

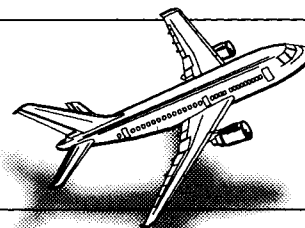
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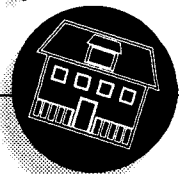
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July	August 17	October	November 17
August	September 15	November	December 14

Price Movements

May 1999

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) was unchanged in May, before seasonal adjustment, remaining at a level of 166.2 (1982-84=100). For the 12-month period ended in May, the CPI-U increased 2.1 percent.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) rose 0.1 percent in May, prior to seasonal adjustment. The May level of 162.8 was 2.1 percent higher than the index in May 1998.

CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U was unchanged in May, following a 0.7-percent rise in April. Energy costs declined 1.3 percent in May, reflecting a sharp turnaround in the index for gasoline. After advancing a record 15.0 percent in April and accounting for more than half of the overall April CPI rise, the index for gasoline declined 2.7 percent in May. The index for energy services fell 0.3 percent. The food index, which increased 0.1 percent in April, rose 0.4 percent in May. The index for food at home increased 0.6 percent, largely because of an upturn in the index for dairy products and a larger increase than the prior month in the index for fruits and vegetables. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U increased 0.1 percent in May, following a 0.4-percent rise in April. The deceleration in

May reflects downturns in the indexes for apparel, for tobacco and smoking products, and for airline fares, coupled with a smaller increase than in the prior month in shelter costs.

During the first 5 months of 1999, the CPI-U rose at a 2.6-percent seasonally adjusted annual rate (SAAR). This compares with an increase of 1.6 percent for all of 1998. The index for energy, which acted as a moderating influence on overall consumer price index movements in 1998 (down 8.8 percent), turned up sharply during the first 5 months of 1999, increasing at a 15.4 percent annual rate. Food costs, which rose 2.3 percent in 1998, have increased at a 2.1-percent SAAR thus far in 1999. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U has advanced at a 1.8-percent rate thus far in 1999, compared with a 2.4-percent rise for all of 1998. The more moderate rate of advance this year is largely due to smaller increases than in the prior year in the indexes for shelter and for tobacco and smoking products.

The food and beverages index rose 0.4 percent in May. The index for food at home increased 0.6 percent in May, following a 0.1-percent rise in April. An upturn in the index for dairy products and a larger increase than in the prior month in the index for fruits and vegetables were responsible for the acceleration in the food-at-home

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

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted								Unadjusted 12 months ended May 1999
	Changes from preceding month							Compound annual rate, 3 months ended May 1999	
	1998		1999						
	November	December	January	February	March	April	May		
All items	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.7	0	3.7	2.1
Food and beverages	.2	.1	.4	.2	-.2	.1	.4	1.0	2.2
Housing	.3	.1	-.1	.1	.2	.4	.1	3.0	2.1
Apparel	-.1	-.6	-1.1	-.2	-.3	1.5	-.2	4.0	-.8
Transportation	-.1	-.4	-.1	-.1	.7	2.4	-.5	11.0	1.5
Medical care	.2	.3	.3	.2	.2	.4	.2	3.4	3.4
Recreation	.1	.1	.4	-.1	0	.3	.2	2.0	1.2
Education and communication	.3	-.2	.3	.1	0	.1	-.1	0	.3
Other goods and services	-.3	4.2	2.0	-.1	-.6	1.0	-.2	.9	8.1
Special indexes									
Energy	-.3	-1.1	-.2	0	1.6	6.1	-1.3	28.1	1.7
Food	.1	.1	.5	.1	-.2	.1	.4	1.0	2.1
All items less food and energy	.1	.3	.1	.1	.1	.4	.1	2.5	2.0

index. The index for dairy products, which fell 3.3 percent in April, rose 0.1 percent in May, reflecting increases in the prices for milk and cheese. The index for fruits and vegetables, which increased 1.4 percent in April, advanced 2.6 percent in May. The index for fresh fruits rose 1.5 percent, reflecting large price increases for citrus fruits. Fresh vegetable prices, which generally decline at this time of year, rose slightly, resulting in a 4.9 percent increase in this index. Prices for processed fruits and vegetables increased 1.4 percent. The index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs rose 0.2 percent in May, as a 1.5-percent increase in the index for pork was largely offset by a 1.2-percent decrease in poultry prices; the index for beef rose 0.2 percent. Among the other major grocery store food groups, the indexes for nonalcoholic beverages, for cereal and bakery products, and for other food at home rose 0.4, 0.3, and 0.1 percent, respectively. The other two components of the food and beverages index—food away from home and alcoholic beverages—rose 0.1 and 0.3 percent, respectively.

The housing component rose 0.1 percent in May. Shelter costs, which increased 0.4 percent in April, advanced 0.2 percent in May. Within shelter, the index for rent increased 0.2 percent; owners' equivalent rent rose 0.3 percent, whereas the cost of lodging away from home decreased 0.2 percent. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, the cost of lodging while away from home fell 2.4 percent in May.) The index for fuels and utilities declined 0.2 percent in May. The index for household fuels decreased 0.3 percent, as declines in the indexes for natural gas and for electricity—down 0.4 and 0.3 percent, respectively—more than offset a 0.9-percent increase in the index for fuel oil. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, charges for natural

gas and electricity rose 0.5 and 0.8 percent, respectively.) The index for household furnishings and operations decreased 0.3 percent in May.

The transportation component, which rose 2.4 percent in April, declined 0.5 percent in May, reflecting downturns in the indexes for gasoline and airline fares. The gasoline index, which rose 15.0 percent in April, declined 2.7 percent in May. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, gasoline prices increased 0.4 percent.) Airline fares declined 2.5 percent in May, following five consecutive monthly increases, totaling 12.5 percent. The index for new and used vehicles rose 0.2 percent in May, the same as in April. The index for new vehicles fell 0.1 percent, whereas the index for used cars and trucks increased 0.9 percent in May.

The index for apparel, which rose 1.5 percent in April, declined 0.2 percent in May. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, apparel prices fell 0.7 percent, reflecting seasonal discounting on women's and girls' wear.)

Medical care costs rose 0.2 percent in May to a level 3.4 percent above a year ago. The index for medical care commodities—prescription drugs, nonprescription drugs, and medical supplies—increased 0.1 percent. The index for medical care services rose 0.3 percent. Charges for professional services and for hospital and related services increased 0.2 and 0.4 percent, respectively.

The index for recreation costs increased 0.2 percent in May. A 1.3-percent increase in the index for admissions to movies, theaters, concerts, and sporting events more than offset small decreases in most recreational goods.

The index for education and communication declined 0.1 percent in May. Educational costs rose 0.5 percent, whereas the index for communication declined 0.6 percent. Within the latter group, the indexes for personal computers

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 May 1999	Unadjusted 12 months ended May 1999
	Changes from preceding month								
	1998		1999						
	November	December	January	February	March	April	May		
All items	0.2	0.2	0.2	0	0.1	0.7	0	3.5	2.1
Food and beverages	.2	.1	.4	.1	-.2	.1	.3	.7	2.1
Housing	.3	.2	.0	.1	.3	.3	.1	2.5	2.0
Apparel	-.1	-.5	-1.1	-.4	-.4	1.4	-.1	3.8	-.5
Transportation	-.1	-.5	-.1	-.4	.6	2.6	-.4	11.7	1.4
Medical care	.2	.2	.3	.2	.3	.4	.2	3.8	3.4
Recreation	.1	.1	.4	-.2	-.1	.2	.2	1.2	.6
Education and communication	.3	-.2	.3	.2	0	-.1	0	-.4	.4
Other goods and services	-.5	5.8	2.5	-.2	-1.0	1.4	-.4	-.2	10.2
Special indexes									
Energy	-.4	-1.3	-.1	-.2	2.0	6.4	-1.4	31.4	1.9
Food	.2	0	.5	.1	-.2	.1	.3	.7	2.1
All items less food and energy	2	.4	.1	0	0	.4	.1	1.9	2.1

and peripheral equipment and for telephone services declined 1.9 and 0.4 percent, respectively. Decreases of 2.3 percent in both long distance telephone charges and the cost of cellular telephone services more than offset a 1.8-percent increase in local telephone service charges.

The index for other goods and services decreased 0.2 percent, following a 1.0-percent increase in April. The index for tobacco and smoking products, which rose 3.6 percent in April, declined 1.4 percent in May. The recent movements in tobacco prices largely reflect variations in the discounting of some major cigarette brands.

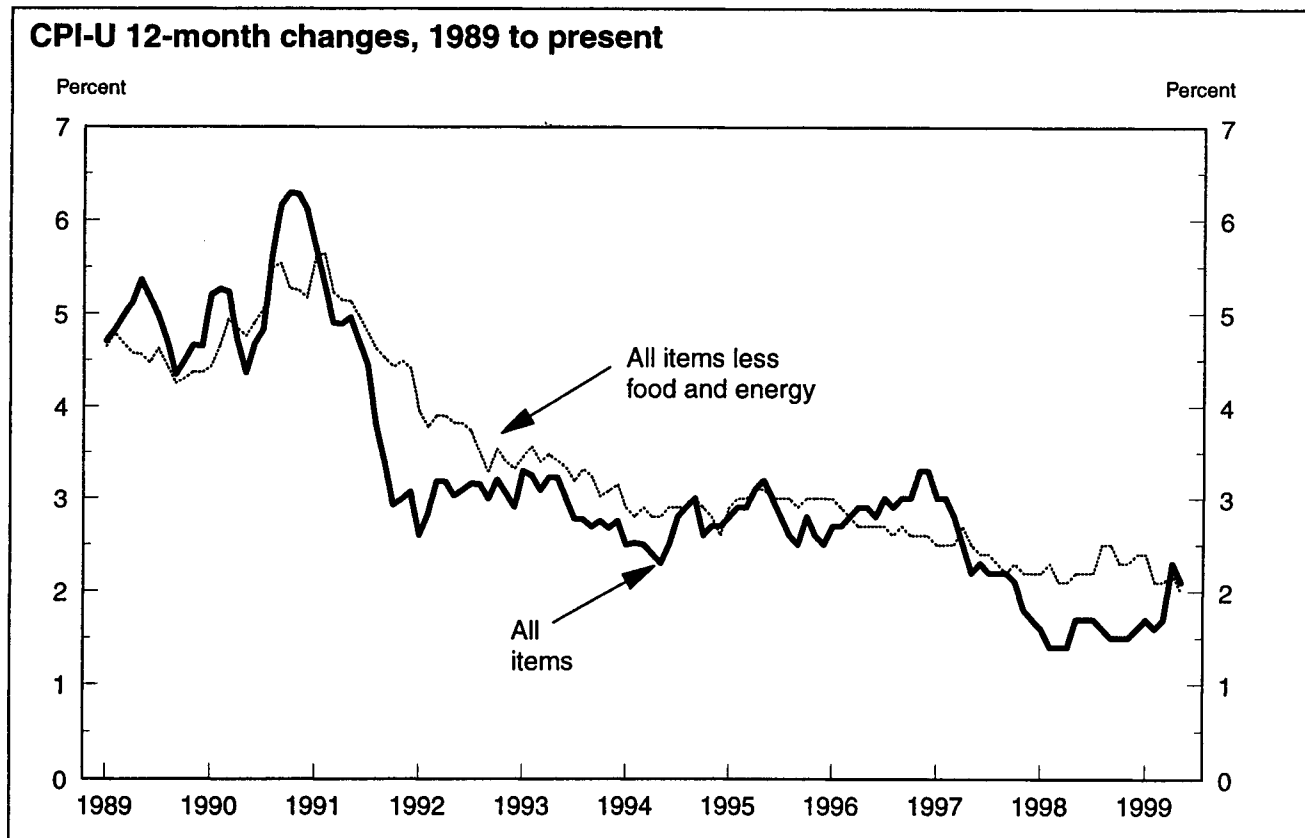
CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI for Urban Wage

Earners and Clerical Workers was unchanged in May.

CPI (Old Series)

For the first 6 months of 1999, BLS will also publish Old Series CPI-U and Old Series CPI-W, based on the former method of calculating the elementary aggregates, that is, employing an arithmetic mean in all index categories. These old series data are contained in tables 1-4 (LAS). From April to May, the Old Series CPI-U and the Old Series CPI-W were unchanged and rose 0.1 percent, respectively. These series are not seasonally adjusted. (The unadjusted CPI-U and CPI-W, using the new method of calculating the elementary aggregates, also were unchanged and rose 0.1 percent, respectively, in May.)



Consumer Price Index Formula Changed

On April 16, 1998, the Bureau of Labor Statistics announced its decision to use a new formula for calculating the basic components of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W). This change is effective with data for January 1999.

The new formula, the geometric mean estimator, will be used in index categories that comprise approximately 61 percent of total consumer spending represented by the CPI-U. The remaining index categories, which are shown in the table below, will continue to be calculated as they have been. Based upon BLS research, it is expected that planned use of the new formula will reduce the annual rate of increase in the CPI by approximately 0.2 percentage point per year.

The geometric mean estimator has been introduced in both the CPI-U and the CPI-W effective with data for January 1999, in accordance with the past practice of introducing methodological changes at the beginning of a calendar year. BLS will continue to publish "overlap" CPI-U and CPI-W series using the former calculation method for the first 6 months of 1999. These indexes will not be published regularly for months subsequent to June 1999 but will be available upon request.

Additional information on this change was published in the April 1998 *CPI Detailed Report* and is available at <http://stats.bls.gov/cpihome.htm> on the Internet. This information also can be obtained by writing to the Bureau of Labor

Statistics, Division of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, 2 Massachusetts Ave., NE., Room 3615, Washington, DC 20212 or by calling (202) 606-7000.

Components retaining the arithmetic mean (Laspeyres) formula:

Selected shelter services

- Rent of primary residence
- Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence
- Housing at school, excluding board

Selected utilities and government charges

- Electricity
- Utility natural gas service
- Residential water and sewerage maintenance
- State and local registration, license, and motor vehicle property tax
- Telephone services, local charges
- Cable television

Selected medical care services

- Physicians' services
- Dental services
- Eyeglasses and eye care
- Services by other medical professionals
- Hospital services
- Nursing homes and adult daycare

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 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
All items	100.000	166.2	166.2	2.1	0.0	0.2	0.7	0.0
All items (1967=100)	-	497.8	497.7	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	16.408	163.9	164.2	2.2	.2	-.2	.1	.4
Food	15.422	163.4	163.7	2.1	.2	-.2	.1	.4
Food at home	9.691	163.5	163.9	2.0	.2	-.5	.1	.6
Cereals and bakery products	1.544	184.8	185.1	2.5	.2	.2	.4	.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.569	146.7	146.7	.3	.0	-.2	.3	.2
Dairy and related products ¹	1.088	156.1	156.2	5.5	.1	-.5	-3.3	.1
Fruits and vegetables	1.440	203.3	207.2	1.6	1.9	-2.2	1.4	2.6
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	1.049	134.3	134.2	1.0	-.1	.1	-.3	.4
Other food at home	2.002	153.6	153.4	2.7	-.1	-.2	.3	.1
Sugar and sweets	.377	151.7	153.0	2.3	.9	-.3	.5	.9
Fats and oils	.309	149.0	147.2	4.2	-1.2	-.9	-.2	-1.1
Other foods	1.316	169.2	168.7	2.4	-.3	.0	.5	.0
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	.320	105.6	105.0	3.6	-.6	-.9	.7	-.6
Food away from home ¹	5.730	164.5	164.6	2.5	.1	.2	.2	.1
Other food away from home ^{1 2}	.175	104.0	104.3	3.7	.3	.0	.3	.3
Alcoholic beverages	.986	168.8	169.3	2.5	.3	-.1	.2	.3
Housing	39.828	163.0	163.0	2.1	.0	.2	.4	.1
Shelter	30.283	186.6	186.5	2.9	-.1	.3	.4	.2
Rent of primary residence ³	7.007	176.4	176.7	3.3	.2	.2	.3	.2
Lodging away from home ^{2 3}	2.376	114.6	111.8	2.9	-2.4	1.8	1.9	-2.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	20.529	191.9	192.2	2.9	.2	.1	.3	.3
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	.371	100.3	100.5	.9	.2	.1	.1	.2
Fuels and utilities	4.735	125.7	126.5	-1.1	.6	.2	.2	-.2
Fuels	3.801	110.2	111.0	-1.9	.7	.3	.1	-.3
Fuel oil and other fuels	.227	87.7	87.7	-4.5	.0	1.0	2.7	.8
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	3.574	117.5	118.4	-1.7	.8	.3	-.1	-.3
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	.934	103.6	103.7	2.4	.1	.3	.3	.1
Household furnishings and operations	4.810	127.2	126.7	.1	-.4	-.1	.2	-.3
Household operations ^{1 2}	.908	104.0	104.1	3.1	.1	.4	.3	.1
Apparel	4.831	135.2	134.2	-.8	-.7	-.3	1.5	-.2
Men's and boys' apparel	1.358	133.5	133.8	.2	.2	-.8	1.6	-.2
Women's and girls' apparel	1.939	128.7	127.3	-1.9	-1.1	.4	1.1	.3
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹	.272	128.2	127.6	.6	-.5	-.6	2.1	-.5
Footwear	.876	129.2	127.4	-.7	-1.4	.7	1.1	-1.3
Transportation	16.999	144.3	144.2	1.5	-.1	.7	2.4	-.5
Private transportation	15.653	140.1	140.2	1.3	.1	.5	2.6	-.4
New and used motor vehicles ²	7.843	99.7	99.7	-.2	.0	-.2	.2	.2
New vehicles	4.983	143.3	142.9	-.3	-.3	-.2	.1	-1.1
Used cars and trucks ¹	1.914	148.3	149.6	-.3	.9	-.6	.6	.9
Motor fuel	2.493	100.9	101.4	7.1	.5	3.6	15.0	-2.6
Gasoline (all types)	2.476	100.4	100.8	7.0	.4	3.7	15.0	-2.7
Motor vehicle parts and equipment	.549	100.3	100.2	-.4	-.1	-.6	.5	.1
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	1.624	170.9	171.3	3.3	.2	.2	.3	.2
Public transportation ¹	1.346	201.4	198.4	4.2	-1.5	3.0	1.3	-1.5
Medical care	5.713	249.1	249.5	3.4	.2	.2	.4	.2
Medical care commodities	1.252	229.3	229.4	3.6	.0	.4	.6	.1
Medical care services	4.461	253.5	254.0	3.3	.2	.2	.3	.3
Professional services ³	2.854	228.2	228.6	3.1	.2	.3	.3	.2
Hospital and related services ³	1.354	296.3	297.0	4.0	.2	.3	.1	.4

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 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
Recreation ²	6.120	102.0	102.2	1.2	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.2
Video and audio ^{1 2}	1.748	101.0	100.9	-.3	-.1	-.5	-.1	.2
Education and communication ²	5.478	100.7	100.4	.3	-.3	.0	.1	-.1
Education ²	2.694	105.5	105.6	4.7	.1	.4	.4	.5
Educational books and supplies	.203	261.2	261.6	5.1	.2	.3	.2	.7
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	2.492	303.8	304.1	4.7	.1	.4	.4	.5
Communication ^{1 2}	2.783	96.3	95.7	-3.7	-.6	-.3	-.3	-.6
Information and information processing ^{1 2}	2.580	95.8	95.2	-4.1	-.6	-.4	-.3	-.6
Telephone services ^{1 2}	2.327	100.0	99.6	-1.5	-.4	-.2	-.2	-.4
Information and information processing other than telephone services ^{1 5}	.253	32.1	30.9	-25.5	-3.7	-2.7	-.9	-3.7
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ^{1 2}	.148	56.8	55.7	-32.6	-1.9	-3.5	-1.4	-1.9
Other goods and services	4.624	256.1	255.8	8.1	-.1	-.6	1.0	-.2
Tobacco and smoking products	1.159	349.9	345.5	28.0	-1.3	-3.5	3.6	-1.4
Personal care ¹	3.465	160.2	160.7	2.6	.3	.4	.1	.3
Personal care products ¹	.742	150.9	150.9	1.1	.0	.7	.1	.0
Personal care services ¹	.973	170.3	171.0	3.4	.4	.4	.2	.4
Miscellaneous personal services	1.491	241.4	242.1	3.5	.3	.1	.1	.2
Commodity and service group								
Commodities	42.109	144.6	144.5	1.5	-.1	-.1	1.3	-.1
Food and beverages	16.408	163.9	164.2	2.2	.2	-.2	.1	.4
Commodities less food and beverages	25.702	133.2	132.8	1.1	-.3	.0	2.1	-.4
Nondurables less food and beverages	14.345	138.6	138.2	3.1	-.3	.3	3.4	-.5
Apparel	4.831	135.2	134.2	-.8	-.7	-.3	1.5	-.2
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	9.514	145.7	145.6	5.2	-.1	.7	4.4	-.8
Durables	11.356	126.1	125.8	-1.4	-.2	-.2	.0	.0
Services	57.891	187.8	187.9	2.5	.1	.3	.3	.1
Rent of shelter ⁴	29.912	194.3	194.2	3.0	-.1	.4	.4	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	.371	100.3	100.5	.9	.2	.1	.1	.2
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	3.574	117.5	118.4	-1.7	.8	.3	-.1	-.3
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	.934	103.6	103.7	2.4	.1	.3	.3	.1
Household operations ^{1 2}	.908	104.0	104.1	3.1	.1	.4	.3	.1
Transportation services	6.963	191.0	190.4	1.4	-.3	.8	.2	-.3
Medical care services	4.461	253.5	254.0	3.3	.2	.2	.3	.3
Other services	10.768	221.7	221.9	2.7	.1	.1	.3	.2
Special indexes								
All items less food	84.578	166.7	166.6	2.0	-.1	.2	.8	-.1
All items less shelter	69.717	159.9	159.9	1.7	.0	.1	.9	-.1
All items less medical care	94.287	161.6	161.6	2.0	.0	.2	.7	.0
Commodities less food	26.688	134.6	134.3	1.2	-.2	.1	2.0	-.4
Nondurables less food	15.331	140.4	140.1	3.1	-.2	.4	3.2	-.4
Nondurables less food and apparel	10.500	147.0	147.0	4.9	.0	.7	4.0	-.8
Nondurables	30.753	151.4	151.4	2.6	.0	.2	1.3	.1
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	27.979	194.5	194.7	1.9	.1	.3	.3	.1
Services less medical care services	53.429	181.8	181.8	2.4	.0	.3	.3	.1
Energy	6.294	105.0	105.6	1.7	.6	1.6	6.1	-1.3
All items less energy	93.706	174.2	174.1	2.1	-.1	.1	.4	.1
All items less food and energy	78.284	176.8	176.6	2.0	-.1	.1	.4	.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities	23.967	144.9	144.5	.6	-.3	-.3	.6	-.1
Energy commodities	2.720	99.9	100.3	6.0	.4	3.5	14.0	-2.4
Services less energy services	54.316	195.0	195.0	2.7	.0	.3	.4	.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar	-	\$.602	\$.602	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar - old base	-	\$.201	\$.201	-	-	-	-	-

