sup>2</sup>		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>									
All items .....	158.8	3.4	1.8	159.9	2.6	1.1	160.1	1.1	0.5
All items (1967=100) .....	483.4	-	-	474.4	-	-	479.4	-	-
Food and beverages .....	161.4	2.8	1.3	160.3	2.5	1.5	156.0	1.4	.6
Food .....	162.0	2.7	1.2	160.9	2.6	1.6	156.5	1.3	.7
Food at home .....	165.7	2.7	1.2	160.3	2.2	1.9	158.7	.3	-.1
Cereals and bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	180.9	4.0	.8	173.6	-3.7	.8	183.2	1.6	.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>4</sup> .....	153.4	1.0	.5	143.6	2.3	.0	144.6	-1.6	.1
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	148.5	1.6	.3	142.7	2.9	-.1	145.9	-1.2	.3
Dairy products <sup>4</sup> .....	153.7	-2.3	2.2	156.2	4.3	-.7	159.1	.1	.3
Fruits and vegetables <sup>4 5</sup> .....	194.6	5.0	1.3	215.6	4.5	6.1	183.6	.9	-1.2
Other food at home <sup>4</sup> .....	158.0	4.6	1.5	142.4	2.7	2.4	147.3	1.8	.5
Food away from home .....	156.0	2.9	1.3	163.7	2.8	.9	155.0	2.4	1.0
Alcoholic beverages .....	156.9	3.8	1.7	155.1	1.6	-.3	151.8	1.5	-.3
Housing <sup>5</sup> .....	164.3	5.6	3.2	157.1	3.9	1.6	154.2	.1	.5
Shelter .....	178.8	6.5	3.6	170.4	3.7	2.2	169.8	1.1	.7
Renters' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	172.7	6.5	3.4	171.9	4.2	2.4	158.1	.8	.0
Rent, residential .....	188.9	7.0	4.2	171.2	4.3	2.3	171.0	.8	.5
Other renters' costs <sup>4 8</sup> .....	215.4	2.6	-2.5	244.6	4.4	2.9	194.2	.7	-5.9
Homeowners' costs <sup>6 7</sup> .....	168.6	6.6	3.9	172.8	3.3	1.9	159.7	1.2	.8
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>7</sup> .....	168.5	6.6	3.9	173.4	3.3	1.9	160.4	1.3	.8
Fuel and other utilities <sup>5</sup> .....	149.0	3.1	2.8	121.4	1.4	.2	135.2	2.6	4.6
Fuels .....	154.9	3.8	5.0	118.1	.3	1.5	121.9	2.2	7.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	159.2	2.1	.3	106.0	.6	-3.1	104.5	.5	-2.5
Fuel oil <sup>4</sup> .....	107.7	-5.8	-5.4	105.7	1.3	-2.7	97.9	1.9	-2.7
Other household fuel commodities <sup>4 9</sup> .....	172.7	2.6	.6	122.5	-	-	163.2	-2.1	-2.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	154.8	3.9	5.2	138.6	.3	1.9	129.9	2.4	8.1
Electricity .....	175.7	.0	.9	156.3	.4	2.4	140.6	-.6	12.9
Utility (piped) gas .....	131.3	12.9	15.2	88.0	-.1	-.1	115.8	7.2	.9
Household furnishings and operation <sup>5</sup> .....	120.0	2.4	.8	149.0	6.4	-.4	121.3	-6.8	-4.9
Apparel and upkeep .....	122.0	1.2	.8	124.3	-.4	-1.4	145.1	1.5	-2.9
Apparel commodities <sup>4 8</sup> .....	117.4	.9	.8	119.7	-.3	-1.7	140.1	1.2	-3.6
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	119.4	2.1	4.7	129.7	1.2	-.6	160.7	5.5	3.2
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	91.2	.9	-2.4	86.3	-4.1	-4.9	125.5	-3.2	-11.2
Footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	157.9	3.5	2.7	148.4	6.8	-.9	133.7	4.4	-.6
Transportation .....	135.4	-.6	-.7	148.4	-.3	.0	151.2	.4	.3
Private transportation .....	131.2	-.5	-.8	153.1	.0	.2	150.5	.6	.5
Motor fuel .....	111.0	1.0	.5	125.6	-4.0	1.6	109.7	-3.9	-1.6
Gasoline .....	109.7	1.4	.7	128.0	-3.7	1.9	108.8	-4.2	-1.6
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	107.1	1.5	.7	129.5	-3.6	1.9	107.4	-4.1	-1.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>10</sup> .....	105.2	.9	1.0	111.1	-	-	103.6	-4.2	-1.4
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	110.6	1.7	1.0	132.6	-3.6	1.8	106.8	-4.6	-2.1
Public transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	192.5	-1.0	.3	113.9	-3.1	-2.6	162.1	-1.2	-1.2
Medical care .....	221.1	3.6	1.5	227.1	4.0	1.9	232.6	4.6	.4
Entertainment <sup>11</sup> .....	153.9	-1.3	-1.5	147.7	1.2	.9	169.2	2.4	1.7
Other goods and services <sup>5</sup> .....	234.9	5.4	3.6	227.7	5.0	2.0	227.1	4.3	2.2
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	161.1	2.4	2.1	126.0	.7	2.4	170.5	2.0	.8

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 39. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, semiannual averages, by expenditure category and commodity and service group—Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA <sup>14</sup>			Seattle-Tacoma, WA <sup>16</sup>			Washington, DC-MD-VA <sup>2</sup>		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997	2nd half 1997	2nd half 1996	1st half 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>									
All items .....	158.8	3.4	1.8	159.9	2.6	1.1	160.1	1.1	0.5
Commodities .....	142.1	1.7	.7	147.1	1.3	.3	142.6	-.5	-1.0
Food and beverages .....	161.4	2.8	1.3	160.3	2.5	1.5	156.0	1.4	.6
Commodities less food and beverages .....	129.2	.6	.1	140.1	.6	-.5	135.2	-1.6	-2.0
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	129.9	2.0	1.2	139.2	-1.0	-.1	139.2	.0	-2.0
Durables .....	125.9	-1.5	-1.7	140.9	2.5	-.9	127.3	-4.1	-2.2
Services .....	175.8	4.6	2.7	174.3	3.7	1.9	178.7	2.4	1.6
Medical care services .....	222.1	2.1	.9	224.2	4.1	2.0	238.8	5.4	.6
<b>Special indexes</b>									
All items less shelter .....	152.0	1.9	.9	157.2	2.1	.7	157.2	1.1	.3
All items less medical care .....	156.4	3.4	1.8	156.8	2.5	1.0	156.7	.9	.4
All items less energy .....	163.2	3.4	1.7	164.7	3.0	1.2	165.9	1.3	.2
All items less food and energy .....	163.6	3.6	1.9	165.5	3.1	1.1	168.3	1.3	.2
Energy .....	126.8	2.3	2.4	123.0	-2.3	1.6	114.8	-.9	2.6
Commodities less food .....	130.5	.9	.2	140.6	.7	-.4	135.9	-1.4	-1.9
Nondurables less food .....	131.5	2.3	1.3	139.8	-.7	-.1	139.8	.2	-1.8
Nondurables .....	146.5	2.5	1.2	149.4	.9	.7	147.4	.7	-.7
Services less rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....	159.4	2.2	1.3	164.7	3.5	1.4	170.3	3.5	2.3
Services less medical care services .....	173.1	4.8	2.8	170.0	3.6	1.9	173.9	2.1	1.6

<sup>1</sup> Starting in January, 1998, indexes for the city of Atlanta will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>3</sup> Index on an October 1967=100 base in Anchorage.

<sup>4</sup> This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997 below the U.S. city average level.

<sup>5</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

<sup>6</sup> This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a November 1984=100 base in Anchorage, Baltimore, Boston, Cincinnati, Denver, Miami, Milwaukee, Portland, St. Louis, San Diego, Seattle, and Washington. Indexes on a December 1984=100 base in Atlanta, Buffalo, Chicago, Cleveland, Dallas, Detroit, Honolulu, Houston, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, and San Francisco.

<sup>8</sup> 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.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a November 1986=100 base in Baltimore, Boston,

Cincinnati, Cleveland, Miami, Minneapolis, Portland, St. Louis, San Diego, and Washington. Indexes on a December 1986=100 base in Anchorage, Atlanta, Buffalo, Chicago, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Honolulu, Houston, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Milwaukee, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, San Francisco, and Seattle.

<sup>10</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>11</sup> This index series will no longer appear in its present form after December, 1997. See Table X for a comparable index series.

<sup>12</sup> Information for Buffalo and New Orleans will no longer be calculated after January, 1998.

<sup>13</sup> Index on an November 1977=100 base in Miami.

<sup>14</sup> 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.

<sup>15</sup> 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.

<sup>16</sup> Starting in February, 1998, indexes for the city of Seattle will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

<sup>NA</sup> Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.

**Table 1A. 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	Annual average 1996	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>			
All items .....	156.9	160.5	2.3
All items (1967=100) .....	469.9	480.8	-
Food and beverages .....	153.7	157.7	2.6
Food .....	153.3	157.3	2.6
Food at home .....	154.3	158.1	2.5
Cereals and bakery products .....	174.0	177.6	2.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	144.8	148.5	2.6
Dairy products .....	142.1	145.5	2.4
Fruits and vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....	183.9	187.5	2.0
Other food at home .....	142.9	147.3	3.1
Sugar and sweets .....	143.7	147.8	2.9
Fats and oils .....	140.5	141.7	.9
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	128.6	133.4	3.7
Other prepared food .....	156.2	161.2	3.2
Food away from home .....	152.7	157.0	2.8
Alcoholic beverages .....	158.5	162.8	2.7
Housing <sup>1</sup> .....	152.8	156.8	2.6
Shelter .....	171.0	176.3	3.1
Renters' costs <sup>2 3</sup> .....	180.2	186.4	3.4
Rent, residential .....	162.0	166.7	2.9
Other renters' costs <sup>2</sup> .....	214.7	225.0	4.8
Homeowners' costs <sup>2 3</sup> .....	176.5	181.5	2.8
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>3</sup> .....	176.8	181.9	2.9
Household insurance <sup>2 3</sup> .....	161.0	165.3	2.7
Maintenance and repairs <sup>2</sup> .....	139.0	143.7	3.4
Maintenance and repair services <sup>2</sup> .....	145.5	151.1	3.8
Maintenance and repair commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	130.2	133.4	2.5
Fuel and other utilities <sup>1</sup> .....	127.5	130.8	2.6
Fuels .....	115.2	117.9	2.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities .....	99.2	99.8	.6
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	122.1	125.1	2.5
Other utilities and public services <sup>2</sup> .....	157.2	161.6	2.8
Household furnishings and operation <sup>1</sup> .....	124.7	125.4	.6
Household furnishings <sup>2</sup> .....	111.3	110.6	-.6
Housekeeping supplies .....	141.1	143.1	1.4
Housekeeping services <sup>2</sup> .....	148.0	151.9	2.6
Apparel and upkeep .....	131.7	132.9	.9
Apparel commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	128.2	129.1	.7
Men's and boys' apparel .....	127.7	130.1	1.9
Women's and girls' apparel .....	124.7	126.1	1.1
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	129.7	129.0	-.5
Footwear .....	126.6	127.6	.8
Other apparel commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	150.6	145.8	-3.2
Apparel services <sup>2</sup> .....	159.8	163.1	2.1
Transportation .....	143.0	144.3	.9
Private transportation .....	140.0	141.0	.7
New vehicles .....	143.7	144.3	.4
New cars .....	141.4	141.7	.2
Used cars .....	157.0	151.1	-3.8
Motor fuel .....	106.3	106.2	-.1
Gasoline .....	105.9	105.8	-.1
Maintenance and repairs .....	158.4	162.7	2.7
Other private transportation <sup>2</sup> .....	173.9	177.5	2.1
Other private transportation commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	105.1	104.8	-.3
Other private transportation services <sup>2</sup> .....	190.1	194.7	2.4
Public transportation .....	181.9	186.7	2.6

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 1A. 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	Annual average 1996	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>			
Medical care .....	228.2	234.6	2.8
Medical care commodities .....	210.4	215.3	2.3
Medical care services .....	232.4	239.1	2.9
Professional medical services .....	208.3	215.4	3.4
Entertainment <sup>2</sup> .....	159.1	162.5	2.1
Entertainment commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	143.0	144.2	.8
Entertainment services <sup>2</sup> .....	178.1	183.8	3.2
Other goods and services <sup>1</sup> .....	215.4	224.8	4.4
Tobacco and smoking products .....	232.8	243.7	4.7
Personal care .....	150.1	152.7	1.7
Toilet goods and personal care appliances .....	144.3	144.2	-.1
Personal care services .....	156.6	162.4	3.7
Personal and educational expenses <sup>2</sup> .....	247.5	259.7	4.9
School books and supplies .....	226.9	238.4	5.1
Personal and educational services <sup>2</sup> .....	249.3	261.6	4.9
<b>Commodity and service group</b>			
All items .....	156.9	160.5	2.3
Commodities .....	139.9	141.8	1.4
Food and beverages .....	153.7	157.7	2.6
Commodities less food and beverages .....	131.5	132.2	.5
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	133.0	134.6	1.2
Apparel commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	128.2	129.1	.7
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	138.6	140.6	1.4
Durables .....	129.4	128.7	-.5
Services .....	174.1	179.4	3.0
Rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	178.0	183.4	3.0
Household services less rent of shelter <sup>2 3</sup> .....	142.0	145.8	2.7
Transportation services .....	180.5	185.0	2.5
Medical care services .....	232.4	239.1	2.9
Other services .....	201.4	209.6	4.1
<b>Special indexes</b>			
All items less food .....	157.5	161.1	2.3
All items less shelter .....	152.8	155.9	2.0
All items less homeowners' costs <sup>2 3</sup> .....	157.9	161.4	2.2
All items less medical care .....	152.8	156.3	2.3
Commodities less food .....	132.6	133.4	.6
Nondurables less food .....	134.5	136.3	1.3
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	139.5	141.8	1.6
Nondurables .....	143.5	146.4	2.0
Services less rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	182.5	188.1	3.1
Services less medical care services .....	168.7	173.9	3.1
Energy .....	110.1	111.5	1.3
All items less energy .....	163.1	167.1	2.5
All items less food and energy .....	165.6	169.5	2.4
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	141.3	142.3	.7
Energy commodities .....	105.7	105.7	.0
Services less energy services .....	179.4	185.0	3.1
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:			
1982-84=\$1.00 .....	\$.638	\$.623	-2.4
1967=\$1.00 .....	.213	.208	-

<sup>1</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

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

index series.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Annual average 1996	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
Food and beverages .....	153.7	157.7	2.6
Food .....	153.3	157.3	2.6
Food at home .....	154.3	158.1	2.5
Cereals and bakery products .....	174.0	177.6	2.1
Cereals and cereal products .....	168.9	169.5	.4
Flour and prepared flour mixes .....	151.6	156.3	3.1
Cereal .....	190.0	187.5	-1.3
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal .....	144.2	148.8	3.2
Bakery products .....	176.1	181.1	2.8
White bread .....	177.5	183.8	3.5
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins .....	176.4	181.9	3.1
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes .....	174.1	179.2	2.9
Other bakery products .....	176.5	180.2	2.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	144.8	148.5	2.6
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	144.8	149.0	2.9
Meats .....	140.2	144.4	3.0
Beef and veal .....	134.5	136.8	1.7
Ground beef other than canned .....	114.3	116.4	1.8
Chuck roast <sup>1</sup> .....	140.0	142.3	1.6
Round roast <sup>1</sup> .....	125.2	127.1	1.5
Round steak <sup>1</sup> .....	129.3	130.1	.6
Sirloin steak <sup>1</sup> .....	137.6	139.0	1.0
Other beef and veal <sup>1</sup> .....	157.0	160.2	2.0
Pork .....	148.2	155.9	5.2
Bacon .....	148.9	164.0	10.1
Chops .....	153.0	155.2	1.4
Ham .....	149.2	156.3	4.8
Other pork, including sausage <sup>1</sup> .....	143.7	151.6	5.5
Other meats .....	144.0	148.1	2.8
Poultry .....	152.4	156.6	2.8
Fresh whole chicken .....	152.6	158.5	3.9
Fresh and frozen chicken parts .....	155.0	157.4	1.5
Other poultry <sup>1</sup> .....	149.9	155.7	3.9
Fish and seafood .....	173.1	177.1	2.3
Canned fish and seafood .....	125.9	128.4	2.0
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood <sup>1</sup> .....	196.0	200.7	2.4
Eggs .....	142.1	140.0	-1.5
Dairy products .....	142.1	145.5	2.4
Fresh milk and cream <sup>1</sup> .....	142.4	144.9	1.8
Fresh whole milk .....	141.1	142.9	1.3
Other fresh milk and cream <sup>1</sup> .....	144.1	147.5	2.4
Processed dairy products <sup>1</sup> .....	142.4	146.8	3.1
Cheese <sup>1</sup> .....	144.7	147.7	2.1
Ice cream and related products .....	144.6	150.6	4.1
Other dairy products, including butter <sup>1</sup> .....	130.8	137.0	4.7
Fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....	183.9	187.5	2.0
Fresh fruits and vegetables .....	211.8	215.4	1.7
Fresh fruits .....	234.4	236.3	.8
Apples .....	202.3	199.6	-1.3
Bananas .....	159.0	159.6	.4
Oranges, including tangerines <sup>1</sup> .....	239.3	226.1	-5.5
Other fresh fruits <sup>1</sup> .....	266.3	274.4	3.0
Fresh vegetables .....	189.2	194.6	2.9
Potatoes .....	180.6	174.2	-3.5
Lettuce .....	185.7	200.1	7.8
Tomatoes .....	198.2	213.6	7.8
Other fresh vegetables .....	192.1	196.9	2.5
Processed fruits and vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....	144.4	147.9	2.4
Processed fruits <sup>1</sup> .....	145.2	148.8	2.5
Fruit juices and frozen fruit <sup>1</sup> .....	145.0	148.2	2.2
Canned and dried fruits <sup>1</sup> .....	143.5	148.5	3.5
Processed vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....	143.9	147.2	2.3
Frozen vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....	143.7	148.1	3.1
Processed vegetables excluding frozen <sup>1</sup> .....	144.7	147.4	1.9

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Annual average 1996	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
Other food at home .....	142.9	147.3	3.1
Sugar and sweets .....	143.7	147.8	2.9
Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....	132.6	134.8	1.7
Sweets, including candy <sup>1</sup> .....	148.1	153.0	3.3
Fats and oils .....	140.5	141.7	.9
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	128.6	133.4	3.7
Carbonated drinks .....	119.9	118.3	-1.3
Coffee .....	149.2	168.0	12.6
Other noncarbonated drinks <sup>1</sup> .....	137.5	140.5	2.2
Other prepared food .....	156.2	161.2	3.2
Canned and packaged soup .....	182.4	188.6	3.4
Frozen prepared food .....	143.2	145.6	1.7
Snacks .....	148.6	154.6	4.0
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices .....	162.5	167.8	3.3
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food <sup>1</sup> .....	157.4	162.7	3.4
Food away from home .....	152.7	157.0	2.8
Lunch <sup>1</sup> .....	153.3	157.7	2.9
Dinner <sup>1</sup> .....	150.7	154.7	2.7
Other meals and snacks <sup>1</sup> .....	155.7	160.5	3.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	158.5	162.8	2.7
Alcoholic beverages at home .....	146.8	149.5	1.8
Beer and ale .....	147.4	148.2	.5
Wine .....	139.3	145.5	4.5
Distilled spirits .....	147.5	150.8	2.2
Alcoholic beverages away from home .....	182.7	189.4	3.7
Housing <sup>2</sup> .....	152.8	156.8	2.6
Shelter .....	171.0	176.3	3.1
Renters' costs <sup>1 3</sup> .....	180.2	186.4	3.4
Rent, residential .....	162.0	166.7	2.9
Other renters' costs <sup>1</sup> .....	214.7	225.0	4.8
Lodging while out of town .....	213.7	224.1	4.9
Lodging while at school <sup>3</sup> .....	213.9	223.9	4.7
Tenants' insurance <sup>1</sup> .....	154.7	159.2	2.9
Homeowners' costs <sup>1 3</sup> .....	176.5	181.5	2.8
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>3</sup> .....	176.8	181.9	2.9
Household insurance <sup>1 3</sup> .....	161.0	165.3	2.7
Maintenance and repairs <sup>1</sup> .....	139.0	143.7	3.4
Maintenance and repair services <sup>1</sup> .....	145.5	151.1	3.8
Maintenance and repair commodities <sup>1</sup> .....	130.2	133.4	2.5
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs <sup>1 4</sup> .....	122.3	126.4	3.4
Other maintenance and repair commodities <sup>1</sup> .....	126.1	128.2	1.7
Fuel and other utilities <sup>2</sup> .....	127.5	130.8	2.6
Fuels .....	115.2	117.9	2.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities .....	99.2	99.8	.6
Fuel oil .....	97.0	96.9	-.1
Other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	128.0	131.4	2.7
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	122.1	125.1	2.5
Electricity .....	131.8	132.5	.5
Utility (piped) gas .....	107.2	114.6	6.9
Other utilities and public services <sup>1</sup> .....	157.2	161.6	2.8
Telephone services <sup>1</sup> .....	125.9	127.7	1.4
Local charges <sup>1</sup> .....	160.8	163.1	1.4
Interstate toll calls .....	77.9	77.3	-.8
Intrastate toll calls .....	89.4	93.9	5.0
Water and sewerage maintenance .....	204.5	210.0	2.7
Cable television <sup>5</sup> .....	212.6	228.7	7.6
Refuse collection <sup>5</sup> .....	246.0	250.5	1.8

See footnotes at end of table.



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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Annual average 1996	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
Household furnishings and operation <sup>2</sup> .....	124.7	125.4	0.6
Housefurnishings <sup>1</sup> .....	111.3	110.6	-.6
Textile housefurnishings <sup>1</sup> .....	121.0	119.9	-.9
Furniture and bedding .....	134.1	134.5	.3
Bedroom furniture .....	139.3	141.5	1.6
Sofas <sup>1</sup> .....	141.5	142.0	.4
Living room chairs and tables <sup>1</sup> .....	136.9	136.7	-.1
Other furniture <sup>1</sup> .....	123.0	121.7	-1.1
Appliances, including electronic equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	77.8	75.3	-3.2
Video and audio products <sup>1</sup> .....	71.3	69.1	-3.1
Televisions .....	64.5	61.7	-4.3
Video products other than televisions <sup>1 6</sup> .....	66.3	63.4	-4.4
Audio products <sup>1</sup> .....	90.7	88.9	-2.0
Major household appliances <sup>1 4</sup> .....	103.0	102.3	-.7
Refrigerators and home freezers <sup>1</sup> .....	109.8	108.9	-.8
Laundry equipment .....	111.9	113.1	1.1
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners <sup>1 4</sup> .....	94.0	92.3	-1.8
Information processing equipment <sup>5</sup> .....	57.2	50.1	-12.4
Other housefurnishings <sup>1 4</sup> .....	115.5	115.9	.3
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	140.2	143.8	2.6
Clocks, lamps, and decor items .....	120.0	119.8	-.2
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware <sup>1</sup> .....	122.9	124.3	1.1
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware <sup>1</sup> .....	108.7	110.3	1.5
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances <sup>1 4</sup> .....	89.1	90.1	1.1
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers <sup>7</sup> .....	115.1	110.6	-3.9
Housekeeping supplies .....	141.1	143.1	1.4
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap <sup>1</sup> .....	143.6	146.6	2.1
Household paper products and stationery supplies <sup>1</sup> .....	145.2	145.9	.5
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies <sup>1</sup> .....	134.0	136.2	1.6
Housekeeping services <sup>1</sup> .....	148.0	151.9	2.6
Postage .....	160.3	160.3	.0
Appliance and furniture repair <sup>1</sup> .....	156.2	160.3	2.6
Gardening and other household services <sup>1 4</sup> .....	135.9	139.2	2.4
Apparel and upkeep .....	131.7	132.9	.9
Apparel commodities <sup>1</sup> .....	128.2	129.1	.7
Apparel commodities less footwear .....	128.5	129.4	.7
Men's and boys' .....	127.7	130.1	1.9
Men's .....	130.5	133.1	2.0
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets .....	134.1	135.0	.7
Furnishings and special clothing .....	122.2	127.9	4.7
Shirts <sup>1</sup> .....	135.3	138.1	2.1
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers .....	130.5	131.5	.8
Boys' .....	116.1	117.6	1.3
Women's and girls' .....	124.7	126.1	1.1
Women's .....	124.3	126.1	1.4
Coats and jackets .....	119.5	123.3	3.2
Dresses .....	112.5	111.0	-1.3
Separates and sportswear <sup>1</sup> .....	126.2	128.3	1.7
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories <sup>1</sup> .....	133.3	134.8	1.1
Suits <sup>1</sup> .....	143.5	149.6	4.3
Girls' .....	127.2	126.3	-.7
Infants' and toddlers' .....	129.7	129.0	-.5
Other apparel commodities <sup>1</sup> .....	150.6	145.8	-3.2
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage <sup>4</sup> .....	134.2	127.6	-4.9
Watches and jewelry <sup>4</sup> .....	149.6	145.4	-2.8
Watches <sup>4</sup> .....	129.8	126.7	-2.4
Jewelry <sup>4</sup> .....	155.3	150.7	-3.0
Footwear .....	126.6	127.6	.8
Men's .....	132.0	132.1	.1
Boys' and girls' .....	128.9	131.0	1.6
Women's .....	121.0	122.0	.8
Apparel services <sup>1</sup> .....	159.8	163.1	2.1
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated <sup>1</sup> .....	161.8	166.2	2.7
Other apparel services <sup>1</sup> .....	157.9	160.0	1.3

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Annual average 1996	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
Transportation .....	143.0	144.3	0.9
Private .....	140.0	141.0	.7
New vehicles .....	143.7	144.3	.4
New cars .....	141.4	141.7	.2
Subcompact new cars <sup>1 4</sup> .....	123.1	122.5	-.5
Compact new cars <sup>1 4</sup> .....	122.0	122.7	.6
Intermediate new cars <sup>1 4</sup> .....	121.5	121.7	.2
Full-size new cars <sup>1 4</sup> .....	124.0	124.7	.6
Luxury new cars <sup>1 4</sup> .....	132.2	132.2	.0
New trucks <sup>5</sup> .....	149.5	151.4	1.3
New motorcycles <sup>4</sup> .....	160.7	163.2	1.6
Used cars .....	157.0	151.1	-3.8
Motor fuel .....	106.3	106.2	-.1
Gasoline .....	105.9	105.8	-.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	103.9	103.8	-.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>8</sup> .....	110.4	110.2	-.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	107.1	106.8	-.3
Automobile maintenance and repair .....	158.4	162.7	2.7
Body work .....	166.0	172.9	4.2
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair <sup>1</sup> .....	165.6	170.6	3.0
Maintenance and servicing .....	146.7	149.6	2.0
Power plant repair <sup>1</sup> .....	163.4	168.1	2.9
Other private transportation <sup>1</sup> .....	173.9	177.5	2.1
Other private transportation commodities <sup>1</sup> .....	105.1	104.8	-.3
Motor oil, coolant, and other products .....	131.9	131.7	-.2
Automobile parts and equipment .....	102.2	101.9	-.3
Tires .....	101.3	100.2	-1.1
Other parts and equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	107.3	107.8	.5
Other private transportation services <sup>1</sup> .....	190.1	194.7	2.4
Automobile insurance .....	243.9	251.6	3.2
Automobile finance charges <sup>1</sup> .....	94.4	93.6	-.8
Automobile fees <sup>1</sup> .....	181.1	185.4	2.4
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees <sup>1</sup> .....	183.8	185.4	.9
Other automobile-related fees <sup>1</sup> .....	179.6	186.6	3.9
Public transportation .....	181.9	186.7	2.6
Airline fares .....	192.5	199.2	3.5
Other intercity transportation .....	156.0	155.1	-.6
Intracity public transportation .....	173.2	175.8	1.5
Medical care .....	228.2	234.6	2.8
Medical care commodities .....	210.4	215.3	2.3
Prescription drugs .....	242.9	249.3	2.6
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies <sup>4</sup> .....	143.1	145.4	1.6
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs .....	170.2	173.1	1.7
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies .....	169.1	171.5	1.4
Medical care services .....	232.4	239.1	2.9
Professional medical services .....	208.3	215.4	3.4
Physicians' services .....	216.4	222.9	3.0
Dental services .....	216.5	226.6	4.7
Eye care <sup>4</sup> .....	139.3	141.5	1.6
Services by other medical professionals <sup>4</sup> .....	146.6	151.8	3.5
Hospital and related services .....	269.5	278.4	3.3
Hospital services <sup>9</sup> .....	NA	101.7	-
Inpatient hospital services <sup>9</sup> .....	NA	101.3	-
Outpatient hospital services <sup>4</sup> .....	215.1	224.9	4.6
Nursing home services <sup>9</sup> .....	NA	102.3	-

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Annual average 1996	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
Entertainment <sup>1</sup> .....	159.1	162.5	2.1
Entertainment commodities <sup>1</sup> .....	143.0	144.2	.8
Reading materials .....	176.4	179.0	1.5
Newspapers <sup>1</sup> .....	188.9	191.3	1.3
Magazines, periodicals, and books <sup>1</sup> .....	165.0	167.8	1.7
Sporting goods and equipment .....	123.4	122.6	-.6
Sport vehicles, including bicycles .....	125.7	124.5	-1.0
Other sporting goods .....	118.6	118.0	-.5
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment <sup>1</sup> .....	131.9	133.3	1.1
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	126.4	126.2	-.2
Photographic supplies and equipment .....	133.7	134.0	.2
Pet supplies and expense .....	139.0	142.7	2.7
Entertainment services <sup>1</sup> .....	178.1	183.8	3.2
Club memberships <sup>1 4</sup> .....	133.3	132.1	-.9
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships <sup>1 4</sup> .....	162.9	171.0	5.0
Admissions .....	192.1	198.9	3.5
Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>4</sup> .....	160.6	168.8	5.1
Other entertainment services <sup>1 4</sup> .....	138.6	143.0	3.2
Other goods and services <sup>2</sup> .....	215.4	224.8	4.4
Tobacco and smoking products .....	232.8	243.7	4.7
Personal care .....	150.1	152.7	1.7
Toilet goods and personal care appliances .....	144.3	144.2	-.1
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements .....	148.2	151.7	2.4
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products .....	141.6	138.9	-1.9
Personal care services .....	156.6	162.4	3.7
Beauty parlor services for females <sup>1</sup> .....	155.9	161.4	3.5
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males <sup>1</sup> .....	158.5	165.5	4.4
Personal and educational expenses <sup>1</sup> .....	247.5	259.7	4.9
School books and supplies .....	226.9	238.4	5.1
Personal and educational services <sup>1</sup> .....	249.3	261.6	4.9
Tuition and other school fees .....	267.1	280.4	5.0
College tuition .....	279.8	294.1	5.1
Elementary and high school tuition .....	272.8	288.1	5.6
Day care and nursery school <sup>7</sup> .....	129.4	134.3	3.8
Personal expenses .....	215.6	226.1	4.9
Legal service fees <sup>4</sup> .....	157.1	163.8	4.3
Personal financial services <sup>4</sup> .....	182.6	191.7	5.0
Funeral expenses <sup>4</sup> .....	161.2	169.9	5.4
<b>Special Indexes</b>			
Domestically produced farm food .....	156.1	159.8	2.4
Selected beef cuts .....	127.2	129.1	1.5
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products <sup>1</sup> .....	106.7	106.7	.0
Utilities and public transportation .....	142.2	145.9	2.6
Housekeeping and home maintenance services <sup>1</sup> .....	148.0	152.0	2.7

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

<sup>2</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.

**Table 5A. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, annual average indexes for special detailed expenditure categories <sup>1</sup>**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Annual average 1996	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Food and beverages</b>			
Other breads .....	178.7	182.9	2.4
Fresh biscuits, rolls, and muffins <sup>2</sup> .....	163.4	169.1	3.5
Fresh cakes and cupcakes .....	173.1	177.8	2.7
Cookies .....	174.8	180.2	3.1
Crackers, bread, and cracker products .....	202.3	210.8	4.2
Fresh sweetrolls, coffee cake, and donuts .....	170.7	175.1	2.6
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products and fresh pies, tarts, and turnovers .....	174.9	178.0	1.8
Ham other than canned .....	158.4	166.8	5.3
Pork sausage <sup>2</sup> .....	138.5	147.5	6.5
Other pork <sup>2</sup> .....	147.7	154.5	4.6
Frankfurters .....	142.1	145.3	2.3
Bologna, liverwurst, and salami <sup>2</sup> .....	144.7	148.9	2.9
Other lunchmeats <sup>2</sup> .....	136.0	138.1	1.5
Lamb and organ meats .....	155.7	161.6	3.8
Butter .....	107.6	114.8	6.7
Other dairy products <sup>2</sup> .....	152.0	157.5	3.6
Frozen fruit and fruit juices <sup>2</sup> .....	133.5	136.4	2.2
Other fruit juices <sup>2</sup> .....	148.3	151.5	2.2
Cut corn, canned beans except lima <sup>2</sup> .....	146.4	150.1	2.5
Other processed vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....	148.4	150.4	1.3
Candy and chewing gum <sup>2</sup> .....	148.5	152.9	3.0
Other sweets <sup>2</sup> .....	145.1	152.8	5.3
Margarine .....	144.6	145.4	.6
Other fats, oils, and salad dressing <sup>2</sup> .....	142.9	144.4	1.0
Nondairy substitutes and peanut butter <sup>2</sup> .....	137.2	138.4	.9
Roasted coffee .....	149.6	176.3	17.8
Instant and freeze-dried coffee .....	147.5	153.8	4.3
Seasonings, olives, pickles, and relish <sup>2</sup> .....	168.9	173.8	2.9
Other condiments .....	154.1	160.2	4.0
Miscellaneous prepared foods and baby foods <sup>2</sup> .....	172.2	179.4	4.2
Other canned and packaged prepared foods <sup>2</sup> .....	138.0	143.0	3.6
Whiskey at home .....	147.3	150.8	2.4
Other alcoholic beverages at home .....	147.1	150.6	2.4

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 5A. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, annual average indexes for special detailed expenditure categories <sup>1</sup> —Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Annual average 1996	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Housing</b>			
Household linens <sup>2</sup> .....	111.9	109.8	-1.9
Curtains, drapes, slipcovers, and sewing materials <sup>2</sup> .....	135.1	135.5	.3
Soaps and detergents <sup>2</sup> .....	141.2	142.9	1.2
Other laundry and cleaning products <sup>2</sup> .....	144.3	148.3	2.8
Cleansing and toilet tissue, paper towels, and napkins <sup>2</sup> .....	144.0	141.7	-1.6
Stationery, stationery supplies, and gift wrap <sup>2</sup> .....	148.6	155.2	4.4
<b>Apparel and upkeep</b>			
Men's suits, sport coats, and jackets <sup>2</sup> .....	133.7	133.4	-.2
Men's coats and jackets <sup>2</sup> .....	141.0	145.6	3.3
Boys' coats, jackets, sweaters, and shirts <sup>2</sup> .....	113.8	116.6	2.5
Boys' trousers, sport coats, and jackets <sup>2</sup> .....	116.6	117.6	.9
Girls' coats, jackets, dresses, and suits <sup>2</sup> .....	123.1	123.8	.6
Girls' separates and sportswear <sup>2</sup> .....	118.1	113.7	-3.7
<b>Transportation</b>			
State automobile registration <sup>2</sup> .....	205.5	207.6	1.0
<b>Other goods and services</b>			
Products for hair, hair pieces, and wigs <sup>2</sup> .....	131.7	127.6	-3.1

<sup>1</sup> These special indexes are based on substantially smaller samples.