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁵ 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—	
	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Aug. 1998	Nov. 1998	Feb. 1999	May 1999	Nov. 1998	May 1999
Expenditure category										
All items	164.7	165.0	166.2	166.2	1.5	1.7	1.2	3.7	1.6	2.5
Food and beverages	163.8	163.4	163.6	164.2	2.3	2.8	2.7	1.0	2.5	1.9
Food	163.5	163.2	163.3	163.9	2.3	2.8	2.7	1.0	2.5	1.9
Food at home	163.7	162.9	163.0	163.9	2.3	2.8	2.5	.5	2.5	1.5
Cereals and bakery products	183.6	183.9	184.6	185.1	3.1	1.5	2.0	3.3	2.3	2.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	146.8	146.5	147.0	147.3	2.5	-1.9	-8	1.4	.3	.3
Dairy and related products ¹	162.3	161.5	156.1	156.2	6.6	15.1	17.5	-14.2	10.8	.4
Fruits and vegetables	202.6	198.1	200.9	206.2	-5.8	1.2	4.5	7.3	-2.4	5.9
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	133.7	133.9	133.5	134.0	-1.2	2.4	1.8	.9	.6	1.4
Other food at home	153.1	152.8	153.3	153.4	7.1	4.8	-1.8	.8	6.0	-5
Sugar and sweets	151.0	150.6	151.3	152.7	3.3	1.9	.0	4.6	2.6	2.3
Fats and oils	150.5	149.1	148.8	147.2	26.0	18.5	-13.6	-8.5	22.2	-11.1
Other foods	167.9	167.9	168.7	168.7	4.4	2.7	.5	1.9	3.6	1.2
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	105.9	104.9	105.6	105.0	8.5	5.1	4.3	-3.4	6.8	.4
Food away from home ¹	163.8	164.2	164.5	164.6	2.3	2.8	3.0	2.0	2.5	2.5
Other food away from home ^{1 2}	103.7	103.7	104.0	104.3	6.9	4.0	1.6	2.3	5.4	1.9
Alcoholic beverages	168.3	168.1	168.5	169.0	2.7	2.7	2.9	1.7	2.7	2.3
Housing	162.1	162.5	163.1	163.3	2.0	2.8	.7	3.0	2.4	1.9
Shelter	184.9	185.4	186.2	186.6	2.9	4.0	1.3	3.7	3.5	2.5
Rent of primary residence ³	175.6	176.0	176.5	176.9	3.5	3.8	2.8	3.0	3.7	2.9
Lodging away from home ^{2 3}	101.4	103.2	105.2	105.0	-1.6	12.8	-12.4	15.0	5.4	.4
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	191.3	191.5	192.1	192.6	3.2	3.0	2.8	2.7	3.1	2.8
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	100.1	100.2	100.3	100.5	-1.6	2.9	.8	1.6	.6	1.2
Fuels and utilities	127.1	127.4	127.6	127.3	-2.8	-2.2	-3	.6	-2.5	.2
Fuels	111.1	111.4	111.5	111.2	-4.2	-3.2	-1.1	.4	-3.7	-4
Fuel oil and other fuels	83.6	84.4	86.7	87.4	-8.1	-12.7	-13.2	19.5	-10.4	1.9
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	119.1	119.4	119.3	118.9	-3.9	-2.3	-3	-.7	-3.1	-5
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	103.0	103.3	103.6	103.7	2.0	2.4	2.4	2.7	2.2	2.6
Household furnishings and operations	126.7	126.6	126.9	126.5	1.3	.3	-.6	-.6	.8	-.6
Household operations ^{1 2}	103.3	103.7	104.0	104.1	4.0	3.2	2.0	3.1	3.6	2.5
Apparel	130.6	130.2	132.1	131.9	3.4	-2.7	-7.3	4.0	.3	-1.8
Men's and boys' apparel	131.1	130.1	132.2	131.9	1.5	-1.8	-1.5	2.5	-.2	.5
Women's and girls' apparel	121.7	122.2	123.5	123.9	6.5	-8.7	-11.0	7.4	-1.4	-2.2
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹	126.4	125.6	128.2	127.6	-7.7	24.1	-14.1	3.9	7.1	-5.6
Footwear	125.5	126.4	127.8	126.1	6.8	-3	-10.4	1.9	3.2	-4.4
Transportation	140.2	141.2	144.6	143.9	-3	-1.4	-2.5	11.0	-.8	4.0
Private transportation	136.4	137.1	140.6	140.0	-9	-.6	-3.7	11.0	-.7	3.4
New and used motor vehicles ²	99.8	99.6	99.8	100.0	2.4	.8	-4.7	.8	1.6	-2.0
New vehicles	143.0	142.7	142.8	142.7	2.5	-1.9	-.8	-.8	.3	-.8
Used cars and trucks ¹	148.3	147.4	148.3	149.6	3.0	7.9	-14.0	3.6	5.4	-5.6
Motor fuel	86.1	89.2	102.6	99.9	-11.1	-8.5	-10.8	81.2	-9.8	27.1
Gasoline (all types)	85.6	88.8	102.1	99.3	-11.9	-7.4	-11.3	81.1	-9.7	26.8
Motor vehicle parts and equipment	100.6	100.0	100.5	100.6	1.2	.0	-2.4	.0	.6	-1.2
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	170.2	170.6	171.1	171.5	3.4	4.4	2.1	3.1	3.9	2.6
Public transportation ¹	193.1	198.8	201.4	198.4	3.8	-9.6	12.7	11.4	-3.1	12.1
Medical care	247.5	248.1	249.0	249.6	3.9	2.8	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.5
Medical care commodities	226.6	227.5	228.8	229.0	3.7	4.0	2.3	4.3	3.8	3.3
Medical care services	252.1	252.6	253.3	254.0	3.8	2.6	3.9	3.0	3.2	3.5
Professional services ³	226.4	227.0	227.7	228.2	3.7	2.9	2.7	3.2	3.3	3.0
Hospital and related services ³	295.0	296.0	296.3	297.6	4.7	2.2	5.6	3.6	3.5	4.6

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—	
	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Aug. 1998	Nov. 1998	Feb. 1999	May 1999	Nov. 1998	May 1999
Expenditure category										
Recreation ²	101.5	101.5	101.8	102.0	1.2	0.0	1.6	2.0	0.6	1.8
Video and audio ^{1 2}	101.2	100.7	100.6	100.8	.0	.0	.4	-1.6	.0	-6
Education and communication ²	101.1	101.1	101.2	101.1	-1.2	2.0	.8	.0	.4	.4
Education ²	105.8	106.2	106.6	107.1	3.6	4.7	5.9	5.0	4.2	5.4
Educational books and supplies	259.4	260.3	260.7	262.4	1.1	11.5	3.5	4.7	6.2	4.1
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	303.3	304.4	305.6	307.2	3.7	3.8	6.2	5.2	3.8	5.7
Communication ^{1 2}	96.9	96.6	96.3	95.7	-5.9	-4	-3.6	-4.9	-3.2	-4.2
Information and information processing ^{1 2}	96.5	96.1	95.8	95.2	-6.3	-4	-4.4	-5.3	-3.4	-4.9
Telephone services ^{1 2}	100.4	100.2	100.0	99.6	-2.7	2.8	-2.7	-3.1	.0	-2.9
Information and information processing other than telephone services ^{1 5}	33.3	32.4	32.1	30.9	-32.6	-22.3	-20.8	-25.9	-27.6	-23.4
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ^{1 2}	59.7	57.6	56.8	55.7	-45.4	-27.5	-31.4	-24.2	-37.1	-27.9
Other goods and services	255.6	254.1	256.6	256.2	3.1	3.6	26.7	.9	3.3	13.1
Tobacco and smoking products	349.0	336.9	348.9	344.1	9.2	8.1	140.7	-5.5	8.7	50.8
Personal care ¹	159.4	160.0	160.2	160.7	1.3	2.3	3.6	3.3	1.8	3.4
Personal care products ¹	149.8	150.8	150.9	150.9	-2.1	.8	2.7	3.0	-7	2.8
Personal care services ¹	169.3	169.9	170.3	171.0	2.9	2.4	4.1	4.1	2.7	4.1
Miscellaneous personal services	240.4	240.7	241.0	241.6	4.0	3.6	4.4	2.0	3.8	3.2
Commodity and service group										
Commodities	142.5	142.4	144.3	144.1	.8	.0	.8	4.6	.4	2.7
Food and beverages	163.8	163.4	163.6	164.2	2.3	2.8	2.7	1.0	2.5	1.9
Commodities less food and beverages	130.1	130.1	132.8	132.3	-3	-1.5	-3	6.9	-9	3.3
Nondurables less food and beverages	132.7	133.1	137.6	136.9	-3	-9	1.2	13.3	-6	7.1
Apparel	130.6	130.2	132.1	131.9	3.4	-2.7	-7.3	4.0	.3	-1.8
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	138.7	139.7	145.8	144.6	-9	-6	5.4	18.1	-7	11.6
Durables	126.0	125.7	125.7	125.7	.6	-9	-4.3	-9	-2	-2.7
Services	186.9	187.5	188.1	188.3	2.2	2.6	1.9	3.0	2.4	2.5
Rent of shelter ⁴	192.7	193.4	194.1	194.4	2.8	4.1	1.3	3.6	3.4	2.4
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	100.1	100.2	100.3	100.5	-1.6	2.9	.8	1.6	.6	1.2
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	119.1	119.4	119.3	118.9	-3.9	-2.3	-3	-7	-3.1	-5
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	103.0	103.3	103.6	103.7	2.0	2.4	2.4	2.7	2.2	2.6
Household operations ^{1 2}	103.3	103.7	104.0	104.1	4.0	3.2	2.0	3.1	3.6	2.5
Transportation services	189.1	190.6	191.0	190.4	1.1	-1.1	2.8	2.8	.0	2.8
Medical care services	252.1	252.6	253.3	254.0	3.8	2.6	3.9	3.0	3.2	3.5
Other services	221.3	221.6	222.2	222.7	2.2	3.0	3.1	2.6	2.6	2.8
Special indexes										
All items less food	164.8	165.2	166.6	166.5	1.2	1.5	1.2	4.2	1.4	2.7
All items less shelter	158.4	158.5	159.9	159.8	1.0	.8	1.5	3.6	.9	2.6
All items less medical care	159.9	160.2	161.4	161.4	1.3	1.5	1.3	3.8	1.4	2.5
Commodities less food	131.7	131.8	134.4	133.9	.0	-1.5	-3	6.9	-8	3.2
Nondurables less food	134.7	135.2	139.5	138.9	.0	-3	.6	13.1	-1	6.6
Nondurables less food and apparel	140.5	141.5	147.2	146.0	-6	.0	4.7	16.6	-3	10.5
Nondurables	148.2	148.5	150.5	150.6	1.4	.5	1.9	6.6	1.0	4.2
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	193.8	194.4	194.9	195.1	1.7	1.0	2.1	2.7	1.4	2.4
Services less medical care services	180.9	181.4	182.0	182.2	2.5	2.3	2.0	2.9	2.4	2.5
Energy	98.8	100.4	106.5	105.1	-6.8	-5.4	-5.1	28.1	-6.1	10.2
All items less energy	173.3	173.4	174.1	174.3	2.1	2.1	1.9	2.3	2.1	2.1
All items less food and energy	175.8	176.0	176.7	176.9	2.1	1.8	1.8	2.5	2.0	2.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities	143.8	143.3	144.1	144.0	1.4	-3	.8	.6	.6	.7
Energy commodities	85.8	88.8	101.2	98.8	-10.7	-9.0	-11.3	75.8	-9.8	24.9
Services less energy services	193.8	194.4	195.1	195.4	2.5	3.0	2.1	3.3	2.8	2.7

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in

January, 1999.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

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 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
All items	100.000	166.2	166.2	2.1	0.0	0.2	0.7	0.0
All items (1967=100)	-	497.8	497.7	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	16.408	163.9	164.2	2.2	.2	-.2	.1	.4
Food	15.422	163.4	163.7	2.1	.2	-.2	.1	.4
Food at home	9.691	163.5	163.9	2.0	.2	-.5	.1	.6
Cereals and bakery products	1.544	184.8	185.1	2.5	.2	.2	.4	.3
Cereals and cereal products	.546	174.7	175.8	2.6	.6	.7	-.2	.3
Flour and prepared flour mixes	.071	158.1	163.3	.9	3.3	-.8	.5	1.4
Breakfast cereal ¹	.318	195.4	195.8	3.4	.2	1.8	-.1	.2
Rice, pasta, cornmeal	.158	151.8	152.5	1.6	.5	-.1	.2	.5
Rice ^{1 2 3}	-	100.7	101.3	2.1	.6	.8	-.3	.6
Bakery products	.998	189.4	189.2	2.5	-.1	-.1	.7	.2
Bread ^{1 2}	.292	104.1	103.1	2.4	-1.0	-.6	1.0	-1.0
White bread ^{1 3}	-	194.3	191.4	2.7	-1.5	.2	1.1	-1.5
Bread other than white ^{1 3}	-	192.8	193.5	1.5	.4	-2.6	.5	.4
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins ^{1 2}	.144	104.5	104.4	3.1	-.1	.3	-.3	-.1
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies ¹	.272	184.5	185.0	2.8	.3	-.7	1.0	.3
Cookies ^{1 3}	-	185.3	186.6	3.0	.7	.9	0	.7
Fresh cakes and cupcakes ^{1 3}	-	184.3	185.0	3.9	.4	.7	1.1	.4
Other bakery products	.290	187.1	188.1	2.3	.5	.3	.9	1.3
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts ^{1 3}	-	182.0	175.6	3.2	-3.5	-.5	6.4	-3.5
Crackers, bread, and cracker products ³	-	219.2	220.4	1.6	.5	1.7	-1.1	2.5
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers ^{1 3}	-	190.3	189.6	3.1	-.4	-.2	1.3	-.4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.569	146.7	146.7	.3	.0	-.2	.3	.2
Meats, poultry, and fish	2.448	147.4	147.8	.6	.3	-.1	.5	.2
Meats	1.607	140.5	141.4	.3	.6	-.2	.6	.6
Beef and veal	.731	137.9	137.9	1.2	.0	-.5	1.0	.2
Uncooked ground beef	.276	117.8	116.9	.9	-.8	-1.1	1.1	-.1
Uncooked beef roasts ^{1 2}	.131	100.7	99.4	.1	-1.3	1.1	.0	-1.3
Uncooked beef steaks ^{1 2}	.274	100.5	101.9	2.0	1.4	.2	1.1	1.4
Uncooked other beef and veal ^{1 2}	.049	99.0	99.3	.2	.3	1.8	-.7	.3
Pork	.544	141.8	144.7	-2.0	2.0	-.1	.2	1.5
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products ^{1 2}	.183	93.9	95.0	-.1	1.2	.1	-1.1	1.2
Bacon and related products ³	-	146.3	147.7	.0	1.0	1.6	-2.0	.2
Breakfast sausage and related products ^{1 2 3}	-	98.5	99.8	.3	1.3	-.3	.8	1.3
Ham	.126	139.6	145.0	-2.2	3.9	-.6	2.1	.9
Ham, excluding canned ³	-	148.7	154.7	-2.2	4.0	-.3	2.5	.6
Pork chops	.120	139.9	142.8	-3.0	2.1	-2.2	.5	2.6
Other pork including roasts and picnics ^{1 2}	.116	92.5	93.8	-3.6	1.4	.9	.4	1.4
Other meats ¹	.332	148.7	148.6	2.1	-.1	.1	.5	-.1
Frankfurters ^{1 3}	-	149.7	147.2	3.1	-1.7	-4.0	4.0	-1.7
Lunchmeats ^{1 2 3}	-	99.8	99.9	.4	.1	1.1	-.7	.1
Lamb and organ meats ^{1 3}	-	166.9	170.9	8.3	2.4	1.0	4.6	2.4
Lamb and mutton ^{1 2 3}	-	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	-
Poultry ¹	.500	157.6	155.7	.1	-1.2	.6	-.4	-1.2
Chicken ^{1 2}	.389	102.3	99.8	-.8	-2.4	.9	.1	-2.4
Fresh whole chicken ³	-	163.0	158.6	-.1	-2.7	-1.0	.4	-3.0
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ^{1 3}	-	157.4	153.6	-1.5	-2.4	1.6	.3	-2.4
Other poultry including turkey ^{1 2}	.112	99.1	102.1	2.8	3.0	-.6	-2.2	3.0
Fish and seafood	.341	185.3	185.9	2.8	.3	-.6	1.3	.6
Fresh fish and seafood ^{1 2}	.190	105.2	105.7	3.5	.5	-.5	.5	.5
Processed fish and seafood ^{1 2}	.150	103.8	103.9	1.8	.1	-.2	1.7	.1
Canned fish and seafood ³	-	132.4	132.4	-.1	.0	-.9	.9	-.2
Frozen fish and seafood ^{1 3}	-	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	-
Eggs	.121	129.6	121.4	-5.6	-6.3	-3.2	-1.9	-.3
Dairy and related products ¹	1.088	156.1	156.2	5.5	.1	-.5	-3.3	.1
Milk ^{1 2}	.421	102.8	103.3	3.0	.5	-.5	-8.1	.5
Fresh whole milk ^{1 3}	-	149.6	150.6	3.4	.7	-.3	-8.2	.7
Fresh milk other than whole ^{1 2 3}	-	103.5	103.7	3.1	.2	-.6	-7.7	.2
Cheese and related products ¹	.322	159.9	160.7	7.6	.5	-.5	-1.2	.5
Ice cream and related products ¹	.186	162.4	160.0	6.0	-1.5	-2.0	1.4	-1.5
Other dairy and related products ^{1 2}	.159	106.9	106.9	7.0	.0	1.2	-.1	.0

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and Group	Relative importance, December 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
Fruits and vegetables	1.440	203.3	207.2	1.6	1.9	-2.2	1.4	2.6
Fresh fruits and vegetables	1.111	238.2	243.2	1.4	2.1	-2.9	1.9	3.0
Fresh fruits	.581	271.9	280.6	12.7	3.2	-8	3.8	1.5
Apples	.094	195.1	197.2	-3.0	1.1	-1.5	2.0	-.2
Bananas	.108	156.3	159.0	-3.6	1.7	-5.3	-1.2	3.5
Citrus fruits ^{1 2}	.127	148.6	161.7	38.2	8.8	.6	6.2	8.8
Oranges, including tangerines ³	-	309.8	352.0	49.5	13.6	-1.1	2.1	3.9
Other fresh fruits ^{1 2}	.251	107.1	108.3	13.2	1.1	.1	11.9	1.1
Fresh vegetables	.530	206.2	207.7	-9.6	.7	-5.2	-.4	4.9
Potatoes	.093	183.3	191.5	2.0	4.5	.0	-1.4	2.0
Lettuce ¹	.059	213.4	207.7	-33.0	-2.7	8.2	-1.7	-2.7
Tomatoes ¹	.111	215.7	214.3	-9.7	-.6	-6.4	-4.0	-.6
Other fresh vegetables	.267	212.8	214.2	-5.9	.7	-2.2	1.7	3.5
Processed fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	.328	103.5	104.9	2.4	1.4	-.2	-.1	1.4
Canned fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	.177	103.7	105.3	2.8	1.5	.7	-.8	1.5
Canned fruits ^{1 2 3}	-	105.0	105.9	3.9	.9	1.4	-.1	.9
Canned vegetables ^{1 2 3}	-	104.7	106.5	3.1	1.7	-.8	.0	1.7
Frozen fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	.104	103.9	105.4	2.1	1.4	-1.4	.6	1.4
Frozen vegetables ³	-	152.0	154.2	.9	1.4	-.5	.3	.9
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried ^{1 2}	.047	101.4	102.1	1.6	.7	-.3	.3	.7
Dried beans, peas, and lentils ^{1 2 3}	-	101.4	101.7	1.9	.3	.4	-.8	.3
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	1.049	134.3	134.2	1.0	-.1	.1	-.3	.4
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks ^{1 2}	.767	102.5	102.4	2.6	-.1	.1	-.2	.1
Carbonated drinks	.400	119.0	118.8	1.6	-.2	1.6	-.8	.0
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ^{1 2}	.055	106.5	103.9	3.6	-2.4	-3.7	3.5	-2.4
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ^{1 2}	.311	101.9	102.1	3.5	.2	-.7	.7	.2
Beverage materials including coffee and tea ^{1 2}	.282	96.6	96.9	-3.0	.3	.0	-.3	.3
Coffee ¹	.149	155.2	156.2	-6.5	.6	.1	-.1	.6
Roasted coffee ^{1 3}	-	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	-
Instant and freeze dried coffee ^{1 3}	-	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	-
Other beverage materials including tea ^{1 2}	.133	103.5	103.5	1.5	.0	.1	-.6	.0
Other food at home	2.002	153.6	153.4	2.7	-.1	-.2	.3	.1
Sugar and sweets	.377	151.7	153.0	2.3	.9	-.3	.5	.9
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	.073	136.9	138.8	2.6	1.4	.9	.1	.2
Candy and chewing gum ^{1 2}	.227	101.7	102.4	2.6	.7	-.4	.4	.7
Other sweets ^{1 2}	.078	105.2	106.2	1.7	1.0	-.4	1.5	1.0
Fats and oils	.309	149.0	147.2	4.2	-1.2	-.9	-.2	-1.1
Butter and margarine ^{1 2}	.107	111.7	109.5	7.6	-2.0	-2.2	-1.3	-2.0
Butter ^{1 3}	-	145.6	139.6	9.5	-4.1	-4.0	-2.5	-4.1
Margarine ³	-	155.1	156.0	3.6	.6	-.6	.3	.8
Salad dressing ^{1 2}	.083	104.2	101.8	3.5	-2.3	-.2	-.1	-2.3
Other fats and oils including peanut butter ^{1 2}	.119	103.4	103.6	2.3	.2	-.7	.7	.2
Peanut butter ^{1 2 3}	-	103.8	103.6	3.4	-.2	-1.0	2.3	-.2
Other foods	1.316	169.2	168.7	2.4	-.3	.0	.5	.0
Soups	.108	196.3	199.2	2.9	1.5	.8	1.6	.2
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods ¹	.224	147.7	146.5	1.1	-.8	.1	1.4	-.8
Snacks ¹	.269	159.9	158.3	1.7	-1.0	.3	.5	-1.0
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces	.295	175.4	175.9	2.2	.3	-.3	-.1	.6
Salt and other seasonings and spices ^{1 2 3}	-	101.4	101.9	1.4	.5	-.1	.0	.5
Olives, pickles, relishes ^{1 2 3}	-	102.4	98.5	-5.2	-3.8	-.7	-.5	-3.8
Sauces and gravies ^{1 2 3}	-	103.5	102.5	1.6	-1.0	-.3	-.7	-1.0
Other condiments ³	-	170.9	176.4	3.5	3.2	.4	-1.6	3.4
Baby food ^{1 2}	.101	105.5	105.8	4.3	.3	1.0	.3	.3
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	.320	105.6	105.0	3.6	-.6	-.9	.7	-.6
Prepared salads ^{1 2 3}	-	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	-
Food away from home ¹	5.730	164.5	164.6	2.5	.1	.2	.2	.1
Full service meals and snacks ^{1 2}	3.002	103.9	104.0	2.7	.1	.2	.1	.1
Limited service meals and snacks ^{1 2}	1.664	103.1	103.2	2.2	.1	.3	.4	.1
Food at employee sites and schools ^{1 2}	.668	102.8	102.9	2.6	.1	.2	-.1	.1
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors ^{1 2}	.221	101.2	101.3	.7	.1	-.1	.1	.1
Other food away from home ^{1 2}	.175	104.0	104.3	3.7	.3	.0	.3	.3

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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 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
Alcoholic beverages	.986	168.8	169.3	2.5	0.3	-0.1	0.2	0.3
Alcoholic beverages at home	.627	153.1	153.4	1.9	.2	-.3	.3	.3
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home	.333	151.3	151.9	2.4	.4	-.5	.5	.5
Distilled spirits at home	.109	155.1	155.4	1.8	.2	.3	.2	.1
Whiskey at home ³	-	154.5	155.4	2.4	.6	-.1	.5	.2
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home ^{1 3}	-	155.2	155.2	1.7	.0	.3	.2	.0
Wine at home	.184	149.1	148.9	1.2	-.1	-.2	.3	-.1
Alcoholic beverages away from home	.360	199.4	200.3	3.6	.5	.2	.2	.5
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home ^{1 2 3} ..	-	103.7	103.5	2.6	-.2	.4	.1	-.2
Wine away from home ^{1 2 3}	-	103.2	104.1	2.9	.9	.0	.2	.9
Distilled spirits away from home ^{1 2 3}	-	102.9	103.3	3.4	.4	.2	.1	.4
Housing	39.828	163.0	163.0	2.1	.0	.2	.4	.1
Shelter	30.283	186.6	186.5	2.9	-.1	.3	.4	.2
Rent of primary residence ⁴	7.007	176.4	176.7	3.3	.2	.2	.3	.2
Lodging away from home ^{2 4}	2.376	114.6	111.8	2.9	-2.4	1.8	1.9	-.2
Housing at school, excluding board ^{4 5}	.237	240.0	240.0	4.3	.0	.3	.4	.3
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels	2.139	247.0	240.4	2.7	-2.7	1.9	2.0	-.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{4 5}	20.529	191.9	192.2	2.9	.2	.1	.3	.3
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	.371	100.3	100.5	.9	.2	.1	.1	.2
Fuels and utilities	4.735	125.7	126.5	-1.1	.6	.2	.2	-.2
Fuels	3.801	110.2	111.0	-1.9	.7	.3	.1	-.3
Fuel oil and other fuels	.227	87.7	87.7	-4.5	.0	1.0	2.7	.8
Fuel oil	.155	82.1	82.2	-5.6	.1	.9	3.8	.9
Other household fuels ⁶	.073	125.4	125.0	-2.0	.3	-.3	.6	.2
Gas (piped) and electricity ⁴	3.574	117.5	118.4	-1.7	.8	.3	-.1	-.3
Electricity ⁴	2.521	123.4	124.4	-1.2	.8	.3	.2	-.3
Utility natural gas service ⁴	1.053	108.9	109.4	-3.4	.5	-.1	-.6	-.4
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	.934	103.6	103.7	2.4	.1	.3	.3	.1
Water and sewerage maintenance ⁴	.683	221.2	221.5	2.2	.1	.3	.2	.1
Garbage and trash collection ^{1 7}	.250	262.6	262.8	2.8	.1	.2	.4	.1
Household furnishings and operations	4.810	127.2	126.7	.1	-.4	-.1	.2	-.3
Window and floor coverings and other linens ^{1 2}	.353	102.9	101.5	-.6	-1.4	-1.9	2.5	-1.4
Floor coverings ^{1 2}	.088	102.3	101.5	.6	-.8	.3	.4	-.8
Window coverings ^{1 2}	.110	102.9	99.4	-1.1	-3.4	-1.9	1.8	-3.4
Other linens ^{1 2}	.155	103.3	103.1	-.9	-.2	-3.0	4.3	-.2
Furniture and bedding ¹	1.139	136.7	134.8	-.2	-1.4	.5	.7	-1.4
Bedroom furniture ¹	.322	142.2	141.9	-.5	-.2	.4	.7	-.2
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture ^{1 2}	.621	103.3	101.3	.4	-1.9	.8	.9	-1.9
Other furniture ^{1 2}	.184	104.1	102.6	-1.7	-1.4	-.2	.3	-1.4
Appliances ^{1 2}	.358	97.4	97.4	-3.1	.0	-1.0	-.7	.0
Major appliances ^{1 2}	.210	97.3	97.6	-1.6	.3	-.8	-.7	.3
Laundry equipment ^{1 3}	-	109.9	110.8	-1.3	.8	-.4	-.7	.8
Other appliances ^{1 2}	.141	97.5	97.1	-5.4	-.4	-1.4	-.7	-.4
Other household equipment and furnishings ^{1 2}	.536	100.4	99.6	-2.5	-.8	.0	.5	-.8
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items ¹	.223	118.0	116.9	-4.3	-.9	.2	.7	-.9
Indoor plants and flowers ⁸	.152	112.2	111.9	-.7	-.3	-1.1	-1.1	.7
Dishes and flatware ^{1 2}	.078	102.2	102.6	-1.4	.4	-2.0	2.2	.4
Nonelectric cookware and tableware ^{1 2}	.083	98.5	96.3	-2.3	-2.2	1.1	-.8	-2.2
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies ^{1 2}	.640	99.0	99.5	-.8	.5	.0	.1	.5
Tools, hardware and supplies ^{1 2}	.162	95.9	96.0	-2.9	.1	.0	-.5	.1
Outdoor equipment and supplies ^{1 2}	.328	100.5	101.2	.1	.7	-.3	.6	.7
Housekeeping supplies ¹	.876	146.8	147.1	1.0	.2	.3	-.5	.2
Household cleaning products ^{1 2}	.405	101.2	102.0	1.7	.8	.3	-.3	.8
Household paper products ^{1 2}	.212	103.8	103.0	-.1	-.8	.3	-.6	-.8
Miscellaneous household products ^{1 2}	.260	103.1	103.0	.7	-.1	.3	-.7	-.1
Household operations ^{1 2}	.908	104.0	104.1	3.1	.1	.4	.3	.1
Domestic services ^{1 2}	.322	104.3	104.3	3.4	.0	.5	.4	.0
Gardening and lawn care services ^{1 2}	.263	102.4	102.4	1.3	.0	.2	.2	.0
Moving, storage, freight expense ^{1 2}	.106	104.2	104.7	3.2	.5	.6	.1	.5
Repair of household items ^{1 2}	.104	106.7	107.0	5.9	.3	.1	.4	.3

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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 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
Apparel	4.831	135.2	134.2	-0.8	-0.7	-0.3	1.5	-0.2
Men's and boys' apparel	1.358	133.5	133.8	.2	.2	-.8	1.6	-.2
Men's apparel	1.069	137.6	138.3	.4	.5	-.8	1.6	-.1
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear	.245	138.9	138.7	-.7	-.1	-1.2	2.6	-.5
Men's furnishings	.271	140.6	140.5	.4	-.1	-.3	1.4	-.4
Men's shirts and sweaters ^{1 2}	.314	100.4	102.0	1.1	1.6	1.2	1.5	1.6
Men's pants and shorts	.223	135.1	135.8	1.0	.5	-.2	.8	.0
Boys' apparel	.289	117.8	116.6	-.8	-1.0	.6	-.2	-.4
Women's and girls' apparel	1.939	128.7	127.3	-1.9	-1.1	.4	1.1	.3
Women's apparel	1.651	129.4	128.0	-1.7	-1.1	.5	1.4	.3
Women's outerwear	.121	115.9	111.5	-3.8	-3.8	2.8	.7	-2.1
Women's dresses	.220	117.2	115.5	-8.4	-1.5	7.5	1.6	.5
Women's suits and separates ^{1 2}	.857	103.0	102.3	-.4	-.7	4.1	1.7	-.7
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories ^{1 2}	.430	107.1	106.1	.0	-.9	3.0	2.1	-.9
Girls' apparel	.288	125.3	123.7	-2.7	-1.3	.0	-.1	.0
Footwear	.876	129.2	127.4	-.7	-1.4	.7	1.1	-1.3
Men's footwear	.277	130.4	129.5	-2.2	-.7	-.3	-.2	-1.2
Boys' and girls' footwear	.215	128.9	127.5	-1.4	-1.1	-2.4	-.9	-.9
Women's footwear	.384	127.7	125.3	.8	-1.9	2.8	3.2	-1.6
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹	.272	128.2	127.6	.6	-.5	-.6	2.1	-.5
Jewelry and watches ⁶	.387	144.3	143.6	.1	-.5	-4.0	2.7	.6
Watches ⁶	.069	124.4	124.4	-.2	.0	-1.7	1.1	.0
Jewelry ⁶	.317	149.9	149.0	.3	-.6	-3.9	2.6	.7
Transportation	16.999	144.3	144.2	1.5	-.1	.7	2.4	-.5
Private transportation	15.653	140.1	140.2	1.3	.1	.5	2.6	-.4
New and used motor vehicles ²	7.843	99.7	99.7	-.2	.0	-.2	.2	.2
New vehicles	4.983	143.3	142.9	-.3	-.3	-.2	.1	-.1
New cars and trucks ^{1 2 3}	-	99.5	99.2	-.3	-.3	-.3	.0	-.3
New cars ³	-	140.1	139.6	-.7	-.4	-.3	.1	-.2
New trucks ^{3 7}	-	152.2	151.9	.7	-.2	-.2	.3	.1
New motorcycles ^{3 6}	-	164.5	165.1	.9	.4	.2	.2	.4
Used cars and trucks ¹	1.914	148.3	149.6	-.3	.9	-.6	.6	.9
Car and truck rental ^{1 2}	.138	104.4	104.9	4.3	.5	4.2	.2	.5
Motor fuel	2.493	100.9	101.4	7.1	.5	3.6	15.0	-2.6
Gasoline (all types)	2.476	100.4	100.8	7.0	.4	3.7	15.0	-2.7
Gasoline, unleaded regular ³	-	98.5	98.9	7.5	.4	4.1	16.2	-3.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{3 9}	-	104.0	104.7	6.2	.7	3.2	13.0	-2.4
Gasoline, unleaded premium ³	-	101.6	102.2	6.3	.6	3.0	12.8	-2.0
Other motor fuels ^{1 2}	.017	93.0	92.5	-1.3	-.5	1.2	6.9	-.5
Motor vehicle parts and equipment	.549	100.3	100.2	-.4	-.1	-.6	.5	.1
Tires	.267	97.9	97.9	-.2	.0	-.6	.7	.3
Vehicle accessories other than tires ^{1 2}	.282	98.8	98.8	-.3	.0	-.6	-.1	.0
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires ^{1 3}	-	107.4	107.0	.0	-.4	.0	-.5	-.4
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids ^{1 3}	-	129.8	130.7	-.3	.7	-1.6	.8	.7
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	1.624	170.9	171.3	3.3	.2	.2	.3	.2
Motor vehicle body work ¹	.119	181.7	180.9	.4	-.4	-.1	.4	-.4
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing ¹	.513	157.8	158.4	2.7	.4	.1	.1	.4
Motor vehicle repair ^{1 2}	.970	103.9	104.1	3.9	.2	.1	.3	.2
Motor vehicle insurance	2.502	253.3	253.1	-.8	-.1	.3	-.4	-.1
Motor vehicle fees ^{1 2}	.642	103.4	103.2	.5	-.2	.0	.2	-.2
State and local registration and license ^{1 2 4}	.424	101.5	101.5	.0	.0	-.1	.0	.0
Parking and other fees ^{1 2}	.195	107.8	107.4	1.8	-.4	.2	.4	-.4
Parking fees and tolls ^{1 2 3}	-	107.9	107.6	1.9	-.3	.1	.5	-.3
Automobile service clubs ^{1 2 3}	-	102.4	102.3	1.5	-.1	1.1	.0	-.1
Public transportation ¹	1.346	201.4	198.4	4.2	-1.5	3.0	1.3	-1.5
Airline fare ¹	.834	225.8	220.2	7.4	-2.5	4.7	2.0	-2.5
Other intercity transportation	.185	159.0	160.0	-.2	.6	-.6	-.1	.8
Ship fare ^{1 2 3}	-	101.1	101.1	-3.6	.0	-.4	.7	.0
Intracity transportation ¹	.322	172.2	172.4	-1.5	.1	.1	.0	.1

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Item and Group	Relative importance, December 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
Medical care	5.713	249.1	249.5	3.4	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2
Medical care commodities	1.252	229.3	229.4	3.6	.0	.4	.6	.1
Prescription drugs and medical supplies	.845	270.8	271.8	5.3	.4	.4	.8	.4
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ^{1 6}	.407	148.7	147.8	.2	-.6	.2	.5	-.6
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ¹	.272	176.3	175.5	.1	-.5	.1	1.0	-.5
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies ¹	.135	176.5	174.9	.4	-.9	.6	-.5	-.9
Medical care services	4.461	253.5	254.0	3.3	.2	.2	.3	.3
Professional services ⁴	2.854	228.2	228.6	3.1	.2	.3	.3	.2
Physicians' services ⁴	1.468	235.3	235.2	2.9	.0	.2	.4	.0
Dental services ^{1 4}	.835	245.7	246.4	4.8	.3	.4	.4	.3
Eyeglasses and eye care ^{1 4 6}	.278	144.3	146.3	.7	1.4	.4	.2	1.4
Services by other medical professionals ^{4 6}	.272	158.4	158.6	1.8	.1	-.1	-.2	.1
Hospital and related services ⁴	1.354	296.3	297.0	4.0	.2	.3	.1	.4
Hospital services ^{1 4 10}	1.303	108.1	108.4	4.0	.3	.2	-.2	.3
Inpatient hospital services ^{1 3 4 10}	-	106.8	107.0	3.7	.2	.0	-.1	.2
Outpatient hospital services ^{3 4 6}	-	241.6	243.6	5.1	.8	.7	-.1	1.0
Nursing homes and adult daycare ^{1 4 10}	.051	110.7	111.1	4.0	.4	.0	.3	.4
Recreation ²	6.120	102.0	102.2	1.2	.2	.0	.3	.2
Video and audio ^{1 2}	1.748	101.0	100.9	-.3	-.1	-.5	-.1	.2
Televisions ¹	.201	55.9	55.0	-8.2	-1.6	-.4	-1.1	-1.6
Cable television ^{4 7}	.886	253.3	254.1	4.3	.3	.1	.0	.4
Other video equipment ^{1 2}	.075	80.1	79.7	-14.9	-.5	-3.2	-2.2	-.5
Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental ^{1 2} ..	.175	92.0	92.3	-4.6	.3	-1.3	.2	.3
Video cassettes and discs, blank and prerecorded ^{1 2 3}	-	92.1	93.0	-7.4	1.0	-1.8	-.8	1.0
Rental of video tapes and discs ^{1 2 3}	-	93.6	91.7	-3.0	-2.0	.6	.3	-2.0
Audio equipment ¹	.152	83.8	82.6	-4.0	-1.4	-.1	-.6	-1.4
Audio discs, tapes and other media ^{1 2}	.146	102.0	102.2	2.1	.2	-.1	1.0	.2
Pets, pet products and services ^{1 2}	.666	103.6	103.8	2.2	.2	.3	.7	.2
Pets and pet products ¹	.429	145.1	145.2	.8	.1	.3	.6	.1
Pet food ^{1 2 3}	-	102.8	102.9	1.3	.1	.2	.8	.1
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories ^{1 2 3}	-	100.4	100.1	-.3	-.3	.6	-.2	-.3
Pet services including veterinary ^{1 2}	.237	106.3	106.7	4.5	.4	.3	.9	.4
Pet services ^{1 2 3}	-	104.0	104.4	1.7	.4	.5	-1.5	.4
Veterinarian services ^{1 2 3}	-	106.4	106.9	4.6	.5	.2	1.0	.5
Sporting goods ¹	.482	121.4	121.0	-.3	-.3	.2	-.1	-.3
Sports vehicles including bicycles ¹	.215	128.7	128.3	3.3	-.3	.9	-.5	-.3
Sports equipment ¹	.257	112.9	112.6	-3.2	-.3	-.4	.4	-.3
Photography ^{1 2}	.259	99.6	99.5	-.5	-.1	.0	-.1	-.1
Photographic equipment and supplies ¹	.103	130.0	129.5	-3.4	-.4	-.7	-.6	-.4
Film and photographic supplies ^{1 2 3}	-	97.6	97.3	-3.5	-.3	.0	-2.1	-.3
Photographic equipment ^{1 2 3}	-	95.9	95.0	-3.2	-.9	-.2	-.7	-.9
Photographers and film processing ^{1 2}	.154	101.4	101.4	1.5	.0	.4	.2	.0
Photographer fees ^{1 2 3}	-	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	-
Film processing ^{1 2 3}	-	100.1	100.1	.1	.0	.6	.3	.0
Other recreational goods ²	.558	93.8	93.2	-4.4	-.6	-.3	-.4	-.7
Toys	.416	114.9	114.5	-4.7	-.3	-.7	-.3	-.5
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment ^{1 2 3}	-	93.3	93.0	-4.2	-.3	-.3	-.3	-.3
Video game hardware, software and accessories ^{1 2 3}	-	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	-
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies ^{1 2}	.069	98.2	95.8	-4.5	-2.4	2.6	-1.2	-2.4
Music instruments and accessories ^{1 2}	.056	98.4	98.5	-3.1	.1	-.7	-.8	.1
Recreation services ²	1.806	106.1	106.8	4.6	.7	.2	.9	.7
Club membership dues and fees for participant sports ^{1 2}	.668	106.4	106.4	5.0	.0	.0	.5	.0
Admissions ¹	.746	212.6	215.3	4.1	1.3	.4	1.3	1.3
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts ^{1 2 3}	-	104.9	106.5	3.6	1.5	.4	1.4	1.5
Admission to sporting events ^{1 2 3}	-	109.0	109.7	5.3	.6	.4	1.3	.6
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁶	.221	182.6	183.2	4.9	.3	.4	.6	.4
Recreational reading materials ¹	.601	185.8	186.8	1.5	.5	-.3	.3	.5
Newspapers and magazines ^{1 2}	.398	103.8	103.8	1.9	.0	.1	.1	.0
Recreational books ^{1 2}	.202	101.8	103.4	.8	1.6	-1.1	.6	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 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
Education and communication ²	5.478	100.7	100.4	0.3	-0.3	0.0	0.1	-0.1
Education ²	2.694	105.5	105.6	4.7	.1	.4	.4	.5
Educational books and supplies	.203	261.2	261.6	5.1	.2	.3	.2	.7
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	2.492	303.8	304.1	4.7	.1	.4	.4	.5
College tuition and fees	1.137	314.5	314.5	4.0	.0	.4	.3	.4
Elementary and high school tuition and fees	.337	319.1	319.2	6.0	.0	.5	.5	.4
Child care and nursery school ⁸	.892	146.2	146.6	4.9	.3	.4	.3	.5
Technical and business school tuition and fees ^{1 2}	.052	107.9	108.6	7.3	.6	.6	.2	.6
Communication ^{1 2}	2.783	96.3	95.7	-3.7	-.6	-.3	-.3	-.6
Postage and delivery services ^{1 2}	.204	103.1	103.1	3.0	.0	.1	.0	.0
Postage ¹	.200	165.1	165.1	3.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Delivery services ^{1 2}	.004	109.0	109.4	5.2	.4	2.8	.4	.4
Information and information processing ^{1 2}	2.580	95.8	95.2	-4.1	-.6	-.4	-.3	-.6
Telephone services ^{1 2}	2.327	100.0	99.6	-1.5	-.4	-.2	-.2	-.4
Telephone services, local charges ^{1 4}	1.080	165.3	168.2	1.5	1.8	.3	-1.4	1.8
Telephone services, long distance charges ^{1 2}	1.188	99.8	97.5	-3.8	-2.3	-.6	.9	-2.3
Interstate toll calls ^{1 3}	-	74.8	72.5	-5.0	-3.1	-.7	1.1	-3.1
Intrastate toll calls ^{1 3}	-	95.4	94.9	-1.4	-.5	-.4	.4	-.5
Cellular telephone services ^{1 2}	.059	87.8	85.8	-10.8	-2.3	-.8	-1.3	-2.3
Information and information processing other than telephone services ^{1 11}	.253	32.1	30.9	-25.5	-3.7	-2.7	-.9	-3.7
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ^{1 2}	.148	56.8	55.7	-32.6	-1.9	-3.5	-1.4	-1.9
Computer software and accessories ^{1 2}	.032	87.7	87.3	-10.1	-.5	.5	-1.5	-.5
Computer information processing services ^{1 2}	.020	103.4	77.5	-25.0	-25.0	.0	.1	-25.0
Other information processing equipment ^{1 2}	.051	87.1	85.4	-10.9	-2.0	-2.3	-.6	-2.0
Other goods and services	4.624	256.1	255.8	8.1	-.1	-.6	1.0	-.2
Tobacco and smoking products	1.159	349.9	345.5	28.0	-1.3	-3.5	3.6	-1.4
Cigarettes ^{1 2}	1.092	141.4	139.5	29.5	-1.3	-3.9	4.4	-1.3
Tobacco products other than cigarettes ^{1 2}	.061	110.0	109.7	5.2	-.3	.9	.4	-.3
Personal care ¹	3.465	160.2	160.7	2.6	.3	.4	.1	.3
Personal care products ¹	.742	150.9	150.9	1.1	.0	.7	.1	.0
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products ^{1 2}	.367	101.8	101.6	.8	-.2	.3	.5	-.2
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements ¹	.371	163.0	163.5	1.4	.3	.9	-.4	.3
Personal care services ¹	.973	170.3	171.0	3.4	.4	.4	.2	.4
Haircuts and other personal care services ^{1 2}	.973	103.9	104.4	3.5	.5	.4	.2	.5
Miscellaneous personal services	1.491	241.4	242.1	3.5	.3	.1	.1	.2
Legal services ^{1 6}	.338	178.6	179.6	5.0	.6	.5	.2	.6
Funeral expenses ⁶	.352	181.5	181.3	3.0	-.1	.0	-.2	.1
Laundry and dry cleaning services ^{1 2}	.216	103.6	103.9	2.7	.3	.1	.3	.3
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning ^{1 2}	.065	103.0	103.0	2.1	.0	-.1	.4	.0
Financial services ^{1 6}	.313	204.5	205.3	3.8	.4	.0	.1	.4
Checking account and other bank services ^{1 2 3}	-	103.3	103.6	3.4	.3	.0	.0	.3
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees ^{1 2 3}	-	108.5	109.2	4.6	.6	.2	.2	.6
Miscellaneous personal goods ^{1 2}	.259	99.6	100.2	-.8	.6	1.0	-.5	.6
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap ³	-	159.2	160.2	.3	.6	.4	-.9	.9
Special aggregate indexes								
Commodities	42.109	144.6	144.5	1.5	-.1	-.1	1.3	-.1
Commodities less food and beverages	25.702	133.2	132.8	1.1	-.3	.0	2.1	-.4
Nondurables less food and beverages	14.345	138.6	138.2	3.1	-.3	.3	3.4	-.5
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	9.514	145.7	145.6	5.2	-.1	.7	4.4	-.8
Durables	11.356	126.1	125.8	-1.4	-.2	-.2	.0	.0
Services	57.891	187.8	187.9	2.5	.1	.3	.3	.1
Rent of shelter ⁵	29.912	194.3	194.2	3.0	-.1	.4	.4	.2
Transportation services	6.963	191.0	190.4	1.4	-.3	.8	.2	-.3
Other services	10.768	221.7	221.9	2.7	.1	.1	.3	.2
All items less food	84.578	166.7	166.6	2.0	-.1	.2	.8	-.1
All items less shelter	69.717	159.9	159.9	1.7	.0	.1	.9	-.1
All items less medical care	94.287	161.6	161.6	2.0	.0	.2	.7	.0
Commodities less food	26.688	134.6	134.3	1.2	-.2	.1	2.0	-.4
Nondurables less food	15.331	140.4	140.1	3.1	-.2	.4	3.2	-.4
Nondurables less food and apparel	10.500	147.0	147.0	4.9	.0	.7	4.0	-.8
Nondurables	30.753	151.4	151.4	2.6	.0	.2	1.3	.1