<sup>2</sup> This index series will no longer appear in its present form

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

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

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Annual average 1996	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>			
All items .....	154.1	157.6	2.3
All items (1967 = 100) .....	459.1	469.3	-
Food and beverages .....	153.2	157.2	2.6
Food .....	152.8	156.8	2.6
Food at home .....	153.5	157.2	2.4
Cereals and bakery products .....	173.6	177.3	2.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	144.5	148.2	2.6
Dairy products .....	141.9	145.2	2.3
Fruits and vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....	183.1	186.6	1.9
Other food at home .....	142.6	146.8	2.9
Sugar and sweets .....	143.6	147.7	2.9
Fats and oils .....	140.3	141.4	.8
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	128.1	132.3	3.3
Other prepared food .....	156.0	161.1	3.3
Food away from home .....	152.6	157.0	2.9
Alcoholic beverages .....	157.9	162.1	2.7
Housing <sup>1</sup> .....	149.6	153.4	2.5
Shelter .....	166.2	171.2	3.0
Renters' costs <sup>2 3</sup> .....	157.3	162.4	3.2
Rent, residential .....	161.6	166.3	2.9
Other renters' costs <sup>2</sup> .....	214.6	224.5	4.6
Homeowners' costs <sup>2 3</sup> .....	160.9	165.5	2.9
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>3</sup> .....	161.2	165.8	2.9
Household insurance <sup>2 3</sup> .....	147.1	149.8	1.8
Maintenance and repairs <sup>2</sup> .....	137.6	142.0	3.2
Maintenance and repair services <sup>2</sup> .....	147.6	152.9	3.6
Maintenance and repair commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	124.9	128.1	2.6
Fuel and other utilities <sup>1</sup> .....	127.2	130.5	2.6
Fuels .....	114.7	117.3	2.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities .....	99.0	99.6	.6
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	121.6	124.6	2.5
Other utilities and public services <sup>2</sup> .....	157.7	162.3	2.9
Household furnishings and operation <sup>1</sup> .....	123.2	123.9	.6
Housefurnishings <sup>2</sup> .....	109.9	109.4	-.5
Housekeeping supplies .....	141.5	143.7	1.6
Housekeeping services <sup>2</sup> .....	150.9	154.7	2.5
Apparel and upkeep .....	130.9	132.1	.9
Apparel commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	127.6	128.6	.8
Men's and boys' apparel .....	127.4	129.9	2.0
Women's and girls' apparel .....	123.6	124.9	1.1
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	130.8	130.1	-.5
Footwear .....	127.6	128.5	.7
Other apparel commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	149.6	145.6	-2.7
Apparel services <sup>2</sup> .....	159.0	162.2	2.0
Transportation .....	142.8	143.6	.6
Private transportation .....	140.7	141.3	.4
New vehicles .....	144.7	145.5	.6
New cars .....	141.1	141.3	.1
Used cars .....	158.2	152.6	-3.5
Motor fuel .....	106.3	106.2	-.1
Gasoline .....	105.9	105.8	-.1
Maintenance and repairs .....	159.3	163.7	2.8
Other private transportation <sup>2</sup> .....	169.6	172.9	1.9
Other private transportation commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	104.2	103.9	-.3
Other private transportation services <sup>2</sup> .....	186.1	190.4	2.3
Public transportation .....	179.6	184.2	2.6

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Annual average 1996	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>			
Medical care .....	227.6	234.0	2.8
Medical care commodities .....	207.8	212.6	2.3
Medical care services .....	232.1	238.8	2.9
Professional medical services .....	209.5	216.7	3.4
Entertainment <sup>2</sup> .....	156.8	160.0	2.0
Entertainment commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	142.0	143.0	.7
Entertainment services <sup>2</sup> .....	178.2	184.1	3.3
Other goods and services <sup>1</sup> .....	212.2	221.6	4.4
Tobacco and smoking products .....	232.5	243.3	4.6
Personal care .....	150.1	152.6	1.7
Toilet goods and personal care appliances .....	145.0	145.1	.1
Personal care services .....	156.6	162.5	3.8
Personal and educational expenses <sup>2</sup> .....	242.9	255.3	5.1
School books and supplies .....	228.2	240.4	5.3
Personal and educational services <sup>2</sup> .....	244.4	256.8	5.1
<b>Commodity and service group</b>			
All items .....	154.1	157.6	2.3
Commodities .....	139.9	141.8	1.4
Food and beverages .....	153.2	157.2	2.6
Commodities less food and beverages .....	131.8	132.4	.5
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	132.8	134.5	1.3
Apparel commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	127.6	128.6	.8
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	138.3	140.4	1.5
Durables .....	129.2	128.4	-.6
Services .....	171.4	176.5	3.0
Rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	159.9	164.7	3.0
Household services less rent of shelter <sup>2 3</sup> .....	130.5	134.0	2.7
Transportation services .....	178.3	182.6	2.4
Medical care services .....	232.1	238.8	2.9
Other services .....	198.1	206.4	4.2
<b>Special indexes</b>			
All items less food .....	154.3	157.6	2.1
All items less shelter .....	151.0	154.0	2.0
All items less homeowners' costs <sup>2 3</sup> .....	144.8	147.8	2.1
All items less medical care .....	150.7	154.0	2.2
Commodities less food .....	132.8	133.6	.6
Nondurables less food .....	134.3	136.2	1.4
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	139.3	141.6	1.7
Nondurables .....	143.3	146.2	2.0
Services less rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	162.7	167.6	3.0
Services less medical care services .....	166.2	171.2	3.0
Energy .....	109.8	111.1	1.2
All items less energy .....	160.4	164.1	2.3
All items less food and energy .....	162.3	166.0	2.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	140.9	141.9	.7
Energy commodities .....	105.9	105.9	.0
Services less energy services .....	176.8	182.2	3.1
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:			
1982-84=\$1.00 .....	\$ .649	\$ .635	-2.2
1967=\$1.00 .....	.218	.213	-

<sup>1</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

<sup>2</sup> This index series will no longer appear in its present form

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

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Annual average 1996	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
Food and beverages .....	153.2	157.2	2.6
Food .....	152.8	156.8	2.6
Food at home .....	153.5	157.2	2.4
Cereals and bakery products .....	173.6	177.3	2.1
Cereals and cereal products .....	168.0	168.8	.5
Flour and prepared flour mixes .....	151.1	155.7	3.0
Cereal .....	189.5	187.0	-1.3
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal .....	144.5	149.1	3.2
Bakery products .....	176.0	181.1	2.9
White bread .....	177.6	183.9	3.5
Fresh other bread, biscuits, rolls, and muffins .....	176.8	182.1	3.0
Cookies, fresh cakes, and cupcakes .....	173.1	178.2	2.9
Other bakery products .....	176.8	180.5	2.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	144.5	148.2	2.6
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	144.6	148.7	2.8
Meats .....	140.2	144.4	3.0
Beef and veal .....	134.3	136.6	1.7
Ground beef other than canned .....	114.2	116.3	1.8
Chuck roast <sup>1</sup> .....	140.7	143.1	1.7
Round roast <sup>1</sup> .....	129.7	130.8	.8
Round steak <sup>1</sup> .....	129.5	130.3	.6
Sirloin steak <sup>1</sup> .....	139.3	141.4	1.5
Other beef and veal <sup>1</sup> .....	157.1	160.3	2.0
Pork .....	148.4	156.0	5.1
Bacon .....	148.8	163.9	10.1
Chops .....	153.8	156.1	1.5
Ham .....	149.1	155.8	4.5
Other pork, including sausage <sup>1</sup> .....	143.9	151.8	5.5
Other meats .....	143.9	147.7	2.6
Poultry .....	152.0	156.4	2.9
Fresh whole chicken .....	152.9	159.0	4.0
Fresh and frozen chicken parts .....	154.4	156.9	1.6
Other poultry <sup>1</sup> .....	148.6	154.5	4.0
Fish and seafood .....	173.6	177.6	2.3
Canned fish and seafood .....	126.1	128.4	1.8
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood <sup>1</sup> .....	197.6	202.3	2.4
Eggs .....	141.3	138.9	-1.7
Dairy products .....	141.9	145.2	2.3
Fresh milk and cream <sup>1</sup> .....	142.2	144.6	1.7
Fresh whole milk .....	141.0	142.7	1.2
Other fresh milk and cream <sup>1</sup> .....	144.2	147.5	2.3
Processed dairy products <sup>1</sup> .....	142.0	146.5	3.2
Cheese <sup>1</sup> .....	144.2	147.3	2.1
Ice cream and related products .....	144.7	150.7	4.1
Other dairy products, including butter <sup>1</sup> .....	130.3	136.4	4.7
Fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....	183.1	186.6	1.9
Fresh fruits and vegetables .....	210.7	214.2	1.7
Fresh fruits .....	232.8	234.2	.6
Apples .....	203.2	200.7	-1.2
Bananas .....	158.8	159.2	.3
Oranges, including tangerines <sup>1</sup> .....	236.7	224.9	-5.0
Other fresh fruits <sup>1</sup> .....	264.9	272.7	2.9
Fresh vegetables .....	189.1	194.8	3.0
Potatoes .....	180.7	174.6	-3.4
Lettuce .....	184.4	198.4	7.6
Tomatoes .....	194.7	210.0	7.9
Other fresh vegetables .....	193.3	198.5	2.7
Processed fruits and vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....	144.2	147.6	2.4
Processed fruits <sup>1</sup> .....	144.4	148.0	2.5
Fruit juices and frozen fruit <sup>1</sup> .....	144.4	147.7	2.3
Canned and dried fruits <sup>1</sup> .....	142.8	147.6	3.4
Processed vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....	144.2	147.5	2.3
Frozen vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....	144.0	148.2	2.9
Processed vegetables excluding frozen <sup>1</sup> .....	145.0	147.9	2.0

See footnotes at end of table.



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

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Annual average 1996	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
Other food at home .....	142.6	146.8	2.9
Sugar and sweets .....	143.6	147.7	2.9
Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....	133.0	135.2	1.7
Sweets, including candy <sup>1</sup> .....	148.0	153.0	3.4
Fats and oils .....	140.3	141.4	.8
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	128.1	132.3	3.3
Carbonated drinks .....	120.4	118.6	-1.5
Coffee .....	148.4	167.3	12.7
Other noncarbonated drinks <sup>1</sup> .....	137.5	140.3	2.0
Other prepared food .....	156.0	161.1	3.3
Canned and packaged soup .....	183.0	189.2	3.4
Frozen prepared food .....	142.1	144.7	1.8
Snacks .....	148.4	154.4	4.0
Seasonings, condiments, sauces, and spices .....	162.6	167.9	3.3
Miscellaneous prepared food, including baby food <sup>1</sup> .....	157.1	162.4	3.4
Food away from home .....	152.6	157.0	2.9
Lunch <sup>1</sup> .....	153.0	157.5	2.9
Dinner <sup>1</sup> .....	150.8	154.9	2.7
Other meals and snacks <sup>1</sup> .....	155.2	160.2	3.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	157.9	162.1	2.7
Alcoholic beverages at home .....	146.5	148.8	1.6
Beer and ale .....	147.3	148.1	.5
Wine .....	137.5	143.6	4.4
Distilled spirits .....	147.0	150.2	2.2
Alcoholic beverages away from home .....	181.9	188.9	3.8
Housing <sup>2</sup> .....	149.6	153.4	2.5
Shelter .....	166.2	171.2	3.0
Renters' costs <sup>1 3</sup> .....	157.3	162.4	3.2
Rent, residential .....	161.6	166.3	2.9
Other renters' costs <sup>1</sup> .....	214.6	224.5	4.6
Lodging while out of town .....	213.7	223.6	4.6
Lodging while at school <sup>4</sup> .....	214.7	225.4	5.0
Tenants' insurance <sup>1</sup> .....	152.2	154.6	1.6
Homeowners' costs <sup>1 3</sup> .....	160.9	165.5	2.9
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>3</sup> .....	161.2	165.8	2.9
Household insurance <sup>3</sup> .....	147.1	149.8	1.8
Maintenance and repairs <sup>1</sup> .....	137.6	142.0	3.2
Maintenance and repair services <sup>1</sup> .....	147.6	152.9	3.6
Maintenance and repair commodities <sup>1</sup> .....	124.9	128.1	2.6
Materials, supplies, and equipment for home repairs <sup>1 5</sup> .....	119.9	125.2	4.4
Other maintenance and repair commodities <sup>1</sup> .....	122.2	123.4	1.0
Fuel and other utilities <sup>2</sup> .....	127.2	130.5	2.6
Fuels .....	114.7	117.3	2.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities .....	99.0	99.6	.6
Fuel oil .....	97.3	97.1	-.2
Other household fuel commodities <sup>5</sup> .....	128.2	131.1	2.3
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	121.6	124.6	2.5
Electricity .....	131.3	132.0	.5
Utility (piped) gas .....	107.0	114.3	6.8
Other utilities and public services <sup>1</sup> .....	157.7	162.3	2.9
Telephone services <sup>1</sup> .....	125.7	127.5	1.4
Local charges <sup>1</sup> .....	160.1	162.3	1.4
Interstate toll calls .....	78.0	77.4	-.8
Intrastate toll calls .....	89.7	94.4	5.2
Water and sewerage maintenance .....	201.9	207.0	2.5
Cable television <sup>6</sup> .....	213.5	229.8	7.6
Refuse collection <sup>6</sup> .....	246.0	250.5	1.8

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Annual average 1996	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
Household furnishings and operation <sup>2</sup> .....	123.2	123.9	0.6
Housefurnishings <sup>1</sup> .....	109.9	109.4	-.5
Textile housefurnishings <sup>1</sup> .....	121.5	120.7	-.7
Furniture and bedding .....	131.3	131.8	.4
Bedroom furniture .....	137.2	140.0	2.0
Sofas <sup>1</sup> .....	137.2	137.9	.5
Living room chairs and tables <sup>1</sup> .....	133.3	132.8	-.4
Other furniture <sup>1</sup> .....	119.7	117.7	-1.7
Appliances, including electronic equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	79.8	77.6	-2.8
Video and audio products <sup>1</sup> .....	71.4	69.1	-3.2
Televisions .....	63.6	60.8	-4.4
Video products other than televisions <sup>1 7</sup> .....	66.7	64.1	-3.9
Audio products <sup>1</sup> .....	90.7	88.9	-2.0
Major household appliances <sup>1 5</sup> .....	103.0	102.4	-.6
Refrigerators and home freezers <sup>1</sup> .....	110.4	109.3	-1.0
Laundry equipment .....	111.5	112.9	1.3
Stoves, ovens, dishwashers, and air conditioners <sup>1 5</sup> .....	93.6	91.6	-2.1
Information processing equipment <sup>7</sup> .....	57.7	51.1	-11.4
Other housefurnishings <sup>1 5</sup> .....	114.7	115.2	.4
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	138.7	141.3	1.9
Clocks, lamps, and decor items .....	116.9	116.9	.0
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware <sup>1</sup> .....	124.9	126.3	1.1
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware <sup>1</sup> .....	108.9	110.6	1.6
Sewing, floor cleaning, small kitchen, and portable heating appliances <sup>1 5</sup> .....	89.2	90.4	1.3
Indoor plants and fresh cut flowers <sup>5</sup> .....	116.1	111.2	-4.2
Housekeeping supplies .....	141.5	143.7	1.6
Laundry and cleaning products, including soap <sup>1</sup> .....	143.3	146.4	2.2
Household paper products and stationery supplies <sup>1</sup> .....	145.3	146.0	.5
Other household, lawn, and garden supplies <sup>1</sup> .....	135.1	137.6	1.9
Housekeeping services <sup>1</sup> .....	150.9	154.7	2.5
Postage .....	160.8	160.8	.0
Appliance and furniture repair <sup>1</sup> .....	153.8	157.7	2.5
Gardening and other household services <sup>1 5</sup> .....	134.4	137.6	2.4
Apparel and upkeep .....	130.9	132.1	.9
Apparel commodities <sup>1</sup> .....	127.6	128.6	.8
Apparel commodities less footwear .....	127.6	128.6	.8
Men's and boys' .....	127.4	129.9	2.0
Men's .....	131.0	133.7	2.1
Suits, sport coats, coats, and jackets .....	136.1	136.4	.2
Furnishings and special clothing .....	122.7	129.4	5.5
Shirts <sup>1</sup> .....	136.3	139.2	2.1
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers .....	130.2	131.4	.9
Boys' .....	116.0	117.5	1.3
Women's and girls' .....	123.6	124.9	1.1
Women's .....	122.6	124.2	1.3
Coats and jackets .....	120.0	125.1	4.3
Dresses .....	112.4	109.8	-2.3
Separates and sportswear <sup>1</sup> .....	125.9	128.0	1.7
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories <sup>1</sup> .....	132.9	134.3	1.1
Suits <sup>1</sup> .....	131.7	136.8	3.9
Girls' .....	128.2	128.2	.0
Infants' and toddlers' .....	130.8	130.1	-.5
Other apparel commodities <sup>1</sup> .....	149.6	145.6	-2.7
Sewing materials, notions, and luggage <sup>5</sup> .....	132.9	127.1	-4.4
Watches and jewelry <sup>5</sup> .....	148.8	145.3	-2.4
Watches <sup>5</sup> .....	128.0	125.6	-1.9
Jewelry <sup>5</sup> .....	154.7	151.0	-2.4
Footwear .....	127.6	128.5	.7
Men's .....	133.0	132.8	-.2
Boys' and girls' .....	129.5	131.8	1.8
Women's .....	121.4	122.3	.7
Apparel services <sup>1</sup> .....	159.0	162.2	2.0
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated <sup>1</sup> .....	161.4	165.8	2.7
Other apparel services <sup>1</sup> .....	157.7	159.8	1.3

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Annual average 1996	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
Transportation .....	142.8	143.6	0.6
Private .....	140.7	141.3	.4
New vehicles .....	144.7	145.5	.6
New cars .....	141.1	141.3	.1
Subcompact new cars <sup>1 5</sup> .....	122.8	122.2	-.5
Compact new cars <sup>1 5</sup> .....	121.7	122.6	.7
Intermediate new cars <sup>1 5</sup> .....	121.7	121.9	.2
Full-size new cars <sup>1 5</sup> .....	123.5	124.2	.6
Luxury new cars <sup>1 5</sup> .....	132.7	132.7	.0
New trucks <sup>6</sup> .....	150.9	153.1	1.5
New motorcycles <sup>5</sup> .....	161.0	163.5	1.6
Used cars .....	158.2	152.6	-3.5
Motor fuel .....	106.3	106.2	-.1
Gasoline .....	105.9	105.8	-.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	103.9	103.8	-.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9</sup> .....	110.4	110.2	-.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	107.0	106.8	-.2
Automobile maintenance and repair .....	159.3	163.7	2.8
Body work .....	166.4	173.2	4.1
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair <sup>1</sup> .....	166.7	171.8	3.1
Maintenance and servicing .....	147.0	150.0	2.0
Power plant repair <sup>1</sup> .....	163.5	168.1	2.8
Other private transportation <sup>1</sup> .....	169.6	172.9	1.9
Other private transportation commodities <sup>1</sup> .....	104.2	103.9	-.3
Motor oil, coolant, and other products .....	130.3	130.3	.0
Automobile parts and equipment .....	101.3	101.0	-.3
Tires .....	100.6	99.5	-1.1
Other parts and equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	106.4	106.9	.5
Other private transportation services <sup>1</sup> .....	186.1	190.4	2.3
Automobile insurance .....	243.4	251.3	3.2
Automobile finance charges <sup>1</sup> .....	94.0	92.9	-1.2
Automobile fees <sup>1</sup> .....	179.9	184.1	2.3
Automobile registration, licensing, and inspection fees <sup>1</sup> .....	181.4	183.0	.9
Other automobile-related fees <sup>1</sup> .....	179.1	186.7	4.2
Public transportation .....	179.6	184.2	2.6
Airline fares .....	191.2	198.4	3.8
Other intercity transportation .....	158.4	157.8	-.4
Intracity public transportation .....	172.8	175.3	1.4
Medical care .....	227.6	234.0	2.8
Medical care commodities .....	207.8	212.6	2.3
Prescription drugs .....	242.6	248.8	2.6
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies <sup>5</sup> .....	141.9	144.4	1.8
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs .....	168.1	171.2	1.8
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies .....	172.0	174.3	1.3
Medical care services .....	232.1	238.8	2.9
Professional medical services .....	209.5	216.7	3.4
Physicians' services .....	216.9	223.6	3.1
Dental services .....	216.3	226.3	4.6
Eye care <sup>5</sup> .....	139.7	141.7	1.4
Services by other medical professionals <sup>5</sup> .....	149.7	155.6	3.9
Hospital and related services .....	266.5	274.7	3.1
Hospital services <sup>10</sup> .....	NA	101.5	-
Inpatient hospital services <sup>10</sup> .....	NA	101.2	-
Outpatient hospital services <sup>5</sup> .....	215.4	225.0	4.5
Nursing home services <sup>10</sup> .....	NA	102.4	-

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Annual average 1996	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
Entertainment <sup>1</sup> .....	156.8	160.0	2.0
Entertainment commodities <sup>1</sup> .....	142.0	143.0	.7
Reading materials .....	177.3	180.2	1.6
Newspapers <sup>1</sup> .....	189.9	192.5	1.4
Magazines, periodicals, and books <sup>1</sup> .....	164.7	167.8	1.9
Sporting goods and equipment .....	125.5	124.4	-.9
Sport vehicles, including bicycles .....	129.1	127.3	-1.4
Other sporting goods .....	118.0	117.6	-.3
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment <sup>1</sup> .....	132.4	133.8	1.1
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	127.2	127.0	-.2
Photographic supplies and equipment .....	134.5	135.1	.4
Pet supplies and expense .....	138.9	142.6	2.7
Entertainment services <sup>1</sup> .....	178.2	184.1	3.3
Club memberships <sup>1 5</sup> .....	136.1	134.7	-1.0
Fees for participant sports, excluding club memberships <sup>1 5</sup> .....	161.9	169.6	4.8
Admissions .....	191.6	198.7	3.7
Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>5</sup> .....	162.6	170.4	4.8
Other entertainment services <sup>1 5</sup> .....	137.7	141.9	3.1
Other goods and services <sup>2</sup> .....	212.2	221.6	4.4
Tobacco and smoking products .....	232.5	243.3	4.6
Personal care .....	150.1	152.6	1.7
Toilet goods and personal care appliances .....	145.0	145.1	.1
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements .....	150.2	154.4	2.8
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances, including hair and dental products .....	141.9	139.5	-1.7
Personal care services .....	156.6	162.5	3.8
Beauty parlor services for females <sup>1</sup> .....	155.9	161.5	3.6
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males <sup>1</sup> .....	158.4	165.4	4.4
Personal and educational expenses <sup>1</sup> .....	242.9	255.3	5.1
School books and supplies .....	228.2	240.4	5.3
Personal and educational services <sup>1</sup> .....	244.4	256.8	5.1
Tuition and other school fees .....	261.0	274.6	5.2
College tuition .....	277.5	293.1	5.6
Elementary and high school tuition .....	271.5	287.0	5.7
Day care and nursery school <sup>8</sup> .....	129.8	135.0	4.0
Personal expenses .....	214.7	225.2	4.9
Legal service fees <sup>5</sup> .....	157.0	163.5	4.1
Personal financial services <sup>5</sup> .....	182.3	191.0	4.8
Funeral expenses <sup>5</sup> .....	162.7	171.8	5.6
<b>Special indexes</b>			
Domestically produced farm food .....	155.2	159.0	2.4
Selected beef cuts .....	127.5	129.4	1.5
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant, and other products <sup>1</sup> .....	106.7	106.6	-.1
Utilities and public transportation .....	140.4	144.2	2.7
Housekeeping and home maintenance services <sup>1</sup> .....	152.2	156.2	2.6

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

<sup>2</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>10</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast		North Central		South		West	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
All items .....	167.6	2.4	156.7	2.4	156.9	2.1	161.4	2.4
All items (December 1977=100) .....	263.9	-	255.0	-	254.6	-	260.9	-
Food and beverages .....	160.5	2.1	154.6	2.5	156.2	2.6	159.6	3.4
Food .....	159.9	2.0	154.0	2.6	156.2	2.6	159.0	3.4
Food at home .....	161.2	1.8	153.9	2.4	155.3	2.5	162.8	3.4
Cereals and bakery products <sup>2</sup> .....	183.1	1.9	177.1	2.0	172.3	2.0	178.0	2.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>2</sup> .....	152.1	1.7	145.9	2.6	144.8	2.3	151.8	4.4
Dairy products <sup>2</sup> .....	137.8	2.7	144.5	1.4	146.2	3.2	155.0	2.1
Fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....	188.2	.3	176.6	2.3	186.5	1.7	198.7	3.7
Other food at home <sup>2</sup> .....	154.7	2.7	142.8	2.9	144.9	3.1	148.1	3.6
Sugar and sweets <sup>2</sup> .....	156.1	2.5	145.3	2.7	143.3	2.9	148.6	3.3
Fats and oils <sup>2</sup> .....	148.3	-.3	135.6	.6	140.1	1.4	144.0	1.6
Nonalcoholic beverages <sup>2</sup> .....	143.2	3.3	127.3	2.7	128.7	4.3	135.0	4.7
Other prepared food <sup>2</sup> .....	167.2	3.1	157.1	3.6	161.6	3.0	160.3	3.2
Food away from home .....	159.6	2.4	154.6	3.0	159.4	2.8	153.5	3.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	167.4	2.6	162.4	2.5	155.9	2.2	166.3	3.6
Housing <sup>3</sup> .....	168.3	2.5	151.9	2.8	148.4	2.3	159.5	2.8
Shelter .....	196.5	3.1	172.9	3.2	160.3	2.9	174.8	3.1
Renters' costs <sup>2 4</sup> .....	206.4	4.0	178.1	3.3	172.1	3.0	185.7	3.5
Rent, residential .....	179.3	3.0	163.7	3.2	154.9	2.7	166.8	2.9
Other renters' costs <sup>2</sup> .....	257.5	6.1	198.0	3.6	214.2	3.6	229.4	5.6
Homeowners' costs <sup>2 4</sup> .....	203.4	2.7	176.8	3.2	161.9	2.9	185.0	2.9
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>4</sup> .....	204.5	2.7	177.3	3.2	161.6	2.9	185.0	2.8
Maintenance and repairs <sup>2</sup> .....	139.6	2.2	144.6	2.8	143.5	5.6	143.7	1.9
Maintenance and repair services <sup>2</sup> .....	148.3	-	157.4	3.8	146.2	7.1	150.2	.7
Maintenance and repair commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	127.4	1.2	132.7	1.8	138.4	2.9	135.7	4.6
Fuel and other utilities <sup>3</sup> .....	125.9	2.3	126.1	3.1	136.3	1.9	139.1	3.2
Fuels .....	116.9	2.1	111.0	2.3	121.7	1.8	128.0	3.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	97.1	-.3	96.1	1.1	108.0	2.4	109.0	5.2
Fuel oil <sup>2</sup> .....	96.6	-.7	92.3	-.3	95.2	2.1	122.3	4.8
Other household fuel commodities <sup>2 5</sup> .....	123.1	1.7	130.6	2.5	141.9	2.5	122.5	5.4
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	132.1	2.9	116.5	2.5	124.5	1.6	130.8	3.4
Electricity .....	138.3	.3	127.2	.6	125.9	.7	145.8	.2
Utility (piped) gas .....	122.8	7.9	106.7	4.7	121.5	6.2	113.5	11.3
Other utilities and public services <sup>2</sup> .....	161.6	2.4	161.0	4.1	163.8	2.0	159.6	3.0
Household furnishings and operation <sup>3</sup> .....	126.1	-.3	123.4	.8	127.1	.7	124.8	.9
Housefurnishings <sup>2</sup> .....	107.2	-2.0	108.9	-.2	114.5	-.6	111.2	.0
Housekeeping supplies <sup>2</sup> .....	151.9	.5	142.7	1.5	137.0	2.4	141.6	1.1
Housekeeping services <sup>2</sup> .....	155.2	2.6	147.4	2.5	157.2	2.7	146.7	2.7
Apparel and upkeep .....	130.6	2.2	131.8	1.6	143.2	.8	123.1	-1.4
Apparel commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	126.4	2.3	129.4	1.5	139.2	.7	118.6	-2.0
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>2</sup> .....	131.1	3.9	130.0	2.2	137.5	1.3	119.8	-.2
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>2</sup> .....	119.5	2.4	127.5	1.8	139.9	.8	114.1	-.8
Infants' and toddlers' apparel <sup>2</sup> .....	136.2	1.0	129.9	1.0	134.6	.7	116.9	-5.9
Footwear <sup>2</sup> .....	129.6	1.3	131.0	.5	130.7	2.5	115.6	-2.9
Other apparel commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	151.0	-.7	140.4	-.7	153.6	-3.2	134.2	-6.6
Apparel services <sup>2</sup> .....	167.3	1.2	153.5	2.5	172.5	2.1	157.4	2.5

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast		North Central		South		West	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
Transportation .....	147.0	1.3	142.3	0.8	142.5	0.6	145.9	0.8
Private transportation .....	142.1	1.1	138.6	.5	141.3	.5	142.0	.6
New vehicles .....	143.3	.4	141.1	.1	147.6	.2	144.3	1.0
New cars .....	141.5	.3	137.1	-.1	146.8	.1	140.2	.4
Used cars .....	154.6	-3.7	151.1	-4.0	151.5	-3.6	148.9	-3.7
Motor fuel .....	105.2	1.2	106.3	-.7	104.3	-.1	109.4	-.4
Gasoline .....	104.8	1.4	106.1	-.7	103.9	-.1	108.5	-.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	103.9	1.6	104.7	-.9	101.2	.0	105.7	-.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6</sup> .....	108.4	1.1	117.0	-.9	110.4	-.2	105.6	-.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	104.8	.4	109.3	-.9	107.0	-.3	109.2	-.8
Maintenance and repairs .....	171.3	2.9	153.9	3.5	161.1	2.5	165.1	2.2
Other private transportation <sup>2</sup> .....	179.2	2.1	171.6	2.8	185.4	1.9	174.6	1.5
Other private transportation commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	105.8	.0	106.2	.7	103.3	-.9	103.4	-.8
Other private transportation services <sup>2</sup> .....	193.8	2.4	186.2	3.2	208.1	2.3	191.7	1.9
Public transportation <sup>2</sup> .....	187.8	2.6	203.1	3.9	164.7	1.8	191.3	2.4
Medical care .....	244.7	3.0	226.9	2.3	233.2	2.8	234.7	3.1
Medical care commodities .....	218.8	1.8	211.4	1.8	210.2	2.5	224.7	3.0
Medical care services .....	250.2	3.3	230.7	2.4	238.9	2.8	237.0	3.1
Professional medical services .....	225.4	3.3	210.8	3.4	220.6	3.9	203.2	2.7
Entertainment <sup>7</sup> .....	170.1	2.5	163.3	3.4	159.5	1.9	157.5	.8
Entertainment commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	147.4	1.0	147.2	2.2	143.1	1.0	138.7	-1.0
Entertainment services <sup>2</sup> .....	194.8	3.6	182.4	4.4	180.0	2.8	178.3	2.1
Other goods and services <sup>3</sup> .....	234.0	4.1	218.8	4.4	216.4	4.5	231.0	4.5
Tobacco and smoking products <sup>2</sup> .....	236.1	5.1	253.7	5.0	228.3	3.8	267.1	5.2
Personal care <sup>2</sup> .....	163.4	1.2	147.5	2.7	145.9	2.1	155.6	.8
Personal and educational expenses <sup>2</sup> .....	268.0	4.4	247.6	4.6	257.3	5.5	268.2	5.3
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
All items .....	167.6	2.4	156.7	2.4	156.9	2.1	161.4	2.4
Commodities .....	142.4	1.4	140.9	1.4	142.1	1.3	141.8	1.4
Food and beverages .....	160.5	2.1	154.6	2.5	156.2	2.6	159.6	3.4
Commodities less food and beverages .....	130.5	.9	132.9	.7	134.0	.4	130.9	.1
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	132.4	1.8	135.9	1.6	136.8	1.3	133.1	.2
Apparel commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	126.4	2.3	129.4	1.5	139.2	.7	118.6	-2.0
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	139.4	1.5	141.4	1.5	139.1	1.6	143.0	1.2
Durables .....	127.6	-.5	128.1	-.5	130.6	-.5	127.9	-.3
Services .....	192.8	3.1	173.6	3.3	172.4	2.8	179.3	3.0
Rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....	205.1	3.1	177.7	3.2	164.8	2.9	185.4	3.1
Household services less rent of shelter <sup>2 4</sup> .....	148.4	2.6	138.8	3.0	146.5	2.0	151.4	3.3
Transportation services .....	187.1	2.5	181.4	3.4	187.4	2.3	185.7	2.0
Medical care services .....	250.2	3.3	230.7	2.4	238.9	2.8	237.0	3.1
Other services .....	222.5	3.8	200.7	4.4	206.1	4.3	208.3	3.9

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast		North Central		South		West	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Special indexes</b>								
All items less food .....	169.1	2.5	157.1	2.3	157.0	2.1	161.9	2.2
All items less shelter .....	158.3	2.1	152.2	2.1	156.3	2.0	157.3	2.1
All items less homeowners' costs <sup>2</sup> .....	165.8	2.3	156.5	2.2	160.3	2.0	163.7	2.3
All items less medical care .....	163.7	2.3	152.9	2.5	152.0	2.1	157.4	2.3
Commodities less food .....	132.0	1.0	134.1	.8	134.8	.5	132.6	.3
Nondurables less food .....	134.4	1.8	137.4	1.6	137.7	1.3	135.6	.7
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	141.1	1.6	142.6	1.6	139.6	1.6	144.7	1.6
Nondurables .....	146.8	1.9	145.3	2.0	146.5	1.9	146.7	1.9
Services less rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....	195.8	3.1	178.9	3.3	187.1	2.7	191.4	3.1
Services less medical care services .....	188.1	3.1	168.3	3.4	165.2	2.9	174.4	3.1
Energy .....	111.8	1.8	108.3	.8	111.1	.9	116.6	1.5
All items less energy .....	175.1	2.5	163.8	2.6	163.1	2.2	166.6	2.5
All items less food and energy .....	179.1	2.5	166.2	2.6	164.9	2.2	168.5	2.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	142.5	1.0	142.6	1.0	143.9	.6	139.8	.4
Energy commodities .....	102.8	.8	105.9	-.7	104.9	.2	110.5	-.1
Services less energy services .....	198.7	3.1	180.9	3.4	177.7	3.0	182.9	3.0

<sup>1</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>2</sup> This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

<sup>3</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> 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 12A. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Population size classes <sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Size class A <sup>2</sup>		Size class B <sup>3</sup>		Size class C <sup>3</sup>		Size class D	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
All items .....	144.9	2.4	160.7	2.4	160.4	2.4	156.8	2.1
All items (December 1977 = 100) .....	144.9	-	260.8	-	257.8	-	252.9	-
Food and beverages .....	142.4	2.6	157.5	2.7	156.7	2.5	153.8	2.9
Food .....	142.0	2.7	157.5	2.6	156.1	2.4	153.4	3.0
Food at home .....	146.1	2.5	160.2	2.6	154.3	2.1	151.4	2.9
Cereals and bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	159.3	2.0	175.4	2.2	172.8	2.3	180.3	2.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>4</sup> .....	137.3	2.5	151.1	2.6	143.2	2.4	139.8	2.9
Dairy products <sup>4</sup> .....	140.6	2.3	148.4	2.9	137.9	1.7	139.8	3.7
Fruits and vegetables <sup>4</sup> .....	172.5	2.4	194.3	1.8	183.1	.8	172.8	1.5
Other food at home <sup>4</sup> .....	135.0	2.9	148.6	3.2	149.1	3.1	143.0	4.1
Sugar and sweets <sup>4</sup> .....	137.2	3.0	146.9	2.4	144.6	2.3	139.8	3.9
Fats and oils <sup>4</sup> .....	133.5	.6	139.2	.5	141.8	1.1	139.6	2.4
Nonalcoholic beverages <sup>4</sup> .....	123.8	3.4	130.3	3.3	137.6	4.1	126.8	6.0
Other prepared food <sup>4</sup> .....	144.5	2.9	168.4	3.8	162.2	3.2	158.4	3.4
Food away from home .....	135.8	2.9	154.2	2.7	160.4	3.0	157.7	3.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	146.8	2.7	158.5	3.1	163.8	2.8	160.4	2.0
Housing <sup>5</sup> .....	140.4	2.6	158.5	2.6	155.2	2.8	150.1	2.0
Shelter .....	148.2	3.2	178.1	2.9	174.3	3.1	169.8	2.5
Renters' costs <sup>4 6</sup> .....	149.7	3.7	197.9	3.0	175.9	3.5	174.2	2.8
Rent, residential .....	138.6	3.1	165.3	2.4	160.6	2.6	158.6	2.3
Other renters' costs <sup>4</sup> .....	190.1	5.0	263.4	4.0	202.2	5.5	200.8	3.8
Homeowners' costs <sup>4 6</sup> .....	147.8	3.0	181.0	2.8	181.6	3.0	176.2	2.6
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	148.0	2.9	181.5	2.8	182.3	3.0	175.8	2.5
Maintenance and repairs <sup>4</sup> .....	128.8	4.3	138.9	2.4	156.3	1.9	137.4	1.9
Maintenance and repair services <sup>4</sup> .....	132.0	4.6	140.7	2.9	172.0	3.2	148.7	2.1
Maintenance and repair commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	123.4	3.7	137.3	1.8	138.3	.1	120.0	1.4
Fuel and other utilities <sup>5</sup> .....	130.7	2.6	134.8	2.7	134.6	2.9	128.2	1.3
Fuels .....	129.7	2.2	115.1	2.5	121.3	2.9	109.8	1.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	143.6	.1	96.8	1.9	99.3	.7	95.0	1.0
Fuel oil <sup>4</sup> .....	145.6	-.5	96.9	2.2	91.4	-1.2	91.2	.1
Other household fuel commodities <sup>2 4</sup> .....	135.9	2.9	128.3	1.6	131.7	3.6	127.2	2.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	128.4	2.4	122.4	2.6	129.2	3.2	118.4	1.1
Electricity .....	131.7	.4	130.3	.9	136.2	1.0	125.2	-.5
Utility (piped) gas .....	122.9	6.2	108.4	7.4	120.1	10.0	109.1	5.4
Other utilities and public services <sup>4</sup> .....	132.1	3.0	176.4	3.0	162.3	2.7	165.3	1.5
Household furnishings and operation <sup>5</sup> .....	117.9	.2	126.9	1.0	124.5	1.1	125.1	1.0
Housefurnishings <sup>4</sup> .....	106.5	-1.2	115.8	.2	108.1	.2	110.0	.0
Housekeeping supplies <sup>4</sup> .....	135.4	.7	134.6	2.0	142.1	2.5	137.1	2.5
Housekeeping services <sup>4</sup> .....	135.4	2.8	154.6	2.2	157.8	2.4	156.3	2.2
Apparel and upkeep .....	122.6	.7	131.9	1.6	141.1	1.0	133.5	.2
Apparel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	121.1	.6	127.5	1.5	138.4	1.0	130.3	-.1
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	120.1	1.9	132.6	1.5	138.5	1.8	125.2	2.7
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	116.0	1.7	129.5	1.3	137.7	.7	133.8	-1.3
Infants' and toddlers' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	110.0	-2.7	130.7	7.2	147.0	-.5	132.7	-.2
Footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	126.9	.1	115.0	2.0	132.1	2.2	125.1	.6
Other apparel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	143.3	-4.7	126.3	-.1	155.5	-.3	139.9	-2.7
Apparel services <sup>4</sup> .....	137.0	2.2	168.8	2.1	169.5	.8	165.3	2.9

See footnotes at end of table.



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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Size class A <sup>2</sup>		Size class B <sup>3</sup>		Size class C <sup>3</sup>		Size class D	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
Transportation .....	142.2	0.9	143.2	1.0	144.2	0.8	142.3	0.3
Private transportation .....	141.6	.9	139.6	.6	140.8	.6	138.2	.1
New vehicles .....	126.8	.6	142.5	.3	144.7	.3	144.6	.3
New cars .....	125.0	.3	137.5	-.1	142.8	.1	140.9	-.1
Used cars .....	143.0	-3.6	151.0	-3.7	151.7	-3.6	146.2	-4.6
Motor fuel .....	155.2	-.2	105.4	.4	105.4	-.2	104.3	-.1
Gasoline .....	154.5	-.3	105.1	.4	105.4	-.1	103.9	.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	154.9	-.3	102.7	.5	102.8	-.1	100.2	.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7</sup> .....	107.6	-.4	110.9	.6	114.8	-.1	114.9	-.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	144.5	-.6	107.4	.3	108.9	.2	106.7	.2
Maintenance and repairs .....	145.2	2.9	167.4	2.4	159.9	2.4	148.3	2.9
Other private transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	149.5	2.0	174.6	2.1	181.6	2.1	174.8	1.9
Other private transportation commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	108.9	.2	99.2	-.5	104.3	-.9	119.5	-.9
Other private transportation services <sup>4</sup> .....	157.7	2.3	192.7	2.4	203.1	2.6	190.3	2.5
Public transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	147.7	2.2	207.1	4.3	212.0	4.0	220.2	1.0
Medical care .....	185.7	2.5	234.2	3.4	238.5	3.0	228.7	2.8
Medical care commodities .....	173.5	1.8	216.5	3.1	207.5	3.0	214.4	2.2
Medical care services .....	188.4	2.7	238.4	3.4	245.9	3.0	232.6	2.9
Professional medical services .....	170.5	3.0	211.1	4.7	224.4	3.0	223.1	4.0
Entertainment <sup>8</sup> .....	144.7	2.3	159.4	1.6	165.5	1.8	148.7	2.4
Entertainment commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	133.1	1.1	140.2	-.8	147.6	.8	140.5	2.4
Entertainment services <sup>4</sup> .....	154.2	3.2	184.5	3.7	189.0	2.9	160.3	2.5
Other goods and services <sup>5</sup> .....	181.1	4.3	224.8	4.4	220.8	4.2	219.4	5.2
Tobacco and smoking products <sup>4</sup> .....	190.4	4.6	252.6	4.4	246.7	4.8	233.5	5.9
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	136.8	1.8	151.1	.9	151.7	1.9	137.0	2.2
Personal and educational expenses <sup>4</sup> .....	193.9	4.9	260.1	5.3	254.3	4.6	261.7	5.6
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
All items .....	144.9	2.4	160.7	2.4	160.4	2.4	156.8	2.1
Commodities .....	135.8	1.3	140.8	1.4	142.2	1.4	139.7	1.4
Food and beverages .....	142.4	2.6	157.5	2.7	156.7	2.5	153.8	2.9
Commodities less food and beverages .....	131.3	.4	131.3	.7	133.8	.7	131.9	.5
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	139.8	1.0	133.4	1.6	137.9	1.5	133.9	1.4
Apparel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	121.1	.6	127.5	1.5	138.4	1.0	130.3	-.1
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	151.6	1.2	139.3	1.7	140.5	1.8	137.4	2.0
Durables .....	120.0	-.4	128.8	-.5	128.6	-.5	129.5	-.7
Services .....	152.1	3.0	181.3	3.1	180.1	3.1	175.5	2.6
Rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	148.6	3.2	186.1	2.9	180.8	3.1	175.6	2.6
Household services less rent of shelter <sup>4 6</sup> .....	131.4	2.8	148.2	2.6	148.1	2.9	144.3	1.5
Transportation services .....	152.3	2.4	188.5	2.8	192.1	2.8	184.8	2.3
Medical care services .....	188.4	2.7	238.4	3.4	245.9	3.0	232.6	2.9
Other services .....	170.7	4.0	210.5	4.3	207.1	3.7	204.9	4.6

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Size class A <sup>2</sup>		Size class B <sup>3</sup>		Size class C <sup>3</sup>		Size class D	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Special indexes</b>								
All items less food .....	145.4	2.3	161.2	2.3	161.2	2.3	157.4	1.9
All items less shelter .....	143.5	2.0	155.7	2.2	156.7	2.1	153.7	1.9
All items less homeowners' costs <sup>4</sup> <sup>5</sup> .....	144.2	2.2	161.5	2.3	160.6	2.2	157.8	2.0
All items less medical care .....	142.6	2.4	156.4	2.3	155.7	2.3	151.7	2.0
Commodities less food .....	132.3	.6	132.3	.8	135.0	.8	132.8	.6
Nondurables less food .....	140.5	1.2	134.7	1.7	139.3	1.7	135.1	1.4
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	150.8	1.3	140.1	1.8	141.8	1.9	138.6	2.0
Nondurables .....	141.2	1.9	145.4	2.2	147.2	2.0	143.8	2.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	155.9	3.0	188.6	3.2	189.6	3.1	184.9	2.7
Services less medical care services .....	149.1	3.2	175.7	3.0	173.3	3.1	168.4	2.6
Energy .....	140.1	1.2	109.0	1.7	112.6	1.5	105.8	.6
All items less energy .....	145.3	2.5	167.8	2.4	167.2	2.4	164.1	2.2
All items less food and energy .....	145.9	2.4	170.2	2.3	169.9	2.3	166.7	2.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	129.6	.7	141.3	.9	144.3	.9	142.2	.6
Energy commodities .....	154.0	-.1	104.3	.6	105.0	.0	103.4	.0
Services less energy services .....	153.8	3.2	187.6	3.1	185.9	3.1	182.2	2.8

<sup>1</sup> See region and area size on table 10 for information about population size classes.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

<sup>5</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> 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 13A. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of region and population size classes <sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast					
	Size class A		Size class B <sup>2</sup>		Size class C <sup>2</sup>	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>						
All items .....	168.3	2.4	165.4	2.5	166.2	2.7
All items (December 1977 = 100) .....	260.0	-	266.0	-	276.0	-
Food and beverages .....	160.1	2.0	164.7	2.7	159.0	2.0
Food .....	159.5	1.9	164.5	2.6	158.4	2.1
Food at home .....	161.2	1.6	167.0	2.5	155.8	2.0
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	184.2	1.5	172.9	2.9	185.0	3.9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	151.0	1.3	162.6	3.8	151.2	1.3
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	138.9	2.7	143.2	3.2	120.2	.0
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....	188.8	.5	191.9	-.5	183.9	1.0
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	153.8	2.6	166.6	2.5	146.8	3.2
Food away from home .....	158.9	2.3	162.3	2.9	164.7	2.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	167.4	2.9	170.2	3.0	165.9	1.2
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	168.6	2.6	167.0	2.3	167.0	2.9
Shelter .....	195.3	3.3	197.5	2.6	199.5	3.1
Renters' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	206.3	4.4	214.0	2.3	192.6	4.2
Rent, residential .....	180.1	3.3	170.5	2.3	174.6	2.3
Other renters' costs <sup>3</sup> .....	261.1	6.8	274.7	2.2	211.3	8.6
Homeowners' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	199.3	2.8	206.0	2.7	214.3	2.7
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>5</sup> .....	200.2	2.9	207.7	2.9	215.3	2.7
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	125.3	2.3	133.5	2.5	119.8	2.0
Fuels .....	120.1	2.2	117.8	2.5	101.5	1.8
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	102.5	-.5	93.7	1.2	86.7	-.8
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	100.7	-.9	95.5	2.6	87.4	-2.2
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	141.4	3.1	115.3	-4.1	103.5	5.2
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	132.1	2.9	140.3	2.9	116.8	3.1
Electricity .....	137.2	.4	148.5	.1	119.9	.2
Utility (piped) gas .....	125.1	7.2	124.8	11.2	113.8	13.7
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	127.0	-1.2	121.0	.7	123.1	3.4
Apparel and upkeep .....	127.5	1.8	131.6	4.2	144.6	4.1
Apparel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	122.5	1.9	128.3	4.1	141.7	4.3
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	122.8	2.8	151.6	6.5	159.8	9.0
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	115.2	2.5	120.3	2.4	135.0	3.8
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	129.7	1.7	122.6	4.1	142.9	-1.2
Transportation .....	149.3	1.2	142.3	1.9	143.5	1.1
Private transportation .....	144.4	1.1	139.1	1.2	136.3	1.1
Motor fuel .....	104.1	.9	106.8	1.9	104.9	1.4
Gasoline .....	103.6	1.0	106.8	2.2	104.6	1.6
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	102.6	1.4	104.5	2.2	104.4	1.7
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7</sup> .....	105.9	.5	113.4	2.4	112.6	1.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	103.2	.0	107.4	1.9	107.8	1.3
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	179.0	1.6	197.3	10.7	249.5	1.9
Medical care .....	248.1	3.5	240.4	1.4	229.5	2.1
Entertainment <sup>8</sup> .....	172.6	2.3	157.2	1.7	174.4	4.3
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	231.2	3.9	230.5	4.2	241.3	4.8
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	167.8	1.4	150.0	-.7	150.4	1.1

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast					
	Size class A		Size class B <sup>2</sup>		Size class C <sup>2</sup>	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>						
All items .....	168.3	2.4	165.4	2.5	166.2	2.7
Commodities .....	143.3	1.2	141.4	2.2	140.6	1.7
Food and beverages .....	160.1	2.0	164.7	2.7	159.0	2.0
Commodities less food and beverages .....	131.2	.6	127.7	1.9	129.8	1.6
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	132.8	1.5	128.6	2.7	134.9	2.5
Durables .....	129.3	-.9	124.9	.6	122.3	.2
Services .....	191.8	3.2	193.3	2.7	194.6	3.3
Medical care services .....	254.4	4.0	244.8	1.1	233.8	1.8
<b>Special indexes</b>						
All items less shelter .....	159.1	1.9	156.4	2.4	156.3	2.5
All items less medical care .....	164.4	2.4	161.5	2.5	163.1	2.8
All items less energy .....	175.1	2.5	174.0	2.5	175.4	2.8
All items less food and energy .....	179.1	2.5	176.7	2.4	179.9	2.9
Energy .....	113.7	1.8	113.1	2.3	101.6	1.6
Commodities less food .....	132.8	.8	129.4	2.0	131.3	1.6
Nondurables less food .....	135.0	1.7	130.8	2.7	136.6	2.4
Nondurables .....	147.3	1.7	146.0	2.7	146.6	2.2
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	195.3	3.0	195.9	2.6	195.5	3.8
Services less medical care services .....	186.8	3.1	188.5	2.8	191.3	3.5

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	North Central							
	Size class A		Size class B <sup>2</sup>		Size class C <sup>2</sup>		Size class D	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
All items .....	157.4	2.5	155.6	2.3	158.7	2.6	152.7	2.0
All items (December 1977=100) .....	259.9	-	251.5	-	252.8	-	244.7	-
Food and beverages .....	156.9	2.7	150.7	2.2	154.2	2.5	148.8	2.5
Food .....	156.3	2.8	150.9	2.0	153.2	2.5	147.7	2.4
Food at home .....	157.2	2.7	152.1	1.5	151.9	2.2	145.1	2.2
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	178.1	2.1	182.7	1.4	172.3	2.1	174.9	1.9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	152.2	2.8	138.8	1.2	138.0	3.1	137.1	2.4
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	149.0	2.1	144.0	-1.8	139.5	1.2	136.4	2.5
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....	181.5	3.7	168.1	1.9	178.5	-7	160.7	1.1
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	141.9	2.5	146.6	3.1	148.3	3.8	133.7	2.6
Food away from home .....	155.3	2.8	148.9	3.1	156.1	3.0	153.1	3.0
Alcoholic beverages .....	163.0	2.0	148.5	4.1	167.4	2.8	165.1	3.6
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	151.9	2.7	153.6	3.2	155.7	2.8	145.4	2.5
Shelter .....	173.9	3.1	180.7	3.5	175.2	3.3	159.0	2.8
Renters' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	177.3	3.0	196.7	3.6	181.6	3.9	160.1	3.2
Rent, residential .....	166.8	3.2	169.6	3.3	159.9	3.0	148.7	2.4
Other renters' costs <sup>3</sup> .....	185.2	2.3	230.7	3.9	221.0	5.7	178.6	5.4
Homeowners' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	178.4	3.1	181.2	3.5	178.7	3.2	166.6	2.7
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>5</sup> .....	178.5	3.1	182.5	3.6	179.6	3.2	166.7	2.7
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	124.0	3.2	119.0	2.9	131.3	3.2	133.6	2.6
Fuels .....	111.5	1.7	103.6	2.8	117.9	3.6	107.5	2.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	97.2	1.3	94.4	1.5	98.3	-6	92.6	2.9
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	93.9	-7	95.4	1.1	88.7	-1.7	92.9	1.6
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	125.6	3.7	129.6	1.9	138.3	.7	131.6	4.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	114.7	1.8	109.3	2.7	127.3	3.8	115.8	2.0
Electricity .....	126.6	.5	129.2	1.9	134.7	.3	118.0	.6
Utility (piped) gas .....	103.9	3.2	90.8	4.1	121.4	9.8	116.2	3.8
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	118.7	.6	125.1	2.1	134.2	.8	124.1	.3
Apparel and upkeep .....	128.8	1.4	134.1	.5	132.5	2.6	144.2	2.3
Apparel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	126.7	1.2	131.0	.2	128.6	2.9	143.5	2.3
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	129.4	1.6	127.8	-2.8	127.3	4.6	142.7	8.2
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	118.4	2.5	143.2	.7	131.6	1.7	143.9	.3
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	131.6	-1	107.5	.7	125.8	2.9	157.8	-6
Transportation .....	143.6	1.1	141.7	.6	142.4	1.2	138.1	-4
Private transportation .....	140.7	.6	137.7	.7	138.8	.9	131.0	-4
Motor fuel .....	107.5	-9	107.8	-5	104.5	-4	103.1	-5
Gasoline .....	107.2	-1.0	108.0	-6	104.4	-3	102.5	-4
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	106.1	-1.2	105.1	-7	102.8	-5	99.8	-3
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7</sup> .....	116.1	-1.3	117.5	-3	117.6	-5	119.4	-7
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	108.6	-1.2	113.4	-5	105.4	.2	105.2	.1
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	180.0	5.0	236.6	.6	224.9	7.6	308.4	-1.5
Medical care .....	224.5	1.7	224.9	2.6	241.9	3.3	219.6	2.4
Entertainment <sup>8</sup> .....	165.9	3.9	153.2	2.1	170.5	3.6	153.1	2.0
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	224.4	4.9	215.3	2.8	211.3	3.5	208.0	4.7
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	142.0	3.1	165.6	3.0	159.6	1.1	136.6	3.7

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	North Central							
	Size class A		Size class B <sup>2</sup>		Size class C <sup>2</sup>		Size class D	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
All items .....	157.4	2.5	155.6	2.3	158.7	2.6	152.7	2.0
Commodities .....	141.9	1.4	136.8	.9	142.1	1.9	139.9	1.4
Food and beverages .....	156.9	2.7	150.7	2.2	154.2	2.5	148.8	2.5
Commodities less food and beverages .....	132.7	.5	129.9	.2	135.2	1.4	134.7	.7
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	136.7	1.4	131.7	.5	135.9	2.5	139.0	1.8
Durables .....	125.6	-.8	128.7	-.1	133.5	-.4	129.0	-.6
Services .....	173.5	3.3	175.4	3.3	177.9	3.3	166.5	2.5
Medical care services .....	227.6	1.8	226.5	2.8	250.0	2.9	222.5	2.7
<b>Special indexes</b>								
All items less shelter .....	152.7	2.3	148.8	1.8	154.2	2.4	151.2	1.7
All items less medical care .....	153.9	2.5	152.0	2.3	154.4	2.5	147.7	1.9
All items less energy .....	164.1	2.7	164.0	2.4	166.3	2.7	159.5	2.1
All items less food and energy .....	166.0	2.6	167.0	2.5	169.7	2.8	162.2	2.1
Energy .....	109.9	.5	103.2	1.4	110.6	1.7	104.2	1.0
Commodities less food .....	134.1	.7	130.4	.4	136.3	1.4	135.6	.7
Nondurables less food .....	138.3	1.5	132.4	.7	137.6	2.5	140.4	1.8
Nondurables .....	147.1	2.1	140.7	1.3	144.6	2.5	144.5	2.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	179.1	3.6	173.6	3.1	184.0	3.3	176.4	2.3
Services less medical care services .....	168.7	3.6	171.0	3.4	171.4	3.4	159.2	2.4

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	South							
	Size class A		Size class B <sup>2</sup>		Size class C <sup>2</sup>		Size class D	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
All items .....	155.8	2.0	160.2	2.5	156.2	1.8	156.3	2.4
All items (December 1977=100) .....	251.5	-	261.4	-	252.8	-	253.8	-
Food and beverages .....	156.7	2.7	156.9	2.4	156.9	2.3	152.8	3.4
Food .....	156.8	2.8	157.0	2.4	156.7	2.3	153.1	3.5
Food at home .....	155.6	2.3	158.0	2.5	155.2	2.0	150.2	3.6
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	170.9	2.5	172.6	1.8	168.3	1.4	183.1	2.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	144.9	2.1	147.1	2.3	142.8	2.1	144.3	3.4
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	151.7	2.6	148.3	4.5	144.5	2.5	134.9	4.3
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....	189.0	2.0	201.8	1.5	181.1	.9	165.7	2.7
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	142.5	2.7	142.4	3.3	153.7	2.7	139.4	5.4
Food away from home .....	160.0	3.3	156.9	2.2	161.5	2.9	160.4	3.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	155.8	2.2	156.2	1.9	159.2	3.0	147.3	.4
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	146.2	2.1	155.9	2.8	144.2	2.3	148.9	2.3
Shelter .....	158.6	2.6	166.5	3.5	153.3	2.5	169.8	3.3
Renters' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	166.7	2.7	194.2	3.8	157.3	2.4	177.3	3.3
Rent, residential .....	155.8	2.4	157.6	3.5	148.3	2.3	159.0	3.5
Other renters' costs <sup>3</sup> .....	195.4	3.7	284.9	4.4	179.5	2.8	201.0	2.9
Homeowners' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	160.9	2.5	165.7	3.4	155.8	2.5	172.1	3.3
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>5</sup> .....	160.9	2.6	165.5	3.4	155.5	2.6	170.6	3.5
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	123.5	1.5	147.1	2.7	145.0	2.5	126.4	-.1
Fuels .....	112.6	1.3	121.2	2.2	138.4	2.6	110.4	.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	100.1	.5	109.5	2.9	126.1	4.9	98.7	.6
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	96.6	.5	97.8	1.8	88.7	10.3	92.8	1.5
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 5</sup> .....	135.0	.4	143.1	3.7	159.3	3.6	117.5	-.3
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	116.2	1.3	121.6	2.2	140.3	2.4	114.9	.2
Electricity .....	115.0	.2	121.0	1.2	144.2	1.3	118.2	-.3
Utility (piped) gas .....	116.1	4.6	128.2	7.4	134.3	8.8	108.2	4.3
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	130.6	.5	133.7	.1	117.6	1.2	122.8	2.0
Apparel and upkeep .....	149.2	1.3	135.5	1.1	147.4	.0	130.2	-.2
Apparel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	144.4	1.0	130.1	1.2	145.5	-.1	125.6	-.5
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	146.0	2.3	132.6	1.4	134.3	-1.0	123.3	1.2
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	141.8	2.4	132.1	1.1	147.7	-.5	134.6	-2.5
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	138.4	1.7	124.0	1.6	135.2	3.9	106.6	5.1
Transportation .....	142.2	.9	142.0	.6	144.2	.2	141.6	.6
Private transportation .....	142.2	.8	139.6	.5	142.1	.1	140.2	.5
Motor fuel .....	106.4	-.6	104.4	.6	104.5	-.2	97.7	.4
Gasoline .....	105.6	-.7	104.0	.6	105.1	-.1	96.8	.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	103.4	-.6	101.6	.8	100.8	-.2	92.6	.7
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7</sup> .....	107.4	-.8	109.6	.5	113.6	-.4	114.6	.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	107.5	-.7	106.1	.2	109.8	.4	103.7	.1
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	144.8	1.1	188.7	3.4	193.9	1.7	171.6	1.3
Medical care .....	233.1	2.1	230.9	4.3	235.5	2.1	233.7	3.1
Entertainment <sup>8</sup> .....	167.1	2.7	160.6	1.5	153.6	-.2	152.8	4.7
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	210.2	4.0	232.0	4.9	214.4	4.4	210.1	5.5
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	152.2	3.7	151.3	.1	142.8	2.4	124.7	.2

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	South							
	Size class A		Size class B <sup>2</sup>		Size class C <sup>2</sup>		Size class D	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
All items .....	155.8	2.0	160.2	2.5	156.2	1.8	156.3	2.4
Commodities .....	142.5	1.3	142.6	1.3	142.9	1.1	138.6	1.7
Food and beverages .....	156.7	2.7	156.9	2.4	156.9	2.3	152.8	3.4
Commodities less food and beverages .....	134.3	.5	134.3	.6	134.8	.4	130.8	.7
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	135.7	1.0	137.0	1.6	139.8	1.0	132.1	1.7
Durables .....	133.0	-.4	130.2	-.9	129.0	-.5	129.1	-.7
Services .....	169.4	2.7	178.1	3.4	170.6	2.4	175.3	3.0
Medical care services .....	237.8	2.0	237.1	4.6	243.1	2.1	237.4	3.3
<b>Special indexes</b>								
All items less shelter .....	155.2	1.8	158.5	2.1	157.4	1.6	153.0	2.1
All items less medical care .....	151.5	2.0	155.6	2.3	150.6	1.8	150.0	2.3
All items less energy .....	162.5	2.2	166.5	2.6	161.4	1.8	164.0	2.6
All items less food and energy .....	163.9	2.1	168.8	2.6	162.7	1.8	166.6	2.4
Energy .....	108.2	.4	109.7	1.5	120.2	1.4	102.0	.3
Commodities less food .....	135.2	.6	135.1	.7	135.6	.4	131.2	.7
Nondurables less food .....	136.9	1.2	137.9	1.7	140.7	1.2	132.6	1.6
Nondurables .....	146.2	1.9	147.1	2.0	148.4	1.7	142.2	2.5
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	185.2	2.7	191.9	3.5	187.9	2.3	184.3	2.7
Services less medical care services .....	163.1	2.7	171.8	3.3	161.9	2.5	166.3	3.0

See footnotes at end of table.



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

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	West			
	Size class A		Size class C <sup>2</sup>	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>				
All items .....	161.5	2.4	166.8	2.8
All items (December 1977 = 100) .....	263.4	-	258.7	-
Food and beverages .....	160.4	3.4	157.0	3.4
Food .....	159.7	3.4	156.5	3.4
Food at home .....	163.9	3.5	154.3	3.1
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	180.3	2.5	169.7	3.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	153.6	4.6	143.2	3.8
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	158.4	1.8	142.9	2.7
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....	196.0	3.8	195.3	2.9
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	148.7	3.6	140.1	2.7
Food away from home .....	153.8	2.9	160.8	3.9
Alcoholic beverages .....	166.8	3.5	164.0	3.9
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	161.5	3.1	166.5	3.3
Shelter .....	175.3	3.4	188.8	3.9
Renters' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	190.3	3.8	185.8	4.2
Rent, residential .....	170.2	3.3	166.3	2.9
Other renters' costs <sup>3</sup> .....	229.4	5.1	223.2	8.0
Homeowners' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	186.2	3.2	205.7	3.8
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>5</sup> .....	186.1	3.1	207.1	3.8
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	143.7	3.2	133.0	4.5
Fuels .....	134.0	3.6	113.2	4.7
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	106.7	4.8	274.6	5.6
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	105.9	4.7	352.1	4.0
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	139.1	4.9	123.4	5.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	136.3	3.6	111.9	4.7
Electricity .....	152.7	.5	124.5	1.9
Utility (piped) gas .....	119.8	11.4	98.5	9.8
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	126.2	1.0	125.7	-6
Apparel and upkeep .....	120.7	-1.8	135.5	-2.2
Apparel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	115.5	-2.4	133.6	-2.5
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	118.3	.5	143.8	-3.2
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	108.1	-1.1	127.2	-1.2
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	119.6	-4.3	124.6	.0
Transportation .....	144.7	.8	147.0	1.0
Private transportation .....	141.0	.7	144.9	.6
Motor fuel .....	108.8	-1	110.0	-1.0
Gasoline .....	107.8	-4	108.9	-1.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	105.1	-5	105.5	-1.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7</sup> .....	103.5	-1	115.9	-7
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	109.7	-6	109.3	-9
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	189.5	1.8	181.8	7.1
Medical care .....	230.9	2.5	251.7	6.2
Entertainment <sup>6</sup> .....	156.6	.8	170.8	.2
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	237.5	4.4	229.6	4.2
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	160.7	-1	160.2	3.8

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	West			
	Size class A		Size class C <sup>2</sup>	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>				
All items .....	161.5	2.4	166.8	2.8
Commodities .....	141.7	1.5	142.5	.9
Food and beverages .....	160.4	3.4	157.0	3.4
Commodities less food and beverages .....	129.8	.1	134.5	-.4
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	131.3	-.1	141.5	.1
Durables .....	127.1	.3	126.3	-1.4
Services .....	179.1	3.1	189.9	4.1
Medical care services .....	231.7	2.4	261.2	6.9
<b>Special indexes</b>				
All items less shelter .....	157.3	2.0	159.6	2.3
All items less medical care .....	157.9	2.4	161.5	2.4
All items less energy .....	166.4	2.5	173.3	2.8
All items less food and energy .....	168.2	2.3	176.9	2.8
Energy .....	117.1	1.6	111.3	1.5
Commodities less food .....	131.7	.3	135.7	-.3
Nondurables less food .....	134.2	.4	143.0	.5
Nondurables .....	146.4	1.8	149.7	1.8
Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....	192.0	2.9	196.7	4.2
Services less medical care services .....	174.9	3.2	182.6	3.8

<sup>1</sup> See region and area size on table 10 for information about cross classifications.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>3</sup> This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

<sup>4</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January,

1998.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> 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 16A. 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	Anchorage, AK		Atlanta, GA <sup>1</sup>		Baltimore, MD <sup>2</sup>		Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
All items .....	144.8	1.5	158.9	1.9	156.4	1.4	167.9	2.8
All items (1967=100) .....	386.5	-	479.1	-	467.6	-	488.1	-
Food and beverages .....	145.8	1.7	159.5	4.0	160.8	1.3	160.4	1.7
Food .....	146.3	1.9	163.3	4.1	161.4	1.2	160.6	2.0
Food at home .....	149.8	1.1	158.5	4.2	161.5	1.3	157.7	1.3
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	144.2	-3.5	155.7	1.1	194.1	.5	174.2	.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	136.4	2.2	154.4	5.3	142.0	1.5	149.4	.4
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	136.5	2.5	153.2	5.1	143.9	2.0	149.6	.2
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	132.5	-.7	160.6	9.0	154.5	-.2	144.1	6.5
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3,4</sup> .....	223.4	3.3	203.1	2.4	199.9	4.6	198.2	2.1
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	127.1	.9	134.9	3.7	151.5	-.1	137.7	-.6
Food away from home .....	141.0	3.4	171.6	4.5	160.7	2.0	166.4	3.0
Alcoholic beverages .....	141.9	.3	127.7	2.4	153.9	2.1	160.3	-.1
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	129.4	1.2	156.4	3.0	145.5	1.3	162.5	3.4
Shelter .....	130.4	1.4	171.4	3.0	162.9	1.7	188.7	3.9
Renters' costs <sup>5,6</sup> .....	156.2	2.5	196.0	3.5	166.5	2.5	201.4	4.4
Rent, residential .....	118.8	1.2	172.6	3.5	162.2	1.6	176.3	3.8
Other renters' costs <sup>3,7</sup> .....	294.1	4.8	265.2	3.5	157.4	4.9	238.5	5.6
Homeowners' costs <sup>5,6</sup> .....	131.3	1.2	167.3	2.8	169.1	1.4	192.0	3.7
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	131.2	1.2	167.5	2.7	170.1	1.4	192.4	3.7
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	146.4	3.7	139.1	3.4	120.7	1.4	126.0	2.4
Fuels .....	143.4	4.8	130.9	2.1	114.0	1.0	108.4	3.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	106.0	6.4	106.6	-2.5	92.7	-3.6	95.6	-.8
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	109.3	4.4	NA	-	94.8	-3.7	96.3	-1.3
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3,8</sup> .....	121.4	11.1	127.6	-2.4	NA	-	109.6	8.5
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	159.6	4.7	132.2	2.2	130.8	1.7	129.7	4.9
Electricity .....	154.1	2.5	135.8	-1.6	136.7	-.1	141.1	2.8
Utility (piped) gas .....	165.4	9.6	127.4	7.9	118.0	6.7	113.2	7.9
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	111.2	-2.4	129.1	2.9	125.2	-.7	119.6	1.4
Apparel and upkeep .....	127.0	-1.3	137.0	-5.8	133.0	.2	143.8	.6
Apparel commodities <sup>3,7</sup> .....	125.1	-2.0	129.3	-7.2	127.0	.0	133.8	.6
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	152.2	-4.8	134.2	1.8	128.5	1.9	130.5	.2
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	121.3	-4.3	118.1	-16.1	114.9	-.4	118.4	2.7
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	89.8	2.2	146.0	3.7	151.5	-.5	143.5	-2.6
Transportation .....	147.0	-.1	132.5	-1.6	141.2	.6	141.6	1.5
Private transportation .....	143.1	.7	133.4	-1.8	140.2	.4	142.3	1.4
Motor fuel .....	113.7	2.6	93.1	-2.7	105.4	-1.5	108.9	2.5
Gasoline .....	113.7	2.2	92.7	-2.5	103.0	-1.5	107.4	2.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	109.5	1.6	89.1	-2.7	103.6	-1.1	105.2	2.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9</sup> .....	111.4	3.1	113.4	-2.2	104.3	-.9	110.4	1.4
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	118.7	3.4	99.7	-2.3	100.0	-2.8	109.0	.3
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	172.1	-3.9	108.6	.5	153.4	6.1	137.0	2.2
Medical care .....	248.9	7.7	243.5	1.2	237.6	.1	293.1	4.4
Entertainment <sup>10</sup> .....	180.3	1.8	186.6	3.5	170.4	1.9	175.4	3.4
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	171.3	4.1	212.4	5.8	224.3	4.9	229.1	4.0
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	125.1	-1.9	178.7	3.7	139.7	7.3	152.3	3.2

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 16A. 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	Anchorage, AK		Atlanta, GA <sup>1</sup>		Baltimore, MD <sup>2</sup>		Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
All items .....	144.8	1.5	158.9	1.9	156.4	1.4	167.9	2.8
Commodities .....	137.3	.5	137.8	.7	141.4	.6	141.0	1.5
Food and beverages .....	145.8	1.7	159.5	4.0	160.8	1.3	160.4	1.7
Commodities less food and beverages .....	132.2	-.2	125.6	-1.5	130.9	.2	129.0	1.4
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	128.7	.9	125.1	-2.5	134.8	.8	133.9	2.0
Durables .....	137.3	-1.4	125.3	.2	127.6	-.6	126.2	.5
Services .....	151.3	2.2	180.5	2.7	174.2	2.0	193.6	3.6
Medical care services .....	258.7	8.5	254.7	2.3	237.1	-.9	304.8	5.1
<b>Special indexes</b>								
All items less shelter .....	150.6	1.5	155.4	1.4	155.3	1.2	161.9	2.3
All items less medical care .....	140.4	1.1	153.7	1.9	152.4	1.5	162.0	2.7
All items less energy .....	146.8	1.4	166.2	2.0	163.4	1.5	176.9	2.8
All items less food and energy .....	146.7	1.2	167.2	1.6	163.9	1.5	180.7	3.0
Energy .....	123.5	3.7	104.0	.1	109.4	-.2	108.0	3.1
Commodities less food .....	132.8	-.2	125.5	-1.3	131.7	.2	130.4	1.3
Nondurables less food .....	130.2	.9	124.8	-2.1	135.9	.8	135.3	1.8
Nondurables .....	137.6	1.3	141.7	.7	147.1	1.0	147.0	1.9
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	183.7	3.0	195.4	2.5	192.3	2.2	207.6	3.3
Services less medical care services .....	143.6	1.6	173.2	2.7	169.1	2.3	184.9	3.4