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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 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Special aggregate indexes								
Apparel less footwear	3.955	131.6	130.9	-0.8	-0.5	-0.5	1.5	0.1
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	27.979	194.5	194.7	1.9	.1	.3	.3	.1
Services less medical care services	53.429	181.8	181.8	2.4	.0	.3	.3	.1
Energy	6.294	105.0	105.6	1.7	.6	1.6	6.1	-1.3
All items less energy	93.706	174.2	174.1	2.1	-.1	.1	.4	.1
All items less food and energy	78.284	176.8	176.6	2.0	-.1	.1	.4	.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities	23.967	144.9	144.5	.6	-.3	-.3	.6	-.1
Energy commodities	2.720	99.9	100.3	6.0	.4	3.5	14.0	-2.4
Services less energy services	54.316	195.0	195.0	2.7	.0	.3	.4	.2
Domestically produced farm food	8.194	165.7	166.2	2.2	.3	-.2	-.1	.6
Utilities and public transportation	9.067	145.9	145.9	.1	.0	.3	.3	-.3
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar	-	\$.602	\$.602	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar - old base	-	\$.201	\$.201	-	-	-	-	-

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base

³ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

⁴ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹⁰ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

¹¹ 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—	
	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Aug. 1998	Nov. 1998	Feb. 1999	May 1999	Nov. 1998	May 1999
Expenditure category										
All items	164.7	165.0	166.2	166.2	1.5	1.7	1.2	3.7	1.6	2.5
Food and beverages	163.8	163.4	163.6	164.2	2.3	2.8	2.7	1.0	2.5	1.9
Food	163.5	163.2	163.3	163.9	2.3	2.8	2.7	1.0	2.5	1.9
Food at home	163.7	162.9	163.0	163.9	2.3	2.8	2.5	.5	2.5	1.5
Cereals and bakery products	183.6	183.9	184.6	185.1	3.1	1.5	2.0	3.3	2.3	2.6
Cereals and cereal products	173.6	174.8	174.5	175.1	4.0	.5	2.1	3.5	2.2	2.8
Flour and prepared flour mixes	160.3	159.0	159.8	162.0	-3.0	.0	2.3	4.3	-1.5	3.3
Breakfast cereal ¹	192.2	195.6	195.4	195.8	5.8	.0	.4	7.7	2.9	4.0
Rice, pasta, cornmeal	151.6	151.4	151.7	152.5	3.8	-4.2	4.6	2.4	-.3	3.5
Rice ^{1 2 3}	100.2	101.0	100.7	101.3	.4	-.8	4.5	4.5	-.2	4.5
Bakery products	188.0	187.8	189.2	189.6	2.6	2.6	1.5	3.4	2.6	2.5
Bread ^{1 2}	103.7	103.1	104.1	103.1	5.3	.0	6.8	-2.3	2.6	2.2
White bread ^{1 3}	191.7	192.1	194.3	191.4	6.1	-2.1	7.6	-.6	1.9	3.4
Bread other than white ^{1 3}	197.0	191.9	192.8	193.5	-1.0	8.0	6.8	-6.9	3.4	-.3
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins ^{1 2}	105.1	104.8	104.5	104.4	4.4	5.6	5.1	-2.6	5.0	1.2
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies ¹	184.0	182.7	184.5	185.0	3.8	2.9	2.4	2.2	3.4	2.3
Cookies ^{1 3}	186.9	185.3	185.3	186.6	9.8	-3.4	6.7	-.6	3.0	3.0
Fresh cakes and cupcakes ^{1 3}	181.0	182.3	184.3	185.0	.0	11.5	-4.3	9.1	5.6	2.2
Other bakery products	184.7	184.1	185.8	188.3	.9	7.1	-6.2	8.0	3.9	6
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts ^{1 3}	171.9	171.0	182.0	175.6	16.2	2.7	-12.6	8.9	9.3	-2.5
Crackers, bread, and cracker products ³	214.5	218.1	215.7	221.0	-8.9	17.4	-11.7	12.7	3.4	-.3
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers ^{1 3}	188.3	187.9	190.3	189.6	13.7	-2.3	-1.1	2.8	5.4	8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	146.8	146.5	147.0	147.3	2.5	-1.9	-.8	1.4	.3	.3
Meats, poultry, and fish	147.5	147.3	148.0	148.3	2.7	-1.9	-.8	2.2	.4	.7
Meats	140.8	140.5	141.3	142.1	-.8	-2.2	.3	3.7	-1.5	2.0
Beef and veal	137.1	136.4	137.7	138.0	2.1	-2.3	2.1	2.7	-.1	2.4
Uncooked ground beef	117.6	116.3	117.6	117.5	3.5	-5.7	6.7	-.3	-1.2	3.1
Uncooked beef roasts ^{1 2}	99.6	100.7	100.7	99.4	4.1	-3.2	.4	-.8	.4	-.2
Uncooked beef steaks ^{1 2}	99.2	99.4	100.5	101.9	1.2	.4	-4.3	11.3	.8	3.2
Uncooked other beef and veal ^{1 2}	97.9	99.7	99.0	99.3	-2.4	2.5	-4.8	5.8	.0	.4
Pork	144.6	144.5	144.8	146.9	-5.7	-6.6	-1.4	6.5	-6.2	2.5
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products ^{1 2}	94.8	94.9	93.9	95.0	8.2	-1.6	-7.2	.8	3.2	-3.3
Bacon and related products ³	151.3	153.7	150.6	150.9	-4.9	7.4	-1.1	-1.1	1.1	-1.1
Breakfast sausage and related products ^{1 2 3}	98.0	97.7	98.5	99.8	4.1	-7.7	-2.0	7.6	-2.0	2.7
Ham	144.8	144.0	147.0	148.3	-8.2	-6.1	-3.5	10.0	-7.1	3.0
Ham, excluding canned ³	154.2	153.8	157.7	158.7	-9.7	-6.9	-3.1	12.2	-8.3	4.3
Pork chops	143.8	140.7	141.4	145.1	-5.2	-14.6	5.5	3.7	-10.0	4.6
Other pork including roasts and picnics ^{1 2}	91.3	92.1	92.5	93.8	.4	-13.6	-10.6	11.4	-6.9	-.2
Other meats ¹	147.8	148.0	148.7	148.6	1.7	5.6	-.8	2.2	3.6	.7
Frankfurters ^{1 3}	150.0	144.0	149.7	147.2	-.3	14.1	7.0	-7.3	6.7	-.4
Lunchmeats ^{1 2 3}	99.4	100.5	99.8	99.9	-2.0	3.3	-1.6	2.0	.6	.2
Lamb and organ meats ^{1 3}	158.0	159.6	166.9	170.9	25.1	23.1	-34.8	36.9	24.1	-5.5
Lamb and mutton ^{1 2 3}	103.0	NA	NA	NA	-	-15.0	6.0	-	-	-
Poultry ¹	157.4	158.3	157.6	155.7	8.8	1.8	-5.4	-4.3	5.2	-4.8
Chicken ^{1 2}	101.3	102.2	102.3	99.8	8.2	5.2	-9.6	-5.8	6.7	-7.7
Fresh whole chicken ³	165.2	163.6	164.3	159.4	5.6	4.5	4.2	-13.3	5.1	-5.0
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ^{1 3}	154.5	157.0	157.4	153.6	7.1	3.8	-13.5	-2.3	5.5	-8.1
Other poultry including turkey ^{1 2}	101.9	101.3	99.1	102.1	10.5	-8.7	10.0	.8	.4	5.3
Fish and seafood	183.3	182.2	184.6	185.7	10.6	-4.7	.4	5.3	2.7	2.9
Fresh fish and seafood ^{1 2}	105.2	104.7	105.2	105.7	5.6	-1.2	8.0	1.9	2.2	4.9
Processed fish and seafood ^{1 2}	102.3	102.1	103.8	103.9	6.0	-.4	-4.6	6.4	2.8	.8
Canned fish and seafood ³	132.4	131.2	132.4	132.2	4.6	1.5	-5.8	-.6	3.0	-3.2
Frozen fish and seafood ^{1 3}	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-
Eggs	135.9	131.5	129.0	128.6	.0	-4.3	3.6	-19.8	-2.2	-8.9
Dairy and related products ¹	162.3	161.5	156.1	156.2	6.6	15.1	17.5	-14.2	10.8	.4
Milk ^{1 2}	112.4	111.8	102.8	103.3	1.6	11.6	39.1	-28.7	6.5	-.4
Fresh whole milk ^{1 3}	163.4	162.9	149.6	150.6	5.6	12.2	33.9	-27.8	8.8	-1.7
Fresh milk other than whole ^{1 2 3}	112.8	112.1	103.5	103.7	-2.0	13.0	42.7	-28.6	5.2	1.0
Cheese and related products ¹	162.7	161.9	159.9	160.7	9.1	15.2	11.9	-4.8	12.1	3.2
Ice cream and related products ¹	163.5	160.2	162.4	160.0	11.9	24.4	-1.0	-8.3	18.0	-4.7
Other dairy and related products ^{1 2}	105.7	107.0	106.9	106.9	8.3	13.6	1.9	4.6	10.9	3.3

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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

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Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
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	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Aug. 1998	Nov. 1998	Feb. 1999	May 1999	Nov. 1998	May 1999
Expenditure category										
Fruits and vegetables	202.6	198.1	200.9	206.2	-5.8	1.2	4.5	7.3	-2.4	5.9
Fresh fruits and vegetables	235.0	228.3	232.7	239.6	-8.7	3.2	4.0	8.1	-2.9	6.0
Fresh fruits	264.9	262.9	273.0	277.0	6.8	2.4	23.5	19.6	4.6	21.5
Apples	196.3	193.3	197.2	196.8	-2.0	-8	-10.1	1.0	-1.4	-4.7
Bananas	160.3	151.8	150.0	155.2	4.5	3.0	-8.7	-12.1	3.8	-10.4
Citrus fruits ^{1 2}	139.0	139.9	148.6	161.7	238.5	-55.9	33.6	83.1	22.1	56.4
Oranges, including tangerines ³	345.7	341.9	349.2	362.9	36.2	-9.4	233.6	21.4	11.1	101.3
Other fresh fruits ^{1 2}	95.6	95.7	107.1	108.3	-61.1	146.2	3.9	64.7	-2.1	30.8
Fresh vegetables	208.1	197.2	196.5	206.1	-22.1	3.8	-13.8	-3.8	-10.1	-9.0
Potatoes	190.4	190.4	187.8	191.5	-21.3	24.6	8.2	2.3	-1.0	5.2
Lettuce ¹	200.6	217.0	213.4	207.7	-80.6	37.4	-34.3	14.9	-48.4	-13.1
Tomatoes ¹	239.9	224.6	215.7	214.3	-28.0	128.3	-36.5	-36.3	28.2	-36.4
Other fresh vegetables	204.5	200.0	203.4	210.6	-5.9	-2.5	-24.1	12.5	-4.2	-7.6
Processed fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	103.8	103.6	103.5	104.9	4.4	-4.6	6.0	4.3	-2	5.1
Canned fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	103.8	104.5	103.7	105.3	4.8	-2.7	3.5	5.9	1.0	4.7
Canned fruits ^{1 2 3}	103.7	105.1	105.0	105.9	3.2	.0	4.0	8.8	1.6	6.3
Canned vegetables ^{1 2 3}	105.5	104.7	104.7	106.5	7.2	-3.8	5.5	3.8	1.6	4.7
Frozen fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	104.8	103.3	103.9	105.4	3.9	-6.4	9.3	2.3	-1.4	5.7
Frozen vegetables ³	152.9	152.1	152.5	153.9	-1.8	-3	3.2	2.6	-1.0	2.9
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried ^{1 2}	101.4	101.1	101.4	102.1	3.6	-5.4	5.7	2.8	-1.0	4.2
Dried beans, peas, and lentils ^{1 2 3}	101.8	102.2	101.4	101.7	4.1	-3.1	7.4	-4	.4	3.4
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	133.7	133.9	133.5	134.0	-1.2	2.4	1.8	.9	.6	1.4
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks ^{1 2}	102.6	102.7	102.5	102.4	-4	4.1	7.8	-8	1.8	3.4
Carbonated drinks	117.4	119.3	118.3	118.3	3.1	.7	-3	3.1	1.9	1.4
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ^{1 2}	106.8	102.9	106.5	103.9	4.9	6.0	15.6	-10.4	5.5	1.8
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ^{1 2}	101.9	101.2	101.9	102.1	-8	7.1	7.4	.8	3.1	4.0
Beverage materials including coffee and tea ^{1 2}	96.9	96.9	96.6	96.9	-8.5	-3.2	.0	.0	-5.9	.0
Coffee ¹	155.2	155.4	155.2	156.2	-11.7	-13.3	-2.8	2.6	-12.5	-1
Roasted coffee ^{1 3}	NA	NA	NA	NA	-13.4	-	-	-	-	-
Instant and freeze dried coffee ^{1 3}	NA	NA	NA	NA	-5.3	-	-	-	-	-
Other beverage materials including tea ^{1 2}	104.0	104.1	103.5	103.5	-4.2	9.9	2.7	-1.9	2.6	.4
Other food at home	153.1	152.8	153.3	153.4	7.1	4.8	-1.8	.8	6.0	-5
Sugar and sweets	151.0	150.6	151.3	152.7	3.3	1.9	.0	4.6	2.6	2.3
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	136.3	137.5	137.6	137.9	5.2	-1.8	2.1	4.8	1.6	3.4
Candy and chewing gum ^{1 2}	101.7	101.3	101.7	102.4	2.8	2.0	2.8	2.8	2.4	2.8
Other sweets ^{1 2}	104.0	103.6	105.2	106.2	-2.7	-3.8	5.2	8.7	-3.2	6.9
Fats and oils	150.5	149.1	148.8	147.2	26.0	18.5	-13.6	-8.5	22.2	-11.1
Butter and margarine ^{1 2}	115.7	113.2	111.7	109.5	70.9	47.1	-33.7	-19.8	58.6	-27.0
Butter ^{1 3}	155.5	149.3	145.6	139.6	148.6	86.1	-52.2	-35.0	115.1	-44.3
Margarine ³	155.2	154.3	154.8	156.1	5.7	4.5	1.6	2.3	5.1	1.9
Salad dressing ^{1 2}	104.5	104.3	104.2	101.8	13.2	3.2	8.9	-9.9	8.1	-1.0
Other fats and oils including peanut butter ^{1 2}	103.4	102.7	103.4	103.6	6.5	-8	2.8	.8	2.8	1.8
Peanut butter ^{1 2 3}	102.5	101.5	103.8	103.6	6.5	3.2	-4	4.4	4.8	2.0
Other foods	167.9	167.9	168.7	168.7	4.4	2.7	.5	1.9	3.6	1.2
Soups	192.7	194.3	197.5	197.8	-2	-2.3	3.6	11.0	-1.2	7.2
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods ¹	145.5	145.7	147.7	146.5	4.5	-3.0	.3	2.8	.7	1.5
Snacks ¹	158.7	159.1	159.9	158.3	7.9	-2.5	2.6	-1.0	2.6	.8
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces	175.1	174.6	174.5	175.6	3.3	5.9	-1.4	1.1	4.6	-1
Salt and other seasonings and spices ^{1 2 3}	101.5	101.4	101.4	101.9	-3.1	1.6	5.7	1.6	-8	3.6
Olives, pickles, relishes ^{1 2 3}	103.6	102.9	102.4	98.5	-9.6	2.4	6.8	-18.3	-3.8	-6.6
Sauces and gravies ^{1 2 3}	104.5	104.2	103.5	102.5	4.4	9.3	.8	-7.4	6.9	-3.4
Other condiments ³	172.0	172.7	169.9	175.7	8.0	-11.3	10.1	8.9	-2.1	9.5
Baby food ^{1 2}	104.2	105.2	105.5	105.8	4.0	2.0	5.2	6.3	3.0	5.7
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	105.9	104.9	105.6	105.0	8.5	5.1	4.3	-3.4	6.8	.4
Prepared salads ^{1 2 3}	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food away from home ¹	163.8	164.2	164.5	164.6	2.3	2.8	3.0	2.0	2.5	2.5
Full service meals and snacks ^{1 2}	103.6	103.8	103.9	104.0	2.4	2.4	4.4	1.6	2.4	2.9
Limited service meals and snacks ^{1 2}	102.4	102.7	103.1	103.2	1.6	2.4	1.6	3.2	2.0	2.4
Food at employee sites and schools ^{1 2}	102.7	102.9	102.8	102.9	1.6	6.5	1.6	.8	4.0	1.2
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors ^{1 2}	101.2	101.1	101.2	101.3	.0	.8	1.6	.4	.4	1.0
Other food away from home ^{1 2}	103.7	103.7	104.0	104.3	6.9	4.0	1.6	2.3	5.4	1.9

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Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
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	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Aug. 1998	Nov. 1998	Feb. 1999	May 1999	Nov. 1998	May 1999
Expenditure category										
Alcoholic beverages	168.3	168.1	168.5	169.0	2.7	2.7	2.9	1.7	2.7	2.3
Alcoholic beverages at home	152.6	152.2	152.6	153.1	1.6	2.7	2.4	1.3	2.1	1.9
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home	150.7	149.9	150.6	151.3	1.9	4.1	1.9	1.6	3.0	1.7
Distilled spirits at home	154.6	155.0	155.3	155.4	.5	2.6	2.4	2.1	1.6	2.2
Whiskey at home ³	154.4	154.2	155.0	155.3	.5	5.9	1.3	2.4	3.2	1.8
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home ^{1 3}	154.4	154.9	155.2	155.2	.3	2.1	2.4	2.1	1.2	2.2
Wine at home	148.7	148.4	148.8	148.6	1.4	1.4	2.2	-.3	1.4	.9
Alcoholic beverages away from home	198.7	199.0	199.4	200.3	4.8	2.9	3.5	3.3	3.9	3.4
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home ^{1 2 3}	103.2	103.6	103.7	103.5	.0	2.4	6.9	1.2	1.2	4.0
Wine away from home ^{1 2 3}	103.0	103.0	103.2	104.1	3.2	9.7	-5.3	4.3	6.4	-.6
Distilled spirits away from home ^{1 2 3}	102.6	102.8	102.9	103.3	8.3	4.0	-1.2	2.8	6.1	.8
Housing	162.1	162.5	163.1	163.3	2.0	2.8	.7	3.0	2.4	1.9
Shelter	184.9	185.4	186.2	186.6	2.9	4.0	1.3	3.7	3.5	2.5
Rent of primary residence ⁴	175.6	176.0	176.5	176.9	3.5	3.8	2.8	3.0	3.7	2.9
Lodging away from home ^{2 4}	101.4	103.2	105.2	105.0	-1.6	12.8	-12.4	15.0	5.4	.4
Housing at school, excluding board ^{4 5}	239.9	240.5	241.5	242.2	3.1	5.6	1.5	3.9	4.4	1.2
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels	232.4	236.9	241.7	241.1	-2.0	13.3	13.7	15.8	5.3	.0
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{4 5}	191.3	191.5	192.1	192.6	3.2	3.0	2.8	2.7	3.1	2.8
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	100.1	100.2	100.3	100.5	-1.6	2.9	.8	1.6	.6	1.2
Fuels and utilities	127.1	127.4	127.6	127.3	-2.8	-2.2	-.3	.6	-2.5	.2
Fuels	111.1	111.4	111.5	111.2	-4.2	-3.2	-1.1	.4	-3.7	.4
Fuel oil and other fuels	83.6	84.4	86.7	87.4	-8.1	12.7	13.2	19.5	-10.4	1.9
Fuel oil	77.4	78.1	81.1	81.8	-12.7	-14.8	-14.5	24.8	-13.8	3.3
Other household fuels ⁶	123.7	123.3	124.0	124.3	2.9	-4.6	-7.4	2.0	-.9	-2.8
Gas (piped) and electricity ⁴	119.1	119.4	119.3	118.9	-3.9	-2.3	-.3	-.7	-3.1	-.5
Electricity ⁴	126.4	126.8	127.0	126.6	-3.4	-2.8	1.0	.6	-3.1	.8
Utility natural gas service ⁴	110.7	110.6	109.9	109.5	-4.8	-1.1	-3.5	-4.3	-3.0	-3.9
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	103.0	103.3	103.6	103.7	2.0	2.4	2.4	2.7	2.2	2.6
Water and sewerage maintenance ⁴	220.4	221.1	221.6	221.9	1.5	2.4	2.4	2.8	1.9	2.6
Garbage and trash collection ^{1 7}	261.2	261.6	262.6	262.8	3.0	2.4	3.4	2.5	2.7	3.0
Household furnishings and operations	126.7	126.6	126.9	126.5	1.3	.3	-.6	-.6	.8	-.6
Window and floor coverings and other linens ^{1 2}	102.3	100.4	102.9	101.5	-3.1	.8	3.2	-3.1	-1.2	.0
Floor coverings ^{1 2}	101.6	101.9	102.3	101.5	6.1	-.4	-2.7	-.4	2.8	-1.6
Window coverings ^{1 2}	103.1	101.1	102.9	99.4	-7.0	6.2	12.1	-13.6	-.6	-1.6
Other linens ^{1 2}	102.1	99.0	103.3	103.1	-5.3	-2.3	.4	4.0	-3.8	2.2
Furniture and bedding ¹	135.0	135.7	136.7	134.8	3.0	-4.6	1.5	-.6	-.9	.4
Bedroom furniture ¹	140.7	141.2	142.2	141.9	-2.5	-4.7	2.0	3.5	-3.6	2.7
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture ^{1 2}	101.6	102.4	103.3	101.3	6.5	-4.2	.8	-1.2	1.0	-.2
Other furniture ^{1 2}	104.0	103.8	104.1	102.6	.8	-5.2	3.1	-5.3	-2.3	-1.2
Appliances ^{1 2}	99.1	98.1	97.4	97.4	-1.2	-1.2	-3.2	-6.7	-1.2	-4.9
Major appliances ^{1 2}	98.8	98.0	97.3	97.6	.8	-.4	-2.0	-4.8	.2	-3.4
Laundry equipment ^{1 3}	111.1	110.7	109.9	110.8	-1.1	-1.8	-1.4	-1.1	-1.4	-1.3
Other appliances ^{1 2}	99.6	98.2	97.5	97.1	-4.2	-3.1	-4.3	-9.7	-3.7	-7.0
Other household equipment and furnishings ^{1 2}	99.9	99.9	100.4	99.6	-4.2	-2.0	-2.8	-1.2	-3.1	-2.0
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items ¹	117.0	117.2	118.0	116.9	-11.9	4.8	-8.7	-.3	-3.9	-4.6
Indoor plants and flowers ⁸	111.6	110.4	109.2	110.0	10.1	-4.8	-2.1	-5.6	2.4	-3.9
Dishes and flatware ^{1 2}	102.0	100.0	102.2	102.6	-4.2	-8.6	5.3	2.4	-6.4	3.8
Nonelectric cookware and tableware ^{1 2}	98.2	99.3	98.5	96.3	6.7	.8	-8.5	-7.5	3.7	-8.0
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies ^{1 2}	98.9	98.9	99.0	99.5	-1.6	-2.0	-2.0	2.4	-1.8	.2
Tools, hardware and supplies ^{1 2}	96.4	96.4	95.9	96.0	-2.8	-5.2	-2.0	-1.6	-4.0	-1.8
Outdoor equipment and supplies ^{1 2}	100.2	99.9	100.5	101.2	-1.6	-.8	-1.2	4.1	-1.2	1.4
Housekeeping supplies ¹	147.2	147.6	146.8	147.1	1.1	1.1	1.9	-.3	1.1	.8
Household cleaning products ^{1 2}	101.2	101.5	101.2	102.0	.8	2.4	.4	3.2	1.6	1.8
Household paper products ^{1 2}	104.1	104.4	103.8	103.0	3.1	-3.4	4.3	-4.2	-.2	.0
Miscellaneous household products ^{1 2}	103.5	103.8	103.1	103.0	.0	2.8	2.0	-1.9	1.4	.0
Household operations ^{1 2}	103.3	103.7	104.0	104.1	4.0	3.2	2.0	3.1	3.6	2.5
Domestic services ^{1 2}	103.4	103.9	104.3	104.3	5.3	3.2	1.6	3.5	4.2	2.5
Gardening and lawn care services ^{1 2}	102.0	102.2	102.4	102.4	2.0	-.4	2.0	1.6	.8	1.8
Moving, storage, freight expense ^{1 2}	103.5	104.1	104.2	104.7	6.9	.8	.4	4.7	3.8	2.5
Repair of household items ^{1 2}	106.2	106.3	106.7	107.0	2.4	14.1	4.7	3.0	8.1	3.8