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 16A. 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	Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY <sup>11</sup>		Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI		Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN		Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
All items .....	160.5	2.2	161.7	2.7	152.1	1.7	156.1	2.7
All items (1967=100) .....	452.7	-	483.1	-	470.8	-	500.1	-
Food and beverages .....	158.2	3.4	160.5	2.8	145.0	2.5	158.1	2.5
Food .....	157.8	3.7	159.5	3.0	143.5	2.7	159.2	2.6
Food at home .....	159.7	3.7	166.8	3.0	141.1	2.2	154.4	2.8
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	187.2	4.1	181.5	.9	187.8	8.1	175.6	2.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	146.8	3.6	168.8	3.6	115.3	2.1	151.6	2.5
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	149.1	4.0	171.6	3.7	115.3	2.9	153.9	3.2
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	127.4	3.2	158.9	1.3	125.7	-3.2	149.1	4.0
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3 4</sup> .....	208.6	2.0	194.5	5.7	141.7	-1.9	185.6	4.7
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	149.4	5.1	143.4	2.4	153.2	3.2	129.1	1.1
Food away from home .....	154.2	3.2	146.8	2.8	147.5	2.5	169.4	2.4
Alcoholic beverages .....	161.9	.7	170.8	1.1	160.9	.5	147.2	1.0
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	169.6	2.5	160.2	3.3	145.1	2.1	153.2	3.1
Shelter .....	198.3	2.6	187.4	4.0	163.7	2.1	171.3	2.6
Renters' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	203.5	2.4	188.0	3.6	163.2	2.4	181.3	1.6
Rent, residential .....	174.4	2.1	182.9	4.0	160.1	1.7	162.5	3.4
Other renters' costs <sup>3 7</sup> .....	233.6	2.8	175.7	2.2	148.1	5.4	212.2	-2.1
Homeowners' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	202.8	2.8	194.2	4.1	164.7	1.8	168.7	3.2
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>8</sup> .....	203.6	2.9	192.8	4.1	165.6	1.8	169.6	3.2
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	137.8	3.3	125.7	4.1	121.9	3.0	129.0	3.9
Fuels .....	141.7	2.6	113.6	1.1	111.9	1.7	126.6	6.7
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	94.0	8.7	99.4	3.8	91.1	3.1	98.6	.5
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	89.9	1.4	96.1	1.3	NA	-	91.3	.1
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 8</sup> .....	154.6	25.0	132.3	7.0	122.7	-5.3	117.5	.9
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	153.0	2.3	116.6	1.0	117.6	1.7	128.8	7.0
Electricity .....	183.7	-6	127.4	2.4	123.4	-2.3	140.8	.8
Utility (piped) gas .....	131.6	5.2	106.5	-4	112.8	10.8	119.1	14.1
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	131.6	.2	114.2	-1.6	119.2	1.8	130.0	4.0
Apparel and upkeep .....	119.2	.2	122.3	1.4	132.7	.7	127.8	-.8
Apparel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	117.7	.1	121.6	1.2	129.4	.4	124.9	-1.3
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	129.2	4.1	124.1	3.8	109.4	-6.8	140.3	1.2
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	107.9	-3.3	111.1	3.4	115.9	1.9	127.3	-3.3
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	139.2	.8	143.8	-2.2	192.0	1.3	81.1	-4.6
Transportation .....	133.0	.5	140.2	.2	137.6	-.6	141.8	2.4
Private transportation .....	129.6	1.1	137.8	-.1	137.0	-.1	141.6	2.2
Motor fuel .....	104.6	1.7	106.6	-1.7	116.4	-.5	112.4	-2.0
Gasoline .....	104.7	1.7	106.0	-2.0	116.1	-.5	111.7	-2.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	104.0	2.1	104.3	-2.1	118.3	-.5	110.8	-2.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9</sup> .....	112.2	1.3	112.6	-2.1	117.0	-1.1	114.4	-2.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	105.7	.9	107.0	-1.9	105.1	-.7	113.7	-2.0
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	189.0	-6.6	160.0	3.2	154.0	-8.8	146.5	4.3
Medical care .....	192.6	2.8	235.5	2.7	221.1	-2.1	211.5	1.0
Entertainment <sup>10</sup> .....	197.4	.2	175.3	4.8	163.6	4.5	158.4	1.7
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	223.2	4.9	233.3	4.9	234.2	6.3	204.6	6.0
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	159.0	2.3	160.2	6.0	142.1	2.0	142.3	2.7

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 16A. 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	Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY <sup>11</sup>		Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI		Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN		Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
All items .....	160.5	2.2	161.7	2.7	152.1	1.7	156.1	2.7
Commodities .....	141.7	1.7	142.8	1.2	137.4	.9	143.5	1.4
Food and beverages .....	158.2	3.4	160.5	2.8	145.0	2.5	158.1	2.5
Commodities less food and beverages .....	131.5	.6	131.2	.0	132.1	-.1	133.9	.5
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	125.1	1.1	135.3	1.3	130.1	-.6	137.4	.6
Durables .....	141.6	-.1	123.9	-2.2	136.2	.6	123.8	.6
Services .....	182.2	2.6	180.2	3.9	169.2	2.4	170.0	3.8
Medical care services .....	187.3	2.3	236.2	2.7	226.0	1.3	207.1	.4
<b>Special indexes</b>								
All items less shelter .....	150.5	2.0	153.8	2.3	148.9	1.6	151.3	2.6
All items less medical care .....	158.8	2.1	158.0	2.7	148.3	2.0	153.3	2.7
All items less energy .....	167.3	2.1	168.6	3.0	158.1	1.9	161.3	2.7
All items less food and energy .....	170.2	1.8	170.9	3.0	161.8	1.6	161.5	2.7
Energy .....	125.6	2.2	109.6	-.3	114.6	.6	121.1	2.3
Commodities less food .....	132.9	.5	133.2	.1	133.3	-.1	134.4	.6
Nondurables less food .....	127.8	1.0	137.8	1.2	132.2	-.5	137.6	.7
Nondurables .....	141.8	2.4	148.3	2.1	138.1	1.0	148.1	1.6
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	173.5	2.4	181.2	3.8	179.0	2.8	172.1	4.8
Services less medical care services .....	181.5	2.6	175.6	4.0	164.0	2.5	166.8	4.1

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 16A. 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	Dallas-Fort Worth, TX		Denver-Boulder, CO		Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI		Honolulu, HI	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
All items .....	151.4	1.7	158.1	3.3	156.3	2.5	171.9	0.7
All items (1967=100) .....	475.0	-	527.1	-	464.5	-	473.4	-
Food and beverages .....	157.0	2.7	148.0	4.1	151.4	2.4	159.2	1.7
Food .....	154.9	3.0	150.0	3.9	150.8	2.4	159.5	1.9
Food at home .....	148.0	2.4	155.8	4.5	150.8	2.4	164.2	2.9
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	160.5	1.5	181.5	.9	172.3	.6	168.8	-1.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	140.3	.9	139.2	2.4	144.0	2.4	137.8	1.6
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	141.0	1.1	136.3	1.5	144.9	2.4	137.2	1.6
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	150.2	2.9	149.4	10.3	135.8	3.9	144.9	3.9
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3 4</sup> .....	159.9	.9	182.7	7.9	181.1	1.9	204.4	4.9
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	142.1	5.6	146.3	3.3	139.0	3.2	172.5	4.5
Food away from home .....	166.5	4.2	141.7	2.5	151.8	1.9	152.6	1.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	180.6	1.5	132.7	5.3	159.5	3.2	155.2	-6
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	138.8	2.4	147.7	3.6	149.9	3.0	177.1	.2
Shelter .....	145.1	4.0	160.3	3.8	171.2	3.3	192.4	-6
Renters' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	151.9	3.8	170.5	3.6	169.0	3.3	200.0	-1
Rent, residential .....	142.9	3.9	150.0	4.2	156.3	2.3	185.7	-9
Other renters' costs <sup>3 7</sup> .....	162.6	3.0	224.1	2.1	178.8	4.9	242.8	3.2
Homeowners' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	151.0	3.8	162.2	4.0	175.1	3.2	197.9	-7
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	153.4	3.9	161.4	3.9	176.1	3.3	199.0	-7
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	128.6	.2	126.6	5.1	126.3	4.2	137.1	2.5
Fuels .....	122.8	-7	101.7	8.1	107.0	.8	119.8	3.4
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	115.3	6.0	105.3	2.6	96.7	-1.4	NA	-
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	NA	-	NA	-	99.7	-4.1	NA	-
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 8</sup> .....	120.8	6.0	136.9	2.6	114.0	1.7	NA	.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	122.2	-8	101.5	8.2	110.1	1.0	119.1	3.4
Electricity .....	122.3	-4	104.0	2.4	130.9	-1.1	118.6	3.6
Utility (piped) gas .....	123.4	-1.4	98.1	16.9	95.2	3.4	116.1	1.2
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	133.7	-1.1	118.2	.8	114.6	-3	150.0	2.5
Apparel and upkeep .....	137.2	-3.3	104.0	.4	135.2	2.7	117.3	-1.0
Apparel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	129.6	-4.4	100.8	-3	133.9	2.8	113.8	-1.0
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	113.0	-4.0	104.1	8.3	127.1	.6	147.3	-1.1
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	117.9	-4.1	97.1	-5.8	139.3	7.2	94.6	-6
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	155.7	-6.9	130.0	-7.5	137.8	-3.7	98.1	1.3
Transportation .....	142.9	.6	165.6	1.8	149.0	.7	166.2	-5
Private transportation .....	144.1	.8	163.9	2.8	147.0	.6	167.2	-6
Motor fuel .....	105.4	-7	106.9	1.8	105.2	-8	132.0	.1
Gasoline .....	104.9	-7	106.9	2.0	105.2	-7	135.1	.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	102.0	-5	102.8	1.9	105.1	-8	141.9	.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9</sup> .....	106.7	-1.2	107.5	1.8	119.6	-8	105.3	-6
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	106.2	-7	112.8	2.3	107.9	-4	123.8	.0
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	132.2	-4.0	180.1	-5.1	189.4	1.0	156.9	.6
Medical care .....	225.3	.3	265.8	6.0	214.1	.2	217.3	1.1
Entertainment <sup>10</sup> .....	168.9	3.7	155.2	2.0	160.3	3.6	147.9	.1
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	205.6	5.1	212.8	3.2	228.4	5.0	239.0	5.5
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	178.2	8.1	163.6	2.1	134.0	.4	169.2	-1

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 16A. 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	Dallas-Fort Worth, TX		Denver-Boulder, CO		Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI		Honolulu, HI	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
All items .....	151.4	1.7	158.1	3.3	156.3	2.5	171.9	0.7
Commodities .....	140.1	.0	134.3	1.9	139.5	1.5	148.3	1.4
Food and beverages .....	157.0	2.7	148.0	4.1	151.4	2.4	159.2	1.7
Commodities less food and beverages .....	130.9	-1.4	126.2	.5	132.5	.8	139.6	1.1
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	130.0	-1.9	128.0	.7	137.6	1.9	143.2	.7
Durables .....	133.5	-.7	123.8	.2	121.8	-1.4	134.2	1.8
Services .....	162.3	3.2	177.9	4.0	174.4	3.3	192.8	.4
Medical care services .....	235.7	-.5	272.1	6.9	221.7	-.2	217.4	.3
<b>Special indexes</b>								
All items less shelter .....	154.3	.9	157.1	3.0	152.4	2.1	164.0	1.4
All items less medical care .....	147.3	1.8	152.0	3.0	153.4	2.6	169.4	.7
All items less energy .....	158.3	1.9	164.0	3.1	163.1	2.6	176.7	.7
All items less food and energy .....	159.2	1.8	166.8	3.0	166.0	2.7	181.4	.5
Energy .....	113.2	-.7	103.2	4.8	107.6	.1	126.3	1.5
Commodities less food .....	132.6	-1.3	126.4	.8	133.7	.9	140.3	1.0
Nondurables less food .....	132.7	-1.7	128.1	1.2	138.9	2.1	143.9	.6
Nondurables .....	143.3	.3	138.1	2.5	144.7	2.2	152.0	1.3
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	187.2	2.6	202.8	4.4	182.5	3.2	195.4	1.3
Services less medical care services .....	156.1	3.6	169.6	3.7	170.3	3.6	190.3	.3

See footnotes at end of table.



**Table 16A. 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	Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX		Kansas City, MO-KS		Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA		Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
All items .....	145.4	1.9	155.8	2.8	160.0	1.6	158.4	3.1
All items (1967=100) <sup>12</sup> .....	466.3	-	462.6	-	472.6	-	255.4	-
Food and beverages .....	147.7	3.4	160.0	3.8	163.2	3.4	165.7	2.7
Food .....	147.5	3.4	161.0	4.0	161.4	3.5	166.0	2.9
Food at home .....	155.0	3.3	160.7	6.1	169.1	3.9	163.7	2.8
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	168.6	4.1	182.8	3.3	178.0	2.3	171.1	5.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	144.9	3.8	152.8	7.5	161.8	6.0	144.8	2.0
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	148.0	4.7	151.3	8.9	158.9	6.4	146.7	2.3
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	142.4	2.4	164.7	2.4	167.0	.4	146.7	-.7
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3 4</sup> .....	182.8	3.3	178.8	13.9	205.5	4.3	240.1	3.8
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	151.3	2.7	146.0	2.8	149.9	3.9	137.8	3.1
Food away from home .....	135.5	3.6	161.1	1.1	150.4	2.9	171.2	2.8
Alcoholic beverages .....	147.6	2.7	148.5	1.3	180.3	3.1	160.6	1.1
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	126.1	1.8	146.1	2.6	156.6	1.6	150.2	3.5
Shelter .....	140.6	2.3	158.6	2.9	166.9	1.8	158.4	3.1
Renters' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	146.9	2.7	174.1	4.3	176.6	2.0	161.4	3.3
Rent, residential .....	135.3	2.4	153.9	4.1	159.6	1.5	148.6	2.1
Other renters' costs <sup>3 7</sup> .....	250.4	3.2	215.3	4.5	222.4	4.2	232.2	7.9
Homeowners' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	135.3	2.0	157.5	2.3	176.1	1.6	162.7	3.0
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	131.1	3.0	156.3	2.4	175.7	1.5	159.3	2.4
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	106.9	1.4	133.8	1.0	154.0	3.3	119.8	1.4
Fuels .....	101.1	2.7	116.6	1.0	150.1	3.4	111.0	1.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	NA	-	108.8	1.0	126.7	7.6	169.5	6.6
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	NA	-	106.3	.3	NA	-	NA	-
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 6</sup> .....	120.1	2.0	131.7	1.1	126.7	7.6	153.1	6.6
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	101.0	2.7	117.3	.9	150.5	3.4	109.9	.9
Electricity .....	103.6	1.2	105.7	-1.5	167.9	2.6	107.9	.7
Utility (piped) gas .....	95.1	9.1	129.9	2.9	135.5	5.5	162.6	4.0
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	109.6	.4	128.4	3.7	120.9	-.7	150.8	7.4
Apparel and upkeep .....	142.1	3.2	133.4	2.9	121.0	-4.0	153.5	5.1
Apparel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	141.8	3.3	129.5	2.9	115.8	-5.0	145.8	5.8
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	163.9	.2	137.8	6.2	123.0	-2.8	136.1	-1.2
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	146.5	10.6	121.9	-3.2	113.2	-1.3	164.5	11.9
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	127.1	2.1	129.3	2.1	101.7	-10.6	154.7	10.9
Transportation .....	141.4	.7	140.7	2.3	145.2	.6	147.2	2.0
Private transportation .....	141.1	.8	139.3	2.1	140.4	.2	147.0	2.0
Motor fuel .....	103.1	-1.6	105.2	2.4	105.4	1.0	116.3	1.8
Gasoline .....	102.9	-1.8	105.1	2.4	103.2	.4	115.6	1.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	102.6	-1.7	101.4	2.7	101.2	.3	113.9	2.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9</sup> .....	106.0	-1.7	128.5	2.1	100.8	.1	109.7	.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	100.1	-2.0	107.6	1.8	103.7	-.2	116.4	.8
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	181.0	.6	173.3	7.4	207.6	3.0	145.8	1.5
Medical care .....	228.4	2.6	210.0	-1.0	232.0	1.4	219.2	2.2
Entertainment <sup>10</sup> .....	161.6	.7	171.0	1.1	147.6	1.2	153.8	5.3
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	197.7	.1	237.8	7.4	240.7	3.4	181.3	3.6
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	122.1	.1	147.3	9.5	160.9	-1.8	101.7	1.7

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 16A. 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	Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX		Kansas City, MO-KS		Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA		Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
All items .....	145.4	1.9	155.8	2.8	160.0	1.6	158.4	3.1
Commodities .....	137.1	1.6	146.7	2.7	141.5	.9	152.4	3.4
Food and beverages .....	147.7	3.4	160.0	3.8	163.2	3.4	165.7	2.7
Commodities less food and beverages .....	130.6	.5	139.4	2.0	127.6	-1.0	143.1	4.1
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	131.2	.6	142.5	2.8	130.9	-1.2	137.3	4.4
Durables .....	129.3	.1	133.2	.8	122.6	-6	152.0	3.8
Services .....	154.6	2.2	165.6	2.9	176.3	2.0	164.1	2.8
Medical care services .....	228.4	2.6	215.9	-2	233.6	1.1	224.1	2.0
<b>Special indexes</b>								
All items less shelter .....	146.5	1.7	155.5	2.7	158.2	1.5	158.5	3.1
All items less medical care .....	140.4	1.8	152.4	3.1	156.1	1.6	154.9	3.2
All items less energy .....	152.5	1.9	162.8	2.9	164.4	1.5	163.6	3.2
All items less food and energy .....	153.6	1.7	163.2	2.6	165.3	1.2	163.0	3.4
Energy .....	102.3	.3	110.6	1.7	120.7	2.1	111.9	1.5
Commodities less food .....	131.2	.5	139.6	1.9	130.4	-7	144.2	3.9
Nondurables less food .....	132.0	.8	142.6	2.7	135.1	-7	139.2	3.9
Nondurables .....	139.8	2.0	151.1	3.3	147.9	1.4	152.7	3.4
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	167.3	1.6	178.7	2.9	196.3	2.3	176.6	3.0
Services less medical care services .....	146.1	2.0	160.2	3.4	171.5	2.1	158.4	3.0

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**Table 16A. 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	Milwaukee, WI		Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI		New Orleans, LA <sup>11 13</sup>		N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
All items .....	157.7	1.9	155.4	2.3	143.0	3.3	170.8	2.3
All items (1967=100) .....	487.1	-	488.4	-	143.0	-	493.8	-
Food and beverages .....	154.5	1.7	163.5	3.0	140.7	3.1	163.0	2.1
Food .....	155.5	1.8	161.3	3.1	140.9	3.3	162.3	1.9
Food at home .....	156.1	1.5	158.1	2.0	139.1	2.9	163.4	1.7
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	200.9	3.6	175.0	3.4	135.8	4.5	186.4	1.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	153.9	.3	147.6	-.3	146.4	3.5	153.9	1.6
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	155.1	.3	150.1	.2	148.1	3.9	154.6	1.6
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	127.6	1.4	158.0	2.5	145.0	6.5	138.3	1.9
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3 4</sup> .....	159.3	-.3	201.5	4.8	155.5	.3	192.2	1.3
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	147.4	2.6	136.5	.7	120.1	1.5	154.6	2.2
Food away from home .....	154.8	3.5	166.0	5.0	142.0	3.2	164.5	2.3
Alcoholic beverages .....	146.6	1.3	183.6	2.1	139.6	1.8	170.4	4.3
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	156.1	1.1	140.8	2.0	126.1	2.7	171.7	2.4
Shelter .....	187.3	.8	154.9	2.9	127.5	4.6	199.5	3.3
Renters' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	180.8	1.5	166.5	3.6	119.6	3.8	207.5	4.4
Rent, residential .....	166.4	1.9	153.5	3.5	122.6	4.2	184.4	3.4
Other renters' costs <sup>3 7</sup> .....	194.0	.7	186.4	3.9	110.4	2.9	265.0	7.0
Homeowners' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	198.8	.7	159.8	2.5	130.4	5.2	205.5	2.8
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>8</sup> .....	199.5	.6	160.9	2.4	130.1	5.3	206.5	2.8
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	108.0	3.4	120.2	.6	129.6	.5	119.2	1.5
Fuels .....	91.9	3.0	109.9	.4	127.5	-.9	117.3	.9
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	95.8	5.5	91.5	-.4	NA	-	105.4	.2
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	90.5	.7	98.8	-.4	NA	-	104.5	-.2
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 8</sup> .....	153.4	21.2	107.1	-.4	127.4	1.2	130.6	4.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	94.9	2.7	112.5	.5	127.5	-1.0	126.2	1.0
Electricity .....	97.6	-.2	138.3	1.3	128.0	.3	128.3	.0
Utility (piped) gas .....	92.6	5.6	96.1	-.5	125.5	-5.8	122.7	2.8
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	115.9	.6	120.0	-.2	118.5	-.8	130.3	-2.4
Apparel and upkeep .....	122.9	-.2	145.6	1.7	218.9	8.0	130.3	2.0
Apparel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	118.3	-.7	143.8	1.8	228.0	8.4	126.0	2.3
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	110.1	.0	159.4	.2	172.1	21.6	122.5	4.2
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	119.6	-3.0	105.7	7.1	217.4	8.9	123.7	2.5
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	144.8	11.0	111.8	7.6	103.6	-8.5	133.4	2.4
Transportation .....	143.7	1.5	144.0	1.5	134.2	2.4	154.1	1.1
Private transportation .....	137.1	.4	136.6	.7	135.2	2.3	146.3	.9
Motor fuel .....	108.1	-1.5	102.2	.0	137.3	1.0	101.4	.5
Gasoline .....	107.0	-1.4	103.1	-.1	135.8	1.1	101.2	.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	109.3	-1.4	102.4	-.4	134.3	1.1	100.5	1.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9</sup> .....	113.5	-1.5	110.9	-.4	103.5	1.0	103.9	.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	100.3	-1.4	112.5	.4	132.8	1.5	102.3	-.4
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	250.3	12.4	238.4	7.4	124.7	3.8	189.1	2.1
Medical care .....	230.5	4.7	218.8	1.5	182.2	4.1	244.5	3.9
Entertainment <sup>10</sup> .....	140.1	7.2	170.8	3.5	144.2	-1.2	167.6	2.5
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	225.6	4.2	222.3	4.3	144.5	4.1	230.1	3.8
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	135.2	-.3	127.1	2.0	119.6	.3	166.6	.0

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**Table 16A. 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	Milwaukee, WI		Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI		New Orleans, LA <sup>11 13</sup>		N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
All items .....	157.7	1.9	155.4	2.3	143.0	3.3	170.8	2.3
Commodities .....	138.9	1.2	146.3	1.3	149.8	3.4	146.2	1.0
Food and beverages .....	154.5	1.7	163.5	3.0	140.7	3.1	163.0	2.1
Commodities less food and beverages .....	129.6	.9	136.4	.2	155.5	3.5	133.1	.2
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	133.6	1.3	144.1	1.8	180.8	5.4	134.6	1.4
Durables .....	124.8	.2	128.1	-1.8	116.4	-.7	130.2	-1.9
Services .....	176.1	2.5	164.8	3.1	137.2	3.4	192.6	3.2
Medical care services .....	232.2	4.0	226.5	1.7	177.8	2.2	251.1	4.5
<b>Special Indexes</b>								
All items less shelter .....	148.2	2.5	156.6	2.1	148.3	3.1	160.2	1.8
All items less medical care .....	154.3	1.8	151.9	2.4	139.9	3.3	167.2	2.2
All items less energy .....	166.0	2.0	162.1	2.5	144.0	3.7	177.5	2.4
All items less food and energy .....	168.3	2.1	162.5	2.3	144.7	3.8	181.4	2.5
Energy .....	99.8	.9	106.7	.2	131.5	-.2	111.2	.7
Commodities less food .....	130.3	.9	138.5	.4	154.7	3.4	134.7	.4
Nondurables less food .....	134.1	1.2	146.9	1.8	177.3	5.1	136.8	1.6
Nondurables .....	144.5	1.5	154.1	2.4	160.4	4.3	150.1	1.8
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	171.0	4.7	181.3	3.5	145.9	2.5	192.7	2.9
Services less medical care services .....	171.7	2.3	158.9	3.3	132.3	3.6	188.1	3.0

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 16A. 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	Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD <sup>14</sup>		Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA <sup>15</sup>		Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>						
All items .....	166.5	2.3	157.0	2.5	164.0	3.4
All items (1967 = 100) .....	480.8	-	479.2	-	480.1	-
Food and beverages .....	154.3	1.4	151.8	1.9	148.4	3.7
Food .....	153.4	1.5	150.5	1.6	148.4	3.6
Food at home .....	162.1	1.5	149.6	.7	147.4	3.7
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	190.3	2.2	160.8	.9	194.5	3.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	148.3	.7	139.6	.3	128.8	4.4
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	148.8	.8	141.5	.5	129.4	4.9
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	137.2	1.7	145.6	5.4	133.8	4.7
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3 4</sup> .....	188.1	.3	151.8	-8.7	183.6	3.4
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	159.6	3.0	157.2	6.6	132.0	3.2
Food away from home .....	138.5	1.5	153.3	4.0	150.1	2.9
Alcoholic beverages .....	166.5	.5	166.4	4.4	148.8	4.6
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	167.3	3.0	156.2	2.0	162.5	2.7
Shelter .....	196.2	3.5	171.7	1.6	184.3	4.1
Renters' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	220.8	4.9	171.5	2.4	183.8	5.3
Rent, residential .....	175.9	2.4	151.5	1.2	176.1	4.4
Other renters' costs <sup>3 7</sup> .....	301.9	8.2	207.5	4.7	205.5	8.1
Homeowners' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	198.3	2.9	170.7	1.1	193.7	3.4
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	199.3	2.9	171.1	1.1	193.9	3.5
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	131.9	3.2	145.2	4.3	129.9	-.7
Fuels .....	122.6	3.8	140.3	7.3	104.1	-4.8
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	101.6	-3.3	113.0	-2.2	108.3	6.3
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	95.4	-3.2	81.3	-9.7	106.7	4.7
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 8</sup> .....	NA	-	150.6	3.2	181.3	12.3
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	139.7	4.9	142.7	7.6	127.8	-6.0
Electricity .....	153.7	.5	137.7	-.4	146.0	-6.5
Utility (piped) gas .....	121.1	15.6	146.5	14.5	83.2	-3.4
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	121.3	.3	126.8	.7	119.2	-1.3
Apparel and upkeep .....	104.0	.2	140.9	4.7	131.4	5.5
Apparel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	98.7	.1	138.0	4.9	128.9	5.7
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	119.1	1.4	117.7	-.3	154.3	5.0
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	72.3	-1.2	151.4	8.4	114.4	11.0
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	114.5	-.3	121.4	6.0	120.5	-2.8
Transportation .....	152.8	.9	132.7	2.7	150.9	2.7
Private transportation .....	150.6	.8	132.3	3.3	151.1	2.6
Motor fuel .....	107.6	.9	106.1	.9	120.5	.6
Gasoline .....	106.0	1.1	106.5	1.4	120.9	.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	105.4	1.2	104.2	1.8	117.6	.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9</sup> .....	104.3	.2	115.6	2.0	107.3	.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	100.7	.6	107.0	2.2	119.2	.8
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	176.1	1.3	124.5	-9.0	154.3	3.5
Medical care .....	247.8	2.3	228.8	1.5	217.6	2.7
Entertainment <sup>10</sup> .....	181.8	2.0	165.7	1.5	172.3	2.1
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	241.4	3.6	214.3	5.6	254.7	8.1
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	195.6	3.2	126.7	4.3	170.5	.1

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 16A. 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	Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD <sup>14</sup>		Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA <sup>15</sup>		Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>						
All items .....	166.5	2.3	157.0	2.5	164.0	3.4
Commodities .....	136.5	.7	142.6	2.4	141.1	2.9
Food and beverages .....	154.3	1.4	151.8	1.9	148.4	3.7
Commodities less food and beverages .....	125.3	.2	136.4	2.9	137.4	2.3
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	125.3	.5	139.6	3.6	137.6	4.2
Durables .....	126.6	-.2	130.9	1.5	134.1	-1.3
Services .....	197.8	3.2	173.3	2.5	187.0	3.7
Medical care services .....	254.8	2.7	226.2	.8	210.0	3.3
<b>Special Indexes</b>						
All items less shelter .....	157.9	1.7	153.2	2.8	156.8	3.0
All items less medical care .....	162.5	2.2	152.9	2.5	160.8	3.5
All items less energy .....	173.3	2.2	161.4	2.3	170.7	3.8
All items less food and energy .....	178.7	2.3	164.5	2.5	176.2	3.8
Energy .....	116.3	2.7	125.5	4.4	110.7	-2.1
Commodities less food .....	127.0	.2	137.7	2.9	137.8	2.5
Nondurables less food .....	128.0	.5	141.3	3.7	138.1	4.3
Nondurables .....	140.2	1.0	146.1	2.7	142.6	4.0
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	205.1	3.0	180.0	3.4	193.3	3.1
Services less medical care services .....	193.3	3.3	168.3	2.7	184.8	3.7

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 16A. 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	St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL <sup>15</sup>		San Diego, CA		San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA <sup>14</sup>	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>						
All items .....	152.9	2.2	163.7	1.7	160.4	3.4
All items (1967=100) .....	454.1	-	553.6	-	493.0	-
Food and beverages .....	155.0	2.5	161.4	2.8	160.1	3.1
Food .....	153.3	2.1	159.9	2.7	160.6	3.1
Food at home .....	148.9	1.4	161.4	2.5	165.3	3.0
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	157.6	1.8	195.3	2.4	180.9	4.4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	134.4	2.7	152.3	4.2	153.8	2.7
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	136.6	3.0	152.5	4.4	148.8	3.4
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	148.8	1.6	156.9	1.8	150.9	-4
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3 4</sup> .....	170.7	-3.5	166.4	1.4	192.7	2.9
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	148.9	3.4	152.9	2.3	156.7	4.4
Food away from home .....	161.2	3.7	156.4	2.8	155.2	3.3
Alcoholic beverages .....	167.0	5.5	174.2	4.1	157.0	3.2
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	145.5	2.0	163.5	2.3	165.6	5.2
Shelter .....	162.4	1.9	177.9	2.8	182.0	5.8
Renters' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	168.0	1.6	202.8	4.3	207.3	6.0
Rent, residential .....	147.4	2.4	159.8	2.4	185.1	6.1
Other renters' costs <sup>3 7</sup> .....	201.1	.1	357.1	9.2	212.9	5.5
Homeowners' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	170.0	2.0	189.0	2.6	196.5	5.7
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	171.3	2.1	188.9	2.4	196.8	5.5
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	123.9	.7	123.2	2.9	149.4	4.6
Fuels .....	114.6	.0	102.3	7.9	149.8	7.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	94.9	-1.0	121.7	3.3	150.6	2.3
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	85.2	-3.6	171.5	-8	110.8	-1.6
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 8</sup> .....	119.7	.5	112.1	3.5	172.2	2.6
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	118.1	.2	101.8	8.1	150.0	7.4
Electricity .....	139.1	-6	95.3	4.5	174.9	-3
Utility (piped) gas .....	98.5	1.1	124.0	16.3	122.6	22.4
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	124.6	3.7	147.5	-5	118.5	1.6
Apparel and upkeep .....	123.8	1.3	126.1	-2.9	116.1	-.7
Apparel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	121.3	1.3	120.0	-3.2	110.6	-1.3
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	138.5	2.8	85.3	-4.2	111.6	4.8
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	104.0	1.0	146.8	-4.2	89.4	-3.8
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	104.7	10.1	121.6	1.4	144.8	-1.5
Transportation .....	143.8	1.4	152.2	.9	133.6	.1
Private transportation .....	144.3	1.1	147.5	.7	127.4	-.2
Motor fuel .....	108.2	-.8	111.1	-.3	110.8	-2.2
Gasoline .....	107.5	-.6	111.3	-.3	109.3	-2.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	103.9	-.4	113.8	-.3	106.7	-2.3
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9</sup> .....	123.4	-.9	100.3	-.4	104.7	-2.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	108.1	-.6	113.8	-.4	110.0	-2.0
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	149.1	5.4	205.4	2.5	184.5	1.3
Medical care .....	226.4	3.7	236.8	2.2	221.8	3.4
Entertainment <sup>10</sup> .....	164.2	2.1	161.4	-1.1	165.7	-.7
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	193.2	3.7	225.2	2.8	239.9	5.3
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	100.0	-4.7	160.4	.9	163.4	2.1

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 16A. 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	St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL <sup>15</sup>		San Diego, CA		San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA <sup>14</sup>	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>						
All items .....	152.9	2.2	163.7	1.7	160.4	3.4
Commodities .....	140.4	2.0	146.3	.8	140.3	1.6
Food and beverages .....	155.0	2.5	161.4	2.8	160.1	3.1
Commodities less food and beverages .....	131.5	1.7	137.0	-.7	126.6	.2
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	133.2	1.7	131.9	-1.5	129.6	.5
Durables .....	127.6	1.5	143.3	.4	121.7	-.2
Services .....	166.8	2.4	179.5	2.4	177.3	4.5
Medical care services .....	232.0	4.0	248.2	4.6	220.5	2.3
<b>Special indexes</b>						
All items less shelter .....	150.9	2.3	160.0	1.2	153.4	2.1
All items less medical care .....	148.6	2.1	160.0	1.7	157.5	3.4
All items less energy .....	158.9	2.5	169.8	1.8	164.7	3.5
All items less food and energy .....	160.3	2.6	172.3	1.7	165.8	3.6
Energy .....	111.6	-.4	106.0	3.0	125.2	2.4
Commodities less food .....	133.2	1.9	138.9	-.3	128.5	.5
Nondurables less food .....	135.6	2.1	135.2	-.8	131.8	.8
Nondurables .....	144.7	2.1	147.5	.9	145.6	2.0
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	175.0	2.6	192.8	2.1	180.3	3.1
Services less medical care services .....	160.4	2.2	174.6	2.2	174.5	4.7

See footnotes at end of table.



**Table 16A. 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	Seattle-Tacoma, WA <sup>16</sup>		Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL <sup>13 17</sup>		Washington, DC-MD-VA <sup>2</sup>	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>						
All items .....	163.0	3.5	134.0	1.8	162.4	1.8
All items (1967 = 100) .....	496.9	-	134.0	-	479.4	-
Food and beverages .....	160.2	3.0	131.7	2.0	155.3	1.8
Food .....	160.6	3.1	130.3	1.6	155.8	1.8
Food at home .....	159.6	3.0	128.8	.7	159.7	1.2
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	171.6	-1.4	149.3	2.3	183.5	1.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	138.8	3.7	123.6	1.5	146.1	-3
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	137.7	4.1	123.2	1.7	147.2	.1
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	155.7	8.2	131.3	1.5	159.7	2.8
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3 4</sup> .....	215.1	3.7	134.6	-3.9	183.4	1.0
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	142.7	1.6	121.7	1.9	148.3	2.1
Food away from home .....	163.4	2.8	132.2	2.7	153.2	3.0
Alcoholic beverages .....	156.9	3.0	140.3	4.0	151.9	1.7
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	164.4	4.8	129.0	1.9	157.1	.7
Shelter .....	178.2	3.7	137.6	2.5	172.9	1.3
Renters' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	186.7	4.0	125.5	3.1	187.3	1.2
Rent, residential .....	169.3	3.9	132.7	2.8	170.6	.9
Other renters' costs <sup>3 7</sup> .....	238.7	4.3	104.1	4.6	198.0	2.2
Homeowners' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	182.9	3.5	142.2	2.2	174.5	1.2
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>8</sup> .....	182.9	3.4	142.7	2.4	175.4	1.4
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	120.9	1.9	119.5	1.1	130.6	2.7
Fuels .....	115.6	.3	111.6	1.0	117.3	3.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	107.2	4.6	122.6	3.5	104.5	2.5
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	107.1	5.1	NA	-	99.3	4.1
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 8</sup> .....	NA	-	111.5	3.4	164.9	-2.3
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	138.9	-4	111.2	1.0	125.6	3.1
Electricity .....	154.5	-5	110.0	.8	132.5	.3
Utility (piped) gas .....	88.0	-1	161.3	5.2	115.3	8.6
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	159.7	11.4	112.7	.4	128.9	-3.6
Apparel and upkeep .....	125.9	.2	120.0	4.3	143.4	2.1
Apparel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	121.6	.2	118.2	4.6	138.4	2.0
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	130.6	2.8	125.4	2.9	163.0	5.8
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	87.5	-3.5	122.4	10.4	134.4	2.6
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	146.6	11.4	98.8	3.0	132.4	4.1
Transportation .....	145.6	1.1	127.0	-2	146.2	1.2
Private transportation .....	150.8	1.4	128.6	-2	147.1	1.1
Motor fuel .....	124.6	-2.5	129.4	1.3	110.6	-7
Gasoline .....	126.8	-2.5	127.8	1.2	109.7	-1.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	128.3	-2.3	124.1	1.1	108.2	-8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9</sup> .....	NA	-	112.9	1.5	104.4	-1.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	131.4	-2.4	131.8	1.1	107.9	-1.6
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	111.5	-2.0	105.6	.4	145.7	1.5
Medical care .....	224.7	3.4	190.5	1.0	231.6	4.8
Entertainment <sup>10</sup> .....	152.3	1.7	122.4	.4	174.6	3.3
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	223.1	5.9	163.3	4.6	237.6	4.3
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	124.4	1.6	168.6	5.1	170.1	2.5

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 16A. 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	Seattle-Tacoma, WA <sup>16</sup>		Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL <sup>13 17</sup>		Washington, DC-MD-VA <sup>2</sup>	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>						
All items .....	163.0	3.5	134.0	1.8	162.4	1.8
Commodities .....	147.9	3.1	123.1	.9	142.6	.6
Food and beverages .....	160.2	3.0	131.7	2.0	155.3	1.8
Commodities less food and beverages .....	141.0	3.1	117.9	.3	135.7	-.1
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	135.8	-.1	128.4	2.9	137.5	1.8
Durables .....	148.3	7.5	104.4	-3.8	134.2	-2.7
Services .....	178.1	3.8	144.1	2.5	180.5	2.6
Medical care services .....	223.7	3.3	199.8	.5	235.4	5.5
<b>Special Indexes</b>						
All items less shelter .....	158.0	3.4	132.8	1.5	158.7	1.9
All items less medical care .....	160.0	3.5	130.5	1.9	158.8	1.5
All items less energy .....	168.0	3.8	135.1	1.8	168.6	1.8
All items less food and energy .....	169.8	4.0	136.1	1.9	171.6	1.8
Energy .....	120.9	-1.4	119.5	1.2	113.3	1.2
Commodities less food .....	141.6	3.1	119.6	.5	136.4	.0
Nondurables less food .....	137.0	.2	130.0	3.0	138.2	1.7
Nondurables .....	147.7	1.7	130.1	2.4	146.2	1.8
Services less rent of shelter <sup>8</sup> .....	182.8	3.9	149.5	2.5	195.5	3.6
Services less medical care services .....	174.5	3.9	138.7	2.7	175.8	2.2

<sup>1</sup> Starting in January, 1998, indexes for the city of Atlanta will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

<sup>4</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

<sup>5</sup> This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a November 1982=100 base in Anchorage, Baltimore, Boston, Cincinnati, Denver, Miami, Milwaukee, Portland, St. Louis, San Diego, Seattle, and Washington. Indexes on a December 1982=100 base in Atlanta, Buffalo, Chicago, Cleveland, Dallas, Detroit, Honolulu, Houston, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, and San Francisco.