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Expenditure category										
Apparel	130.6	130.2	132.1	131.9	3.4	-2.7	-7.3	4.0	0.3	-1.8
Men's and boys' apparel	131.1	130.1	132.2	131.9	1.5	-1.8	-1.5	2.5	-2	.5
Men's apparel	134.9	133.8	135.9	135.8	-.3	-3.2	2.4	2.7	-1.8	2.6
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear	135.3	133.7	137.2	136.5	-.3	-9.5	3.9	3.6	-5.0	3.8
Men's furnishings	136.9	136.5	138.4	137.8	-1.7	-13.1	16.0	2.7	-7.6	9.1
Men's shirts and sweaters ^{1 2}	97.7	98.9	100.4	102.0	-8.4	23.3	-22.1	18.8	6.2	-3.8
Men's pants and shorts	132.7	132.4	133.5	133.5	.6	.3	.3	2.4	.5	1.4
Boys' apparel	116.4	117.1	116.9	116.4	8.8	4.4	-14.4	0	6.6	-7.5
Women's and girls' apparel	121.7	122.2	123.5	123.9	6.5	-8.7	-11.0	7.4	-1.4	-2.2
Women's apparel	121.8	122.4	124.1	124.5	7.8	-9.3	-12.4	9.2	-1.1	-2.2
Women's outerwear	112.6	115.7	116.5	114.1	-2.0	-1.7	-15.7	5.4	-1.8	-5.7
Women's dresses	100.0	107.5	109.2	109.8	-27.1	-1.8	-32.4	45.3	-15.4	-9
Women's suits and separates ^{1 2}	97.3	101.3	103.0	102.3	-6.5	9.8	-21.6	22.2	1.4	-2.1
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories ^{1 2}	101.8	104.9	107.1	106.1	-16.2	3.6	-2.3	18.0	-6.9	7.4
Girls' apparel	121.3	121.3	121.2	121.2	-1.3	4.4	4.5	3	2.2	-2.4
Footwear	125.5	126.4	127.8	126.1	6.8	-.3	-10.4	1.9	3.2	-4.4
Men's footwear	130.5	130.1	129.9	128.4	4.0	1.5	-4.8	6.3	1.2	-5.5
Boys' and girls' footwear	131.7	128.6	127.4	126.2	16.9	-3.0	-1.2	15.7	6.5	-8.7
Women's footwear	118.3	121.6	125.5	123.5	5.3	3.6	-20.5	18.8	4.5	-2.9
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹	126.4	125.6	128.2	127.6	-7.7	24.1	-14.1	3.9	7.1	-5.6
Jewelry and watches ⁶	144.3	138.6	142.3	143.2	-3.9	2.6	5.1	-3.0	-.7	1.0
Watches ⁶	125.3	123.2	124.6	124.6	-3.8	-.6	6.3	-2.2	2.2	2.0
Jewelry ⁶	149.4	143.6	147.3	148.4	-4.0	3.3	4.4	-2.7	-.4	.8
Transportation	140.2	141.2	144.6	143.9	-.3	-1.4	-2.5	11.0	-.8	4.0
Private transportation	136.4	137.1	140.6	140.0	-.9	-.6	-3.7	11.0	1.7	3.4
New and used motor vehicles ²	99.8	99.6	99.8	100.0	2.4	.8	-4.7	.8	-1.6	-2.0
New vehicles	143.0	142.7	142.8	142.7	2.5	-1.9	-.8	-.8	.3	-.8
New cars and trucks ^{1 2 3}	99.8	99.5	99.5	99.2	-1.6	2.0	.8	-2.4	.2	-.8
New cars ³	139.9	139.5	139.6	139.3	2.6	-2.0	-1.7	-1.7	.3	-1.7
New trucks ^{3 7}	151.6	151.3	151.7	151.8	2.4	-.3	.5	.5	1.1	.5
New motorcycles ^{3 6}	163.6	163.9	164.3	164.9	-1.5	.2	1.5	3.2	-.6	2.3
Used cars and trucks ¹	148.3	147.4	148.3	149.6	3.0	7.9	-14.0	3.6	5.4	-5.6
Car and truck rental ^{1 2}	100.0	104.2	104.4	104.9	20.0	-9.5	-10.1	21.1	4.2	4.3
Motor fuel	86.1	89.2	102.6	99.9	-11.1	-8.5	-10.8	81.2	-9.8	27.1
Gasoline (all types)	85.6	88.8	102.1	99.3	-11.9	-7.4	-11.3	81.1	-9.7	26.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular ³	82.8	86.2	100.2	97.2	-13.0	-8.4	-12.0	89.9	-10.7	29.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{3 9}	90.3	93.2	105.3	102.8	-8.8	-5.8	-11.9	68.0	-7.3	21.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium ³	88.9	91.6	103.3	101.2	-9.7	-6.7	-9.3	67.9	-8.2	23.4
Other motor fuels ^{1 2}	86.0	87.0	93.0	92.5	-11.8	-3.9	-16.3	33.8	-7.9	5.9
Motor vehicle parts and equipment	100.6	100.0	100.5	100.6	1.2	.0	-2.4	.0	.6	-1.2
Tires	98.0	97.4	98.1	98.4	1.6	-1.6	-2.4	1.6	.0	-.4
Vehicle accessories other than tires ^{1 2}	99.5	98.9	98.8	98.8	1.6	2.0	-2.0	-2.8	1.8	-2.4
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires ^{1 3}	107.9	107.9	107.4	107.0	2.3	3.4	-2.2	-3.3	2.8	-2.7
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids ^{1 3}	130.9	128.8	129.8	130.7	1.5	-2.4	.3	-.6	-.5	-.2
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	170.2	170.6	171.1	171.5	3.4	4.4	2.1	3.1	3.9	2.6
Motor vehicle body work ¹	181.0	180.9	181.7	180.9	-2.2	3.8	.2	-.2	.8	.0
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing ¹	157.6	157.7	157.8	158.4	1.8	4.2	2.6	2.0	3.0	2.3
Motor vehicle repair ^{1 2}	103.5	103.6	103.9	104.1	4.9	6.0	2.4	2.3	5.5	2.3
Motor vehicle insurance	253.6	254.3	253.3	253.1	-1.7	-1.1	.5	-.8	-1.4	-.2
Motor vehicle fees ^{1 2}	103.2	103.2	103.4	103.2	-1.5	3.2	.4	.0	.8	.2
State and local registration and license ^{1 2 4}	101.6	101.5	101.5	101.5	-2.7	2.4	.8	-.4	-.2	.2
Parking and other fees ^{1 2}	107.2	107.4	107.8	107.4	1.9	4.2	.4	.7	3.1	.6
Parking fees and tolls ^{1 2 3}	107.3	107.4	107.9	107.6	2.3	4.6	-.4	1.1	3.4	.4
Automobile service clubs ^{1 2 3}	101.3	102.4	102.4	102.3	.8	-.4	1.6	4.0	.2	2.8
Public transportation ¹	193.1	198.8	201.4	198.4	3.8	-9.6	12.7	11.4	-3.1	12.1
Airline fare ¹	211.4	221.3	225.8	220.2	5.6	-12.8	22.8	17.7	-4.1	20.3
Other intercity transportation	158.8	157.9	157.7	159.0	4.3	4.8	-9.7	.5	4.6	-4.7
Ship fare ^{1 2 3}	100.8	100.4	101.1	101.1	.0	-1.5	-13.4	1.2	-.8	-6.4
Intracity transportation ¹	172.1	172.2	172.2	172.4	1.1	-8.2	.5	.7	-3.6	.6

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Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
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	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Aug. 1998	Nov. 1998	Feb. 1999	May 1999	Nov. 1998	May 1999
Expenditure category										
Medical care	247.5	248.1	249.0	249.6	3.9	2.8	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.5
Medical care commodities	226.6	227.5	228.8	229.0	3.7	4.0	2.3	4.3	3.8	3.3
Prescription drugs and medical supplies	267.1	268.1	270.2	271.2	4.7	4.7	5.4	6.3	4.7	5.8
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ^{1 6}	147.6	147.9	148.7	147.8	1.4	.8	-1.9	.5	1.1	-7
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ¹	174.5	174.6	176.3	175.5	2.1	-1.8	-2.3	2.3	.1	.0
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies ¹	176.3	177.3	176.5	174.9	.0	6.1	-1.1	-3.1	3.0	-2.1
Medical care services	252.1	252.6	253.3	254.0	3.8	2.6	3.9	3.0	3.2	3.5
Professional services ⁴	226.4	227.0	227.7	228.2	3.7	2.9	2.7	3.2	3.3	3.0
Physicians' services ⁴	233.4	233.9	234.8	234.7	4.5	3.0	1.7	2.2	3.7	2.0
Dental services ^{1 4}	243.8	244.7	245.7	246.4	4.0	4.1	6.8	4.3	4.0	5.6
Eyeglasses and eye care ^{1 4 6}	143.4	144.0	144.3	146.3	-2.5	-1.9	-.8	8.3	-2.2	3.7
Services by other medical professionals ^{4 6}	158.0	157.9	157.6	157.8	.8	3.9	3.1	-.5	2.3	1.3
Hospital and related services ⁴	295.0	296.0	296.3	297.6	4.7	2.2	5.6	3.6	3.5	4.6
Hospital services ^{1 4 10}	108.1	108.3	108.1	108.4	5.9	1.9	7.4	1.1	3.9	4.2
Inpatient hospital services ^{1 3 4 10}	106.9	106.9	106.8	107.0	5.5	1.5	7.4	.4	3.5	3.8
Outpatient hospital services ^{3 4 6}	240.1	241.8	241.6	244.1	4.6	3.8	5.5	6.8	4.2	6.2
Nursing homes and adult daycare ^{1 4 10}	110.4	110.4	110.7	111.1	5.0	.0	8.8	2.6	2.4	5.6
Recreation ²	101.5	101.5	101.8	102.0	1.2	.0	1.6	2.0	.6	1.5
Video and audio ^{1 2}	101.2	100.7	100.6	100.8	.0	.0	-.4	-1.6	.0	-.6
Televisions ¹	56.7	56.5	55.9	55.0	-5.9	-7.9	-7.4	-11.5	-6.9	-9.5
Cable television ^{4 7}	252.2	252.5	252.5	253.6	5.7	6.1	2.9	2.2	5.9	2.6
Other video equipment ^{1 2}	84.6	81.9	80.1	79.7	-7.9	-15.9	-14.2	-21.2	-12.0	-17.8
Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental ^{1 2}	93.0	91.8	92.0	92.3	-7.6	-.8	-7.0	-3.0	-4.3	-5.0
Video cassettes and discs, blank and prerecorded ^{1 2 3}	94.5	92.8	92.1	93.0	-7.7	-2.4	-12.8	-6.2	-5.1	-9.6
Rental of video tapes and discs ^{1 2 3}	92.7	93.3	93.6	91.7	-2.1	-3.4	-2.1	-4.2	-2.7	-3.2
Audio equipment ¹	84.4	84.3	83.8	82.6	-8.1	-7.4	9.0	-8.3	-7.8	.0
Audio discs, tapes and other media ^{1 2}	101.1	101.0	102.0	102.2	-3.9	3.7	4.5	4.4	-.2	4.4
Pets, pet products and services ^{1 2}	102.6	102.9	103.6	103.8	1.6	1.2	1.2	4.8	1.4	3.0
Pets and pet products ¹	143.8	144.3	145.1	145.2	.8	-1.4	-.3	4.0	-.3	1.8
Pet food ^{1 2 3}	101.8	102.0	102.8	102.9	3.6	-.8	-1.9	4.4	1.4	1.2
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories ^{1 2 3}	100.0	100.6	100.4	100.1	-1.2	-2.4	2.0	.4	-1.8	1.2
Pet services including veterinary ^{1 2}	105.1	105.4	106.3	106.7	2.0	6.0	3.9	6.2	4.0	5.1
Pet services ^{1 2 3}	105.1	105.6	104.0	104.4	4.0	.4	5.1	-2.6	2.2	1.2
Veterinarian services ^{1 2 3}	105.1	105.3	106.4	106.9	1.6	6.8	3.1	7.0	4.2	5.0
Sporting goods ¹	121.2	121.5	121.4	121.0	1.0	-.7	-1.0	-.7	-.2	-.8
Sports vehicles including bicycles ¹	128.2	129.4	128.7	128.3	4.9	2.2	5.8	.3	3.6	3.0
Sports equipment ¹	113.0	112.5	112.9	112.6	-2.4	-3.1	-5.8	-1.4	-2.7	-3.6
Photography ^{1 2}	99.7	99.7	99.6	99.5	.4	-.4	-1.2	-.8	.0	-1.0
Photographic equipment and supplies ¹	131.7	130.8	130.0	129.5	-3.5	-1.8	-1.8	-6.5	-2.7	-4.2
Film and photographic supplies ^{1 2 3}	99.7	99.7	97.6	97.3	-2.7	2.0	-3.5	-9.3	-.4	-6.5
Photographic equipment ^{1 2 3}	96.8	96.6	95.9	95.0	-.8	-6.8	2.5	-7.2	-3.8	-2.5
Photographers and film processing ^{1 2}	100.8	101.2	101.4	101.4	3.2	.8	-.4	2.4	2.0	1.0
Photographer fees ^{1 2 3}	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	1.2	-	-	-	-
Film processing ^{1 2 3}	99.2	99.8	100.1	100.1	-2.0	2.0	-3.2	3.7	.0	.2
Other recreational goods ²	94.3	94.0	93.6	92.9	-4.5	-4.9	-2.1	-5.8	-4.7	-4.0
Toys	116.2	115.4	115.0	114.4	-3.9	-5.9	-2.4	-6.1	-4.9	-4.2
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment ^{1 2 3}	93.9	93.6	93.3	93.0	-2.0	-5.7	-5.4	-3.8	-3.9	-4.6
Video game hardware, software and accessories ^{1 2 3}	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies ^{1 2}	96.9	99.4	98.2	95.8	-11.8	1.7	-2.8	-4.5	-5.3	-3.7
Music instruments and accessories ^{1 2}	99.9	99.2	98.4	98.5	-3.5	-3.9	.8	-5.5	-3.7	-2.4
Recreation services ²	105.0	105.2	106.1	106.8	4.0	1.6	5.9	7.0	2.8	6.5
Club membership dues and fees for participant sports ^{1 2}	105.9	105.9	106.4	106.4	8.1	5.5	4.7	1.9	6.8	3.3
Admissions ¹	209.0	209.9	212.6	215.3	.6	-2.5	6.4	12.6	-1.0	9.4
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts ^{1 2 3}	103.1	103.5	104.9	106.5	-2.7	-1.6	5.6	13.9	-2.1	9.7
Admission to sporting events ^{1 2 3}	107.2	107.6	109.0	109.7	6.3	-4.1	9.9	9.7	1.0	9.8
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁶	180.9	181.7	182.8	183.5	3.7	3.9	6.0	5.9	3.8	5.9
Recreational reading materials ¹	185.8	185.3	185.8	186.8	2.6	.2	1.1	2.2	1.4	1.6
Newspapers and magazines ^{1 2}	103.6	103.7	103.8	103.8	1.2	3.2	2.4	.8	2.2	1.6
Recreational books ^{1 2}	102.3	101.2	101.8	103.4	5.2	-5.3	-.8	4.4	-.2	1.8

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Expenditure category										
Education and communication ²	101.1	101.1	101.2	101.1	-1.2	2.0	0.8	0.0	0.4	0.4
Education ²	105.8	106.2	106.6	107.1	3.6	4.7	5.9	5.0	4.2	5.4
Educational books and supplies	259.4	260.3	260.7	262.4	1.1	11.5	3.5	4.7	6.2	4.1
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	303.3	304.4	305.6	307.2	3.7	3.8	6.2	5.2	3.8	5.7
College tuition and fees	314.2	315.4	316.4	317.7	3.4	3.6	4.6	4.5	3.5	4.6
Elementary and high school tuition and fees	319.0	320.7	322.3	323.7	8.5	3.4	6.1	6.0	5.9	6.1
Child care and nursery school ⁸	145.4	146.0	146.5	147.2	6.1	3.1	5.4	5.0	4.6	5.2
Technical and business school tuition and fees ^{1 2}	107.1	107.7	107.9	108.6	5.2	10.5	7.8	5.7	7.9	6.8
Communication ^{1 2}	96.9	96.6	96.3	95.7	-5.9	-4	-3.6	-4.9	-3.2	-4.2
Postage and delivery services ^{1 2}	103.0	103.1	103.1	103.1	.0	.0	12.1	.4	.0	6.1
Postage ¹	165.1	165.1	165.1	165.1	.0	.0	12.5	.0	.0	6.1
Delivery services ^{1 2}	105.6	108.6	109.0	109.4	2.3	-2.7	6.7	15.2	-2	10.9
Information and information processing ^{1 2}	96.5	96.1	95.8	95.2	-6.3	-4	-4.4	-5.3	-3.4	-4.9
Telephone services ^{1 2}	100.4	100.2	100.0	99.6	-2.7	2.8	-2.7	-3.1	.0	-2.9
Telephone services, local charges ^{1 4}	167.1	167.6	165.3	168.2	.7	1.0	1.7	2.7	.8	2.2
Telephone services, long distance charges ^{1 2}	99.5	98.9	99.8	97.5	-5.4	4.5	-5.8	-7.8	.6	-6.8
Interstate toll calls ^{1 3}	74.5	74.0	74.8	72.5	-9.1	7.2	-6.7	-10.3	-1.3	-8.5
Intrastate toll calls ^{1 3}	95.4	95.0	95.4	94.9	.0	2.1	-5.3	-2.1	1.0	-3.7
Cellular telephone services ^{1 2}	89.7	89.0	87.8	85.8	-9.2	-6.2	-11.2	-16.3	-7.7	-13.8
Information and information processing other than telephone services ^{1 11}	33.3	32.4	32.1	30.9	-32.6	-22.3	-20.8	-25.9	-27.6	-23.4
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ^{1 2}	59.7	57.6	56.8	55.7	-45.4	-27.5	-31.4	-24.2	-37.1	-27.9
Computer software and accessories ^{1 2}	88.6	89.0	87.7	87.3	-6.8	-20.8	-6.1	-5.7	-14.1	-5.9
Computer information processing services ^{1 2}	103.3	103.3	103.4	77.5	.8	-1.2	.0	-68.3	-.2	-43.7
Other information processing equipment ^{1 2}	89.7	87.6	87.1	85.4	-6.9	-9.8	-8.4	-17.8	-8.4	-13.3
Other goods and services	255.6	254.1	256.6	256.2	3.1	3.6	26.7	.9	3.3	13.1
Tobacco and smoking products	349.0	336.9	348.9	344.1	9.2	8.1	140.7	-5.5	8.7	50.8
Cigarettes ^{1 2}	140.9	135.4	141.4	139.5	6.1	12.2	146.1	-3.9	9.1	53.8
Tobacco products other than cigarettes ^{1 2}	108.6	109.6	110.0	109.7	-2.3	5.9	13.6	4.1	1.7	8.7
Personal care ¹	159.4	160.0	160.2	160.7	1.3	2.3	3.6	3.3	1.8	3.4
Personal care products ¹	149.8	150.8	150.9	150.9	-2.1	.8	2.7	3.0	-.7	2.8
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products ^{1 2}	101.0	101.3	101.8	101.6	-1.6	-.4	2.8	2.4	-1.0	2.6
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements ¹	162.1	163.6	163.0	163.5	-2.2	1.8	2.8	3.5	-.2	3.1
Personal care services ¹	169.3	169.9	170.3	171.0	2.9	2.4	4.1	4.1	2.7	4.1
Haircuts and other personal care services ^{1 2}	103.3	103.7	103.9	104.4	2.8	2.8	4.0	4.3	2.8	4.1
Miscellaneous personal services	240.4	240.7	241.0	241.6	4.0	3.6	4.4	2.0	3.8	3.2
Legal services ^{1 6}	177.3	178.2	178.6	179.6	1.9	5.0	7.8	5.3	3.4	6.5
Funeral expenses ⁶	181.0	181.0	180.7	180.8	4.4	4.1	3.8	-.4	4.3	1.7
Laundry and dry cleaning services ^{1 2}	103.2	103.3	103.6	103.9	1.2	3.6	3.2	2.7	2.4	3.0
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning ^{1 2}	102.7	102.6	103.0	103.0	2.4	-.8	5.6	1.2	.8	3.4
Financial services ^{1 6}	204.2	204.3	204.5	205.3	5.6	1.0	6.7	2.2	3.3	4.4
Checking account and other bank services ^{1 2 3}	103.3	103.3	103.3	103.6	7.8	-.8	5.6	1.2	3.4	3.4
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees ^{1 2 3}	108.1	108.3	108.5	109.2	1.5	1.9	11.1	4.1	1.7	7.5
Miscellaneous personal goods ^{1 2}	99.1	100.1	99.6	100.2	-5.0	4.9	-6.9	4.5	-.2	-1.4
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap ³	158.6	159.3	157.8	159.2	1.8	2.8	-4.7	1.5	2.3	-1.6
Special aggregate indexes										
Commodities	142.5	142.4	144.3	144.1	.8	.0	.8	4.6	.4	2.7
Commodities less food and beverages	130.1	130.1	132.8	132.3	-.3	-1.5	-.3	6.9	-.9	3.3
Nondurables less food and beverages	132.7	133.1	137.6	136.9	-.3	-.9	1.2	13.3	-.6	7.1
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	138.7	139.7	145.8	144.6	-.9	-.6	5.4	18.1	-.7	11.6
Durables	126.0	125.7	125.7	125.7	.6	-.9	-4.3	-.9	-.2	-2.7
Services	186.9	187.5	188.1	188.3	2.2	2.6	1.9	3.0	2.4	2.5
Rent of shelter ⁵	192.7	193.4	194.1	194.4	2.8	4.1	1.3	3.6	3.4	2.4
Transportation services	189.1	190.6	191.0	190.4	1.1	-1.1	2.8	2.8	.0	2.8
Other services	221.3	221.6	222.2	222.7	2.2	3.0	3.1	2.6	2.6	2.8
All items less food	164.8	165.2	166.6	166.5	1.2	1.5	1.2	4.2	1.4	2.7
All items less shelter	158.4	158.5	159.9	159.8	1.0	.8	1.5	3.6	.9	2.6
All items less medical care	159.9	160.2	161.4	161.4	1.3	1.5	1.3	3.8	1.4	2.5
Commodities less food	131.7	131.8	134.4	133.9	.0	-1.5	-.3	6.9	-.8	3.2
Nondurables less food	134.7	135.2	139.5	138.9	.0	-.3	.6	13.1	-.1	6.6