<sup>7</sup> 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.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a November 1986=100 base in Baltimore, Boston, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Miami, Minneapolis, Portland, St. Louis, San Diego, and Washington. Indexes on a December 1986=100 base in Anchorage, Atlanta,

Buffalo, Chicago, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Honolulu, Houston, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Milwaukee, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, San Francisco, and Seattle.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

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

<sup>11</sup> Information for Buffalo and New Orleans will no longer be calculated after January, 1998.

<sup>12</sup> Index on a November 1977=100 base in Miami.

<sup>13</sup> Indexes on a 1987=100 base.

<sup>14</sup> 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.

<sup>15</sup> 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.

<sup>16</sup> Starting in February, 1998, indexes for the city of Seattle will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

<sup>17</sup> Starting in July, 1998, indexes for the city of Tampa will be published on a semi-annual basis.

<sup>NA</sup> Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast		North Central		South		West	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
All items .....	164.8	2.3	153.1	2.3	155.3	2.0	158.0	2.3
All items (December 1977=100) .....	257.4	-	247.7	-	251.5	-	254.1	-
Food and beverages .....	160.0	2.0	154.5	2.6	155.3	2.6	159.3	3.4
Food .....	159.5	2.0	153.8	2.6	155.4	2.6	158.6	3.3
Food at home .....	160.5	1.7	153.6	2.4	154.2	2.5	161.8	3.4
Cereals and bakery products <sup>2</sup> .....	182.7	2.0	176.9	2.0	172.0	2.0	177.3	2.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>2</sup> .....	152.2	1.7	145.5	2.6	144.3	2.3	151.5	4.3
Dairy products <sup>2</sup> .....	137.3	2.5	144.4	1.3	146.0	3.3	155.5	2.0
Fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....	187.0	.3	177.8	2.3	185.9	1.6	197.2	3.6
Other food at home <sup>2</sup> .....	154.6	2.6	142.6	2.8	143.9	3.0	147.6	3.4
Sugar and sweets <sup>2</sup> .....	155.3	2.4	145.4	2.8	144.0	3.0	148.7	3.3
Fats and oils <sup>2</sup> .....	148.2	-.4	136.0	.7	139.0	1.3	143.9	1.6
Nonalcoholic beverages <sup>2</sup> .....	142.2	2.8	127.4	2.6	127.5	3.7	133.2	4.3
Other prepared food <sup>2</sup> .....	168.6	3.1	156.9	3.6	160.9	2.9	160.2	3.4
Food away from home .....	160.0	2.5	154.6	3.0	159.0	3.0	153.8	3.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	165.9	2.3	162.7	2.5	153.1	2.3	166.1	3.4
Housing <sup>3</sup> .....	165.1	2.4	147.3	2.8	147.4	2.4	156.0	2.7
Shelter .....	192.3	2.9	165.0	3.2	158.9	2.8	169.1	3.0
Renters' costs <sup>2</sup> .....	177.4	3.5	160.5	3.1	151.2	2.8	159.6	3.4
Rent, residential .....	178.7	2.9	164.0	3.1	154.6	2.7	167.0	2.9
Other renters' costs <sup>2</sup> .....	259.2	5.6	198.6	3.4	214.6	3.6	227.5	5.6
Homeowners' costs <sup>2</sup> .....	179.6	2.7	164.7	3.1	151.2	2.9	165.4	2.7
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>4</sup> .....	180.4	2.7	165.1	3.1	151.1	2.9	165.3	2.7
Maintenance and repairs <sup>2</sup> .....	137.2	1.9	140.3	2.3	145.9	5.0	143.6	3.2
Maintenance and repair services <sup>2</sup> .....	149.5	-	155.8	3.4	151.1	6.3	146.6	1.1
Maintenance and repair commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	118.9	1.3	122.7	1.2	138.8	3.2	136.8	5.1
Fuel and other utilities <sup>3</sup> .....	125.8	2.4	126.6	3.2	136.7	1.9	138.5	3.1
Fuels .....	116.8	2.4	111.2	2.3	121.4	1.8	128.0	3.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	97.0	-.3	96.2	1.1	107.9	2.1	111.3	5.3
Fuel oil <sup>2</sup> .....	96.9	-.6	92.6	-.2	95.6	1.5	123.3	4.9
Other household fuel commodities <sup>2 5</sup> .....	123.0	1.2	129.7	2.3	140.7	2.5	126.1	5.5
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	131.9	3.0	116.5	2.4	124.3	1.7	130.5	3.2
Electricity .....	138.2	.2	127.0	.6	125.5	.7	145.8	.1
Utility (piped) gas .....	122.8	8.3	106.8	4.8	121.8	6.3	113.0	10.6
Other utilities and public services <sup>2</sup> .....	161.6	2.5	162.2	4.2	166.2	2.2	158.3	3.1
Household furnishings and operation <sup>3</sup> .....	123.5	-.6	122.0	.9	125.6	.8	124.7	.8
Housefurnishings <sup>2</sup> .....	104.5	-2.2	107.6	.2	113.3	-.4	111.6	-.1
Housekeeping supplies <sup>2</sup> .....	151.6	.5	144.3	1.5	137.3	2.7	142.6	1.2
Housekeeping services <sup>2</sup> .....	160.5	2.4	148.2	2.6	161.1	2.5	149.5	2.6
Apparel and upkeep .....	128.5	2.4	130.7	1.3	142.6	1.0	124.1	-1.6
Apparel commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	124.6	2.5	128.7	1.2	138.6	.9	119.9	-2.0
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>2</sup> .....	131.1	3.8	128.1	2.5	136.9	1.6	122.5	-.6
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>2</sup> .....	116.1	2.7	126.0	1.1	139.7	.6	114.6	-.4
Infants' and toddlers' apparel <sup>2</sup> .....	130.3	.8	133.2	1.2	134.3	.0	117.4	-5.9
Footwear <sup>2</sup> .....	129.5	1.6	132.2	.5	129.9	2.4	118.8	-3.3
Other apparel commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	154.5	-.8	142.4	-1.6	154.4	-1.5	132.9	-6.0
Apparel services <sup>2</sup> .....	166.7	1.3	150.9	2.3	172.9	2.0	158.3	2.2

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast		North Central		South		West	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
Transportation .....	147.1	1.2	141.7	0.6	142.4	0.3	144.3	0.6
Private transportation .....	143.3	1.0	139.4	.4	141.5	.2	141.9	.4
New vehicles .....	144.6	.5	143.9	.3	147.3	.3	146.4	1.2
New cars .....	141.1	.3	138.0	-.1	145.8	.2	140.1	.4
Used cars .....	154.8	-3.4	153.3	-3.9	153.1	-3.5	149.7	-3.2
Motor fuel .....	105.1	1.2	106.5	-.7	104.3	-.1	109.3	-.2
Gasoline .....	104.7	1.3	106.3	-.7	103.9	-.1	108.4	-.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	103.7	1.6	104.8	-.9	101.1	-.1	105.5	-.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6</sup> .....	108.4	1.1	117.0	-.9	110.4	-.2	105.6	-.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	104.5	.5	109.2	-.9	106.9	-.2	109.2	-.7
Maintenance and repairs .....	173.0	3.0	154.7	3.6	162.3	2.4	166.3	2.2
Other private transportation <sup>2</sup> .....	177.2	2.1	167.7	2.7	180.3	1.7	168.9	1.3
Other private transportation commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	106.2	-.1	105.3	1.0	101.8	-.9	101.9	-1.0
Other private transportation services <sup>2</sup> .....	191.3	2.4	182.0	2.9	203.6	2.2	187.6	1.8
Public transportation <sup>2</sup> .....	185.5	2.4	193.6	3.7	166.4	2.3	187.9	1.8
Medical care .....	242.8	3.0	227.5	2.3	233.6	2.8	233.3	3.2
Medical care commodities .....	215.9	1.7	210.3	1.8	209.4	2.6	219.2	2.9
Medical care services .....	248.6	3.2	231.4	2.4	239.3	2.8	236.7	3.3
Professional medical services .....	226.4	3.4	211.6	3.5	221.4	3.9	205.8	2.8
Entertainment <sup>7</sup> .....	168.4	2.2	160.6	3.3	156.3	1.8	154.3	.7
Entertainment commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	147.4	1.0	145.3	2.0	141.3	.8	137.6	-.9
Entertainment services <sup>2</sup> .....	196.8	3.4	181.1	4.6	181.3	2.9	177.6	2.1
Other goods and services <sup>3</sup> .....	232.8	4.5	216.0	4.5	213.3	4.4	226.2	4.4
Tobacco and smoking products <sup>2</sup> .....	237.0	5.1	252.6	5.0	227.8	3.5	266.6	5.2
Personal care <sup>2</sup> .....	163.4	1.1	147.7	2.6	145.5	2.1	155.5	.6
Personal and educational expenses <sup>2</sup> .....	268.8	4.9	239.4	4.8	252.5	5.4	263.4	5.2
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
All items .....	164.8	2.3	153.1	2.3	155.3	2.0	158.0	2.3
Commodities .....	143.5	1.5	139.9	1.4	142.0	1.2	142.0	1.4
Food and beverages .....	160.0	2.0	154.5	2.6	155.3	2.6	159.3	3.4
Commodities less food and beverages .....	131.9	.9	131.6	.6	134.4	.4	131.4	-.1
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	132.1	1.9	135.5	1.5	136.6	1.3	133.2	.2
Apparel commodities <sup>2</sup> .....	124.6	2.5	128.7	1.2	138.6	.9	119.9	-2.0
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	139.5	1.6	141.3	1.6	138.6	1.5	142.6	1.2
Durables .....	128.8	-.8	125.2	-.6	130.4	-.9	129.1	-.4
Services .....	190.2	3.0	169.7	3.3	171.7	2.8	175.3	2.9
Rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....	179.6	3.0	163.9	3.1	151.2	2.9	163.0	3.0
Household services less rent of shelter <sup>2</sup> .....	135.4	2.7	128.0	3.1	136.7	1.9	137.8	3.1
Transportation services .....	185.8	2.5	177.0	3.2	187.4	2.2	182.2	1.9
Medical care services .....	248.6	3.2	231.4	2.4	239.3	2.8	236.7	3.3
Other services .....	224.4	4.1	193.9	4.6	204.3	4.3	202.2	3.7

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast		North Central		South		West	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Special indexes</b>								
All items less food .....	165.9	2.3	152.9	2.3	155.1	1.9	157.8	2.0
All items less shelter .....	156.8	2.1	150.5	2.1	154.6	1.8	154.7	1.9
All items less homeowners' costs <sup>2</sup> .....	151.7	2.2	145.0	2.1	146.8	1.9	148.2	2.1
All items less medical care .....	161.6	2.3	149.8	2.4	150.9	2.0	154.5	2.1
Commodities less food .....	133.4	1.1	132.8	.7	134.9	.4	133.1	.2
Nondurables less food .....	134.2	2.0	137.1	1.6	137.2	1.3	135.7	.7
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	141.1	1.7	142.6	1.7	138.9	1.5	144.0	1.6
Nondurables .....	146.7	1.9	145.1	2.0	146.0	2.0	146.9	2.0
Services less rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....	172.6	3.1	160.4	3.3	169.0	2.7	169.9	3.0
Services less medical care services .....	185.8	3.0	164.4	3.3	164.6	2.8	170.6	2.9
Energy .....	111.1	1.9	108.4	.7	110.7	.8	116.6	1.2
All items less energy .....	172.4	2.4	159.9	2.5	161.7	2.1	162.9	2.3
All items less food and energy .....	176.1	2.4	161.4	2.5	163.3	2.0	164.1	2.1
Commodities less food and energy								
commodities .....	143.3	1.1	140.4	.9	143.4	.5	140.2	.3
Energy commodities .....	103.1	.8	106.2	-.7	104.9	.1	110.3	-.2
Services less energy services .....	196.3	3.0	176.7	3.3	177.5	2.9	178.9	3.0

<sup>1</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>2</sup> This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

<sup>3</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> 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 19A. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Population size classes <sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Size class A <sup>2</sup>		Size class B <sup>3</sup>		Size class C <sup>3</sup>		Size class D	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
All items .....	143.7	2.2	157.5	2.3	159.4	2.3	156.0	2.0
All items (December 1977=100) .....	143.7	-	254.3	-	255.3	-	252.1	-
Food and beverages .....	142.2	2.6	156.8	2.6	155.9	2.4	152.9	2.9
Food .....	141.8	2.6	156.9	2.5	155.4	2.4	152.4	3.0
Food at home .....	145.6	2.5	158.9	2.5	153.4	2.1	150.1	2.8
Cereals and bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	159.1	2.1	175.6	2.2	172.4	2.3	179.4	2.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>4</sup> .....	137.5	2.6	150.2	2.6	142.4	2.4	138.9	3.1
Dairy products <sup>4</sup> .....	140.6	2.3	147.5	2.7	137.7	1.6	139.8	3.6
Fruits and vegetables <sup>4</sup> .....	171.9	2.4	192.0	1.5	183.0	.6	170.3	1.4
Other food at home <sup>4</sup> .....	134.4	2.7	148.3	3.0	148.5	3.1	143.0	3.8
Sugar and sweets <sup>4</sup> .....	137.3	3.0	146.6	2.4	144.1	2.3	139.8	3.9
Fats and oils <sup>4</sup> .....	133.5	.5	138.7	.5	141.3	1.0	138.9	2.4
Nonalcoholic beverages <sup>4</sup> .....	123.0	2.9	129.1	2.9	136.7	3.8	124.5	5.2
Other prepared food <sup>4</sup> .....	143.9	2.9	169.8	3.9	162.2	3.3	159.0	3.4
Food away from home .....	135.9	2.9	154.7	2.7	160.3	3.0	157.3	3.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	146.0	2.5	157.5	3.1	163.1	2.9	160.0	2.1
Housing <sup>5</sup> .....	138.9	2.5	154.6	2.6	156.6	2.7	151.3	2.0
Shelter .....	146.8	3.1	171.4	2.9	177.5	3.0	172.3	2.5
Renters' costs <sup>4 6</sup> .....	145.0	3.5	171.5	2.9	156.4	3.2	154.8	2.6
Rent, residential .....	138.4	3.1	165.4	2.5	160.7	2.5	158.9	2.3
Other renters' costs <sup>4</sup> .....	185.8	4.9	261.5	3.7	203.8	5.6	201.5	3.9
Homeowners' costs <sup>4 6</sup> .....	147.9	2.9	165.6	2.9	169.5	3.0	163.6	2.4
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>7</sup> .....	148.2	2.9	166.1	2.9	170.0	2.9	163.5	2.5
Maintenance and repairs <sup>4</sup> .....	126.9	3.9	137.0	2.2	156.3	2.6	140.1	1.4
Maintenance and repair services <sup>4</sup> .....	131.8	3.9	147.6	3.1	172.2	4.1	156.3	1.6
Maintenance and repair commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	121.2	4.0	128.6	1.3	135.5	.1	120.3	1.2
Fuel and other utilities <sup>5</sup> .....	130.2	2.6	136.0	2.9	134.7	2.9	129.3	1.3
Fuels .....	129.0	2.2	115.4	2.5	121.3	3.0	109.5	1.0
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	142.4	.1	98.0	1.8	99.2	.4	93.1	1.0
Fuel oil <sup>4</sup> .....	145.1	-.5	97.2	2.2	91.4	-1.7	92.0	.2
Other household fuel commodities <sup>2 4</sup> .....	134.3	2.7	128.8	1.2	132.4	3.4	126.2	1.7
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	127.9	2.4	121.8	2.6	129.8	3.2	117.9	1.1
Electricity .....	131.4	.3	130.3	.9	136.8	1.0	124.6	-.5
Utility (piped) gas .....	122.3	6.0	108.5	7.4	120.7	10.0	109.0	5.5
Other utilities and public services <sup>4</sup> .....	131.8	3.1	179.3	3.2	163.2	2.8	168.8	1.5
Household furnishings and operation <sup>5</sup> .....	116.4	-.1	126.0	1.1	123.1	1.2	124.8	1.3
Housefurnishings <sup>4</sup> .....	105.0	-1.4	113.9	.4	108.7	.5	110.2	.4
Housekeeping supplies <sup>4</sup> .....	135.6	.9	135.8	2.1	142.5	2.5	137.1	2.6
Housekeeping services <sup>4</sup> .....	136.7	2.6	160.2	2.4	157.6	2.5	161.8	2.7
Apparel and upkeep .....	121.1	.7	132.0	1.7	141.6	1.0	134.3	.3
Apparel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	119.6	.5	128.0	1.6	139.2	1.0	131.1	.0
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	119.7	2.0	132.6	1.5	138.9	1.7	125.4	3.0
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	114.2	1.5	130.5	1.2	136.6	.5	133.7	-1.3
Infants' and toddlers' apparel <sup>4</sup> .....	108.4	-3.3	129.6	6.9	149.6	-.4	121.3	-.2
Footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	126.0	-.1	117.0	2.1	133.1	2.5	134.2	.6
Other apparel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	142.1	-4.1	124.0	.0	164.8	.1	141.7	-2.6
Apparel services <sup>4</sup> .....	136.5	2.2	168.2	2.2	168.7	.4	164.8	2.8

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Size class A <sup>2</sup>		Size class B <sup>3</sup>		Size class C <sup>3</sup>		Size class D	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
Transportation .....	143.0	0.7	143.2	0.8	142.2	0.6	142.5	0.0
Private transportation .....	142.6	.6	141.2	.5	140.2	.5	140.0	-.1
New vehicles .....	127.8	.7	144.7	.3	145.7	.4	147.2	.1
New cars .....	124.7	.4	137.8	-.1	142.0	.1	142.4	-.3
Used cars .....	144.1	-3.5	152.9	-3.4	152.3	-3.4	146.4	-4.7
Motor fuel .....	155.0	-.3	105.6	.5	105.4	-.1	104.5	-.1
Gasoline .....	154.4	-.4	105.3	.5	105.4	-.1	104.1	.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	154.9	-.3	102.8	.5	102.8	-.1	100.4	.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>8</sup> .....	107.6	-.4	110.9	.6	114.8	-.1	114.9	-.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	144.2	-.6	107.7	.3	108.9	.3	106.2	.2
Maintenance and repairs .....	146.0	3.0	166.6	2.4	161.0	2.5	150.4	2.9
Other private transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	147.7	2.0	171.9	1.8	174.4	2.0	170.7	1.8
Other private transportation commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	107.3	.1	99.3	-.4	104.3	-.7	120.7	-.9
Other private transportation services <sup>4</sup> .....	157.2	2.3	190.6	2.1	194.6	2.6	183.9	2.4
Public transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	147.7	2.0	200.4	4.9	208.1	4.1	211.3	.8
Medical care .....	185.2	2.5	233.3	3.4	238.6	3.1	227.1	2.8
Medical care commodities .....	172.1	1.8	211.4	3.0	206.9	3.0	213.5	2.3
Medical care services .....	188.1	2.6	238.1	3.5	245.3	3.1	230.4	2.9
Professional medical services .....	171.5	3.0	212.7	4.7	225.9	3.2	222.5	3.9
Entertainment <sup>9</sup> .....	142.9	2.1	155.4	1.3	164.3	1.9	146.4	2.6
Entertainment commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	132.1	1.1	137.8	-.7	147.4	.8	137.3	2.3
Entertainment services <sup>4</sup> .....	154.8	3.2	183.2	3.6	191.7	3.3	160.8	2.9
Other goods and services <sup>5</sup> .....	179.2	4.4	221.8	4.1	218.5	4.4	219.7	5.2
Tobacco and smoking products <sup>4</sup> .....	190.2	4.4	249.4	4.2	246.6	4.9	233.5	6.0
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	136.7	1.8	149.3	.9	152.5	2.1	138.3	2.0
Personal and educational expenses <sup>4</sup> .....	191.2	5.2	255.5	5.0	247.3	4.8	264.5	5.5
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
All items .....	143.7	2.2	157.5	2.3	159.4	2.3	156.0	2.0
Commodities .....	136.4	1.3	141.0	1.5	143.0	1.4	140.9	1.4
Food and beverages .....	142.2	2.6	156.8	2.6	155.9	2.4	152.9	2.9
Commodities less food and beverages .....	132.4	.3	131.9	.7	135.3	.7	133.8	.4
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	140.6	1.0	133.7	1.7	137.8	1.6	134.8	1.5
Apparel commodities <sup>4</sup> .....	119.6	.5	128.0	1.6	139.2	1.0	131.1	.0
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	152.9	1.3	139.0	1.7	139.9	1.8	137.6	2.0
Durables .....	121.8	-.7	127.9	-.6	130.6	-.5	130.2	-1.0
Services .....	150.5	3.0	177.6	3.0	180.7	3.1	175.9	2.6
Rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....	147.1	3.1	167.8	2.9	166.1	3.0	161.0	2.5
Household services less rent of shelter <sup>4 6</sup> .....	130.9	2.7	138.4	2.8	135.4	3.0	133.2	1.5
Transportation services .....	152.7	2.4	185.2	2.5	186.4	2.8	179.1	2.3
Medical care services .....	188.1	2.6	238.1	3.5	245.3	3.1	230.4	2.9
Other services .....	169.3	4.2	207.5	4.1	205.1	4.0	203.2	4.6

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Size class A <sup>2</sup>		Size class B <sup>3</sup>		Size class C <sup>3</sup>		Size class D	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Special Indexes</b>								
All items less food .....	144.1	2.1	157.6	2.2	160.1	2.2	156.6	1.8
All items less shelter .....	142.6	1.9	154.1	2.1	154.6	2.0	152.2	1.9
All items less homeowners' costs <sup>4</sup> .....	142.8	2.1	148.4	2.2	147.7	2.1	145.2	2.0
All items less medical care .....	141.8	2.2	153.8	2.2	155.4	2.2	151.7	1.9
Commodities less food .....	133.2	.5	132.8	.8	136.3	.8	134.7	.4
Nondurables less food .....	141.1	1.1	134.9	1.7	139.1	1.8	136.0	1.5
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	151.9	1.5	139.7	1.8	141.1	2.0	138.8	2.0
Nondurables .....	141.5	1.9	145.4	2.2	146.8	2.0	144.1	2.2
Services less rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....	154.1	3.0	169.9	3.2	169.3	3.2	165.1	2.6
Services less medical care services .....	147.7	3.1	172.1	3.0	174.5	3.1	169.6	2.5
Energy .....	140.8	1.0	109.3	1.5	111.8	1.5	106.2	.5
All items less energy .....	143.9	2.3	164.3	2.4	166.4	2.3	163.2	2.2
All items less food and energy .....	144.5	2.3	166.3	2.3	169.3	2.3	166.0	1.9
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	130.4	.6	140.6	.9	145.5	1.0	143.1	.6
Energy commodities .....	154.0	-.2	104.9	.6	105.2	.0	103.5	.0
Services less energy services .....	152.3	3.1	184.1	3.1	187.1	3.1	183.2	2.7

<sup>1</sup> See region and area size on table 10 for information about population size classes.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

<sup>5</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January,

1998.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> 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 20A. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of region and population size classes <sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast					
	Size class A		Size class B <sup>2</sup>		Size class C <sup>2</sup>	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>						
All items .....	164.4	2.3	162.9	2.3	167.6	2.6
All items (December 1977 = 100) .....	251.3	-	260.0	-	278.8	-
Food and beverages .....	159.4	1.9	163.7	2.6	158.1	1.9
Food .....	159.0	1.9	163.6	2.6	157.5	2.0
Food at home .....	160.2	1.5	166.9	2.5	154.6	1.8
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	184.2	1.5	172.4	3.0	185.3	3.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	150.8	1.2	162.7	3.8	150.2	1.3
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	138.1	2.6	142.7	3.3	120.5	-3
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....	187.3	.4	190.9	-.5	182.8	1.1
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	152.9	2.5	167.7	2.5	146.3	3.1
Food away from home .....	158.7	2.5	161.7	2.8	164.6	2.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	166.2	2.6	168.0	2.5	164.8	1.3
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	163.0	2.5	163.9	2.3	173.6	2.7
Shelter .....	187.2	3.2	190.3	2.6	212.7	2.9
Renters' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	177.0	4.0	191.9	2.3	163.4	3.0
Rent, residential .....	180.1	3.3	170.6	2.4	174.6	2.3
Other renters' costs <sup>3</sup> .....	259.3	7.1	275.8	2.1	208.5	8.0
Homeowners' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	176.0	2.8	180.1	2.7	193.0	2.8
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	176.7	2.8	181.0	2.9	193.6	2.7
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	124.3	2.4	136.1	2.6	119.6	2.4
Fuels .....	119.5	2.4	119.7	2.6	100.6	2.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	102.5	-.5	93.6	.9	85.8	-.7
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	100.7	-.9	95.5	2.7	87.3	-2.3
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	140.7	2.7	115.3	-4.1	103.5	5.2
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	132.2	3.0	139.8	3.1	117.5	3.5
Electricity .....	137.4	.4	148.5	.1	120.7	.2
Utility (piped) gas .....	125.2	7.5	124.7	11.1	114.0	13.8
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	124.5	-1.8	119.8	.8	119.7	2.8
Apparel and upkeep .....	124.2	2.1	130.3	3.2	147.5	4.6
Apparel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	119.4	2.1	127.4	3.2	145.1	4.9
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	121.3	2.4	149.4	6.0	162.1	8.6
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	110.3	3.3	120.5	.2	133.6	4.0
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	129.3	2.1	124.7	4.8	142.0	-.7
Transportation .....	150.1	1.0	143.1	1.6	140.1	1.0
Private transportation .....	145.8	1.0	140.7	.9	136.6	1.0
Motor fuel .....	104.0	.9	106.8	1.9	104.9	1.4
Gasoline .....	103.6	1.1	106.8	2.2	104.6	1.6
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	102.5	1.3	104.5	2.3	104.4	1.8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6</sup> .....	105.9	.5	113.4	2.4	112.6	1.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	103.1	.0	107.5	1.9	107.8	1.3
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	178.9	1.1	197.3	10.8	234.7	1.2
Medical care .....	245.9	3.4	238.4	1.5	231.6	2.3
Entertainment <sup>9</sup> .....	170.3	1.9	158.7	2.0	172.7	4.2
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	231.4	4.6	227.8	4.1	237.2	4.8
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	168.2	1.4	148.4	-.6	151.5	1.1

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	Northeast					
	Size class A		Size class B <sup>2</sup>		Size class C <sup>2</sup>	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>						
All items .....	164.4	2.3	162.9	2.3	167.6	2.6
Commodities .....	143.2	1.3	142.7	2.1	144.9	1.8
Food and beverages .....	159.4	1.9	163.7	2.6	158.1	1.9
Commodities less food and beverages .....	131.1	.6	129.4	1.6	136.0	1.6
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	131.1	1.6	130.9	2.6	137.5	2.7
Durables .....	128.9	-1.3	125.1	.2	129.9	-.2
Services .....	188.0	3.1	190.5	2.6	198.1	3.3
Medical care services .....	252.3	3.8	243.2	1.3	236.4	2.1
<b>Special indexes</b>						
All items less shelter .....	157.3	1.9	155.7	2.3	154.7	2.5
All items less medical care .....	161.1	2.2	160.0	2.4	164.7	2.6
All items less energy .....	171.4	2.3	170.6	2.4	177.4	2.6
All items less food and energy .....	175.0	2.5	172.7	2.3	182.9	2.8
Energy .....	112.5	1.8	113.5	2.3	100.9	1.8
Commodities less food .....	132.7	.8	130.9	1.7	137.5	1.6
Nondurables less food .....	133.3	1.8	133.0	2.6	139.2	2.6
Nondurables .....	146.2	1.7	147.7	2.6	147.7	2.2
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	171.8	3.1	174.0	2.6	172.6	3.9
Services less medical care services .....	183.4	3.1	186.3	2.8	194.9	3.4

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	North Central							
	Size class A		Size class B <sup>2</sup>		Size class C <sup>2</sup>		Size class D	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
All items .....	153.0	2.3	151.6	2.3	156.0	2.6	150.7	2.0
All items (December 1977 = 100) .....	250.2	-	244.3	-	245.2	-	244.2	-
Food and beverages .....	156.8	2.7	150.5	2.2	153.9	2.5	148.0	2.4
Food .....	156.2	2.8	150.6	2.0	152.7	2.5	147.0	2.4
Food at home .....	157.1	2.7	151.4	1.3	151.3	2.2	144.0	2.2
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	178.1	2.1	182.4	1.4	171.9	2.1	174.6	2.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	151.8	2.8	138.0	1.0	137.6	3.1	136.2	2.5
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	148.9	2.1	143.8	-1.9	139.3	1.2	136.0	2.4
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....	183.7	3.9	166.4	1.6	178.7	-9	159.3	1.0
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	141.5	2.5	146.9	3.0	148.0	3.7	134.0	2.6
Food away from home .....	155.2	2.8	149.4	3.2	156.4	3.1	153.0	2.9
Alcoholic beverages .....	163.4	2.0	149.4	4.2	168.4	2.7	164.3	3.5
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	145.7	2.8	147.2	3.4	153.3	2.9	145.3	2.3
Shelter .....	163.2	3.0	168.4	3.5	171.5	3.3	159.6	2.8
Renters' costs <sup>3 6</sup> .....	159.1	3.0	172.3	3.5	165.6	3.8	147.5	2.9
Rent, residential .....	166.9	3.2	169.6	3.3	159.9	3.0	148.7	2.4
Other renters' costs <sup>3</sup> .....	185.2	2.2	230.5	3.9	220.0	5.9	182.2	5.3
Homeowners' costs <sup>3 6</sup> .....	163.4	3.2	168.6	3.5	170.9	3.1	158.3	2.7
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	163.5	3.2	169.5	3.6	171.9	3.2	158.6	2.7
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	124.5	3.2	118.4	3.1	132.7	3.3	135.0	2.7
Fuels .....	111.4	1.7	103.1	2.7	118.8	3.5	108.0	2.0
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	96.5	1.7	94.1	1.6	99.3	-5	93.4	2.8
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	93.7	.1	95.4	1.1	88.6	-1.8	92.9	1.6
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	124.1	3.2	129.6	1.9	138.3	.7	131.6	4.1
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	114.8	1.8	108.8	2.8	128.3	3.8	115.9	2.0
Electricity .....	126.1	.4	129.3	1.9	134.6	.3	118.0	.6
Utility (piped) gas .....	104.6	3.3	90.7	4.1	121.4	9.8	116.1	3.8
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	116.5	.3	126.2	2.8	132.7	1.0	124.8	.6
Apparel and upkeep .....	128.0	.8	132.8	1.1	132.2	2.2	141.8	2.2
Apparel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	126.5	.6	129.9	.9	128.9	2.5	141.0	2.2
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	126.9	2.0	124.6	-2.7	126.0	4.6	143.0	8.3
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	118.4	1.1	144.8	1.7	131.8	1.2	134.3	-4
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	131.2	.2	105.1	.7	127.5	2.2	167.6	.2
Transportation .....	142.0	.6	142.3	.7	142.0	1.1	139.1	-4
Private transportation .....	139.9	.3	140.1	.7	139.9	.9	134.8	-4
Motor fuel .....	107.6	-1.0	107.8	-5	104.5	-4	103.1	-5
Gasoline .....	107.3	-1.1	108.0	-6	104.4	-3	102.5	-4
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	106.3	-1.1	105.1	-7	102.8	-5	99.8	-3
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>8</sup> .....	116.1	-1.3	117.5	-3	117.6	-5	119.4	-7
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	108.3	-1.2	113.4	-5	105.4	.2	105.2	.1
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	175.0	4.0	241.2	.5	224.9	7.7	299.8	-1.3
Medical care .....	226.2	1.8	225.8	2.7	241.1	3.4	217.4	2.5
Entertainment <sup>9</sup> .....	163.4	3.7	147.7	1.4	169.8	3.7	148.1	1.9
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	221.1	5.0	211.9	2.3	209.5	4.1	206.8	5.0
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	141.9	2.9	165.4	3.0	160.7	1.5	136.7	3.6

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	North Central							
	Size class A		Size class B <sup>2</sup>		Size class C <sup>2</sup>		Size class D	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
All items .....	153.0	2.3	151.6	2.3	156.0	2.6	150.7	2.0
Commodities .....	140.0	1.3	136.8	1.1	141.5	1.9	140.3	1.4
Food and beverages .....	156.8	2.7	150.5	2.2	153.9	2.5	148.0	2.4
Commodities less food and beverages .....	130.3	.4	129.5	.4	134.8	1.4	135.9	.7
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	136.0	1.3	131.3	.5	135.9	2.4	138.5	1.8
Durables .....	122.4	-1.1	126.1	.2	130.9	.0	128.1	-.7
Services .....	168.8	3.3	169.4	3.3	175.4	3.3	164.6	2.6
Medical care services .....	229.9	2.0	227.4	2.8	248.2	3.1	219.6	2.8
<b>Special indexes</b>								
All items less shelter .....	150.8	2.0	147.9	1.9	152.3	2.4	149.0	1.8
All items less medical care .....	149.8	2.4	148.1	2.2	152.5	2.6	147.1	1.9
All items less energy .....	159.5	2.5	159.5	2.4	163.1	2.7	157.0	2.1
All items less food and energy .....	160.3	2.4	161.8	2.5	165.9	2.7	159.6	2.0
Energy .....	109.5	.3	103.7	1.2	110.4	1.7	105.6	.8
Commodities less food .....	131.6	.5	130.2	.5	136.0	1.6	136.8	.9
Nondurables less food .....	137.8	1.3	132.2	.8	137.7	2.5	140.2	2.0
Nondurables .....	146.8	2.1	140.7	1.4	144.7	2.5	143.9	2.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	161.7	3.5	159.0	3.1	161.2	3.3	154.9	2.4
Services less medical care services .....	163.8	3.5	164.5	3.4	169.7	3.3	158.7	2.5