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Special aggregate indexes										
Nondurables less food and apparel	140.5	141.5	147.2	146.0	-0.6	0.0	4.7	16.6	-0.3	10.5
Nondurables	148.2	148.5	150.5	150.6	1.4	.5	1.9	6.6	1.0	4.2
Apparel less footwear	127.0	126.4	128.3	128.4	2.8	-3.3	-6.6	4.5	-.3	-1.2
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	193.8	194.4	194.9	195.1	1.7	1.0	2.1	2.7	1.4	2.4
Services less medical care services	180.9	181.4	182.0	182.2	2.5	2.3	2.0	2.9	2.4	2.5
Energy	98.8	100.4	106.5	105.1	-6.8	-5.4	-5.1	28.1	-6.1	10.2
All items less energy	173.3	173.4	174.1	174.3	2.1	2.1	1.9	2.3	2.1	2.1
All items less food and energy	175.8	176.0	176.7	176.9	2.1	1.8	1.8	2.5	2.0	2.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities	143.8	143.3	144.1	144.0	1.4	-.3	.8	6	.6	.7
Energy commodities	85.8	88.8	101.2	98.8	-10.7	-9.0	-11.3	75.8	-9.8	24.9
Services less energy services	193.8	194.4	195.1	195.4	2.5	3.0	2.1	3.3	2.8	2.7
Domestically produced farm food	165.9	165.6	165.4	166.4	2.5	2.0	2.9	1.2	2.2	2.1
Utilities and public transportation	146.2	146.6	147.1	146.7	-1.4	.0	.5	1.4	-.7	1.0

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

⁴ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹⁰ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

¹¹ 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 categories¹

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item	Indexes				1-month percent changes ended—				Percent change to May 1999 from—
	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998
Food and beverages									
Rice ²	100.2	101.0	100.7	101.3	-0.9	0.8	-0.3	0.6	2.1
White bread	191.7	192.1	194.3	191.4	.2	.2	1.1	-1.5	2.7
Bread other than white	197.0	191.9	192.8	193.5	.9	-2.6	.5	.4	1.5
Fresh cakes and cupcakes	181.0	182.3	184.3	185.0	-.4	.7	1.1	.4	3.9
Cookies	186.9	185.3	185.3	186.6	-.5	-.9	.0	.7	3.0
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts	171.9	171.0	182.0	175.6	-4.5	-.5	6.4	-3.5	3.2
Crackers, bread, and cracker products	215.8	213.7	219.2	220.4	.8	-1.0	2.6	.5	1.6
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers	188.3	187.9	190.3	189.6	-.6	-.2	1.3	-.4	3.1
Bacon and related products	149.4	150.0	146.3	147.7	.5	.4	-2.5	1.0	.0
Breakfast sausage and related products ²	98.0	97.7	98.5	99.8	.3	-.3	.8	1.3	.3
Ham, excluding canned	152.8	155.0	148.7	154.7	-1.7	1.4	-4.1	4.0	-2.2
Frankfurters	150.0	144.0	149.7	147.2	1.6	-4.0	4.0	-1.7	3.1
Lunchmeats ²	99.4	100.5	99.8	99.9	-.2	1.1	-.7	.1	.4
Lamb and organ meats	158.0	159.6	166.9	170.9	.6	1.0	4.6	2.4	8.3
Lamb and mutton ²	103.0	NA	NA	NA	.2				
Fresh whole chicken	164.0	163.1	163.0	158.6	-.8	-.5	-.1	-2.7	-.1
Fresh and frozen chicken parts	154.5	157.0	157.4	153.6	2.5	1.6	.3	2.4	-1.5
Canned fish and seafood	132.1	130.2	132.4	132.4	.6	-1.4	1.7	.0	-.1
Frozen fish and seafood	NA	NA	NA	NA					
Fresh whole milk	163.4	162.9	149.6	150.6	1.8	.3	-8.2	.7	3.4
Fresh milk other than whole ²	112.8	112.1	103.5	103.7	2.7	-.6	-7.7	.2	3.1
Oranges, including tangerines	292.5	287.2	309.8	352.0	5.1	-1.8	7.9	13.6	49.5
Canned fruits ²	103.7	105.1	105.0	105.9	.2	1.4	-.1	.9	3.9
Canned vegetables ²	105.5	104.7	104.7	106.5	-1.1	-.8	.0	1.7	3.1
Frozen vegetables	153.2	151.8	152.0	154.2	-.6	-.9	.1	1.4	.9
Dried beans, peas, and lentils ²	101.8	102.2	101.4	101.7	.5	.4	-.8	.3	1.9
Roasted coffee	NA	NA	NA	NA					
Instant and freeze dried coffee	NA	NA	NA	NA					
Butter	155.5	149.3	145.6	139.6	-4.8	-4.0	-2.5	-4.1	9.5
Margarine	155.0	155.3	155.1	156.0	-.4	.2	-.1	.6	3.6
Peanut butter ²	102.5	101.5	103.8	103.6	2.7	-1.0	2.3	-.2	3.4
Salt and other seasonings and spices ²	101.5	101.4	101.4	101.9	.1	-.1	.0	.5	1.4
Olives, pickles, relishes ²	103.6	102.9	102.4	98.5	-.1	-.7	-.5	-3.8	-5.2
Sauces and gravies ²	104.5	104.2	103.5	102.5	1.9	-.3	-.7	-1.0	1.6
Other condiments	172.7	173.6	170.9	176.4	-.9	.5	-1.6	3.2	3.5
Prepared salads ²	NA	NA	NA	NA					
Whiskey at home	153.8	153.6	154.5	155.4	.1	-.1	.6	.6	2.4
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home	154.4	154.9	155.2	155.2	.7	.3	.2	.0	1.7
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home ²	103.2	103.6	103.7	103.5	.6	.4	.1	-.2	2.6
Wine away from home ²	103.0	103.0	103.2	104.1	-1.2	.0	.2	.9	2.9
Distilled spirits away from home ²	102.6	102.8	102.9	103.3	.0	.2	.1	.4	3.4
Housing									
Laundry equipment	111.1	110.7	109.9	110.8	.2	-.4	-.7	.8	-1.3
Transportation									
New cars and trucks ²	99.8	99.5	99.5	99.2	-.4	-.3	.0	-.3	-.3
New cars	140.8	140.3	140.1	139.6	-.4	-.4	-.1	-.4	-.7
New trucks ³	152.4	152.0	152.2	151.9	-.1	-.3	.1	-.2	.7
New motorcycles ⁴	163.8	164.2	164.5	165.1	-.2	.2	.2	.4	.9
Gasoline, unleaded regular	80.2	83.1	98.5	98.9	-1.8	3.6	18.5	.4	7.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁵	88.0	90.4	104.0	104.7	-1.6	2.7	15.0	.7	6.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium	86.7	88.8	101.6	102.2	-1.5	2.4	14.4	.6	6.3
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires	107.9	107.9	107.4	107.0	-.5	.0	-.5	-.4	.0
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids	130.9	128.8	129.8	130.7	-.2	-1.6	.8	.7	-.3
Parking fees and tolls ²	107.3	107.4	107.9	107.6	-.5	.1	.5	-.3	1.9
Automobile service clubs ²	101.3	102.4	102.4	102.3	.1	1.1	.0	-.1	1.5
Ship fare ²	100.8	100.4	101.1	101.1	-3.4	-.4	.7	.0	-3.6
Medical care									
Inpatient hospital services ^{6 7}	106.9	106.9	106.8	107.0	.6	.0	-.1	.2	3.7
Outpatient hospital services ^{4 7}	241.3	242.2	241.6	243.6	.7	.4	-.2	.8	5.1

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 5. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, unadjusted indexes for special detailed expenditure categories¹-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item	Indexes				1-month percent changes ended—				Percent change to May 1999 from—
	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998
Recreation									
Video cassettes and discs, blank and prerecorded ²	94.5	92.8	92.1	93.0	0.7	-1.8	-0.8	1.0	-7.4
Rental of video tapes and discs ²	92.7	93.3	93.6	91.7	-1.6	.6	.3	-2.0	-3.0
Pet food ²	101.8	102.0	102.8	102.9	-4	.2	.8	.1	1.3
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories ²	100.0	100.6	100.4	100.1	.3	.6	-2	-3	-3
Pet services ²	105.1	105.6	104.0	104.4	1.3	.5	-1.5	.4	1.7
Veterinarian services ²	105.1	105.3	106.4	106.9	-1	.2	1.0	.5	4.6
Film and photographic supplies ²	99.7	99.7	97.6	97.3	.2	.0	-2.1	-3	-3.5
Photographic equipment ²	96.8	96.6	95.9	95.0	1.3	-2	-7	-9	-3.2
Photographer fees ²	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	-
Film processing ²	99.2	99.8	100.1	100.1	-3	.6	.3	.0	.1
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment ²	93.9	93.6	93.3	93.0	-8	-3	-3	-3	-4.2
Video game hardware, software and accessories ²	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	-
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts ²	103.1	103.5	104.9	106.5	.6	.4	1.4	1.5	3.6
Admission to sporting events ²	107.2	107.6	109.0	109.7	1.1	.4	1.3	.6	5.3
Education and communication									
Interstate toll calls	74.5	74.0	74.8	72.5	-3	-7	1.1	-3.1	-5.0
Intrastate toll calls	95.4	95.0	95.4	94.9	-5	-4	.4	-5	-1.4
Other goods and services									
Checking account and other bank services ²	103.3	103.3	103.3	103.6	.8	.0	.0	.3	3.4
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees ²	108.1	108.3	108.5	109.2	.8	.2	.2	.6	4.6
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap	158.5	160.1	159.2	160.2	-8	1.0	-6	.6	.3

¹ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

⁷ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

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 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
All items	100.000	162.7	162.8	2.1	0.1	0.1	0.7	0.0
All items (1967=100)	-	484.7	484.9	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	18.011	163.0	163.3	2.1	.2	-.2	.1	.3
Food	16.966	162.6	162.9	2.1	.2	-.2	.1	.3
Food at home	10.832	162.2	162.6	1.9	.2	-.4	.0	.4
Cereals and bakery products	1.689	184.5	184.8	2.5	.2	.2	.4	.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	3.055	146.3	146.1	.2	-.1	-.3	.3	.1
Dairy and related products ¹	1.193	155.7	155.8	5.4	.1	-.4	-3.6	.1
Fruits and vegetables	1.492	201.7	205.3	1.2	1.8	-2.2	1.1	2.5
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	1.184	133.2	133.1	1.1	-.1	.2	-.3	.4
Other food at home	2.220	153.0	152.6	2.6	-.3	-.2	.3	.0
Sugar and sweets	.420	151.7	152.8	2.3	.7	-.1	.5	.7
Fats and oils	.354	148.6	147.0	4.2	-1.1	-1.1	.0	-1.0
Other foods	1.446	169.0	168.5	2.4	-.3	.0	.4	.0
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	.355	105.2	104.7	3.2	-.5	.8	.2	-.5
Food away from home ¹	6.133	164.4	164.5	2.4	.1	.2	.2	.1
Other food away from home ^{1 2}	.216	104.1	104.2	3.6	.1	.1	.3	.1
Alcoholic beverages	1.045	167.8	168.5	2.7	.4	-.4	.3	.4
Housing	36.685	159.1	159.2	2.0	.1	.3	.3	.1
Shelter	27.496	180.8	180.9	3.0	.1	.3	.3	.3
Rent of primary residence ³	8.500	176.0	176.4	3.3	.2	.2	.2	.3
Lodging away from home ^{2 3}	1.379	114.5	112.0	3.1	-2.2	1.6	1.8	-.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	17.296	174.8	175.1	2.9	.2	.2	.2	.3
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	.320	100.6	100.9	1.2	.3	.2	.0	.3
Fuels and utilities	4.850	125.5	126.3	-1.3	.6	.4	.1	-.2
Fuels	3.928	109.7	110.6	-2.0	.8	.5	.0	-.3
Fuel oil and other fuels	.201	88.1	88.0	-4.3	-.1	1.1	2.5	.8
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	3.727	116.9	117.9	-1.9	.9	.4	-.1	-.4
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	.922	103.7	103.8	2.4	.1	.3	.3	.0
Household furnishings and operations	4.339	125.2	124.8	-.3	-.3	-.2	.2	-.3
Household operations ^{1 2}	.402	104.3	104.5	3.2	.2	.3	.2	.2
Apparel	5.199	133.7	133.0	-.5	-.5	-.4	1.4	-.1
Men's and boys' apparel	1.474	133.6	134.0	.7	.3	-.5	1.5	-.2
Women's and girls' apparel	1.948	126.5	125.5	-1.5	-.8	.0	1.2	.5
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹	.344	129.3	128.9	1.2	-.3	-.6	2.2	-.3
Footwear	1.057	129.5	127.9	-.9	-1.2	.5	1.2	-1.2
Transportation	19.166	142.9	143.1	1.4	.1	.6	2.6	-.4
Private transportation	18.109	140.1	140.3	1.2	.1	.6	2.6	-.4
New and used motor vehicles ²	9.250	99.7	99.8	-.3	.1	-.2	.2	.2
New vehicles	5.224	144.5	144.0	-.3	-.3	-.2	.1	-.1
Used cars and trucks ¹	3.216	149.6	150.9	-.3	.9	-.6	.6	.9
Motor fuel	3.066	100.8	101.3	6.6	.5	4.0	14.5	-2.6
Gasoline (all types)	3.045	100.3	100.8	6.7	.5	3.9	14.7	-2.8
Motor vehicle parts and equipment	.682	99.6	99.7	-.2	.1	-.5	.1	.3
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	1.690	172.3	172.7	3.4	.2	.2	.2	.3
Public transportation ¹	1.056	196.4	193.9	3.5	-1.3	2.6	1.2	-1.3
Medical care	4.672	248.2	248.7	3.4	.2	.3	.4	.2
Medical care commodities	.926	225.7	225.7	3.4	.0	.3	.8	.0
Medical care services	3.746	253.3	253.8	3.3	.2	.3	.3	.3
Professional services ³	2.415	229.7	230.2	3.1	.2	.2	.3	.3
Hospital and related services ³	1.114	292.3	293.0	4.0	.2	.3	.0	.4

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 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
Recreation ²	5.925	101.4	101.5	0.6	0.1	-0.1	0.2	0.2
Video and audio ^{1 2}	1.951	100.8	100.6	-5	-2	-5	-1	.1
Education and communication ²	5.361	100.9	100.7	.4	-2	.0	-1	.0
Education ²	2.478	105.7	105.9	5.0	.2	.4	.4	.6
Educational books and supplies	.200	263.9	264.3	5.2	.2	.3	.2	.6
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	2.278	298.3	298.7	4.8	.1	.4	.3	.6
Communication ^{1 2}	2.883	97.0	96.5	-3.2	-5	-3	-4	-5
Information and information processing ^{1 2}	2.733	96.7	96.2	-3.5	-5	-3	-4	-5
Telephone services ^{1 2}	2.519	100.0	99.8	-1.4	-2	-1	-4	-2
Information and information processing other than telephone services ^{1 5}	.213	33.0	31.8	-25.4	-3.6	-2.6	-1.5	-3.6
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ^{1 2}	.120	55.9	55.1	-32.7	-1.4	-4.0	-1.8	-1.4
Other goods and services	4.981	259.5	258.8	10.2	-3	1.0	1.4	-4
Tobacco and smoking products	1.694	350.5	345.9	28.1	-1.3	-3.5	3.9	-1.7
Personal care ¹	3.287	160.4	160.8	2.6	.2	.4	.1	.2
Personal care products ¹	.838	151.7	151.6	.7	.1	.5	.1	-1
Personal care services ¹	.975	170.6	171.4	3.4	.5	.4	.2	.5
Miscellaneous personal services	1.253	241.7	242.3	4.0	.2	.2	.0	.3
Commodity and service group								
Commodities	46.764	144.7	144.6	1.8	-1	-1	1.4	-1
Food and beverages	18.011	163.0	163.3	2.1	.2	-2	.1	.3
Commodities less food and beverages	28.753	133.6	133.4	1.5	-1	.0	2.2	-5
Nondurables less food and beverages	15.564	139.1	138.8	3.9	-2	.5	3.7	-6
Apparel	5.199	133.7	133.0	-5	-5	-4	1.4	-1
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	10.365	146.7	146.6	6.1	-1	.7	4.9	-1.2
Durables	13.189	125.8	125.6	-1.3	-2	-3	.0	.1
Services	53.236	184.2	184.4	2.3	.1	.3	.2	.2
Rent of shelter ⁴	27.175	174.1	174.2	3.0	.1	.2	.3	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	.320	100.6	100.9	1.2	.3	.2	.0	.3
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	3.727	116.9	117.9	-1.9	.9	.4	-1	-4
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	.922	103.7	103.8	2.4	.1	.3	.3	.0
Household operations ^{1 2}	.402	104.3	104.5	3.2	.2	.3	.2	.2
Transportation services	6.800	187.9	187.5	1.1	-2	.6	.1	-2
Medical care services	3.746	253.3	253.8	3.3	.2	.3	.3	.3
Other services	10.144	218.1	218.4	2.5	.1	.2	.1	.3
Special indexes								
All items less food	83.034	162.6	162.6	2.0	.0	.2	.9	-1
All items less shelter	72.504	157.7	157.7	1.7	.0	.1	1.0	-1
All items less medical care	95.328	158.8	158.8	2.0	.0	.1	.8	.0
Commodities less food	29.798	135.0	134.8	1.6	-1	.0	2.2	-4
Nondurables less food	16.609	140.8	140.6	3.8	-1	.4	3.6	-6
Nondurables less food and apparel	11.410	147.9	147.9	5.9	.0	.6	4.5	-9
Nondurables	33.575	151.4	151.4	2.9	.0	.2	1.7	-2
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	26.061	172.7	173.0	1.6	.2	.3	.1	.2
Services less medical care services	49.490	178.4	178.6	2.2	.1	.2	.2	.2
Energy	6.994	104.5	105.2	1.9	.7	2.0	6.4	-1.4
All items less energy	93.006	170.7	170.7	2.0	.0	-1	.4	.1
All items less food and energy	76.040	172.9	172.8	2.1	-1	.0	.4	.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities	26.531	144.8	144.5	1.0	-2	-5	.6	-1
Energy commodities	3.267	100.2	100.6	5.9	.4	3.7	13.9	-2.5
Services less energy services	49.509	191.8	191.9	2.7	.1	.3	.3	.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar	-	\$.615	\$.614	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar - old base	-	\$.206	\$.206	-	-	-	-	-

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁵ 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—	
	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Aug. 1998	Nov. 1998	Feb. 1999	May 1999	Nov. 1998	May 1999
Expenditure category										
All items	161.3	161.5	162.7	162.7	1.5	1.8	1.5	3.5	1.6	2.5
Food and beverages	163.1	162.8	162.9	163.4	2.3	2.8	2.5	.7	2.5	1.6
Food	162.7	162.4	162.5	163.0	2.3	2.8	2.5	.7	2.5	1.6
Food at home	162.6	161.9	161.9	162.6	2.0	2.8	2.5	.0	2.4	1.2
Cereals and bakery products	183.3	183.6	184.3	184.8	3.4	1.5	1.8	3.3	2.5	2.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	146.5	146.1	146.6	146.8	1.9	-1.6	-5	.8	.1	.1
Dairy and related products ¹	162.2	161.5	155.7	155.8	6.4	15.2	18.4	-14.9	10.7	.4
Fruits and vegetables	202.1	197.7	199.9	204.9	-6.4	2.0	4.1	5.7	-2.3	4.9
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	132.5	132.8	132.4	132.9	-1.2	2.8	1.8	1.2	.8	1.5
Other food at home	152.4	152.1	152.6	152.6	7.2	4.8	-1.8	.5	6.0	-7
Sugar and sweets	150.9	150.7	151.4	152.4	3.5	1.6	.0	4.0	2.6	2.0
Fats and oils	150.1	148.5	148.5	147.0	25.0	18.0	-13.2	-8.0	21.5	-10.6
Other foods	167.8	167.8	168.5	168.5	4.4	2.7	.5	1.7	3.6	1.1
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	105.9	105.0	105.2	104.7	8.1	5.5	3.9	4.5	6.8	-.4
Food away from home ¹	163.8	164.1	164.4	164.5	2.0	3.0	3.0	1.7	2.5	2.4
Other food away from home ^{1 2}	103.7	103.8	104.1	104.2	6.5	4.8	1.2	1.9	5.6	1.6
Alcoholic beverages	167.5	166.9	167.4	168.1	2.7	2.7	3.7	1.4	2.7	2.5
Housing	158.4	158.8	159.2	159.4	1.8	2.6	1.3	2.5	2.2	1.9
Shelter	179.7	180.2	180.7	181.2	2.8	4.1	1.8	3.4	3.4	2.6
Rent of primary residence ³	175.3	175.6	176.0	176.6	3.6	3.8	3.0	3.0	3.7	3.0
Lodging away from home ^{2 3}	101.4	103.0	104.9	104.7	-1.6	15.9	-12.4	13.7	6.8	-.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	174.2	174.6	174.9	175.4	3.1	3.1	2.6	2.8	3.1	2.7
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	100.4	100.6	100.6	100.9	-1.2	3.7	.4	2.0	1.2	1.2
Fuels and utilities	126.7	127.2	127.3	127.0	-3.1	-1.6	-9	1.0	-2.3	.0
Fuels	110.4	110.9	110.9	110.6	-4.2	-2.8	-1.4	.7	-3.5	-.4
Fuel oil and other fuels	84.1	85.0	87.1	87.8	-7.6	-12.3	-13.1	18.8	-10.0	1.6
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	118.3	118.8	118.7	118.2	-4.2	-2.0	-1.0	-.3	-3.1	-.7
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	103.1	103.4	103.7	103.7	2.0	2.8	2.4	2.3	2.4	2.4
Household furnishings and operations	124.8	124.6	124.9	124.5	.6	.0	-1.3	-1.0	.3	-1.1
Household operations ^{1 2}	103.8	104.1	104.3	104.5	3.6	3.6	2.7	2.7	3.6	2.7
Apparel	129.4	128.9	130.7	130.6	2.1	.0	-7.6	3.8	1.1	-2.1
Men's and boys' apparel	131.1	130.5	132.4	132.1	.6	.0	-1.2	3.1	.3	.9
Women's and girls' apparel	120.0	120.0	121.4	122.0	3.9	-3.5	-12.3	6.8	.2	-3.2
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹	127.2	126.5	129.3	128.9	-7.3	27.0	-15.6	5.5	8.5	-5.6
Footwear	126.2	126.8	128.3	126.7	6.4	-6	-9.8	1.6	2.8	-4.3
Transportation	138.7	139.6	143.2	142.6	-.6	-.9	-3.9	11.7	-.7	3.6
Private transportation	136.0	136.8	140.4	139.9	-.9	-.3	-4.8	12.0	-.6	3.2
New and used motor vehicles ²	99.7	99.5	99.7	99.9	2.4	2.0	-6.2	.8	2.2	-2.7
New vehicles	144.1	143.8	143.9	143.7	2.5	-1.4	-1.4	-1.1	.6	-1.2
Used cars and trucks ¹	149.6	148.7	149.6	150.9	2.9	7.6	-13.7	3.5	5.2	-5.5
Motor fuel	86.0	89.4	102.4	99.7	-11.8	-8.1	-11.6	80.6	-10.0	26.3
Gasoline (all types)	85.6	88.9	102.0	99.1	-11.9	-7.8	-11.3	79.6	-9.9	26.2
Motor vehicle parts and equipment	100.2	99.7	99.8	100.1	1.2	.0	-1.6	-.4	.6	-1.0
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	171.6	172.0	172.3	172.9	3.4	4.8	2.4	3.1	4.1	2.7
Public transportation ¹	189.1	194.1	196.4	193.9	3.2	-9.6	11.1	10.5	-3.4	10.8
Medical care	246.4	247.2	248.1	248.7	3.9	2.8	3.0	3.8	3.4	3.4
Medical care commodities	223.0	223.6	225.4	225.3	3.9	3.3	2.2	4.2	3.6	3.2
Medical care services	251.5	252.3	253.0	253.8	4.0	2.6	3.2	3.7	3.3	3.5
Professional services ³	228.0	228.5	229.2	229.8	3.5	3.1	2.9	3.2	3.3	3.0
Hospital and related services ³	291.2	292.2	292.3	293.6	4.8	2.3	5.8	3.3	3.5	4.6

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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—	
	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Aug. 1998	Nov. 1998	Feb. 1999	May 1999	Nov. 1998	May 1999
Expenditure category										
Recreation ²	101.0	100.9	101.1	101.3	0.4	-0.4	1.2	1.2	0.0	1.2
Video and audio ^{1 2}	101.0	100.5	100.4	100.5	.0	.4	-4	-2.0	.2	-1.2
Education and communication ²	101.4	101.4	101.3	101.3	-1.6	2.4	1.2	-.4	.4	.4
Education ²	105.9	106.3	106.7	107.3	3.6	4.3	6.3	5.4	3.9	5.8
Educational books and supplies	262.1	263.0	263.4	265.1	.6	11.4	4.2	4.7	5.9	4.4
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	297.8	298.9	299.8	301.5	3.8	4.1	6.6	5.1	3.9	5.8
Communication ^{1 2}	97.7	97.4	97.0	96.5	-5.1	.4	-3.2	-4.8	-2.4	-4.0
Information and information processing ^{1 2}	97.4	97.1	96.7	96.2	-5.5	4	-4.0	-4.8	-2.6	-4.4
Telephone services ^{1 2}	100.5	100.4	100.0	99.8	-2.7	2.8	-2.7	-2.8	.0	-2.7
Information and information processing other than telephone services ^{1 5}	34.4	33.5	33.0	31.8	-30.5	-21.6	-22.0	-27.0	-26.2	-24.5
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ^{1 2}	59.3	56.9	55.9	55.1	-42.9	-29.2	-32.0	-25.5	-36.4	-28.8
Other goods and services	258.7	256.1	259.7	258.6	3.6	4.1	36.8	-.2	3.9	16.9
Tobacco and smoking products	349.3	337.0	350.1	344.2	9.2	7.9	141.8	-5.7	8.6	51.0
Personal care ¹	159.6	160.3	160.4	160.8	1.3	2.3	3.8	3.0	1.8	3.4
Personal care products ¹	150.8	151.6	151.7	151.6	-2.4	5	2.7	2.1	.9	2.4
Personal care services ¹	169.6	170.2	170.6	171.4	3.2	2.4	3.9	4.3	2.8	4.1
Miscellaneous personal services	240.4	240.9	241.0	241.8	4.0	4.5	5.2	2.3	4.3	3.7
Commodity and service group										
Commodities	142.5	142.4	144.4	144.2	.6	.8	.8	4.9	.7	2.8
Food and beverages	163.1	162.8	162.9	163.4	2.3	2.8	2.5	.7	2.5	1.6
Commodities less food and beverages	130.3	130.3	133.2	132.6	-.3	-.6	.0	7.2	-.5	3.6
Nondurables less food and beverages	132.6	133.2	138.1	137.3	.0	-.6	2.1	14.9	-.3	8.4
Apparel	129.4	128.9	130.7	130.6	2.1	.0	-7.6	3.8	1.1	-2.1
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	139.1	140.1	147.0	145.3	-.9	-.9	8.5	19.1	-.9	13.6
Durables	125.8	125.4	125.4	125.5	.6	-.3	-4.6	-1.0	.2	-2.8
Services	183.5	184.1	184.5	184.8	1.8	2.7	2.0	2.9	2.2	2.4
Rent of shelter ⁴	173.1	173.5	174.1	174.4	2.9	4.0	1.9	3.0	3.5	2.5
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	100.4	100.6	100.6	100.9	-1.2	3.7	.4	2.0	1.2	1.2
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	118.3	118.8	118.7	118.2	-4.2	-2.0	-1.0	-.3	-3.1	-.7
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	103.1	103.4	103.7	103.7	2.0	2.8	2.4	2.3	2.4	2.4
Household operations ^{1 2}	103.8	104.1	104.3	104.5	3.6	3.6	2.7	2.7	3.6	2.7
Transportation services	186.5	187.7	187.9	187.5	.6	-.6	2.2	2.2	.0	2.2
Medical care services	251.5	252.3	253.0	253.8	4.0	2.6	3.2	3.7	3.3	3.5
Other services	217.8	218.2	218.5	219.1	1.9	3.2	2.8	2.4	2.5	2.6
Special indexes										
All items less food	160.6	160.9	162.4	162.3	1.0	1.5	1.3	4.3	1.3	2.8
All items less shelter	156.0	156.1	157.6	157.5	.8	.8	1.3	3.9	.8	2.6
All items less medical care	157.2	157.4	158.6	158.6	1.3	1.8	1.3	3.6	1.5	2.4
Commodities less food	131.9	131.9	134.8	134.2	-.3	-.6	.0	7.2	-.5	3.5
Nondurables less food	134.6	135.2	140.0	139.2	-.6	.3	1.8	14.4	-.1	7.9
Nondurables less food and apparel	140.8	141.6	148.0	146.7	-.9	-.3	7.7	17.8	-.6	12.7
Nondurables	148.0	148.3	150.8	150.5	1.7	.8	2.5	6.9	1.2	4.7
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	172.3	172.8	173.0	173.3	1.7	.9	1.6	2.3	1.3	2.0
Services less medical care services	177.8	178.2	178.6	179.0	2.1	2.5	1.8	2.7	2.3	2.3
Energy	97.7	99.7	106.1	104.6	-7.9	-5.1	-6.3	31.4	-6.5	11.0
All items less energy	170.1	170.0	170.6	170.8	2.2	2.4	2.1	1.7	2.3	1.9
All items less food and energy	172.1	172.1	172.8	172.9	2.1	2.4	1.9	1.9	2.3	1.9
Commodities less food and energy commodities	143.9	143.2	144.1	144.0	1.4	.8	1.4	.3	1.1	.8
Energy commodities	85.9	89.1	101.5	99.0	-11.5	-8.5	-11.6	76.4	-10.0	24.9
Services less energy services	191.0	191.6	192.1	192.4	2.6	3.0	2.1	3.0	2.8	2.5

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in

January, 1999.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁵ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

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 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
All items	100.000	162.7	162.8	2.1	0.1	0.1	0.7	0.0
All items (1967=100)	-	484.7	484.9	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	18.011	163.0	163.3	2.1	.2	-.2	.1	.3
Food	16.966	162.6	162.9	2.1	.2	-.2	.1	.3
Food at home	10.832	162.2	162.6	1.9	.2	-.4	.0	.4
Cereals and bakery products	1.689	184.5	184.8	2.5	.2	.2	.4	.3
Cereals and cereal products	.614	173.8	174.9	2.4	.6	.6	-.1	.3
Flour and prepared flour mixes	.083	157.5	162.8	.9	3.4	-.9	.6	1.3
Breakfast cereal ¹	.345	195.2	195.4	3.3	.1	1.7	.0	.1
Rice, pasta, cornmeal	.185	151.8	152.4	1.5	.4	-.3	.3	.6
Bakery products	1.075	189.4	189.3	2.5	-.1	-.1	.6	.2
Bread ^{1 2}	.329	104.0	102.9	2.3	-1.1	-.6	1.0	-1.1
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins ^{1 2}	.146	104.8	104.8	3.1	.0	-.4	-.4	.0
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies ¹	.295	183.7	184.2	2.8	.3	-.6	.9	.3
Other bakery products	.304	187.6	188.6	2.2	.5	-.2	.9	1.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	3.055	146.3	146.1	.2	-.1	-.3	.3	.1
Meats, poultry, and fish	2.905	147.0	147.3	.5	.2	.1	.5	.2
Meats	1.968	140.5	141.4	.3	.6	-.2	.6	.4
Beef and veal	.907	137.7	137.7	1.3	.0	-.5	1.0	.3
Uncooked ground beef	.354	117.9	117.0	1.1	-.8	-1.1	1.2	.0
Uncooked beef roasts ^{1 2}	.157	100.8	99.4	.1	-1.4	1.1	.1	-1.4
Uncooked beef steaks ^{1 2}	.339	100.5	102.0	2.2	1.5	.3	1.1	1.5
Uncooked other beef and veal ^{1 2}	.057	99.7	99.8	.8	.1	2.1	-.9	.1
Pork	.671	142.1	144.8	-2.1	1.9	-.1	.3	1.0
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products ^{1 2}	.222	93.9	94.9	-.2	1.1	.1	-1.2	1.1
Ham	.150	139.2	144.8	-2.7	4.0	-1.0	1.4	1.5
Pork chops	.153	140.8	143.3	-3.0	1.8	-1.9	.5	2.5
Other pork including roasts and picnics ^{1 2}	.147	92.9	93.9	-3.4	1.1	.9	.5	1.1
Other meats ¹	.389	148.2	148.0	1.9	-.1	.1	.5	-.1
Poultry ¹	.575	157.7	155.7	-.1	-1.3	.6	-.4	-1.3
Chicken ^{1 2}	.458	102.4	99.9	-.8	-2.4	.9	.1	-2.4
Other poultry including turkey ^{1 2}	.117	99.1	102.3	2.7	3.2	-.6	-2.6	3.2
Fish and seafood	.363	185.9	186.6	2.9	.4	-.7	1.3	.8
Fresh fish and seafood ^{1 2}	.212	104.9	105.4	3.5	.5	-.7	.7	.5
Processed fish and seafood ^{1 2}	.151	103.7	103.9	1.8	.2	-.4	1.8	.2
Eggs	.149	128.8	120.8	-5.6	-6.2	-3.3	-1.7	-2
Dairy and related products ¹	1.193	155.7	155.8	5.4	.1	-.4	-3.6	.1
Milk ^{1 2}	.494	102.9	103.2	2.9	.3	-.5	-8.0	.3
Cheese and related products ¹	.341	159.3	160.0	7.4	.4	-.6	-1.1	.4
Ice cream and related products ¹	.191	162.8	160.5	6.4	-1.4	-2.1	1.4	-1.4
Other dairy and related products ^{1 2}	.167	107.0	107.0	7.2	.0	1.6	-.3	.0
Fruits and vegetables	1.492	201.7	205.3	1.2	1.8	-2.2	1.1	2.5
Fresh fruits and vegetables	1.148	236.0	240.7	.9	2.0	-2.8	1.5	2.9
Fresh fruits	.590	267.7	276.2	12.3	3.2	-.4	3.5	1.2
Apples	.104	195.9	198.0	-2.9	1.1	-1.5	2.2	-.3
Bananas	.113	156.4	159.3	-3.2	1.9	-5.4	-1.1	3.9
Citrus fruits ^{1 2}	.131	148.8	161.8	38.5	8.7	.5	6.1	8.7
Other fresh fruits ^{1 2}	.242	107.0	107.9	12.5	.8	.2	11.7	.8
Fresh vegetables	.558	206.4	207.9	-9.8	.7	-5.5	-.8	5.0
Potatoes	.103	183.8	192.3	2.2	4.6	.0	-1.7	2.1
Lettuce ¹	.066	209.2	204.5	-32.8	-2.2	8.0	-1.8	-2.2
Tomatoes ¹	.127	213.1	212.1	-9.9	-.5	-6.6	-4.1	-.5
Other fresh vegetables	.262	215.9	216.6	-6.2	.3	-2.3	1.5	3.5
Processed fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	.344	103.5	104.8	2.4	1.3	-.2	-.1	1.3
Canned fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	.190	103.8	105.2	2.9	1.3	.5	-.6	1.3
Frozen fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	.106	103.9	105.1	1.9	1.2	-1.3	.7	1.2
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried ^{1 2}	.048	101.5	102.2	1.4	.7	-.1	.1	.7

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 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	1.184	133.2	133.1	1.1	-0.1	0.2	-0.3	0.4
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks ^{1 2}	.894	102.6	102.4	2.6	-.2	.2	-.3	-.2
Carbonated drinks	.495	119.4	119.1	1.7	-.3	1.7	-.9	-.1
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ^{1 2}	.054	106.5	104.1	3.9	-2.3	-3.4	3.5	-2.3
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ^{1 2}	.344	101.9	102.1	3.5	.2	-.6	.7	.2
Beverage materials including coffee and tea ^{1 2}	.290	96.8	97.2	-2.7	.4	.0	-.3	.4
Coffee ¹	.148	154.2	155.1	-6.7	.6	.1	-.2	.6
Other beverage materials including tea ^{1 2}	.142	103.6	103.8	1.8	.2	.1	-.5	.2
Other food at home	2.220	153.0	152.6	2.6	-.3	-.2	.3	.0
Sugar and sweets	.420	151.7	152.8	2.3	.7	-.1	.5	.7
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	.092	137.2	139.1	2.4	1.4	.9	.1	.4
Candy and chewing gum ^{1 2}	.248	102.0	102.5	2.6	.5	-.4	.5	.5
Other sweets ^{1 2}	.080	105.1	106.0	1.5	.9	-.4	1.4	.9
Fats and oils	.354	148.6	147.0	4.2	-1.1	-1.1	.0	-1.0
Butter and margarine ^{1 2}	.119	111.6	109.4	7.6	-2.0	-2.1	-1.2	-2.0
Salad dressing ^{1 2}	.092	104.4	102.1	3.3	2.2	-.3	.1	-2.2
Other fats and oils including peanut butter ^{1 2}	.142	103.3	103.8	2.5	.5	-.9	.5	.5
Other foods	1.446	169.0	168.5	2.4	.3	.0	.4	.0
Soups	.107	197.0	199.9	3.0	1.5	.7	1.8	.3
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods ¹	.251	146.9	145.7	1.0	-.8	.1	1.5	.8
Snacks ¹	.298	159.7	157.8	1.5	-1.2	.3	.8	-1.2
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces	.309	175.7	176.2	2.3	.3	-.1	-.2	.6
Baby food ^{1 2}	.125	105.1	105.6	4.1	.5	.9	.1	.5
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	.355	105.2	104.7	3.2	-.5	-.8	.2	-.5
Food away from home ¹	6.133	164.4	164.5	2.4	.1	.2	.2	.1
Full service meals and snacks ^{1 2}	3.199	103.9	104.0	2.8	.1	.3	.1	.1
Limited service meals and snacks ^{1 2}	1.772	103.0	103.1	2.2	.1	.2	.4	.1
Food at employee sites and schools ^{1 2}	.711	102.7	102.8	2.5	.1	.2	-.1	.1
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors ^{1 2}	.235	101.1	101.2	.6	.1	.0	.0	.1
Other food away from home ^{1 2}	.216	104.1	104.2	3.6	.1	.1	.3	.1
Alcoholic beverages	1.045	167.8	168.5	2.7	.4	-.4	.3	.4
Alcoholic beverages at home	.698	152.5	153.0	2.3	.3	-.4	.4	.4
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home	.479	151.4	152.1	2.6	.5	-.7	.3	.7
Distilled spirits at home	.094	154.1	154.3	1.5	.1	.0	.1	-.1
Wine at home	.125	147.0	147.2	1.7	.1	-.1	.2	.2
Alcoholic beverages away from home	.347	198.0	199.0	3.5	.5	.2	.1	.5
Housing	36.685	159.1	159.2	2.0	.1	.3	.3	.1
Shelter	27.496	180.8	180.9	3.0	.1	.3	.3	.3
Rent of primary residence ³	8.500	176.0	176.4	3.3	.2	.2	.2	.3
Lodging away from home ^{2 3}	1.379	114.5	112.0	3.1	-2.2	1.6	1.8	-.2
Housing at school, excluding board ^{3 4}	.141	242.2	242.2	4.6	.0	.2	.4	.4
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels	1.238	246.6	240.6	3.0	-2.4	1.7	2.0	-.3
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	17.296	174.8	175.1	2.9	.2	.2	.2	.3
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	.320	100.6	100.9	1.2	.3	.2	.0	.3
Fuels and utilities	4.850	125.5	126.3	-1.3	.6	.4	.1	-.2
Fuels	3.928	109.7	110.6	-2.0	.8	.5	.0	-.3
Fuel oil and other fuels	.201	88.1	88.0	-4.3	-.1	1.1	2.5	.8
Fuel oil	.123	82.3	82.4	-5.6	.1	1.2	3.7	.9
Other household fuels ⁵	.078	124.9	124.4	-2.3	-.4	-.4	.5	.3
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	3.727	116.9	117.9	-1.9	.9	.4	-.1	-.4
Electricity ³	2.672	122.8	123.9	-1.3	.9	.3	.2	-.5
Utility natural gas service ³	1.056	108.1	108.8	-3.5	.6	.8	-1.0	.0
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	.922	103.7	103.8	2.4	.1	.3	.3	.0
Water and sewerage maintenance ³	.684	218.1	218.4	2.2	.1	.3	.2	.0
Garbage and trash collection ^{1 6}	.238	263.0	263.1	2.8	.0	.2	.5	.0
Household furnishings and operations	4.339	125.2	124.8	-.3	-.3	-.2	.2	-.3
Window and floor coverings and other linens ^{1 2}	.315	102.8	102.1	.3	-.7	-2.0	3.0	-.7
Floor coverings ^{1 2}	.075	102.3	101.5	-.1	-.8	.1	.3	-.8
Window coverings ^{1 2}	.085	102.7	101.3	2.3	-1.4	-2.1	2.1	-1.4
Other linens ^{1 2}	.154	103.2	102.9	-.6	-.3	-2.8	4.9	-.3
Furniture and bedding ¹	1.166	133.3	131.4	-.5	-1.4	.7	.5	-1.4
Bedroom furniture ¹	.349	140.9	140.5	-.8	-.3	.3	.8	-.3
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture ^{1 2}	.614	102.8	100.6	.0	-2.1	1.2	.5	-2.1
Other furniture ^{1 2}	.185	104.3	102.9	-1.9	-1.3	.0	.0	-1.3

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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 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
Appliances ^{1 2}	.410	97.4	97.4	-3.0	0.0	-1.0	-0.6	0.0
Major appliances ^{1 2}	.244	97.3	97.7	-1.4	.4	-.8	-.7	.4
Other appliances ^{1 2}	.156	97.4	96.9	-5.5	-.5	-1.3	-.5	-.5
Other household equipment and furnishings ^{1 2}	.473	100.2	99.6	-2.6	-.6	.1	.4	-.6
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items ¹	.196	115.8	114.5	-4.5	-1.1	.2	.6	-1.1
Indoor plants and flowers ⁷	.127	112.9	112.7	-.6	-.2	-.5	-1.1	.8
Dishes and flatware ^{1 2}	.065	101.9	102.2	-1.7	.3	-2.3	2.6	.3
Nonelectric cookware and tableware ^{1 2}	.084	97.5	96.2	-2.2	-1.3	1.3	-1.0	-1.3
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies ^{1 2}	.627	99.0	99.4	-.9	.4	.1	.1	.4
Tools, hardware and supplies ^{1 2}	.179	96.4	96.6	-2.4	.2	-.1	-.5	.2
Outdoor equipment and supplies ^{1 2}	.298	100.4	100.9	-.3	.5	.2	.4	.5
Housekeeping supplies ¹	.947	147.8	148.2	1.1	.3	.3	-.5	.3
Household cleaning products ^{1 2}	.451	101.3	102.2	1.8	.9	.3	-.4	.9
Household paper products ^{1 2}	.220	103.6	103.2	-.1	-.4	.3	-.7	-.4
Miscellaneous household products ^{1 2}	.275	103.4	103.2	-.9	-.2	.3	-.4	-.2
Household operations ^{1 2}	.402	104.3	104.5	3.2	2	.3	.2	2
Domestic services ^{1 2}	.090	104.4	104.4	3.5	.0	.5	.4	.0
Gardening and lawn care services ^{1 2}	.106	102.5	102.4	1.1	.1	2	2	1
Moving, storage, freight expense ^{1 2}	.075	104.5	105.0	2.9	5	.3	-.1	.5
Repair of household items ^{1 2}	.072	106.6	107.0	5.8	.4	.1	.3	.4
Apparel	5.199	133.7	133.0	-.5	-.5	-.4	1.4	-.1
Men's and boys' apparel	1.474	133.6	134.0	.7	3	-.5	1.5	-.2
Men's apparel	1.126	138.5	139.3	.9	.6	-.8	1.8	.1
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear	.211	139.0	138.7	-.1	-.2	-.5	2.3	-.7
Men's furnishings	.306	144.0	144.0	.4	.0	-.4	2.3	-.6
Men's shirts and sweaters ^{1 2}	.342	101.3	102.9	1.9	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.6
Men's pants and shorts	.248	134.7	135.6	1.0	.7	-.5	.9	-.1
Boys' apparel	.348	118.5	117.6	.1	-.8	.7	-.1	-.3
Women's and girls' apparel	1.948	126.5	125.5	-1.5	-.8	.0	1.2	.5
Women's apparel	1.612	126.4	125.4	-1.2	-.8	.3	1.3	.7
Women's outerwear	.111	118.5	114.1	-3.9	-3.7	4.4	.3	-.8
Women's dresses	.233	112.0	111.0	-6.7	-.9	8.6	1.2	1.2
Women's suits and separates ^{1 2}	.810	103.2	103.0	.1	-.2	3.6	2.1	-.2
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories ^{1 2}	.433	107.4	106.4	.2	-.9	2.8	2.5	-.9
Girls' apparel	.336	127.4	125.6	-3.2	-1.4	-.6	.2	-.2
Footwear	1.057	129.5	127.9	-.9	-1.2	.5	1.2	-1.2
Men's footwear	.372	130.2	129.1	-2.9	-.8	-.1	-.1	-1.3
Boys' and girls' footwear	.257	129.7	128.1	-1.3	-1.2	-2.0	-.6	-.9
Women's footwear	.428	127.6	125.7	1.1	-1.5	2.4	3.0	-1.0
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹	.344	129.3	128.9	1.2	-.3	-.6	2.2	-.3
Jewelry and watches ⁵	.375	142.2	141.3	-.8	-.6	-4.6	2.7	.5
Watches ⁵	.073	123.4	122.7	-1.8	-.6	-1.7	.8	-.6
Jewelry ⁵	.302	147.5	146.6	-.5	-.6	-5.9	3.4	.8
Transportation	19.166	142.9	143.1	1.4	.1	.6	2.6	-.4
Private transportation	18.109	140.1	140.3	1.2	.1	.6	2.6	-.4
New and used motor vehicles ²	9.250	99.7	99.8	-.3	.1	-.2	.2	.2
New vehicles	5.224	144.5	144.0	-.3	-.3	-.2	.1	-.1
Used cars and trucks ¹	3.216	149.6	150.9	-.3	.9	-.6	.6	.9
Car and truck rental ^{1 2}	.108	104.2	104.6	3.7	.4	4.1	.3	.4
Motor fuel	3.066	100.8	101.3	6.6	.5	4.0	14.5	-2.6
Gasoline (all types)	3.045	100.3	100.8	6.7	.5	3.9	14.7	-2.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁸	-	98.3	98.7	6.9	.4	4.4	15.9	-3.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{8 9}	-	104.1	104.8	5.9	.7	3.3	12.8	-2.4
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁸	-	101.5	102.2	6.1	.7	3.1	12.5	-2.1
Other motor fuels ^{1 2}	.020	92.9	92.5	-1.3	-.4	1.2	6.9	-.4
Motor vehicle parts and equipment	.682	99.6	99.7	-.2	.1	-.5	.1	.3
Tires	.309	97.1	97.1	-.2	.0	-.6	.6	.5
Vehicle accessories other than tires ^{1 2}	.373	98.9	99.1	-.1	.2	-.4	-.7	.2
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	1.690	172.3	172.7	3.4	.2	.2	.2	.3
Motor vehicle body work ¹	.120	182.2	181.4	.7	-.4	-.1	.5	-.4
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing ¹	.490	158.5	159.1	2.8	.4	.1	.0	.4
Motor vehicle repair ^{1 2}	1.056	104.1	104.4	4.1	.3	.2	.2	.3