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	South							
	Size class A		Size class B <sup>2</sup>		Size class C <sup>2</sup>		Size class D	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
All items .....	153.9	2.0	156.1	2.4	156.0	1.8	156.7	2.4
All items (December 1977=100) .....	249.3	-	252.9	-	252.5	-	253.6	-
Food and beverages .....	155.6	2.8	156.0	2.3	156.1	2.4	152.1	3.3
Food .....	155.8	2.8	156.2	2.4	156.0	2.2	152.3	3.4
Food at home .....	154.8	2.4	156.2	2.5	154.2	2.0	149.3	3.5
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	169.4	2.7	173.8	1.8	167.7	1.5	182.7	2.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	145.0	2.3	145.7	2.2	142.4	2.1	142.8	3.4
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	151.2	2.9	148.0	4.6	144.7	2.5	134.9	4.3
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....	187.3	2.1	200.3	1.4	180.8	.8	167.1	2.6
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	142.1	2.5	141.0	3.1	152.4	2.6	138.4	4.8
Food away from home .....	159.0	3.4	157.4	2.2	161.0	2.8	160.2	3.3
Alcoholic beverages .....	152.7	2.6	153.2	1.7	157.4	3.1	147.1	.8
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	143.8	2.1	150.1	2.8	147.1	2.3	151.8	2.2
Shelter .....	155.8	2.5	157.3	3.5	158.1	2.5	176.8	3.3
Renters' costs <sup>3 6</sup> .....	147.6	2.5	164.2	3.6	142.9	2.3	154.4	3.4
Rent, residential .....	154.9	2.4	157.6	3.5	148.3	2.3	159.0	3.5
Other renters' costs <sup>3</sup> .....	193.5	3.6	281.9	4.4	179.8	2.8	201.2	2.9
Homeowners' costs <sup>3 6</sup> .....	149.9	2.5	153.4	3.4	147.0	2.5	162.3	3.3
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	150.0	2.7	153.6	3.4	146.7	2.6	161.2	3.5
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	123.2	1.6	148.4	2.8	145.2	2.5	128.1	-.2
Fuels .....	112.6	1.3	120.9	2.2	138.7	2.6	110.2	.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	99.0	.0	112.3	2.9	132.3	4.1	94.2	.3
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	95.1	-.1	98.0	1.9	88.7	10.2	92.9	1.6
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	133.3	.4	143.1	3.7	159.3	3.6	117.5	-.3
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	116.3	1.3	121.1	2.2	140.4	2.5	115.1	.2
Electricity .....	115.5	.2	120.8	1.1	144.3	1.3	118.3	-.3
Utility (piped) gas .....	115.7	4.5	127.7	7.4	134.4	8.8	108.3	4.3
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	128.2	.2	132.2	.3	117.3	1.6	120.6	2.1
Apparel and upkeep .....	147.7	1.7	136.2	1.3	148.7	.1	129.3	-.5
Apparel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	143.0	1.6	131.2	1.2	146.8	.1	124.0	-1.0
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	146.4	3.3	133.7	1.5	134.0	-1.0	116.8	.7
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	141.8	2.1	133.0	1.0	146.7	-.6	136.1	-2.8
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	136.0	1.2	124.2	2.1	136.5	4.4	106.9	4.8
Transportation .....	143.3	.5	142.0	.3	141.8	-.1	142.1	.2
Private transportation .....	143.0	.4	141.0	.1	140.3	-.1	141.2	.2
Motor fuel .....	106.5	-.7	104.4	.6	104.5	-.2	97.7	.4
Gasoline .....	105.7	-.8	104.0	.6	105.1	-.1	96.8	.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	103.7	-.7	101.6	.8	100.8	-.2	92.6	.7
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>8</sup> .....	107.4	-.8	109.6	.5	113.6	-.4	114.6	.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	107.2	-.9	106.1	.2	109.8	.4	103.7	.1
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	147.8	2.1	178.5	3.8	196.9	1.5	170.0	1.6
Medical care .....	233.6	2.0	231.4	4.3	236.6	2.2	232.3	3.1
Entertainment <sup>9</sup> .....	165.8	2.6	154.3	1.3	150.6	-.2	150.4	4.9
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	203.9	3.6	227.0	4.7	212.6	4.4	214.2	5.9
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	151.1	3.6	149.5	.1	142.3	2.3	125.0	.0

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	South							
	Size class A		Size class B <sup>2</sup>		Size class C <sup>2</sup>		Size class D	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
All items .....	153.9	2.0	156.1	2.4	156.0	1.8	156.7	2.4
Commodities .....	142.4	1.4	141.7	1.2	143.4	1.0	138.8	1.5
Food and beverages .....	155.6	2.8	156.0	2.3	156.1	2.4	152.1	3.3
Commodities less food and beverages .....	134.7	.4	133.8	.5	135.8	.1	131.3	.5
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	137.0	1.2	136.6	1.6	138.6	1.0	131.3	1.5
Durables .....	131.5	-.6	128.4	-1.2	131.9	-.9	129.1	-1.1
Services .....	167.8	2.6	173.2	3.4	172.2	2.5	180.0	3.0
Medical care services .....	238.1	1.8	238.1	4.6	243.5	2.2	235.9	3.2
<b>Special indexes</b>								
All items less shelter .....	153.8	1.8	156.4	2.0	155.4	1.5	152.0	2.0
All items less medical care .....	149.9	2.0	152.0	2.2	151.2	1.7	151.1	2.2
All items less energy .....	160.6	2.1	162.2	2.4	162.0	1.8	164.7	2.5
All items less food and energy .....	161.8	2.0	163.7	2.4	163.6	1.7	168.0	2.3
Energy .....	108.6	.2	109.8	1.4	118.7	1.3	101.6	.3
Commodities less food .....	135.4	.5	134.4	.5	136.5	.3	131.7	.5
Nondurables less food .....	137.7	1.3	137.3	1.7	139.4	1.2	131.7	1.5
Nondurables .....	146.3	2.0	146.4	2.0	147.4	1.7	141.7	2.5
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	165.0	2.5	172.1	3.4	171.3	2.4	169.1	2.7
Services less medical care services .....	161.4	2.7	166.6	3.2	164.0	2.5	171.9	3.0

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	West			
	Size class A		Size class C <sup>2</sup>	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>				
All items .....	156.5	2.3	163.5	2.7
All items (December 1977 = 100) .....	253.3	-	252.2	-
Food and beverages .....	160.2	3.2	157.2	3.6
Food .....	159.4	3.2	156.7	3.4
Food at home .....	163.1	3.4	154.2	3.1
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	180.2	2.5	169.0	3.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	153.0	4.5	142.4	4.1
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	159.1	1.8	142.9	2.8
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....	195.2	3.7	197.8	2.9
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	148.2	3.5	140.1	2.6
Food away from home .....	153.9	2.9	161.2	3.9
Alcoholic beverages .....	166.9	3.1	164.2	4.1
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	154.7	2.9	163.8	3.3
Shelter .....	165.1	3.3	185.4	3.8
Renters' costs <sup>3 5</sup> .....	161.2	3.7	161.8	3.9
Rent, residential .....	170.7	3.5	166.8	2.9
Other renters' costs <sup>3</sup> .....	226.2	5.1	225.0	8.4
Homeowners' costs <sup>3 6</sup> .....	162.9	3.0	186.7	3.8
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	162.6	3.0	187.7	3.8
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	142.9	3.1	133.3	4.5
Fuels .....	134.7	3.2	113.2	4.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	107.2	5.0	282.7	5.5
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	104.9	4.7	355.4	3.9
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	140.6	5.2	123.3	6.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	136.6	3.1	111.9	4.6
Electricity .....	153.2	.3	124.4	1.9
Utility (piped) gas .....	119.1	10.5	98.5	9.9
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	126.6	.8	121.5	-5
Apparel and upkeep .....	121.8	-2.0	135.4	-2.4
Apparel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	116.8	-2.6	134.1	-2.5
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	120.1	.1	147.1	-3.2
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	108.2	-1.0	126.6	-9
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	121.1	-5.0	126.2	1.8
Transportation .....	143.3	.6	143.3	1.0
Private transportation .....	140.7	.4	141.9	.7
Motor fuel .....	108.6	-1	109.9	-9
Gasoline .....	107.6	-4	108.8	-1.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	104.9	-4	105.4	-1.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>8</sup> .....	103.5	-1	115.9	-7
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	109.7	-5	109.2	-9
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	190.0	1.5	176.3	6.5
Medical care .....	229.6	2.5	250.6	6.1
Entertainment <sup>9</sup> .....	152.2	.7	171.3	.5
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	228.2	4.2	230.6	4.5
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	161.5	-1	160.0	3.8

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Group	West			
	Size class A		Size class C <sup>2</sup>	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>				
All items .....	156.5	2.3	163.5	2.7
Commodities .....	141.0	1.3	142.2	1.1
Food and beverages .....	160.2	3.2	157.2	3.6
Commodities less food and beverages .....	129.3	-.1	133.8	-.3
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	130.9	-.1	140.6	.1
Durables .....	127.7	-.1	125.6	-.9
Services .....	172.6	3.0	189.0	4.1
Medical care services .....	231.9	2.5	258.7	6.7
<b>Special indexes</b>				
All items less shelter .....	154.4	1.8	157.0	2.3
All items less medical care .....	153.4	2.2	158.8	2.4
All items less energy .....	161.2	2.3	169.7	2.8
All items less food and energy .....	161.8	2.1	172.7	2.7
Energy .....	116.9	1.3	111.4	1.3
Commodities less food .....	131.2	.2	135.1	.0
Nondurables less food .....	133.7	.3	141.6	.7
Nondurables .....	146.2	1.8	149.3	1.9
Services less rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	169.0	2.7	175.3	4.3
Services less medical care services .....	168.6	3.1	182.0	3.8

<sup>1</sup> See region and area size on table 10 for information about cross classifications.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>3</sup> This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

<sup>4</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> 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 23A. 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	Anchorage, AK		Atlanta, GA <sup>1</sup>		Baltimore, MD <sup>2</sup>		Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
All items .....	144.5	1.5	156.5	1.9	155.1	1.3	166.6	2.7
All items (1967 = 100) .....	376.2	-	473.1	-	462.4	-	481.5	-
Food and beverages .....	146.2	1.5	158.2	4.1	160.3	1.4	158.7	1.6
Food .....	146.2	1.7	161.2	4.2	160.9	1.3	159.0	1.9
Food at home .....	149.5	.7	154.7	4.5	161.7	1.3	155.5	1.3
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	144.5	-3.4	155.6	1.1	193.4	.7	174.2	.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	135.6	2.0	148.2	5.2	141.3	1.5	148.0	.5
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	135.7	2.3	146.9	5.0	143.3	2.1	148.2	.3
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	131.4	-.7	162.5	10.8	153.3	.0	143.7	6.8
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3 4</sup> .....	228.7	3.1	192.2	3.2	197.5	4.6	196.1	2.2
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	125.0	.2	133.5	3.4	152.2	-.1	135.9	-.8
Food away from home .....	140.5	3.4	173.1	4.7	160.0	2.0	166.8	3.0
Alcoholic beverages .....	145.2	.3	125.9	2.1	152.4	1.9	158.8	-.4
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	129.3	1.2	153.7	2.9	144.4	1.3	160.6	3.3
Shelter .....	128.8	1.4	166.4	3.0	162.4	1.7	186.3	3.8
Renters' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	132.6	2.2	169.8	3.5	147.8	2.0	171.3	4.2
Rent, residential .....	118.8	1.2	172.6	3.5	162.2	1.6	176.3	3.8
Other renters' costs <sup>3 7</sup> .....	296.9	4.8	269.4	3.4	142.2	4.8	239.6	5.9
Homeowners' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	121.5	1.1	155.7	2.8	153.2	1.4	169.1	3.6
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	121.5	1.2	155.9	2.7	154.3	1.4	169.1	3.7
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	151.1	3.6	139.9	3.2	119.6	1.6	127.2	2.7
Fuels .....	151.2	4.7	131.8	2.0	111.9	1.3	107.6	3.7
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	111.6	6.5	106.0	-2.4	91.6	-3.7	94.8	-.6
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	109.3	4.4	NA	-	94.8	-3.7	96.3	-1.3
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 8</sup> .....	121.4	11.1	127.6	-2.4	NA	-	109.6	8.5
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	160.0	4.4	132.5	2.1	130.7	1.7	129.6	4.8
Electricity .....	154.1	2.5	135.8	-1.6	136.7	-.1	141.1	2.8
Utility (piped) gas .....	165.4	9.6	127.4	7.9	118.0	6.7	113.2	7.9
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	113.5	-2.2	133.0	2.4	123.7	-.8	116.8	.3
Apparel and upkeep .....	128.0	-1.9	132.4	-6.1	128.9	.4	150.9	.3
Apparel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	125.7	-2.6	124.4	-7.6	123.1	.3	141.1	.1
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>8</sup> .....	147.0	-4.5	128.2	-1.0	126.5	2.6	133.5	-1.6
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	125.5	-4.1	111.9	-17.0	109.2	-.1	121.0	3.8
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	87.8	1.6	136.8	2.9	156.8	-.4	144.5	-3.0
Transportation .....	145.1	.2	130.3	-1.6	141.9	.4	144.8	1.3
Private transportation .....	142.4	.8	129.7	-1.6	141.1	-.1	145.2	1.3
Motor fuel .....	113.7	2.6	93.1	-2.7	105.4	-1.5	108.9	2.5
Gasoline .....	113.7	2.2	92.7	-2.5	103.0	-1.5	107.4	2.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	109.5	1.6	89.1	-2.7	103.6	-1.1	105.2	2.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9</sup> .....	111.4	3.1	113.4	-2.2	104.3	-.9	110.4	1.4
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	118.7	3.4	99.7	-2.3	100.0	-2.8	109.0	.3
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	170.9	-3.8	111.8	.5	158.2	7.3	140.2	1.7
Medical care .....	241.0	7.6	241.1	1.1	231.9	-.4	285.2	4.1
Entertainment <sup>10</sup> .....	189.1	2.0	185.1	3.5	175.2	2.2	176.1	2.6
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	169.3	4.8	218.1	5.9	225.3	5.3	229.9	5.3
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	124.5	-1.8	180.3	3.5	140.5	7.7	147.1	2.7

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 23A. 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	Anchorage, AK		Atlanta, GA <sup>1</sup>		Baltimore, MD <sup>2</sup>		Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
All items .....	144.5	1.5	156.5	1.9	155.1	1.3	166.6	2.7
Commodities .....	138.6	.5	136.7	.7	141.5	.6	143.7	1.6
Food and beverages .....	146.2	1.5	158.2	4.1	160.3	1.4	158.7	1.6
Commodities less food and beverages .....	134.4	-.1	124.7	-1.3	131.4	.2	134.4	1.6
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	128.9	1.2	125.9	-2.3	134.9	1.0	138.3	2.4
Durables .....	140.3	-1.3	124.9	.0	125.0	-1.3	128.1	.2
Services .....	151.5	2.4	179.3	2.7	174.3	2.0	192.4	3.4
Medical care services .....	251.1	8.6	253.8	2.3	231.2	-1.4	298.7	4.9
<b>Special Indexes</b>								
All items less shelter .....	150.6	1.5	154.2	1.4	153.8	1.2	161.6	2.1
All items less medical care .....	140.5	1.1	151.8	1.9	151.6	1.4	161.3	2.6
All items less energy .....	146.7	1.3	163.9	2.0	162.5	1.4	175.8	2.7
All items less food and energy .....	146.6	1.3	164.9	1.5	162.8	1.4	180.2	2.8
Energy .....	122.9	3.5	104.9	-.3	108.2	-.1	107.8	3.3
Commodities less food .....	135.0	.0	124.8	-1.1	132.1	.2	135.2	1.4
Nondurables less food .....	130.7	1.0	125.8	-1.9	135.8	1.0	138.7	2.1
Nondurables .....	138.1	1.4	141.8	1.0	146.9	1.2	147.9	2.0
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	159.2	3.3	176.3	2.4	169.6	2.2	186.8	3.0
Services less medical care services .....	144.5	1.7	172.2	2.7	169.6	2.4	184.1	3.3

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 23A. 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	Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY <sup>11</sup>		Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI		Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN		Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
All items .....	155.2	2.2	156.2	2.5	149.4	1.7	148.1	2.6
All items (1967=100) .....	432.2	-	458.7	-	459.0	-	462.9	-
Food and beverages .....	157.9	3.4	160.7	2.8	144.9	2.5	157.5	2.5
Food .....	157.4	3.7	159.7	3.0	143.8	2.6	158.4	2.6
Food at home .....	159.0	3.6	166.4	3.0	141.8	2.0	153.5	2.7
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	186.0	4.0	180.9	.9	189.8	8.1	174.8	2.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	147.8	3.6	167.8	3.6	115.4	2.2	150.7	2.5
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	149.9	4.0	170.7	3.8	115.2	2.7	152.8	3.2
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	128.1	3.3	158.9	1.2	125.2	-4.3	149.1	4.1
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3 4</sup> .....	202.6	2.1	197.1	5.7	143.3	-2.1	185.4	4.6
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	148.0	4.8	143.2	2.4	152.8	3.0	128.6	.9
Food away from home .....	154.7	3.3	146.9	2.8	147.4	2.6	168.6	2.4
Alcoholic beverages .....	163.3	.8	173.7	1.0	161.6	.4	148.6	.9
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	155.6	2.3	150.4	3.2	141.8	2.1	141.5	3.2
Shelter .....	169.6	2.5	172.1	4.1	157.8	2.1	152.1	2.8
Renters' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	176.6	2.4	168.1	3.8	150.7	2.4	162.1	2.1
Rent, residential .....	174.4	2.1	182.9	4.0	160.1	1.7	162.5	3.4
Other renters' costs <sup>3 7</sup> .....	235.7	2.7	176.5	2.1	147.7	5.5	197.4	-9
Homeowners' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	158.7	2.9	173.5	4.1	153.4	1.8	156.9	3.2
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	159.4	2.9	172.5	4.1	154.1	1.7	157.7	3.3
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	137.8	3.2	125.4	4.2	122.2	3.0	130.0	4.2
Fuels .....	141.7	2.5	112.8	1.1	110.7	1.5	126.3	6.9
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	94.8	6.9	98.7	3.1	92.3	3.2	97.3	.7
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	89.9	1.4	96.1	1.3	NA	-	91.3	.1
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 8</sup> .....	154.6	25.0	132.3	7.0	122.7	-5.3	117.5	.9
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	153.5	2.3	116.4	1.0	115.4	1.3	128.5	7.3
Electricity .....	183.7	-6	127.4	2.4	123.4	-2.3	140.8	.8
Utility (piped) gas .....	131.6	5.2	106.5	-4	112.8	10.8	119.1	14.1
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	130.1	-2	110.5	-2.0	118.2	1.5	126.6	3.8
Apparel and upkeep .....	118.9	.5	119.6	.0	130.5	1.1	124.9	-1.0
Apparel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	117.3	.3	119.1	-3	127.2	.8	122.4	-1.4
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	126.7	3.9	120.0	4.4	103.2	-4.2	132.8	1.4
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	106.4	-2.8	104.7	-3	116.0	1.3	130.7	-3.3
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	141.9	.9	143.6	-1.4	185.2	1.7	81.1	-4.6
Transportation .....	135.1	.7	137.6	-4	141.2	-5	137.3	2.1
Private transportation .....	132.6	1.4	135.2	-7	141.2	-2	136.9	1.9
Motor fuel .....	104.6	1.7	106.6	-1.7	116.3	-6	112.4	-2.0
Gasoline .....	104.7	1.7	106.0	-2.0	116.1	-5	111.7	-2.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	104.0	2.1	104.3	-2.1	118.3	-5	110.8	-2.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9</sup> .....	112.2	1.3	112.6	-2.1	117.0	-1.1	114.4	-2.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	105.7	.9	107.0	-1.9	105.1	-7	113.8	-1.9
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	191.5	-6.3	160.7	2.5	148.3	-8.3	145.3	3.9
Medical care .....	192.6	3.1	240.2	2.6	218.7	-2.1	209.0	1.2
Entertainment <sup>10</sup> .....	195.7	-2	173.8	4.8	158.5	4.7	153.8	1.5
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	226.2	5.6	232.4	5.1	225.3	5.8	206.0	6.6
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	160.1	2.4	159.4	5.8	141.3	2.2	143.5	2.6

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**Table 23A. 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	Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY <sup>11</sup>		Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI		Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN		Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
All items .....	155.2	2.2	156.2	2.5	149.4	1.7	148.1	2.6
Commodities .....	141.9	1.9	140.4	1.1	136.2	.9	137.9	1.2
Food and beverages .....	157.9	3.4	180.7	2.8	144.9	2.5	157.5	2.5
Commodities less food and beverages .....	131.1	.7	127.7	-.3	131.0	.0	128.9	.3
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	123.9	1.1	135.3	1.0	129.5	-.3	136.2	.3
Durables .....	140.8	.0	118.7	-2.3	133.1	.3	116.2	.5
Services .....	171.3	2.6	174.0	3.8	166.1	2.3	160.4	4.0
Medical care services .....	187.8	2.6	242.1	2.7	223.5	1.3	204.4	.7
<b>Special indexes</b>								
All items less shelter .....	150.7	2.2	151.8	1.9	147.5	1.5	148.6	2.5
All items less medical care .....	153.6	2.2	152.1	2.5	146.1	2.0	145.5	2.7
All items less energy .....	161.3	2.2	162.9	2.7	155.1	1.8	152.4	2.8
All items less food and energy .....	162.5	1.9	163.7	2.7	158.0	1.7	151.2	2.8
Energy .....	123.5	2.1	108.9	-.4	113.5	.4	120.9	2.0
Commodities less food .....	132.8	.7	129.8	-.2	132.0	.0	127.8	.5
Nondurables less food .....	127.2	1.2	136.0	1.0	131.4	-.2	136.8	.4
Nondurables .....	141.5	2.5	146.5	2.1	137.8	1.2	147.4	1.4
Services less rent of shelter <sup>a</sup> .....	161.8	2.5	164.6	3.7	160.8	2.7	158.2	5.2
Services less medical care services .....	169.4	2.6	166.0	4.0	161.7	2.5	156.7	4.4

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 23A. 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	Dallas-Fort Worth, TX		Denver-Boulder, CO		Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI		Honolulu, HI	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
All items .....	151.4	1.7	153.6	3.1	151.0	2.2	172.2	0.7
All items (1967=100) .....	466.9	-	511.2	-	444.8	-	481.1	-
Food and beverages .....	155.8	2.8	147.0	3.9	151.1	2.4	159.2	1.7
Food .....	154.2	3.0	149.0	3.7	150.6	2.3	159.3	1.8
Food at home .....	147.7	2.4	153.4	4.1	150.7	2.4	163.5	2.8
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	161.5	1.5	180.5	.7	172.4	.6	165.9	-1.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	140.4	1.1	138.5	2.4	143.9	2.5	142.8	1.6
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	141.1	1.3	135.6	1.6	144.7	2.4	142.2	1.5
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	151.1	2.8	148.2	10.5	136.0	3.9	145.9	5.0
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3 4</sup> .....	160.4	1.2	179.8	7.2	182.0	1.8	197.7	4.8
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	140.6	5.2	145.1	3.1	137.2	3.2	171.9	4.4
Food away from home .....	165.9	4.3	142.4	2.5	151.5	2.0	153.5	1.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	175.9	1.4	134.0	5.2	157.3	2.6	156.6	-4
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	137.8	2.4	143.9	3.5	142.2	2.9	179.7	.2
Shelter .....	144.8	4.0	155.2	3.7	158.6	3.2	197.6	-6
Renters' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	135.8	3.8	150.0	3.9	153.4	3.0	175.7	-3
Rent, residential .....	142.9	3.9	150.0	4.2	156.3	2.3	185.7	-9
Other renters' costs <sup>3 7</sup> .....	160.2	2.9	227.0	2.1	172.0	4.8	238.8	3.2
Homeowners' costs <sup>5 8</sup> .....	138.6	3.8	151.3	4.0	167.7	3.2	185.5	-7
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	139.3	4.0	150.6	3.8	168.6	3.4	186.3	-7
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	127.3	.1	125.6	4.9	126.5	4.0	137.3	2.6
Fuels .....	122.6	-6	101.3	8.1	107.0	1.0	119.2	3.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	115.3	6.0	102.7	2.6	96.0	.0	NA	-
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	NA	-	NA	-	99.7	-4.1	NA	-
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 8</sup> .....	120.8	6.0	136.9	2.6	114.0	1.7	NA	.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	121.5	-8	101.5	8.2	109.8	1.0	118.7	3.3
Electricity .....	122.3	-4	104.0	2.4	130.9	-1.1	118.6	3.6
Utility (piped) gas .....	123.4	-1.4	98.1	16.9	95.2	3.4	116.1	1.2
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	128.1	-1.0	118.2	.5	110.9	-1.1	146.7	2.4
Apparel and upkeep .....	133.0	-4.0	102.3	.5	137.9	2.5	119.0	-9
Apparel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	126.5	-5.3	99.7	.0	137.5	2.5	115.7	-9
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	104.3	-1.9	102.1	9.7	127.2	1.1	150.6	-1.5
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	127.8	-8.3	94.7	-5.6	144.8	6.5	97.1	-3
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	151.2	-8.6	132.5	-8.8	135.7	-3.0	99.8	1.5
Transportation .....	147.7	.4	163.9	1.7	149.0	.6	163.8	-6
Private transportation .....	148.6	.5	162.5	2.3	147.3	.5	163.7	-7
Motor fuel .....	105.4	-7	106.9	1.8	105.2	-8	132.0	.1
Gasoline .....	104.9	-7	106.9	2.0	105.2	-7	135.1	.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	102.0	-5	102.8	1.9	105.1	-8	141.9	.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9</sup> .....	106.7	-1.2	107.5	1.8	119.6	-8	105.3	-6
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	106.2	-7	112.8	2.3	108.0	-3	123.8	.0
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	126.9	-3.6	183.9	-4.6	185.6	1.3	160.2	.5
Medical care .....	229.7	.4	264.6	5.6	212.3	.1	221.6	1.2
Entertainment <sup>10</sup> .....	166.1	3.6	144.6	1.5	160.0	3.2	148.8	.1
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	201.3	4.9	206.8	3.2	218.9	4.7	239.8	5.4
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	178.0	8.1	164.1	2.0	134.1	.5	168.5	-1

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**Table 23A. 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	Dallas-Fort Worth, TX		Denver-Boulder, CO		Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI		Honolulu, HI	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
All items .....	151.4	1.7	153.6	3.1	151.0	2.2	172.2	0.7
Commodities .....	141.8	.3	133.9	1.7	137.1	1.4	149.1	1.4
Food and beverages .....	155.8	2.8	147.0	3.9	151.1	2.4	159.2	1.7
Commodities less food and beverages .....	133.3	-1.3	125.1	.1	129.4	.5	141.5	1.1
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	130.4	-1.5	128.2	.9	137.2	1.9	145.1	1.0
Durables .....	137.7	-.9	119.0	-.9	115.3	-2.0	135.0	1.4
Services .....	162.5	3.2	173.7	4.3	168.7	3.2	196.6	.2
Medical care services .....	240.2	-.7	270.9	6.6	220.7	-.2	223.5	.5
<b>Special indexes</b>								
All items less shelter .....	154.1	1.0	153.3	2.9	150.4	1.9	163.5	1.2
All items less medical care .....	147.3	1.7	148.4	2.9	148.6	2.4	169.7	.7
All items less energy .....	158.4	1.9	158.6	3.0	157.3	2.4	177.3	.6
All items less food and energy .....	159.5	1.7	161.2	2.9	159.1	2.3	182.7	.3
Energy .....	112.7	-.7	108.7	4.1	107.1	.1	126.8	1.4
Commodities less food .....	134.8	-1.1	125.5	.5	130.6	.6	142.2	.9
Nondurables less food .....	133.0	-1.2	128.3	1.3	138.4	1.9	145.7	.8
Nondurables .....	143.2	.7	138.1	2.5	144.2	2.2	153.1	1.3
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	168.8	2.5	189.6	4.6	162.4	3.0	183.0	1.0
Services less medical care services .....	155.9	3.6	165.9	3.9	164.7	3.5	194.0	.2

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**Table 23A. 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	Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX		Kansas City, MO-KS		Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA		Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
All items .....	144.5	1.8	151.5	2.6	154.3	1.4	156.1	2.8
All items (1967=100) <sup>12</sup> .....	461.3	-	443.9	-	456.0	-	253.6	-
Food and beverages .....	148.0	3.4	160.1	3.8	163.3	3.4	164.7	2.6
Food .....	148.0	3.5	161.0	4.1	161.2	3.5	165.6	2.7
Food at home .....	155.4	3.3	160.5	6.2	168.2	3.7	161.7	2.4
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	169.4	4.5	184.1	3.4	178.6	2.3	167.4	5.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	146.1	4.0	152.7	7.1	161.4	6.0	144.8	2.3
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	149.3	4.9	151.1	8.5	158.3	6.4	146.6	2.6
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	142.4	2.2	163.2	2.2	167.7	.2	147.3	-1.2
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3 4</sup> .....	182.0	3.4	181.5	15.5	203.0	4.1	239.1	3.0
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	151.2	2.3	145.2	2.7	149.2	3.7	138.2	2.7
Food away from home .....	136.2	3.6	161.3	1.1	150.6	2.9	173.5	2.8
Alcoholic beverages .....	146.3	2.9	147.6	1.1	180.7	2.5	150.3	1.9
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	126.0	1.8	139.9	2.6	150.6	1.6	149.3	3.3
Shelter .....	137.3	2.0	147.7	3.0	157.5	1.7	158.2	3.1
Renters' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	143.7	2.4	152.8	4.2	152.0	1.9	152.2	2.8
Rent, residential .....	135.3	2.4	153.9	4.1	159.7	1.5	148.6	2.1
Other renters' costs <sup>3 7</sup> .....	241.7	2.4	213.0	4.8	221.4	4.2	228.4	7.9
Homeowners' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	137.4	1.6	143.2	2.4	156.9	1.6	156.8	3.1
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>8</sup> .....	137.3	3.0	142.3	2.4	156.4	1.6	153.2	2.4
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	107.6	1.3	133.0	1.0	153.3	3.2	119.9	1.3
Fuels .....	101.0	2.6	115.8	1.0	150.5	3.6	111.2	1.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	NA	-	102.3	1.1	126.8	7.5	176.0	6.6
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	NA	-	106.3	.3	NA	-	NA	-
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 8</sup> .....	120.1	2.0	131.7	1.1	126.9	7.5	153.1	6.6
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	101.0	2.7	117.2	.9	150.9	3.4	110.0	.9
Electricity .....	103.6	1.2	105.7	-1.5	168.0	2.6	107.9	.7
Utility (piped) gas .....	95.1	9.1	129.9	2.9	135.4	5.5	162.6	4.0
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	115.1	1.0	127.0	3.0	123.0	-6	151.1	7.1
Apparel and upkeep .....	141.2	3.2	133.2	1.4	120.9	-4.0	156.1	5.5
Apparel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	140.2	3.3	129.0	1.3	115.6	-5.1	148.2	6.5
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	175.1	.9	133.4	4.0	123.7	-3.6	134.1	-3.5
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	139.4	12.5	120.0	-3.9	112.8	-2	160.4	12.1
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	123.6	1.2	124.2	-6	100.4	-11.9	162.8	11.7
Transportation .....	142.9	.5	137.8	1.6	141.0	.3	145.0	1.3
Private transportation .....	142.3	.5	136.9	1.5	137.8	.1	144.9	1.2
Motor fuel .....	103.1	-1.6	105.2	2.4	105.3	1.1	116.3	1.8
Gasoline .....	102.9	-1.8	105.1	2.4	103.1	.4	115.6	1.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	102.6	-1.7	101.4	2.7	101.2	.4	113.9	2.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9</sup> .....	106.0	-1.7	128.5	2.1	100.8	.1	109.7	.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	100.1	-2.0	107.6	1.8	103.7	-2	116.4	.8
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	180.9	.6	169.5	6.8	208.7	2.9	143.0	1.3
Medical care .....	230.5	2.6	211.5	-8	229.4	1.3	216.3	2.2
Entertainment <sup>10</sup> .....	166.0	.8	170.5	1.0	147.4	1.1	156.9	5.7
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	186.8	-1.4	240.5	7.4	227.3	3.1	173.9	3.7
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	121.8	.0	144.8	7.6	164.1	-1.6	101.0	1.7

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 23A. 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	Houston-Galveston- Brazoria, TX		Kansas City, MO-KS		Los Angeles-Anaheim- Riverside, CA		Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
All items .....	144.5	1.8	151.5	2.6	154.3	1.4	156.1	2.8
Commodities .....	138.3	1.5	144.6	2.3	140.1	.9	151.2	3.1
Food and beverages .....	148.0	3.4	160.1	3.8	163.3	3.4	164.7	2.6
Commodities less food and beverages .....	132.6	.2	136.6	1.4	126.1	-.8	142.6	3.3
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	136.2	.5	141.1	2.6	129.5	-1.2	136.6	4.5
Durables .....	126.4	-.2	133.0	.2	123.4	-.3	150.4	2.1
Services .....	152.3	2.0	160.4	2.9	169.2	1.9	162.1	2.7
Medical care services .....	231.4	2.6	217.0	-.1	232.7	1.1	217.9	2.0
<b>Special indexes</b>								
All items less shelter .....	147.0	1.7	153.5	2.5	154.2	1.3	155.5	2.8
All items less medical care .....	139.7	1.7	148.6	2.8	151.2	1.5	153.0	2.9
All items less energy .....	150.9	1.8	158.4	2.6	158.5	1.4	162.0	2.9
All items less food and energy .....	151.8	1.5	157.9	2.3	158.2	1.0	161.3	3.0
Energy .....	103.9	.0	109.6	1.7	119.3	2.1	110.3	1.5
Commodities less food .....	133.1	.5	137.0	1.3	129.0	-.5	142.9	3.3
Nondurables less food .....	136.4	.7	141.6	2.5	134.2	-.7	137.3	4.3
Nondurables .....	142.4	2.1	150.8	3.2	147.3	1.3	151.7	3.4
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	153.8	1.3	160.7	2.8	171.3	2.1	156.0	2.8
Services less medical care services .....	143.3	1.8	155.1	3.3	165.0	2.0	157.1	2.7

See footnotes at end of table.



**Table 23A. 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	Milwaukee, WI		Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI		New Orleans, LA <sup>11 12</sup>		N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>								
All items .....	169.6	1.8	152.9	2.3	142.2	3.3	166.8	2.3
All items (1987=100) .....	610.8	-	479.8	-	142.2	-	474.8	-
Food and beverages .....	154.6	1.7	164.2	3.0	141.0	3.2	162.1	1.9
Food .....	155.5	1.8	162.1	3.1	141.2	3.2	161.7	1.8
Food at home .....	156.0	1.4	158.7	2.1	139.2	2.9	162.4	1.8
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	201.2	3.5	178.2	3.4	136.0	4.6	186.1	1.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	152.4	-.1	147.2	-.1	143.5	3.0	153.7	1.5
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	153.4	-.1	149.6	.4	145.0	3.3	154.3	1.5
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	128.0	1.7	157.6	2.5	145.3	8.7	137.2	1.8
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3 4</sup> .....	159.6	-.5	212.4	5.5	155.1	.5	191.7	1.4
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	148.4	2.9	136.1	.6	123.1	1.7	153.2	2.0
Food away from home .....	155.0	3.5	187.2	5.0	142.7	3.2	163.9	2.3
Alcoholic beverages .....	146.3	1.3	183.6	2.3	138.2	2.4	166.8	3.7
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	161.9	1.2	137.5	2.1	125.9	2.6	165.9	2.3
Shelter .....	197.1	.8	148.9	2.9	127.2	4.3	192.4	3.3
Renters' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	181.8	1.5	150.1	3.6	120.9	4.0	177.3	4.0
Rent, residential .....	166.4	1.9	153.5	3.5	122.6	4.2	164.2	3.5
Other renters' costs <sup>3 7</sup> .....	194.3	.9	185.5	3.7	107.1	2.5	263.0	7.7
Homeowners' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	178.3	.7	148.4	2.5	130.5	5.2	182.7	2.6
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	178.7	.6	149.1	2.4	130.1	5.3	183.5	2.8
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	108.8	3.5	120.8	.7	130.8	.6	117.0	1.5
Fuels .....	91.7	3.1	109.6	.3	127.4	-1.2	116.4	.8
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	97.6	6.7	90.5	-4.2	NA	-	105.0	.1
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	90.5	.7	98.8	-4.3	NA	-	104.3	-.4
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 8</sup> .....	153.4	21.2	107.1	-4.1	127.4	1.2	128.9	4.6
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	94.9	2.7	112.5	.4	127.4	-1.2	126.0	1.0
Electricity .....	97.6	-.2	138.3	1.3	128.0	.3	128.1	.0
Utility (piped) gas .....	92.6	5.6	96.1	-.5	125.5	-5.8	122.8	2.9
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	114.7	.7	119.8	-.1	115.3	-1.0	126.8	-3.1
Apparel and upkeep .....	128.0	.2	143.6	1.3	206.7	9.2	126.2	2.1
Apparel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	124.8	-.1	142.1	1.2	212.7	9.6	122.3	2.3
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	111.0	.1	154.3	.9	176.3	24.2	118.1	3.1
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	129.0	-2.1	104.2	6.8	240.5	8.2	119.5	3.2
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	147.7	12.7	111.5	7.3	103.2	-8.3	132.7	2.6
Transportation .....	141.9	.5	143.1	1.0	134.0	1.8	154.7	.9
Private transportation .....	138.9	.0	138.2	.5	134.1	1.7	147.7	.7
Motor fuel .....	108.1	-1.5	102.2	.0	137.3	1.0	101.3	.5
Gasoline .....	107.0	-1.4	103.1	-.1	135.8	1.1	101.0	.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	109.3	-1.4	102.4	-.4	134.3	1.1	100.4	1.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9</sup> .....	113.5	-1.5	110.9	-.4	103.5	1.0	103.9	.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	100.3	-1.4	112.5	.4	132.6	1.5	102.1	-.5
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	211.8	9.3	229.7	7.2	131.1	3.7	187.6	1.9
Medical care .....	230.8	5.1	218.6	1.8	181.2	4.0	244.9	3.8
Entertainment <sup>10</sup> .....	140.0	7.0	169.7	3.3	142.3	-.8	165.3	1.9
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	225.3	4.2	227.1	4.5	148.7	4.0	231.4	4.6
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	133.7	-.8	125.8	2.0	119.1	.3	168.8	.2

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**Table 23A. 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	Milwaukee, WI		Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI		New Orleans, LA <sup>11 13</sup>		N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997		1997	
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
All items .....	159.8	1.8	152.9	2.3	142.2	3.3	166.8	2.3
Commodities .....	138.3	1.0	146.2	1.2	145.6	3.3	145.3	1.0
Food and beverages .....	154.5	1.7	164.2	3.0	141.0	3.2	162.1	1.9
Commodities less food and beverages .....	128.6	.5	136.5	.1	148.7	3.3	132.2	.2
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	135.3	1.2	142.8	1.7	171.1	5.6	132.3	1.5
Durables .....	119.7	-.3	128.6	-2.1	114.7	-1.4	128.9	-2.5
Services .....	187.4	2.4	161.2	3.2	138.8	3.4	189.6	3.2
Medical care services .....	234.6	4.2	226.4	2.0	176.8	2.3	251.7	4.3
<b>Special indexes</b>								
All items less shelter .....	147.5	2.1	155.7	2.0	146.6	3.1	158.1	1.7
All items less medical care .....	157.1	1.6	150.0	2.2	139.3	3.3	163.6	2.1
All items less energy .....	168.4	1.8	159.9	2.4	143.1	3.7	173.8	2.4
All items less food and energy .....	171.3	1.9	159.6	2.2	143.6	3.8	177.2	2.5
Energy .....	101.4	.6	106.0	.1	132.1	-.1	110.1	.6
Commodities less food .....	129.3	.6	138.6	.3	148.3	3.3	133.7	.5
Nondurables less food .....	135.7	1.2	145.8	1.7	168.7	5.4	134.3	1.6
Nondurables .....	145.5	1.5	153.9	2.3	155.2	4.4	148.5	1.7
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	157.3	4.5	161.2	3.6	148.4	2.6	169.8	3.0
Services less medical care services .....	184.3	2.3	155.8	3.3	134.1	3.6	185.2	3.0

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**Table 23A. 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	Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD <sup>14</sup>		Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA <sup>15</sup>		Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>						
All items .....	165.7	2.2	150.5	2.5	160.4	3.4
All items (1967=100) .....	481.2	-	447.6	-	462.3	-
Food and beverages .....	155.3	1.3	151.8	2.0	147.4	3.7
Food .....	154.3	1.3	150.1	1.8	147.5	3.7
Food at home .....	161.3	1.3	148.7	.9	146.1	3.8
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	190.1	2.1	160.8	1.3	190.9	3.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	149.5	.6	139.5	.6	129.1	4.3
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	150.0	.6	141.4	.9	129.6	4.7
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	136.6	1.5	144.6	5.1	134.6	5.0
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3 4</sup> .....	186.8	.2	147.7	-9.0	185.2	3.7
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	158.5	2.6	157.1	6.4	130.3	3.1
Food away from home .....	138.9	1.5	154.4	4.1	150.2	2.9
Alcoholic beverages .....	170.2	.5	169.4	4.9	147.5	4.3
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	168.9	2.9	144.0	1.9	157.1	2.7
Shelter .....	199.3	3.3	151.7	1.6	175.6	4.2
Renters' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	191.1	4.5	156.0	2.5	175.0	5.3
Rent, residential .....	175.9	2.4	151.5	1.2	176.1	4.4
Other renters' costs <sup>3 7</sup> .....	301.5	7.9	207.5	4.7	209.6	8.2
Homeowners' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	176.3	2.8	158.5	1.1	185.9	3.4
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	177.2	2.9	158.9	1.0	186.2	3.5
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	132.3	3.4	144.1	4.2	131.4	-.7
Fuels .....	122.1	4.0	138.5	7.4	103.5	-5.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	101.7	-3.2	111.2	-.7	108.9	6.7
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	95.4	-3.2	81.3	-9.7	106.7	4.7
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 8</sup> .....	NA	-	150.6	3.2	181.3	12.3
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	139.5	5.2	143.1	7.6	125.9	-6.0
Electricity .....	153.7	.5	137.7	-.4	145.9	-6.5
Utility (piped) gas .....	121.1	15.6	146.5	14.5	83.2	-3.4
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	121.2	-.6	123.6	.2	116.4	-2.0
Apparel and upkeep .....	101.2	1.1	136.8	6.0	131.1	4.5
Apparel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	95.5	1.1	132.8	6.4	128.5	4.6
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	125.5	3.0	119.1	1.2	144.8	4.9
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	67.6	-.1	149.9	11.2	120.3	10.6
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	118.6	.7	119.6	7.1	125.3	-2.2
Transportation .....	153.5	.9	133.1	2.2	151.8	2.4
Private transportation .....	151.9	.9	133.7	2.8	152.1	2.4
Motor fuel .....	107.6	.9	106.1	.9	120.5	.6
Gasoline .....	106.0	1.1	106.5	1.4	120.9	.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	105.4	1.2	104.2	1.8	117.6	.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9</sup> .....	104.3	.2	115.6	2.0	107.3	.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	100.7	.6	107.0	2.2	119.2	.8
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	177.4	.4	120.5	-9.1	153.6	3.5
Medical care .....	243.6	2.4	223.2	1.5	216.4	2.8
Entertainment <sup>10</sup> .....	176.7	1.8	164.5	2.2	174.6	1.7
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	235.4	3.5	219.3	5.8	255.0	8.5
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	194.5	3.0	125.5	4.2	170.2	.1

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 23A. 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	Phl.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD <sup>14</sup>		Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA <sup>15</sup>		Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997	
<b>Commodity and service group</b>						
All items .....	165.7	2.2	150.5	2.5	160.4	3.4
Commodities .....	136.7	.7	138.9	2.4	140.5	2.7
Food and beverages .....	155.3	1.3	151.8	2.0	147.4	3.7
Commodities less food and beverages .....	126.7	.2	130.4	2.6	137.2	2.1
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	123.1	.7	136.6	4.0	137.7	4.5
Durables .....	130.1	-.7	123.6	.7	133.7	-1.2
Services .....	197.7	3.1	164.7	2.7	182.1	3.6
Medical care services .....	251.6	2.7	218.2	.6	208.9	3.5
<b>Special indexes</b>						
All items less shelter .....	156.7	1.6	150.6	2.9	156.1	3.0
All items less medical care .....	162.3	2.1	147.6	2.6	158.0	3.4
All items less energy .....	173.1	2.1	154.7	2.3	166.9	3.8
All items less food and energy .....	179.0	2.3	155.9	2.5	171.4	3.8
Energy .....	114.6	2.9	121.2	4.3	109.9	-2.0
Commodities less food .....	126.5	.3	132.2	2.7	137.4	2.2
Nondurables less food .....	126.0	.8	136.9	4.0	137.8	4.5
Nondurables .....	140.1	1.1	144.5	2.8	142.4	4.0
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	176.4	2.9	157.4	3.7	178.0	3.2
Services less medical care services .....	193.7	3.1	161.0	2.8	180.1	3.8

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 23A. 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	St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL <sup>15</sup>		San Diego, CA		San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA <sup>14</sup>	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>						
All items .....	151.9	2.2	152.9	1.5	157.4	3.1
All items (1967=100) .....	446.8	-	493.1	-	479.2	-
Food and beverages .....	155.2	2.7	162.1	2.7	160.4	3.1
Food .....	153.5	2.3	160.3	2.6	161.0	3.0
Food at home .....	148.7	1.6	161.1	2.5	164.7	2.9
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	157.4	1.7	196.9	2.4	180.2	4.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	134.6	2.6	152.0	4.1	153.0	2.6
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	136.7	2.9	151.9	4.3	148.3	3.3
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	149.3	1.6	157.0	1.5	152.0	-2
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3 4</sup> .....	166.5	-3.6	166.3	1.3	193.4	2.8
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	151.2	3.5	152.4	2.3	156.8	4.3
Food away from home .....	161.2	3.7	158.1	2.8	155.0	3.3
Alcoholic beverages .....	163.8	5.8	176.2	3.9	155.6	3.3
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	147.8	2.1	141.8	2.2	161.8	5.2
Shelter .....	162.8	1.9	146.9	2.7	175.7	5.8
Renters' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	151.9	1.5	154.0	3.4	169.9	6.1
Rent, residential .....	147.4	2.4	159.8	2.4	185.1	6.1
Other renters' costs <sup>3 7</sup> .....	204.9	-2	355.4	9.4	218.2	5.6
Homeowners' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	156.1	2.0	156.4	2.6	165.4	5.7
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	156.9	2.0	155.9	2.4	165.3	5.5
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	124.2	.8	122.3	2.9	147.0	4.6
Fuels .....	113.9	.0	102.6	8.1	151.2	6.7
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	94.7	-9	119.7	3.4	159.0	2.4
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	85.2	-3.6	171.5	-8	110.8	-1.7
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 8</sup> .....	119.7	.5	112.1	3.5	172.2	2.6
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	117.5	.1	102.3	8.3	151.0	6.8
Electricity .....	139.1	-6	95.3	4.5	174.9	-3
Utility (piped) gas .....	98.5	1.1	124.0	16.3	122.6	22.4
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	129.2	4.4	149.6	-5	119.5	1.9
Apparel and upkeep .....	123.9	1.1	123.7	-3.4	121.5	-1.0
Apparel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	121.9	1.1	116.8	-4.0	117.0	-1.4
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	142.4	2.5	83.4	-4.7	116.7	4.3
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	106.5	.9	140.8	-6.2	92.3	-4.1
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	106.8	9.7	124.8	1.6	155.8	-6
Transportation .....	144.0	.7	153.8	.4	135.8	-4
Private transportation .....	143.7	.5	151.0	.2	131.7	-5
Motor fuel .....	108.2	-8	111.1	-3	110.8	-2.2
Gasoline .....	107.5	-6	111.3	-3	109.3	-2.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	103.9	-4	113.7	-3	106.7	-2.3
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9</sup> .....	123.4	-9	100.3	-4	104.7	-2.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	108.1	-6	113.8	-4	110.0	-2.0
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	150.3	4.9	200.5	2.3	192.3	.8
Medical care .....	224.9	3.8	240.4	3.1	219.4	3.4
Entertainment <sup>10</sup> .....	157.6	2.1	160.4	-1.0	155.0	-8
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	187.5	4.1	218.5	2.3	230.8	4.7
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	100.0	-5.2	153.9	1.3	159.4	1.4

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 23A. 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	St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL <sup>15</sup>		San Diego, CA		San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA <sup>14</sup>	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>						
All items .....	151.9	2.2	152.9	1.5	157.4	3.1
Commodities .....	141.8	1.9	146.0	.6	141.6	1.3
Food and beverages .....	155.2	2.7	162.1	2.7	160.4	3.1
Commodities less food and beverages .....	133.8	1.4	136.2	-.7	129.1	-.3
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	130.9	1.9	132.7	-1.4	129.1	.1
Durables .....	135.5	.7	141.6	.0	127.0	-.8
Services .....	165.2	2.3	159.0	2.3	173.5	4.5
Medical care services .....	230.9	4.2	250.8	5.2	221.1	2.4
<b>Special indexes</b>						
All items less shelter .....	149.3	2.1	159.3	1.0	151.3	1.9
All items less medical care .....	148.3	2.0	149.3	1.4	155.0	3.1
All items less energy .....	158.4	2.4	157.5	1.5	161.8	3.2
All items less food and energy .....	159.5	2.4	157.1	1.4	162.1	3.2
Energy .....	109.9	-.5	108.3	2.8	125.3	1.6
Commodities less food .....	135.4	1.7	138.0	-.4	130.4	.1
Nondurables less food .....	133.5	2.4	136.1	-.8	130.6	.5
Nondurables .....	143.4	2.4	148.9	.8	145.6	1.9
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	160.3	2.6	167.6	2.0	158.4	3.0
Services less medical care services .....	159.1	2.1	152.8	2.1	170.8	4.7

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 23A. 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	Seattle-Tacoma, WA <sup>16</sup>		Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL <sup>19 17</sup>		Washington, DC-MD-VA <sup>2</sup>	
	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
	1997		1997		1997	
<b>Expenditure category</b>						
All items .....	159.0	3.0	133.1	1.6	159.7	1.8
All items (1967=100) .....	471.7	-	133.1	-	478.3	-
Food and beverages .....	159.1	3.0	132.6	2.0	155.5	1.9
Food .....	159.6	3.0	130.9	1.6	155.9	1.9
Food at home .....	158.8	3.0	129.7	.5	158.8	1.2
Cereals and bakery products <sup>3</sup> .....	172.9	-1.4	149.0	2.5	183.0	1.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs <sup>3</sup> .....	143.6	4.0	125.4	1.4	144.5	-1
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	142.8	4.4	125.0	1.6	145.7	.5
Dairy products <sup>3</sup> .....	156.7	8.4	131.1	1.2	158.9	2.6
Fruits and vegetables <sup>3 4</sup> .....	209.4	3.5	136.5	-4.0	184.7	1.3
Other food at home <sup>3</sup> .....	140.7	1.5	120.7	1.7	147.0	1.8
Food away from home .....	163.0	2.6	132.1	2.6	154.2	3.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	155.3	2.8	140.7	4.2	152.1	1.5
Housing <sup>4</sup> .....	155.8	4.4	128.5	1.8	153.8	.5
Shelter .....	168.5	3.6	137.4	2.4	169.2	1.3
Renters' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	169.9	4.0	129.0	3.0	158.1	1.0
Rent, residential .....	169.3	3.9	132.7	2.8	170.6	.9
Other renters' costs <sup>3 7</sup> .....	241.2	4.4	100.0	4.8	200.2	1.6
Homeowners' costs <sup>5 6</sup> .....	171.2	3.4	142.1	2.2	159.1	1.3
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>6</sup> .....	171.8	3.4	142.7	2.4	159.8	1.4
Fuel and other utilities <sup>4</sup> .....	121.3	1.9	118.7	1.1	132.2	3.0
Fuels .....	117.2	.0	111.5	1.0	117.8	3.4
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities <sup>3</sup> .....	107.7	4.6	119.2	3.5	105.9	1.9
Fuel oil <sup>3</sup> .....	107.1	5.1	NA	-	99.3	4.1
Other household fuel commodities <sup>3 8</sup> .....	NA	-	111.5	3.4	164.9	-2.3
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	137.3	-4	111.4	1.0	125.0	3.4
Electricity .....	154.5	-5	110.0	.8	132.5	.3
Utility (piped) gas .....	88.0	-1	161.3	5.2	115.3	8.6
Household furnishings and operation <sup>4</sup> .....	149.3	9.8	109.2	.1	124.5	-4.9
Apparel and upkeep .....	125.2	.9	115.2	2.8	147.3	3.9
Apparel commodities <sup>3 7</sup> .....	120.8	1.2	112.1	3.2	142.7	3.9
Men's and boys' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	130.1	1.7	127.0	3.0	158.2	6.0
Women's and girls' apparel <sup>3</sup> .....	88.5	-3.4	106.9	6.5	133.4	2.9
Footwear <sup>3</sup> .....	149.1	12.5	102.7	3.1	134.1	5.2
Transportation .....	148.4	.6	127.4	-2	151.0	1.3
Private transportation .....	152.9	.8	128.5	-2	150.1	1.1
Motor fuel .....	124.6	-2.5	129.4	1.3	110.6	-7
Gasoline .....	126.8	-2.4	127.8	1.2	109.7	-1.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular .....	128.3	-2.3	124.1	1.1	108.2	-8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9</sup> .....	NA	-	112.9	1.5	104.4	-1.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium .....	131.4	-2.4	131.8	1.1	107.9	-1.6
Public transportation <sup>3</sup> .....	115.5	-1.6	104.8	.3	163.1	4.0
Medical care .....	225.0	3.3	193.3	1.5	232.1	5.1
Entertainment <sup>10</sup> .....	147.0	1.7	120.5	.2	167.7	3.0
Other goods and services <sup>4</sup> .....	225.4	4.9	159.1	3.1	224.7	4.3
Personal care <sup>3</sup> .....	124.5	1.2	167.5	3.8	169.8	2.4

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 23A. 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	Seattle-Tacoma, WA <sup>16</sup>		Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL <sup>13 17</sup>		Washington, DC-MD-VA <sup>2</sup>	
	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997	Annual average 1997	Percent change from 1996 to 1997
<b>Commodity and service group</b>						
All items .....	159.0	3.0	133.1	1.6	159.7	1.8
Commodities .....	146.9	2.4	124.2	.7	143.3	.8
Food and beverages .....	159.1	3.0	132.6	2.0	155.5	1.9
Commodities less food and beverages .....	140.4	2.1	118.5	-.2	136.6	.2
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	139.3	.1	128.5	2.1	140.6	2.5
Durables .....	141.5	4.6	107.1	-3.2	128.8	-3.2
Services .....	172.7	3.7	142.3	2.3	177.3	2.5
Medical care services .....	222.0	3.2	202.1	.9	238.0	5.6
<b>Special Indexes</b>						
All items less shelter .....	156.7	2.9	131.8	1.3	156.9	1.9
All items less medical care .....	156.0	3.1	130.2	1.6	156.4	1.6
All items less energy .....	163.7	3.4	134.3	1.7	165.7	1.8
All items less food and energy .....	164.6	3.5	135.0	1.6	168.1	1.8
Energy .....	122.0	-1.5	119.8	1.2	113.3	1.2
Commodities less food .....	140.9	2.1	121.0	.4	137.2	.3
Nondurables less food .....	139.9	.4	130.8	2.5	141.0	2.4
Nondurables .....	148.9	1.7	130.8	2.0	147.9	2.2
Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....	163.6	3.5	146.3	2.2	168.4	3.7
Services less medical care services .....	168.5	3.7	137.5	2.5	172.5	2.2

<sup>1</sup> Starting in January, 1998, indexes for the city of Atlanta will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

<sup>4</sup> This index series will undergo a change in composition in January, 1998.

<sup>5</sup> This index series will no longer appear after December, 1997.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a November 1984=100 base in Anchorage, Baltimore, Boston, Cincinnati, Denver, Miami, Milwaukee, Portland, St. Louis, San Diego, Seattle, and Washington. Indexes on a December 1984=100 base in Atlanta, Buffalo, Chicago, Cleveland, Dallas, Detroit, Honolulu, Houston, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, and San Francisco.

<sup>7</sup> 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.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a November 1986=100 base in Baltimore, Boston, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Miami, Minneapolis, Portland, St. Louis, San Diego, and Washington. Indexes on a December 1986=100 base in Anchorage, Atlanta,

Buffalo, Chicago, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Honolulu, Houston, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Milwaukee, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, San Francisco, and Seattle.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

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

<sup>11</sup> Information for Buffalo and New Orleans will no longer be calculated after January, 1998.

<sup>12</sup> Index on a November 1977=100 base in Miami.

<sup>13</sup> Indexes on a 1987=100 base.

<sup>14</sup> 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.

<sup>15</sup> 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.

<sup>16</sup> Starting in February, 1998, indexes for the city of Seattle will be published on a bi-monthly basis.

<sup>17</sup> Starting in July, 1998, indexes for the city of Tampa will be published on a semi-annual basis.

<sup>NA</sup> Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.



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

Area, region and population size class	Utility natural gas				Electricity		Fuel oil #2	
	per 40 therms		per 100 therms		per 500 KWH		per gallon (3.785 liters)	
	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998
U.S. city average .....	\$32.316	\$31.438	\$70.476	\$68.204	\$48.131	\$46.401	\$0.979	\$0.966
<b>Region and area size <sup>1</sup></b>								
Northeast urban .....	40.363	40.989	85.421	86.491	63.679	63.029	.975	.967
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	40.643	41.227	86.014	87.674	66.591	66.977	1.021	1.014
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....	NA	40.296	NA	83.018	NA	56.655	NA	.878
Midwest urban <sup>2</sup> .....	29.519	28.184	61.172	57.959	45.670	44.481	.922	.874
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	29.546	29.035	60.947	58.916	47.175	47.909	.938	.908
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....	NA	27.419	NA	57.475	NA	42.769	NA	.862
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	27.687	26.268	59.028	54.952	38.013	39.289	NA	NA
South urban .....	33.256	32.768	70.038	69.494	39.982	42.316	1.025	1.049
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	33.330	32.926	68.389	66.885	43.527	43.779	1.134	1.125
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....	NA	32.501	NA	71.006	NA	42.409	NA	.979
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	28.819	34.914	66.451	79.603	35.155	38.906	1.003	NA
West urban .....	28.845	27.171	72.270	67.254	50.351	43.900	1.111	.986
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	28.972	27.211	74.458	69.255	50.748	50.448	1.117	1.051
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....	NA	27.278	NA	63.662	NA	39.165	NA	.906
<b>Size classes</b>								
A .....	32.632	32.100	71.326	70.120	51.871	52.152	1.024	1.016
B/C .....	NA	30.995	NA	66.723	NA	43.797	NA	.891
D .....	28.542	27.198	60.596	58.142	38.904	35.946	.948	1.057
<b>Selected local areas</b>								
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI .....	31.470	30.047	62.744	57.885	58.565	59.604	-	-
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA .....	32.704	29.507	84.889	75.132	63.947	63.954	-	-
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA .....	40.870	42.071	85.959	88.672	71.909	72.108	-	-
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT .....	44.320	44.331	96.811	96.844	63.090	63.423	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH .....	28.110	28.110	62.660	62.660	59.969	59.969	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	26.986	25.813	59.709	56.783	45.470	44.075	-	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV .....	NA	39.627	NA	79.631	NA	43.229	-	-
Atlanta, GA .....	34.231	34.421	65.530	66.170	NA	NA	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI .....	26.552	26.342	53.125	52.712	47.323	46.454	-	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	28.607	28.607	56.503	56.503	40.760	39.737	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	49.983	47.916	111.846	107.045	43.590	43.590	-	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD .....	37.679	37.956	83.530	83.871	62.826	62.846	-	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....	25.720	22.900	74.822	67.549	61.080	54.980	-	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA .....	25.670	25.670	56.936	56.936	NA	NA	-	-

<sup>1</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>2</sup> The 'North Central' region has been renamed the 'Midwest' region by the Census Bureau. It is composed of the same geographic entities.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

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

Area, region and population size class	Average price per therm of utility natural gas		Range of therm consumption for Jan. 1998		Average price per KWH of electricity		Range of KWH consumption for Jan. 1998	
	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Low	High	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Low	High
U.S. city average .....	\$0.708	\$0.705	1	2,260	\$0.090	\$0.086	5	9,920
<b>Region and area size <sup>1</sup></b>								
Northeast urban .....	.861	.882	5	1,176	.120	.120	8	5,069
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	.874	.894	5	862	.126	.127	110	3,750
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....	NA	.848	6	1,176	NA	.109	8	5,069
Midwest urban <sup>2</sup> .....	.596	.586	1	1,124	.086	.085	5	4,517
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	.590	.563	6	1,124	.091	.092	5	3,785
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....	NA	.600	5	498	NA	.080	35	4,517
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	.582	.666	1	739	.068	.078	72	3,113
South urban .....	.784	.807	1	2,260	.073	.075	76	9,920
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	.768	.758	7	394	.077	.076	242	6,301
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....	NA	.837	1	2,260	NA	.076	94	9,920
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	.711	.928	6	90	.069	.068	76	8,120
West urban .....	.710	.655	8	1,557	.099	.085	101	5,033
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	.727	.683	12	1,557	.100	.098	103	5,033
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....	NA	.632	8	606	NA	.076	101	3,321
<b>Size classes</b>								
A .....	.713	.705	5	1,557	.097	.097	5	6,301
B/C .....	NA	.713	1	2,260	NA	.081	8	9,920
D .....	.617	.664	1	739	.074	.067	72	8,120
<b>Selected local areas</b>								
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI .....	.555	.507	24	1,124	.117	.119	100	2,700
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA .....	.830	.734	17	447	.127	.127	164	2,454
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA .....	.897	.923	5	549	.138	.139	125	3,750
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT .....	1.024	1.024	16	232	.120	.121	279	1,533
Cleveland-Akron, OH .....	.615	.615	41	561	.106	.106	298	2,259
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	.618	.588	20	394	.072	.070	242	6,250
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV .....	NA	.963	20	125	NA	.072	415	4,252
Atlanta, GA .....	.738	.747	31	132	.074	.073	450	3,034
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI .....	.539	.534	10	1,016	.097	.095	27	2,033
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	.678	.678	18	209	.074	.072	312	6,301
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	1.897	1.834	7	13	.085	.085	380	2,607
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD .....	.847	.847	19	862	.119	.119	110	2,451
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....	.722	.650	15	293	.127	.115	200	1,746
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA .....	.567	.567	45	186	.056	.056	751	5,033

<sup>1</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>2</sup> The 'North Central' region has been renamed the 'Midwest' region by the Census Bureau. It is composed of the same geographic entities.  
NA Data not adequate for publication.

Table P3. Average prices for gasoline, U.S. city average and selected areas

Area, region and population size class	Gasoline All types <sup>1</sup>		Gasoline Unleaded regular		Gasoline Unleaded midgrade		Gasoline Unleaded premium		Automotive Diesel fuel	
	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998
U.S. city average .....	\$1.236	\$1.186	\$1.177	\$1.131	\$1.274	\$1.227	\$1.363	\$1.319	\$1.276	\$1.250
<b>Region and area size <sup>2</sup></b>										
Northeast urban .....	1.282	1.218	1.216	1.160	1.320	1.260	1.399	1.341	1.275	1.241
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	1.281	1.220	1.210	1.160	1.313	1.261	1.393	1.337	1.274	1.243
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....	NA	1.216	NA	1.161	NA	1.257	NA	1.349	NA	1.239
Midwest urban <sup>3</sup> .....	1.151	1.096	1.108	1.059	1.188	1.132	1.270	1.206	1.226	1.206
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	1.169	1.105	1.125	1.062	1.216	1.147	1.298	1.212	1.224	1.197
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....	NA	1.077	NA	1.044	NA	1.116	NA	1.196	NA	1.224
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	1.123	1.116	1.090	NA	1.133	1.121	1.225	NA	NA	NA
South urban .....	1.179	1.127	1.112	1.066	1.219	1.173	1.303	1.261	1.212	1.190
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	1.181	1.139	1.112	1.067	1.234	1.192	1.308	1.273	1.282	1.273
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....	NA	1.117	NA	1.063	NA	1.158	NA	1.244	NA	1.147
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	1.176	1.139	1.120	1.077	1.210	1.187	1.308	1.303	NA	NA
West urban .....	1.382	1.330	1.322	1.273	1.431	1.370	1.525	1.471	1.460	1.413
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	1.401	1.332	1.339	1.271	1.442	1.372	1.543	1.472	1.537	1.483
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....	NA	1.346	NA	1.296	NA	1.386	NA	1.485	NA	1.336
<b>Size classes</b>										
A .....	1.261	1.209	1.200	1.150	1.306	1.254	1.392	1.338	1.316	1.284
B/C .....	NA	1.160	NA	1.111	NA	1.198	NA	1.292	NA	1.215
D .....	1.183	1.161	1.143	1.118	1.197	1.191	1.306	1.297	1.210	1.185
<b>Selected local areas</b>										
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI .....	1.268	1.192	1.208	1.133	1.318	1.243	1.400	1.317	-	-
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA .....	1.394	1.306	1.336	1.248	1.417	1.327	1.519	1.431	-	-
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA .....	1.299	1.261	1.232	1.195	1.345	1.302	1.421	1.376	-	-
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT .....	1.274	1.224	1.227	1.178	1.321	1.264	1.393	1.338	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH .....	1.098	1.067	1.051	1.025	1.139	1.096	1.223	1.187	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	1.161	1.119	1.101	1.054	1.216	1.170	1.293	1.252	-	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV .....	NA	1.216	NA	1.151	NA	1.258	NA	1.326	-	-
Atlanta, GA .....	1.026	.996	.957	.925	1.078	1.046	1.182	1.152	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI .....	1.133	1.066	1.089	1.023	1.189	1.107	1.286	1.201	-	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	1.149	1.102	1.086	1.040	1.204	1.162	1.263	1.212	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	1.272	1.234	1.199	1.157	1.328	1.290	1.382	1.353	-	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD ..	1.269	1.156	1.144	1.089	1.252	1.204	1.331	1.261	-	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....	1.435	1.416	1.369	1.351	1.489	1.472	1.601	1.577	-	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA .....	1.359	1.304	1.300	1.245	1.413	1.358	1.512	1.459	-	-

<sup>1</sup> Also includes types of gasoline not shown separately.<sup>2</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.<sup>3</sup> The 'North Central' region has been renamed the 'Midwest' region by the Census Bureau. It is composed of the same geographic entities.

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Food and unit	U.S. city average		Northeast		Midwest <sup>1</sup>		South		West	
	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Cereals and bakery products:</b>										
Flour, white, all purpose, per lb. (453.6 gm)	\$0.279	\$0.299	\$0.289	\$0.310	\$0.270	\$0.282	\$0.285	\$0.313	NA	NA
Rice, white, long grain, uncooked, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.575	.546	NA	NA	NA	NA	.557	.549	\$0.652	\$0.563
Spaghetti and macaroni, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.883	.874	.772	.780	.884	.865	.833	.820	NA	1.081
Bread, white, pan, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.884	.855	.907	.966	.903	.845	.838	.753	.926	.940
Bread, French, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.587	1.592	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.465	1.675	NA
Bread, whole wheat, pan, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.296	1.309	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.194	NA	NA	NA
Cookies, chocolate chip, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.633	2.502	NA	NA	2.450	2.366	NA	2.306	NA	NA
Crackers, soda, salted, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.512	1.668	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.546	1.497	NA	NA
<b>Meats, poultry, fish and eggs:</b>										
<b>Meats:</b>										
<b>Beef and veal:</b>										
Ground chuck, 100% beef, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.811	1.818	1.697	1.807	1.754	1.713	1.899	1.854	NA	NA
Ground beef, 100% beef, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.392	1.457	NA	NA	1.353	1.422	1.441	1.490	NA	NA
Ground beef, lean and extra lean, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.058	2.058	2.204	2.237	1.853	1.772	2.073	2.077	2.053	2.105
All uncooked ground beef, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	1.846	NA	2.022	NA	1.687	NA	1.821	NA	1.901
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)	2.148	2.080	NA	NA	2.267	2.181	2.021	1.972	2.259	2.203
Chuck roast, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.447	2.317	2.530	2.468	2.359	2.199	2.515	2.316	2.222	NA
Round roast, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.782	2.774	2.672	2.589	2.765	2.761	2.871	2.889	2.925	2.956
Round roast, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.699	2.591	NA	NA	2.758	2.593	2.604	2.444	2.778	2.704
Rib roast, USDA Choice, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	5.207	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	5.178	NA	NA	NA
All Uncooked Beef Roasts, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	2.643	NA	2.616	NA	2.653	NA	2.579	NA	2.754
Steak, T-Bone, USDA Choice, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	6.073	5.827	NA	NA	5.812	NA	6.105	6.153	NA	NA
Steak, rib eye, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	5.943	5.963	NA	NA	6.289	NA	6.386	NA	NA	NA
Steak, round, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.093	3.100	3.257	3.131	2.920	3.041	3.127	3.101	3.021	3.142
Steak, round, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.045	2.880	NA	NA	3.010	2.598	2.984	2.799	3.157	3.029
Steak, sirloin, USDA Choice, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Steak, sirloin, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.641	3.572	NA	NA	3.312	NA	3.682	3.437	3.649	3.737
Steak, sirloin, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	4.166	4.151	4.004	4.108	4.229	4.213	3.976	4.026	4.974	4.379
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)	2.513	2.589	NA	NA	2.581	2.730	NA	NA	NA	NA
All Uncooked Beef Steaks, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	3.642	NA	3.642	NA	3.685	NA	3.530	NA	3.763
All Uncooked Other Beef (Excluding Veal), per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	2.228	NA	2.450	NA	2.158	NA	2.101	NA	2.340
<b>Pork:</b>										
Bacon, sliced, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.607	2.644	2.816	2.784	2.546	2.674	2.503	2.517	2.579	2.732
Chops, center cut, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.394	3.342	3.155	2.993	3.161	3.151	3.461	3.398	3.846	3.848
Chops, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.908	3.798	3.777	3.840	3.918	3.747	4.208	3.997	3.696	3.593
All Pork Chops, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	3.171	NA	2.938	NA	3.121	NA	3.158	NA	3.486
Ham, rump or shank half, bone-in, smoked, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.914	2.121	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.852	NA	NA	NA
Ham, boneless, excluding canned, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.734	2.786	NA	NA	2.651	2.687	2.837	2.909	2.561	2.557
All Ham (Excluding Canned Ham and Luncheon Slices), per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	2.082	NA	2.086	NA	2.281	NA	2.007	NA	2.027
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)	1.285	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.244	1.255	NA	NA
All Other Pork (Excluding Canned Ham and Luncheon Slices), per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	1.770	NA	1.697	NA	1.787	NA	1.633	NA	2.054
Sausage, fresh, loose, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.081	2.381	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.105	2.267	NA	NA
<b>Other meats:</b>										
Frankfurters, all meat or all beef, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.284	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.283	NA	NA	NA
Bologna, all beef or mixed, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.334	2.426	NA	NA	2.213	2.416	2.357	2.356	2.276	NA
Lamb and mutton, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Poultry:</b>										
Chicken, fresh, whole, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.001	1.022	1.042	1.100	.985	.976	.926	.915	1.100	1.158
Chicken breast, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.987	2.033	2.022	1.807	1.932	NA	1.816	1.862	2.255	2.471
Chicken legs, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.217	1.280	1.190	1.297	1.146	1.181	1.213	1.225	1.351	NA
Turkey, frozen, whole, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.982	1.034	NA	NA	1.021	1.109	.920	.951	1.061	NA
<b>Fish and seafood:</b>										
Tuna, light, chunk, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.029	2.107	1.993	NA	2.066	2.150	1.964	2.030	2.164	NA
<b>Eggs:</b>										
Grade A, large, per doz.	1.172	1.120	1.297	1.208	1.068	1.040	1.155	1.114	NA	NA
Grade AA, large, per doz.	1.400	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.522	1.466

See footnotes at end of table.

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

Food and unit	U.S. city average		Northeast		Midwest <sup>1</sup>		South		West	
	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998
<b>Dairy products:</b>										
Milk, fresh, whole, fortified, per 1/2 gal. (1.9 lit) .....	\$1.614	NA	\$1.428	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	\$1.801	NA
Milk, fresh, whole, fortified, per gal. (3.8 lit) .....	2.672	\$2.632	2.632	\$2.627	\$2.505	\$2.314	\$2.684	\$2.696	2.865	\$2.745
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) .....	2.409	2.577	NA	NA	2.303	2.313	2.583	2.624	NA	2.744
Butter, salted, grade AA, stick, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	2.460	2.353	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.369	NA	NA	NA
American processed cheese, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	3.439	3.539	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	3.482	NA	NA
Cheddar cheese, natural, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	3.458	3.518	NA	3.887	NA	NA	3.613	3.642	NA	3.241
Ice cream, prepackaged, bulk, regular, per 1/2 gal. (1.9 lit) .....	3.022	3.041	3.423	3.460	2.654	2.673	2.918	2.984	3.195	3.221
Yogurt, natural, fruit flavored, per 8 oz. (226.8 gm) .....	.666	NA	.699	NA	NA	NA	.639	NA	NA	NA
<b>Fruits and vegetables:</b>										
<b>Fresh fruits and vegetables:</b>										
Apples, Red Delicious, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.897	.922	.973	1.001	.865	.923	.921	.900	.848	.890
Bananas, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.461	.473	.503	.526	.439	.440	.435	.439	.487	.510
Oranges, Navel, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.583	.525	.588	.544	.622	.534	.585	.550	.538	.475
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
Grapefruit, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.532	.499	.483	.475	.508	.475	.537	.486	.590	.555
Grapes, Thompson Seedless, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	2.188	1.815	2.363	1.618	2.010	1.951	2.110	1.333	NA	2.373
Lemons, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	1.057	1.026	1.054	.959	1.059	.959	1.110	1.031	1.004	1.075
Peaches, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pears, Anjou, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.854	.863	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Strawberries, dry pint, per 12 oz. (340.2 gm) .....	NA	2.135	NA	1.519	NA	2.277	NA	2.002	NA	NA
Potatoes, white, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.370	.362	.386	.381	.312	.295	.401	.399	.384	.378
Lettuce, iceberg, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.699	1.072	.794	1.166	.683	.824	.698	1.156	.628	1.136
Tomatoes, field grown, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	1.617	1.452	1.656	1.543	1.626	1.516	1.576	1.477	1.635	1.289
Broccoli, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.926	1.379	.910	NA	.903	1.252	1.067	1.480	NA	1.430
Cabbage, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.464	.505	NA	NA	.462	NA	.398	.451	NA	NA
Carrots, short trimmed and topped, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.500	.512	NA	NA	.447	NA	NA	.507	.448	NA
Celery, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.566	.616	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) .....	.577	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	.625	NA	NA	NA
Onions, dry yellow, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.457	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Peppers, sweet, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	1.540	1.671	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.370	NA	NA	NA
<b>Processed fruits and vegetables:</b>										
Apple Sauce, any variety, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.842	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Orange juice, frozen concentrate, 12 oz. can, per 16 oz. (473.2 ml) .....	1.670	1.601	NA	1.736	1.525	1.551	1.631	1.570	1.861	NA
Peaches, any variety, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.943	NA	NA	NA	.920	NA	.939	NA	NA	NA
Beans, dried, any type, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.700	.695	NA	.766	NA	.615	.638	.661	NA	.764
Corn, canned, any style, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.721	NA	.752	NA	NA	NA	.677	NA	NA	NA
Potatoes, frozen, French fried, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.950	.981	NA	1.134	.894	NA	.938	.875	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) .....	.687	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	.677	NA	.771	NA
<b>Other foods at home:</b>										
<b>Sugar and sweets:</b>										
Sugar, white, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.428	.430	.438	.458	.432	.429	.424	.413	.422	.439
Sugar, white, 33-80 oz. pkg, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.412	.415	.423	.431	.413	.414	.409	.395	NA	NA
<b>Fats and oils:</b>										
Margarine, stick, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	.804	NA	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	.966	1.009	NA	.797	NA	.855	NA	.859	NA
Peanut butter, creamy, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	1.730	1.801	1.705	NA	1.660	NA	NA	1.669	NA	NA
<b>Nonalcoholic beverages:</b>										
Cola, nondiet, cans, 72 oz. 6 pk., per 16 oz. (473.2 ml) <sup>2</sup> .....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cola, nondiet, per 2 liters (67.6 oz) .....	.988	1.050	NA	NA	NA	NA	.957	1.013	NA	NA
Coffee, 100%, ground roast, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....	4.161	4.025	4.438	4.400	3.953	3.777	NA	3.898	4.152	4.017
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) .....	10.346	10.607	NA	NA	10.316	NA	9.561	9.386	NA	NA
<b>Other prepared foods:</b>										
Potato chips, per 16 oz. ....	\$3.166	\$3.149	3.103	2.905	\$3.265	3.327	3.148	3.175	3.131	3.133
<b>Alcoholic beverages at home:</b>										
Malt beverages, all types, all sizes, any origin, per 16 oz. (473.2 ml) .....	.838	.887	.819	.931	.797	.816	.855	.870	.874	.940
Vodka, all types, all sizes, any origin, per 1 liter (33.8 oz) .....	9.495	9.077	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	8.312	NA
Wine, red and white table, all sizes, any origin, per 1 liter (33.8 oz) .....	5.001	5.302	4.350	6.113	5.046	4.842	5.968	5.409	4.809	4.985

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<sup>2</sup> Deposit may be included in price.

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**Table 1(OS). Old Series 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)

Item and group	Relative importance, December 1997	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from-	
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997
Expenditure category					
All items .....	100.000	161.3	161.6	1.6	0.2
All items (1967=100) .....	-	483.2	484.2	-	-
Food and beverages .....	17.465	159.1	160.3	2.2	.8
Food .....	15.886	158.7	159.9	2.2	.8
Food at home .....	9.964	159.2	161.1	2.0	1.2
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.476	178.4	179.0	1.4	.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	2.921	148.4	148.1	-1.0	-.2
Dairy products .....	1.218	147.8	148.1	.2	.2
Fruits and vegetables .....	1.982	191.3	200.5	7.0	4.8
Other food at home .....	2.366	147.7	148.9	2.8	.8
Sugar and sweets .....	.332	147.9	150.3	2.3	1.6
Fats and oils .....	.241	140.3	140.6	-1.2	.2
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	.747	133.1	134.4	4.8	1.0
Other prepared food .....	1.046	162.8	163.7	2.7	.6
Food away from home .....	5.923	159.0	159.2	2.5	.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	1.578	164.0	164.5	2.1	.3
Housing .....	41.469	157.7	158.2	2.0	.3
Shelter .....	28.640	178.1	179.1	3.2	.6
Renters' costs <sup>1</sup> .....	8.169	186.1	188.9	3.4	1.5
Rent, residential .....	5.810	169.1	169.5	3.1	.2
Other renters' costs .....	2.359	216.1	225.9	4.0	4.5
Homeowners' costs <sup>1</sup> .....	20.269	184.3	184.7	3.1	.2
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>1</sup> .....	19.881	184.7	185.1	3.1	.2
Household insurance <sup>1</sup> .....	.388	167.1	167.7	3.1	.4
Maintenance and repairs .....	.202	145.6	146.0	3.2	.3
Maintenance and repair services .....	.126	154.1	154.4	4.2	.2
Maintenance and repair commodities .....	.076	133.9	134.4	1.4	.4
Fuel and other utilities .....	7.015	130.0	129.3	-1.1	-.5
Fuels .....	3.769	115.8	114.4	-3.9	-1.2
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities .....	.368	97.2	96.4	-13.5	-.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	3.401	123.0	121.5	-2.7	-1.2
Other utilities and public services .....	3.246	162.9	163.4	2.3	.3
Household furnishings and operation .....	5.814	125.1	125.3	.3	.2
Housefurnishings .....	3.232	109.5	109.8	-.9	.3
Housekeeping supplies .....	1.090	143.4	143.2	.6	-.1
Housekeeping services .....	1.492	153.7	154.0	2.9	.2
Apparel and upkeep .....	5.291	131.6	129.7	.1	-1.4
Apparel commodities .....	4.748	127.7	125.6	-.2	-1.6
Men's and boys' apparel .....	1.292	131.2	129.4	1.9	-1.4
Women's and girls' apparel .....	2.072	123.6	119.6	-1.6	-3.2
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.182	125.8	124.4	-2.7	-1.1
Footwear .....	.719	128.2	127.3	1.8	-.7
Other apparel commodities .....	.484	139.6	144.3	-.9	3.4
Apparel services .....	.543	163.8	164.3	1.6	.3
Transportation .....	16.620	143.2	142.7	-1.6	-.3
Private transportation .....	15.054	140.0	139.3	-1.8	-.5
New vehicles .....	4.829	144.1	144.4	-.7	.2
New cars .....	3.842	141.5	141.8	-.8	.2
Used cars .....	1.195	147.9	148.1	-4.3	.1
Motor fuel .....	2.925	101.9	97.8	-9.9	-4.0
Gasoline .....	-	101.3	97.2	-9.9	-4.0
Maintenance and repairs .....	1.546	164.7	164.9	2.4	.1
Other private transportation .....	4.560	178.9	180.0	2.2	.6
Other private transportation commodities .....	.574	104.4	104.2	-1.0	-.2
Other private transportation services .....	3.986	196.6	198.0	2.6	.7
Public transportation .....	1.566	184.3	187.0	.6	1.5
Medical care .....	7.426	237.1	238.0	2.7	.4
Medical care commodities .....	1.280	216.8	217.4	2.2	.3
Medical care services .....	6.145	241.8	242.8	2.8	.4
Professional medical services .....	3.518	217.5	218.4	2.9	.4

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 1(OS). Old Series 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)

Item and group	Relative Importance, December 1997	Unadjusted Indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from-	
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997
Expenditure category					
Entertainment .....	4.339	163.1	163.4	1.3	0.2
Entertainment commodities .....	1.924	144.0	144.3	.1	.2
Entertainment services .....	2.415	185.1	185.4	2.3	.2
Other goods and services .....	7.390	230.1	231.2	5.1	.5
Tobacco and smoking products .....	1.688	251.2	253.8	7.4	1.0
Personal care .....	1.152	154.0	154.7	2.0	.5
Toilet goods and personal care appliances .....	.589	145.3	146.2	1.8	.6
Personal care services .....	.564	163.9	164.3	2.2	.2
Personal and educational expenses .....	4.550	266.1	267.0	5.1	.3
School books and supplies .....	.273	242.8	244.9	4.4	.9
Personal and educational services .....	4.277	268.1	268.9	5.1	.3
Commodity and service group					
All items .....	100.000	161.3	161.6	1.6	.2
Commodities .....	42.255	141.7	141.7	.1	.0
Food and beverages .....	17.465	159.1	160.3	2.2	.8
Commodities less food and beverages .....	24.791	131.2	130.4	-1.3	-.6
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	14.865	133.5	132.0	-1.3	-1.1
Apparel commodities .....	4.748	127.7	125.6	-.2	-1.6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	10.117	139.5	138.2	-2.0	-.9
Durables .....	9.926	128.0	128.2	-1.2	.2
Services .....	57.745	181.0	181.8	2.7	.4
Rent of shelter <sup>1</sup> .....	28.016	185.3	186.4	3.2	.6
Household services less rent of shelter <sup>1</sup> .....	8.687	145.7	145.2	.4	-.3
Transportation services .....	7.097	186.0	187.4	2.1	.8
Medical care services .....	6.145	241.8	242.8	2.8	.4
Other services .....	7.799	213.1	213.7	3.8	.3
Special indexes					
All items less food .....	84.114	161.8	161.9	1.4	.1
All items less shelter .....	71.360	156.4	156.5	1.0	.1
All items less homeowners' costs <sup>1</sup> .....	79.731	161.8	162.1	1.2	.2
All items less medical care .....	92.574	157.0	157.3	1.5	.2
Commodities less food .....	26.369	132.6	131.8	-1.1	-.6
Nondurables less food .....	16.443	135.3	134.0	-1.0	-1.0
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	11.695	141.0	140.0	-1.4	-.7
Nondurables .....	32.329	146.5	146.3	.5	-.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>1</sup> .....	29.728	189.5	190.0	2.2	.3
Services less medical care services .....	51.599	175.4	176.1	2.7	.4
Energy .....	6.695	108.4	105.8	-6.6	-2.4
All items less energy .....	93.305	168.3	169.0	2.2	.4
All items less food and energy .....	77.419	170.7	171.2	2.2	.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	23.076	142.1	142.0	.4	-.1
Energy commodities .....	3.293	101.6	97.8	-10.4	-3.7
Services less energy services .....	54.343	186.9	187.9	3.0	.5
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:					
1982-84=\$1.00 .....	-	\$.620	\$.619	-	-
1967=\$1.00 .....	-	\$.207	\$.207	-	-

<sup>1</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

**Table 2(OS). Old Series 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)

Item and group	Relative importance, December 1997	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from-	
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997
Expenditure category					
All items .....	100.000	158.2	158.4	1.3	0.1
All items (1967=100) .....	-	471.3	472.0	-	-
Food and beverages .....	19.434	158.5	159.6	2.0	.7
Food .....	17.739	158.1	159.3	2.0	.8
Food at home .....	11.309	158.2	159.9	1.8	1.1
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.689	178.1	178.7	1.4	.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	3.441	148.0	147.8	-1.0	-.1
Dairy products .....	1.358	147.5	147.8	.1	.2
Fruits and vegetables .....	2.100	190.0	198.9	6.9	4.7
Other food at home .....	2.722	147.1	148.3	2.7	.8
Sugar and sweets .....	.376	147.7	150.2	2.3	1.7
Fats and oils .....	.277	140.0	140.3	-1.1	.2
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	.863	131.7	133.1	4.1	1.1
Other prepared food .....	1.206	162.7	163.5	2.6	.5
Food away from home .....	6.430	159.0	159.2	2.4	.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	1.695	163.1	163.5	1.9	.2
Housing .....	39.037	154.4	154.8	2.0	.3
Shelter .....	26.305	173.1	173.9	3.1	.5
Renters' costs <sup>1</sup> .....	8.250	163.1	164.7	3.3	1.0
Rent, residential .....	6.686	168.8	169.2	3.1	.2
Other renters' costs .....	1.564	215.8	225.2	4.1	4.4
Homeowners' costs <sup>1</sup> .....	17.864	168.0	168.4	3.1	.2
Owners' equivalent rent <sup>1</sup> .....	17.538	168.3	168.7	3.1	.2
Household insurance <sup>1</sup> .....	.327	151.6	152.1	3.2	.3
Maintenance and repairs .....	.191	143.4	143.7	2.6	.2
Maintenance and repair services .....	.107	155.2	155.3	3.5	.1
Maintenance and repair commodities .....	.084	128.6	129.0	1.3	.3
Fuel and other utilities .....	7.274	129.7	129.1	-1.1	-.5
Fuels .....	3.875	115.2	113.9	-3.9	-1.1
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities .....	.338	97.0	96.3	-13.7	-.7
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services) .....	3.537	122.4	121.0	-2.8	-1.1
Other utilities and public services .....	3.399	163.7	164.3	2.5	.4
Household furnishings and operation .....	5.458	123.6	123.7	.2	.1
Housefurnishings .....	3.171	108.3	108.5	-.9	.2
Housekeeping supplies .....	1.130	144.3	144.0	.8	-.2
Housekeeping services .....	1.157	156.7	157.1	2.9	.3
Apparel and upkeep .....	5.311	130.3	128.5	-.2	-1.4
Apparel commodities .....	4.801	126.6	124.6	-.4	-1.6
Men's and boys' apparel .....	1.298	130.7	129.1	1.7	-.2
Women's and girls' apparel .....	2.019	121.5	117.8	-1.8	-3.0
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.233	126.5	125.0	-2.7	-1.2
Footwear .....	.800	129.2	128.3	1.8	-.7
Other apparel commodities .....	.450	138.5	141.1	-2.4	1.9
Apparel services .....	.510	162.9	163.5	1.7	.4
Transportation .....	18.597	142.4	141.7	-2.0	-.5
Private transportation .....	17.389	140.1	139.3	-2.2	-.6
New vehicles .....	4.781	145.3	145.6	-.7	.2
New cars .....	3.439	140.9	141.3	-1.0	.3
Used cars .....	2.179	149.5	149.7	-4.0	.1
Motor fuel .....	3.608	101.7	97.6	-10.3	-4.0
Gasoline .....	-	101.2	97.0	-10.4	-4.2
Maintenance and repairs .....	1.634	165.7	166.0	2.5	.2
Other private transportation .....	5.188	174.3	175.2	1.9	.5
Other private transportation commodities .....	.727	103.7	103.6	-.6	-.1
Other private transportation services .....	4.460	192.3	193.5	2.4	.6
Public transportation .....	1.208	182.5	184.6	.5	1.2
Medical care .....	6.331	236.5	237.4	2.7	.4
Medical care commodities .....	1.054	214.1	214.7	2.2	.3
Medical care services .....	5.276	241.6	242.6	2.8	.4
Professional medical services .....	3.020	218.9	219.8	3.0	.4

See footnotes at end of table.



**Table 2(OS). Old Series 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)

Item and group	Relative importance, December 1997	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1998 from-	
		Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Jan. 1997	Dec. 1997
Expenditure category					
Entertainment .....	4.006	160.4	160.7	1.2	0.2
Entertainment commodities .....	2.005	142.6	143.0	.1	.1
Entertainment services .....	2.001	185.4	185.6	2.4	.2
Other goods and services .....	7.285	226.9	228.2	5.3	.6
Tobacco and smoking products .....	2.237	250.9	253.6	7.4	1.1
Personal care .....	1.118	153.9	154.5	1.9	.4
Toilet goods and personal care appliances .....	.612	146.1	146.9	1.7	.5
Personal care services .....	.504	164.1	164.5	2.3	.2
Personal and educational expenses .....	3.932	261.6	262.4	5.1	.3
School books and supplies .....	.241	245.2	247.0	4.6	.7
Personal and educational services .....	3.692	263.2	263.9	5.1	.3
Commodity and service group					
All items .....	100.000	158.2	158.4	1.3	.1
Commodities .....	46.401	141.6	141.4	-.1	-.1
Food and beverages .....	19.434	158.5	159.6	2.0	.7
Commodities less food and beverages .....	26.967	131.3	130.4	-1.5	-.7
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	15.915	133.1	131.5	-1.6	-1.2
Apparel commodities .....	4.801	126.6	124.6	-.4	-1.6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	11.114	139.3	137.6	-2.2	-1.1
Durables .....	11.052	127.5	127.7	-1.4	.2
Services .....	53.599	176.2	176.6	2.6	.3
Rent of shelter <sup>1</sup> .....	25.761	166.6	167.4	3.1	.5
Household services less rent of shelter <sup>1</sup> .....	6.554	133.7	133.3	.3	-.3
Transportation services .....	7.302	183.9	185.0	2.0	.6
Medical care services .....	5.276	241.6	242.6	2.6	.4
Other services .....	6.706	209.9	210.4	3.6	.2
Special indexes					
All items less food .....	62.261	156.1	156.2	1.2	.1
All items less shelter .....	73.695	154.2	154.3	.7	.1
All items less homeowners' costs <sup>1</sup> .....	82.136	148.1	148.3	1.0	.1
All items less medical care .....	93.669	154.5	154.7	1.2	.1
Commodities less food .....	26.662	132.5	131.7	-1.3	-.6
Nondurables less food .....	17.610	135.0	133.5	-1.3	-1.1
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	12.809	140.7	139.4	-1.7	-.9
Nondurables .....	35.349	146.2	145.9	.3	-.2
Services less rent of shelter <sup>1</sup> .....	27.636	166.6	169.2	2.1	.2
Services less medical care services .....	46.322	172.7	173.3	2.5	.3
Energy .....	7.483	107.7	105.0	-7.1	-2.5
All items less energy .....	92.517	165.2	166.6	2.0	.4
All items less food and energy .....	74.778	167.1	167.6	2.1	.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	24.717	141.5	141.4	.3	-.1
Energy commodities .....	3.946	101.6	97.7	-10.7	-3.6
Services less energy services .....	50.062	184.3	185.1	2.9	.4
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:					
1982-84=\$1.00 .....	-	\$ .632	\$ .631	-	-
1967=\$1.00 .....	-	\$ .212	\$ .212	-	-

<sup>1</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

**Table 3(OS) Old Series 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 Jan.1998 from--		
		Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997
U.S. city average .....	M	161.6	161.5	161.3	161.6	0.0	0.1	0.2
<b>Selected local areas</b>								
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI .....	M	162.5	162.9	162.8	162.5	.0	-.2	-.2
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA .....	M	161.1	160.7	161.2	161.0	-.1	.2	-.1
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT .....	M	172.3	172.0	171.9	172.1	-.1	.1	.1
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH .....	1	-	169.4	-	171.0	-	.9	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH .....	1	-	157.1	-	158.0	-	.6	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	1	152.8	-	152.5	152.2	-.4	-	-.2
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI .....	2	157.9	-	157.1	-	-	-	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	2	147.3	-	145.6	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	2	-	159.5	159.3	-	-	-	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD .....	2	167.7	166.4	166.4	-	-	-	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....	2	162.5	162.6	162.6	-	-	-	-
<b>Region and area size</b>								
Northeast urban .....	M	168.7	168.5	168.4	168.8	.1	.2	.2
Midwest urban <sup>2</sup> .....	M	157.7	157.7	157.3	157.6	-.1	-.1	.2
South urban .....	M	157.8	157.8	157.3	157.7	-.1	-.1	.3
West urban .....	M	162.8	162.8	162.8	163.0	.1	.1	.1
<b>Population size classes</b>								
A <sup>3</sup> .....	M	146.0	145.8	145.7	146.0	.0	.1	.2
D .....	M	157.6	157.8	157.5	157.9	.2	.1	.3
<b>Region/Population size class cross classifications</b>								
Northeast Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	169.5	169.3	169.1	169.5	.0	.1	.2
Midwest Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	158.4	158.4	158.1	158.3	-.1	-.1	.1
South Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	156.7	156.4	156.3	156.7	.0	.2	.3
West Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	163.1	162.8	163.1	163.2	.1	.2	.1
Midwest Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	153.2	153.7	153.0	153.0	-.1	-.5	.0
South Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	156.9	157.1	157.0	157.7	.5	.4	.4

<sup>1</sup> The 'All Items' index size B/C is on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>2</sup> The 'North Central' region has been renamed the 'Midwest' region by the Census Bureau. It is composed of the same geographic entities.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

**Table 4(OS) Old Series 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 Jan. 1998 from--		
		Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997	Jan. 1998	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1997	Dec. 1997
U.S. city average .....	M	158.5	158.5	158.2	158.4	-0.1	-0.1	0.1
<b>Selected local areas</b>								
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI .....	M	156.9	157.2	157.3	156.8	-.1	-.3	-.3
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA .....	M	155.4	154.9	155.3	155.1	-.2	.1	-.1
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT .....	M	168.1	168.0	167.7	167.7	-.2	-.2	.0
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH .....	1	-	167.8	-	169.5	-	1.0	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH .....	1	-	149.1	-	149.9	-	.5	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	1	152.8	-	152.7	152.2	-.4	-	-.3
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI .....	2	152.4	-	151.7	-	-	-	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	2	146.3	-	144.5	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	2	-	157.0	156.8	-	-	-	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD .....	2	166.8	165.9	165.7	-	-	-	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....	2	159.5	159.5	159.4	-	-	-	-
<b>Region and area size</b>								
Northeast urban .....	M	165.8	165.7	165.5	165.8	.0	.1	.2
Midwest urban <sup>2</sup> .....	M	154.0	154.0	153.7	153.9	-.1	-.1	.1
South urban .....	M	156.1	156.2	155.6	155.8	-.2	-.3	.1
West urban .....	M	159.3	159.2	159.2	159.3	.0	.1	.1
<b>Population size classes</b>								
A <sup>3</sup> .....	M	144.7	144.6	144.4	144.6	-.1	.0	.1
D .....	M	156.7	156.9	156.7	156.8	.1	-.1	.1
<b>Region/Population size class cross classifications</b>								
Northeast Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	165.5	165.5	165.2	165.4	-.1	-.1	.1
Midwest Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	153.9	153.8	153.6	153.7	-.1	-.1	.1
South Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	154.7	154.5	154.2	154.4	-.2	-.1	.1
West Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	157.9	157.7	157.9	157.9	.0	.1	.0
Midwest Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	151.1	151.6	151.0	151.0	-.1	-.4	.0
South Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	157.3	157.5	157.5	157.7	.3	.1	.1

<sup>1</sup> The 'All Items' index size B/C is on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>2</sup> The 'North Central' region has been renamed the 'Midwest' region by the Census Bureau. It is composed of the same geographic entities.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

# 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 87 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, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for physicians' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day-to-day living. Prices are collected in 87 urban areas across the country from about 50,000 housing units and approximately 23,000 retail establishments—department stores, supermarkets, hospitals, filling stations, and other types of stores and service establishments. All taxes directly associated with the purchase and use of items are included in the index. Prices of fuels and a few other items are obtained every month in all 87 locations. Prices of most other commodities and services are collected every month in the three largest metropolitan areas and every other month in other areas. Prices of most goods and services are obtained by personal visits or telephone calls by the Bureau's trained representatives.

In calculating this index, price changes for the various items in each location are averaged together with weights that 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 the country, for cross-classifications of regions and population-size classes, and for 26 local areas. Area indexes do not measure differences in the level of prices among cities; they only measure the average change in prices for each area since the base period.

The index measures price change from a designed reference date—1982-84, which equals 100.0. An increase of 16.5 percent, for example, is shown as 116.5. This change can also be expressed in dollars as follows: the price of a base

period market basket of goods and services in the CPI has risen from \$10 in 1982-84 to \$11.65.

For further details, see *BLS Handbook of Methods*, Chapter 17, the Consumer Price Index, Bulletin 2490, April 1997.

## Calculating Index Changes

Movements of 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 below 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	115.7
Less previous index	111.2
Equals index point change	4.5
<i>Percent change</i>	
Index point difference	4.5
Divided by the previous index	111.2
Equals	0.040
Results multiplied by one hundred	0.040x100
Equals percent change	4.0

## Energy Prices

Prices are usually available for the U.S. city average, 13 large metropolitan areas, the 4 census regions, 3 size classifications, and 10 areas reflecting the 4 census regions cross-classified by the 3 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 bills priced for the CPI. 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 and for 500-kilowatt hours of electricity (shown in table P1) are calculated from a special price collection program. These

average prices 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 residential 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 CPI.

*Fuel oil.* Only #2 fuel oil (home heating oil) is priced. (See table P1.) 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 and automotive diesel fuel.* Gasoline and diesel prices, shown in table P3, are collected at the pump from a sample of full service, mini-service, and self-service gas stations.

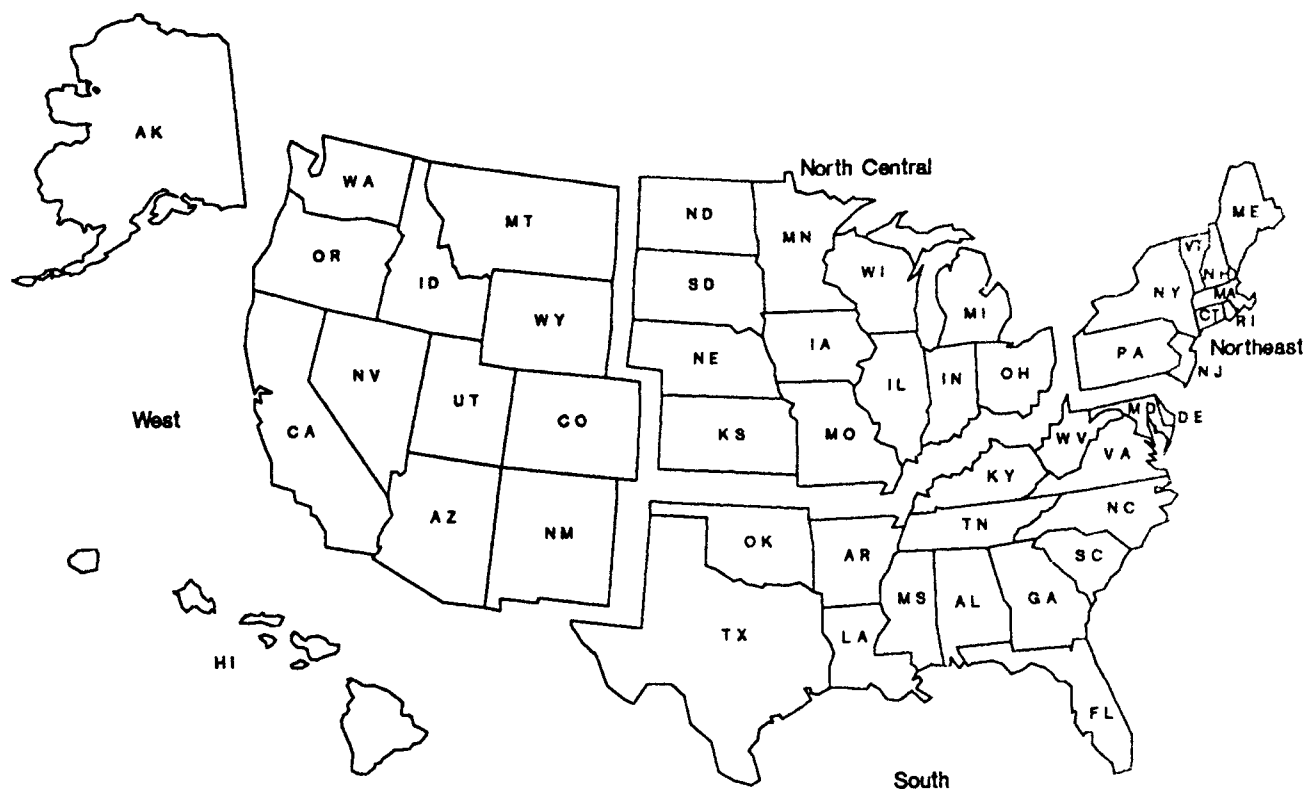
Approximate British thermal unit (Btu) values for some energy items are as follows, according to the source indicated:

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)

## Census Regions



## Food and Beverage Prices

Actual weighted average prices for food and beverages are calculated each month at the national level and for the four census geographic regions, as shown in table P4. 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 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 BLS regional offices or from the Washington office upon request.

## Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted Data

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

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

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

Seasonal factors used in computing seasonally adjusted indexes are derived by the X-12-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, e.g., data from 1993 through 1997 were replaced at the end of 1997. The seasonal movement of all items and 54 other aggregations is derived by combining the seasonal movement of 73 selected components. Each year, the seasonal status of every series is

reevaluated, based on certain statistical criteria. If any of the 73 components change their seasonal adjustment status from seasonally adjusted to not seasonally adjusted, not seasonally adjusted data will be used for the last 5 years; but the seasonally adjusted indexes will be used before that period.

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 seasonal adjustment for some CPI series. Intervention analysis seasonal adjustment allows for better estimates of seasonally adjusted data. Extreme values and/or sharp movements, which might distort the seasonal pattern, are estimated and removed from the data, prior to calculation of seasonal factors. Beginning with the calculation of seasonal factors for 1996, X-12-ARIMA software was used for intervention analysis seasonal adjustment.

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. 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 analysis seasonal adjustment was used to offset the effects of excise tax increases. For the nonalcoholic beverages index, the procedure was used to offset the effects of a large increase in coffee prices, due to adverse weather. For the water and sewerage maintenance index, the procedure was used to account for a data collection anomaly.

A description of intervention analysis seasonal adjustment, as well as a list of unusual events modeled and seasonal factors for these items, may be obtained by writing to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Division of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, Washington, DC 20212 or by calling Claire McAnaw Gallagher at (202) 606-6968 or e-mailing her (gallagher\_c@bls.gov).

Beginning with the release of seasonal adjustment factors for 1997, in February 1998, seasonal adjustment will be performed using X-12-ARIMA. X-12-ARIMA is a new seasonal adjustment software package developed by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. The X-12-ARIMA seasonal adjustment program is an enhanced version of the X-11 Variant of the Census Method II seasonal adjustment program. The enhancements include a variety of new diagnostics and modeling tools to help the user detect and remedy any inadequacies in the seasonal adjustments obtained under the program options selected.

## Metropolitan Areas

BLS publishes three major metropolitan areas monthly:

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

Data for additional 11 metropolitan areas are published every other month [on an odd (January, March, etc.) or even (February, April, etc.) month schedule] for the following areas:

Atlanta, GA	-even
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	-odd
Cleveland-Akron, OH	-odd
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	-odd
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	-even
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	-even
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	
PA-NJ-DE-MD	-even
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City,	-even
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	-even
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	-even
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV	-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 two to three weeks into the following month.)

Data are published for an additional 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:

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

### How to Obtain Consumer Price Index Information

Consumer Price Index (CPI) information is available from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) electronically, through publication subscriptions, and via telephone and fax through automated recordings. Information specialists are also available in the national and regional offices, to provide help and to respond to questions.

#### Electronic access to CPI data

*BLS on the Internet.* Through the Internet, BLS provides free, continuous access to published CPI data and press re-

leases. The most recent month's CPI is made available immediately at the time of release. Additionally, 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 BLS site is accessible via the World Wide Web (WWW), Gopher, and File Transfer Protocol (FTP), as described below. Send e-mail to [labstat.helpdesk@bls.gov](mailto:labstat.helpdesk@bls.gov) for help using any of these systems.

*World Wide Web.* BLS maintains a Web site (<http://stats.bls.gov>). This BLS homepage provides access to LABSTAT, as well as links to program-specific homepages. The CPI homepage <http://stats.bls.gov/cpihome.htm> provides other CPI information, as well as indexes. This includes 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. In addition, CPI press releases and historical data for metropolitan areas can be accessed by linking to regional office homepages from the main BLS Web site listed above.

*FTP and Gopher.* These tools provide access to CPI LABSTAT data, as well as documentation and press release files organized in hierarchical directories. Connect to [stats.bls.gov](http://stats.bls.gov) using FTP or Gopher. Log on as "anonymous," and use your complete Internet e-mail address as the password.

#### Subscriptions to CPI publications

*Summary data.* Free, monthly, 2-page publication containing 1- 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, Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., Room 2850, Washington, DC 20212-0001, or call (202) 606-7828 or any of the BLS regional offices listed below.

*CPI Detailed Report.* Most comprehensive report of the Consumer Price Index. 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. Subscriptions cost \$25 per year.

*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 extensive for inclusion in the *CPI Detailed Report*. The MLR costs \$29 per year. 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 on 24-hour recorded messages. Detailed CPI information is available by calling (202) 606-STAT. A touch-tone telephone is recommended, as this system allows the user to select specific indexes from lists of available data.

Recorded summaries of CPI are also available by calling any one of the metropolitan area CPI hot lines listed below. These hotline summaries typically include data for the U.S. city average, as well as the specified area. These recordings are approximately 3 minutes in length, do not require a touch-tone telephone, and are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Area	Hotline Number
Anchorage	(907) 271-2770
Atlanta	(404) 347-3702
Baltimore	(410) 962-4898
Boston	(617) 565-2325/2327
Chicago	(312) 353-1883
Cincinnati	(513) 684-2349
Cleveland	(216) 522-3852
Dallas	(214) 767-6971
Denver	(303) 844-1735
Detroit	(313) 226-7558
Honolulu	(808) 541-2808
Houston	(713) 718-3753
Indianapolis	(317) 226-7885
Kansas City	(816) 426-2372
Los Angeles	(310) 235-6884
Milwaukee	(414) 276-2579
Minneapolis-St. Paul	(612) 290-3996
New York	(212) 337-2406/2408
Philadelphia	(215) 596-1156
Pittsburgh	(412) 644-2900
Portland	(503) 231-2045
St. Louis	(314) 539-3527
Salt Lake City	(801) 485-6582
San Diego	(619) 557-6538
San Francisco	(415) 975-4406
Seattle	(206) 553-0645
Washington, DC	(202) 606-6994/7828

## Other sources of CPI data

Technical information is available during normal working hours, Monday through Friday, by calling (202) 606-7000 or any of the regional offices listed below.

*Fax-on-Demand.* A wide variety of BLS information and data,

including CPI, are available from the BLS *Ready Facts* catalog, via fax-on-demand. CPI documents from *Ready Facts* that are available around the clock include the monthly CPI press release, selected national, regional and metropolitan area historical summaries, and some technical information. The latest CPI information is posted during the morning of release day. Call (202) 606-6325. Then, follow the instructions to have the latest *Ready Facts* catalog sent to you. Each regional office also has a fax system in place; their systems include all information available from the national catalog, in addition to region-specific information on the CPI. Phone and fax-on-demand numbers for the eight regional offices are:

Office	Fax-on-Demand	Telephone
Washington, DC	(202) 606-6325	(202) 606-7000
Chicago	(312) 987-9288	(312) 353-1880
Boston	(617) 515-9167	(617) 565-2327
Kansas City	(816) 426-3152	(816) 426-2481
Philadelphia	(215) 596-4160	(215) 596-1154
Dallas	(214) 767-9613	(214) 767-6970
New York	(212) 337-2412	(212) 337-2400
San Francisco	(415) 975-4567	(415) 975-4350
Atlanta	(404) 562-2545	(404) 562-2463

*Historical tables.* These include all published indexes for each of the detailed CPI components. These tables are available via the Internet, by calling (202) 606-7000 in the national office, or by contacting any of the regional offices listed above.

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

*Special publications.* Also available are various special publications, such as *Relative Importance of Components in the Consumer Price Index* and materials describing the annual revisions of seasonally adjusted CPI data. 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, telephone (202) 606-7000 or by calling any of the regional offices listed above.