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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 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
Motor vehicle insurance	2.829	253.4	253.1	-0.9	-0.1	0.2	-0.4	-0.1
Motor vehicle fees ^{1 2}	.593	103.3	103.2	.7	-1	.0	.1	-1
State and local registration and license ^{1 2 3}	.420	101.9	101.9	.3	.0	-1	.0	.0
Parking and other fees ^{1 2}	.151	107.5	107.2	1.8	-3	.2	.4	-3
Public transportation ¹	1.056	196.4	193.9	3.5	-1.3	2.6	1.2	-1.3
Airline fare ¹	.568	224.7	219.5	7.7	-2.3	4.8	2.0	-2.3
Other intercity transportation	.120	162.4	162.9	-.7	.3	-.6	.1	.4
Intracity transportation ¹	.360	171.6	171.8	-1.7	.1	.1	.0	.1
Medical care	4.672	248.2	248.7	3.4	.2	.3	.4	.2
Medical care commodities	926	225.7	225.7	3.4	.0	.3	.8	.0
Prescription drugs and medical supplies	.589	270.6	271.6	5.4	.4	.4	.8	.3
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ^{1 5}	.337	146.9	146.0	.1	-.6	-.1	.8	-.6
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ¹	.246	174.1	173.2	-.1	-.5	-.2	1.2	-.5
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies ¹	.091	177.3	176.0	.4	-.7	.1	-.3	-.7
Medical care services	3.746	253.3	253.8	3.3	.2	.3	.3	.3
Professional services ³	2.415	229.7	230.2	3.1	.2	.2	.3	.3
Physicians' services ³	1.294	236.5	236.4	3.0	.0	.3	.4	.1
Dental services ^{1 3}	.684	245.0	245.8	4.8	.3	.4	.4	.3
Eyeglasses and eye care ^{1 3 5}	.258	144.5	146.8	.8	1.6	.4	.2	1.6
Services by other medical professionals ^{3 5}	.179	162.4	162.6	1.8	.1	.1	-.3	.2
Hospital and related services ³	1.114	292.3	293.0	4.0	.2	.3	.0	.4
Hospital services ^{1 3 10}	1.101	108.0	108.2	3.9	.2	.2	-.2	.2
Inpatient hospital services ^{1 3 8 10}	-	106.7	106.8	3.6	.1	.0	.0	.1
Outpatient hospital services ^{3 5 8}	-	242.5	244.2	5.1	.7	.7	-.1	.9
Nursing homes and adult daycare ^{1 3 10}	.013	112.5	112.7	6.0	.2	.3	.2	.2
Recreation ²	5.925	101.4	101.5	.6	.1	-.1	.2	.2
Video and audio ^{1 2}	1.951	100.8	100.6	-.5	-.2	-.5	-.1	.1
Televisions ¹	.240	55.1	54.0	-8.3	-2.0	-.4	-.9	-2.0
Cable television ^{3 6}	.976	254.3	255.1	4.3	.3	.1	.0	.4
Other video equipment ^{1 2}	.086	79.7	79.5	-15.2	-.3	-3.1	-2.3	-.3
Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental ^{1 2} ..	.203	92.9	92.9	-4.6	.0	-1.3	.3	.0
Audio equipment ¹	.177	83.1	82.1	-4.1	-1.2	-.2	-.8	-1.2
Audio discs, tapes and other media ^{1 2}	.156	102.3	102.5	2.3	.2	.0	1.0	.2
Pets, pet products and services ^{1 2}	.679	103.1	103.3	1.7	.2	.4	.5	.2
Pets and pet products ¹	.469	144.3	144.5	.5	.1	.3	.3	.1
Pet services including veterinary ^{1 2}	.210	106.2	106.6	4.4	.4	.3	.9	.4
Sporting goods ¹	.515	123.3	123.0	-.4	-.2	.1	-.2	-.2
Sports vehicles including bicycles ¹	.252	131.6	131.2	3.0	-.3	.6	-.6	-.3
Sports equipment ¹	.256	111.9	111.8	-3.5	-.1	-.4	.2	-.1
Photography ^{1 2}	.277	100.0	99.9	.0	-.1	.1	-.2	-.1
Photographic equipment and supplies ¹	.101	130.6	130.1	-3.2	-.4	-.5	-.8	-.4
Photographers and film processing ^{1 2}	.174	101.9	101.9	2.0	.0	.4	.3	.0
Other recreational goods ²	.625	93.6	93.1	-4.6	-.5	-.5	-.4	-.6
Toys	.497	115.9	115.4	-4.9	-.4	-.8	-.3	-.6
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies ^{1 2}	.063	98.2	96.2	-3.9	-2.0	2.0	-1.5	-2.0
Music instruments and accessories ^{1 2}	.048	99.0	99.0	-3.5	.0	-.6	-.6	.0
Recreation services ²	1.386	105.9	106.6	4.2	.7	.3	1.0	.8
Club membership dues and fees for participant sports ^{1 2}	.434	106.0	106.1	4.5	.1	.0	.3	.1
Admissions ¹	.666	211.9	214.5	3.9	1.2	.4	1.5	1.2
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁵	.146	183.5	184.3	4.5	.4	.4	.4	.6
Recreational reading materials ¹	.494	186.9	187.8	1.6	.5	-.2	.1	.5
Newspapers and magazines ^{1 2}	.343	103.8	103.8	1.9	.0	.1	.1	.0
Recreational books ^{1 2}	.151	101.6	103.2	1.2	1.6	-1.0	.1	1.6
Education and communication ²	5.361	100.9	100.7	.4	-.2	.0	-.1	.0
Education ²	2.478	105.7	105.9	5.0	.2	.4	.4	.6
Educational books and supplies	.200	263.9	264.3	5.2	.2	.3	.2	.6
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	2.278	298.3	298.7	4.8	.1	.4	.3	.6
College tuition and fees	.837	313.9	313.8	4.0	.0	.4	.3	.3
Elementary and high school tuition and fees	.263	318.4	318.5	6.2	.0	.5	.5	.6
Child care and nursery school ⁷	1.061	147.2	147.6	5.1	.3	.4	.4	.5
Technical and business school tuition and fees ^{1 2}	.052	108.0	108.8	7.5	.7	.3	.2	.7

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Expenditure category								
Communication ^{1 2}	2.883	97.0	96.5	-3.2	-0.5	-0.3	-0.4	-0.5
Postage and delivery services ^{1 2}	.150	103.1	103.1	3.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Postage ¹	.148	165.6	165.6	3.0	.0	.0	.0	.0
Delivery services ^{1 2}	.002	109.2	109.6	5.5	.4	2.9	.3	.4
Information and information processing ^{1 2}	2.733	96.7	96.2	-3.5	-.5	-.3	-.4	-.5
Telephone services ^{1 2}	2.519	100.0	99.8	-1.4	-.2	-.1	-.4	-.2
Telephone services, local charges ^{1 3}	1.170	164.5	167.7	1.6	1.9	.4	-1.6	1.9
Telephone services, long distance charges ^{1 2}	1.293	99.8	97.6	-3.7	-2.2	-.5	.8	-2.2
Cellular telephone services ^{1 2}	.056	88.9	86.9	-9.8	-2.2	-.9	-1.1	-2.2
Information and information processing other than telephone services ^{1 11}	.213	33.0	31.8	-25.4	-3.6	-2.6	-1.5	-3.6
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ^{1 2}	.120	55.9	55.1	-32.7	-1.4	-4.0	-1.8	-1.4
Computer software and accessories ^{1 2}	.025	88.4	87.5	-9.8	-1.0	.7	-1.3	-1.0
Computer information processing services ^{1 2}	.016	103.5	74.4	-28.0	-28.1	.0	.0	-28.1
Other information processing equipment ^{1 2}	.051	86.2	84.8	-11.3	-1.6	-2.7	-.6	-1.6
Other goods and services	4.981	259.5	258.8	10.2	-.3	-1.0	1.4	-.4
Tobacco and smoking products	1.694	350.5	345.9	28.1	1.3	-3.5	3.9	-1.7
Cigarettes ^{1 2}	1.614	141.3	139.4	29.2	-1.3	-3.9	4.5	-1.3
Tobacco products other than cigarettes ^{1 2}	.069	110.2	109.9	5.5	-.3	1.0	.5	-.3
Personal care ¹	3.287	160.4	160.8	2.6	.2	.4	.1	.2
Personal care products ¹	.838	151.7	151.6	.7	-.1	.5	.1	-.1
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products ^{1 2}	.412	101.7	101.5	.5	-.2	.1	.6	-.2
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements ¹	.423	166.0	166.1	.9	.1	1.0	-.4	.1
Personal care services ¹	.975	170.6	171.4	3.4	.5	.4	.2	.5
Haircuts and other personal care services ^{1 2}	.975	104.0	104.5	3.5	.5	.3	.3	.5
Miscellaneous personal services	1.253	241.7	242.3	4.0	.2	.2	.0	.3
Legal services ^{1 5}	.313	179.1	179.8	5.6	.4	.6	.2	.4
Funeral expenses ⁵	.269	185.7	185.6	4.0	-.1	-.1	-.1	.1
Laundry and dry cleaning services ^{1 2}	.218	103.5	103.8	2.5	.3	.1	.2	.3
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning ^{1 2}	.051	103.1	103.1	2.2	.0	-.2	.4	.0
Financial services ^{1 5}	.270	203.2	204.1	3.6	.4	.0	.0	.4
Miscellaneous personal goods ^{1 2}	.220	99.3	100.0	-.8	.7	.9	-.4	.7
Special aggregate indexes								
Commodities	46.764	144.7	144.6	1.8	-.1	-.1	1.4	-.1
Commodities less food and beverages	28.753	133.6	133.4	1.5	-.1	.0	2.2	-.5
Nondurables less food and beverages	15.564	139.1	138.8	3.9	-.2	.5	3.7	-.6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	10.365	146.7	146.6	6.1	-.1	.7	4.9	-1.2
Durables	13.189	125.8	125.6	-1.3	-.2	-.3	.0	.1
Services	53.236	184.2	184.4	2.3	.1	.3	.2	.2
Rent of shelter ⁴	27.175	174.1	174.2	3.0	.1	.2	.3	.2
Transportation services	6.800	187.9	187.5	1.1	-.2	.6	.1	-.2
Other services	10.144	218.1	218.4	2.5	.1	.2	.1	.3
All items less food	83.034	162.6	162.6	2.0	.0	.2	.9	-.1
All items less shelter	72.504	157.7	157.7	1.7	.0	.1	1.0	-.1
All items less medical care	95.328	158.8	158.8	2.0	.0	.1	.8	.0
Commodities less food	29.798	135.0	134.8	1.6	-.1	.0	2.2	-.4
Nondurables less food	16.609	140.8	140.6	3.8	-.1	.4	3.6	-.6
Nondurables less food and apparel	11.410	147.9	147.9	5.9	.0	.6	4.5	-.9
Nondurables	33.575	151.4	151.4	2.9	.0	.2	1.7	-.2
Apparel less footwear	4.141	130.2	129.7	-.5	-.4	-.6	1.5	.2
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	26.061	172.7	173.0	1.6	.2	.3	.1	.2
Services less medical care services	49.490	178.4	178.6	2.2	.1	.2	.2	.2

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and Group	Relative importance, December 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Special aggregate indexes								
Energy	6.994	104.5	105.2	1.9	0.7	2.0	6.4	-1.4
All items less energy	93.006	170.7	170.7	2.0	.0	-.1	.4	.1
All items less food and energy	76.040	172.9	172.8	2.1	-.1	.0	.4	.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities	26.531	144.8	144.5	1.0	-.2	-.5	.6	-.1
Energy commodities	3.267	100.2	100.6	5.9	.4	3.7	13.9	-2.5
Services less energy services	49.509	191.8	191.9	2.7	.1	.3	.3	.2
Domestically produced farm food	9.172	164.4	164.8	2.0	.2	-.2	-.1	.4
Utilities and public transportation	9.200	143.6	143.8	-.1	.1	.2	.2	-.3
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar	-	\$.615	\$.614	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar - old base	-	\$.206	\$.206	-	-	-	-	-

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base

⁷ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

⁸ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹⁰ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

¹¹ 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—	
	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Aug. 1998	Nov. 1998	Feb. 1999	May 1999	Nov. 1998	May 1999
Expenditure category										
All items	161.3	161.5	162.7	162.7	1.5	1.8	1.5	3.5	1.6	2.5
Food and beverages	163.1	162.8	162.9	163.4	2.3	2.8	2.5	.7	2.5	1.6
Food	162.7	162.4	162.5	163.0	2.3	2.8	2.5	.7	2.5	1.6
Food at home	162.6	161.9	161.9	162.6	2.0	2.8	2.5	.0	2.4	1.2
Cereals and bakery products	183.3	183.6	184.3	184.8	3.4	1.5	1.8	3.3	2.5	2.5
Cereals and cereal products	172.8	173.8	173.6	174.2	4.1	.5	1.9	3.3	2.2	2.6
Flour and prepared flour mixes	159.9	158.5	159.4	161.5	-2.7	.5	1.8	4.1	-1.1	2.9
Breakfast cereal ¹	191.9	195.2	195.2	195.4	5.8	-2	4	7.5	2.8	3.9
Rice, pasta, cornmeal	151.6	151.1	151.5	152.4	3.8	-3.9	4.3	2.1	-.1	3.2
Bakery products	188.2	188.1	189.2	189.6	2.8	2.6	1.7	3.0	2.7	2.4
Bread ^{1 2}	103.6	103.0	104.0	102.9	5.3	.0	6.8	-2.7	2.6	2.0
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins ^{1 2}	105.6	105.2	104.8	104.8	4.8	6.0	5.1	-3.0	5.4	1.0
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies ¹	183.1	182.0	183.7	184.2	3.6	3.1	2.2	2.4	3.4	2.3
Other bakery products	184.9	184.6	186.3	188.6	1.1	7.1	-7.2	8.2	4.0	.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	146.5	146.1	146.6	146.8	1.9	-1.6	-.5	.8	.1	.1
Meats, poultry, and fish	147.1	146.9	147.6	147.9	2.2	-1.6	-.9	2.2	.3	.7
Meats	140.8	140.5	141.4	142.0	-.8	-2.2	.6	3.5	-1.5	2.0
Beef and veal	137.0	136.3	137.6	138.0	2.1	2.0	2.4	3.0	.0	2.7
Uncooked ground beef	117.6	116.3	117.7	117.7	2.8	-5.0	6.4	.3	-1.2	3.3
Uncooked beef roasts ^{1 2}	99.6	100.7	100.8	99.4	4.1	-3.5	.8	-.8	.2	.0
Uncooked beef steaks ^{1 2}	99.1	99.4	100.5	102.0	1.6	.8	-5.1	12.2	1.2	3.2
Uncooked other beef and veal ^{1 2}	98.5	100.6	99.7	99.8	-1.6	2.9	-3.2	5.4	.6	1.0
Pork	145.0	144.9	145.3	146.8	-6.0	-6.3	-1.1	5.1	-6.2	1.9
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products ^{1 2}	94.9	95.0	93.9	94.9	8.7	-1.6	-7.2	.0	3.4	-3.7
Ham	145.2	143.7	145.7	147.9	-8.6	-5.3	-4.0	7.6	-7.0	1.6
Pork chops	144.3	141.5	142.2	145.8	-5.7	-14.0	4.9	4.2	-10.0	4.5
Other pork including roasts and picnics ^{1 2}	91.6	92.4	92.9	93.9	-.8	-12.2	-9.4	10.4	-6.7	.0
Other meats ¹	147.4	147.5	148.2	148.0	1.4	5.3	-.5	1.6	3.3	.5
Poultry ¹	157.4	158.4	157.7	155.7	9.3	2.0	-6.6	-4.3	5.6	-5.4
Chicken ^{1 2}	101.4	102.3	102.4	99.9	8.6	5.2	-10.0	-5.8	6.9	-7.9
Other poultry including turkey ^{1 2}	102.3	101.7	99.1	102.3	12.6	-9.4	9.1	.0	1.0	4.4
Fish and seafood	184.1	182.8	185.1	186.6	9.8	-4.2	.9	5.5	2.6	3.2
Fresh fish and seafood ^{1 2}	104.9	104.2	104.9	105.4	8.1	-2.7	7.2	1.9	2.6	4.5
Processed fish and seafood ^{1 2}	102.3	101.9	103.7	103.9	6.0	-.8	-4.2	6.4	2.6	1.0
Eggs	134.9	130.5	128.3	128.1	-.6	-4.6	3.3	-18.7	-2.6	-8.3
Dairy and related products ¹	162.2	161.5	155.7	155.8	6.4	15.2	18.4	-14.9	10.7	.4
Milk ^{1 2}	112.5	111.9	102.9	103.2	1.6	12.0	39.1	-29.2	6.7	-.8
Cheese and related products ¹	162.0	161.1	159.3	160.0	9.4	14.1	11.9	-4.8	11.7	3.2
Ice cream and related products ¹	163.9	160.5	162.8	160.5	12.5	24.3	-.5	-8.0	18.3	-4.3
Other dairy and related products ^{1 2}	105.6	107.3	107.0	107.0	8.3	14.0	1.5	5.4	11.1	3.5
Fruits and vegetables	202.1	197.7	199.9	204.9	-6.4	2.0	4.1	5.7	-2.3	4.9
Fresh fruits and vegetables	236.2	229.6	233.0	239.8	-9.4	4.0	3.6	6.2	-2.9	4.9
Fresh fruits	261.4	260.4	269.4	272.7	6.6	2.5	23.4	18.4	4.5	20.9
Apples	196.9	193.9	198.1	197.6	-2.5	-1.2	-9.2	1.4	-1.9	-4.0
Bananas	160.6	151.9	150.3	156.1	2.8	3.7	-7.8	-10.7	3.2	-9.3
Citrus fruits ^{1 2}	139.6	140.3	148.8	161.8	240.8	-55.9	35.9	80.5	22.5	56.6
Other fresh fruits ^{1 2}	95.6	95.8	107.0	107.9	-61.2	140.8	5.6	62.3	-3.3	30.9
Fresh vegetables	209.2	197.7	196.2	206.0	-22.8	5.5	-13.9	-6.0	-9.7	-10.0
Potatoes	191.4	191.4	188.1	192.1	-22.7	26.6	9.7	1.5	-1.1	5.5
Lettuce ¹	197.3	213.1	209.2	204.5	-80.4	40.1	-35.7	15.4	-47.6	-13.8
Tomatoes ¹	237.9	222.1	213.1	212.1	-28.7	126.3	-35.3	-36.8	27.0	-36.1
Other fresh vegetables	207.7	203.0	206.0	213.2	-7.4	-1.4	-23.7	11.0	-4.4	-7.9
Processed fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	103.8	103.6	103.5	104.8	4.8	-4.2	5.6	3.9	.2	4.7
Canned fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	103.9	104.4	103.8	105.2	5.6	-2.7	3.9	5.1	1.4	4.5
Frozen fruits and vegetables ^{1 2}	104.6	103.2	103.9	105.1	4.3	-6.4	8.5	1.9	-1.2	5.1
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried ^{1 2}	101.5	101.4	101.5	102.2	3.6	-6.1	5.7	2.8	-1.4	4.2

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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—	
	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Aug. 1998	Nov. 1998	Feb. 1999	May 1999	Nov. 1998	May 1999
Expenditure category										
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	132.5	132.8	132.4	132.9	-1.2	2.8	1.8	1.2	0.8	1.5
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks ^{1 2}	102.7	102.9	102.6	102.4	-.4	3.7	8.6	-1.2	1.6	3.6
Carbonated drinks	117.8	119.8	118.7	118.6	3.5	.3	.3	2.7	1.9	1.5
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ^{1 2}	106.5	102.9	106.5	104.1	4.9	5.6	15.2	-8.7	5.3	2.5
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ^{1 2}	101.8	101.2	101.9	102.1	-1.2	7.5	7.0	1.2	3.1	4.0
Beverage materials including coffee and tea ^{1 2}	97.1	97.1	96.8	97.2	-8.5	-2.8	.4	.4	-5.7	.4
Coffee ¹	154.4	154.5	154.2	155.1	-11.7	-13.9	-2.0	1.8	-12.8	-1.1
Other beverage materials including tea ^{1 2}	104.0	104.1	103.6	103.8	-4.6	10.7	2.3	-.8	2.8	.8
Other food at home	152.4	152.1	152.6	152.6	7.2	4.8	-1.8	.5	6.0	-.7
Sugar and sweets	150.9	150.7	151.4	152.4	3.5	1.6	.0	4.0	2.6	2.0
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	136.6	137.8	137.9	138.4	4.8	-2.0	1.8	5.4	1.3	3.6
Candy and chewing gum ^{1 2}	101.9	101.5	102.0	102.5	3.2	2.0	2.8	2.4	2.6	2.6
Other sweets ^{1 2}	104.0	103.6	105.1	106.0	-3.0	-3.4	5.2	7.9	-3.2	6.5
Fats and oils	150.1	148.5	148.5	147.0	25.0	18.0	-13.2	-8.0	21.5	-10.6
Butter and margarine ^{1 2}	115.4	113.0	111.6	109.4	70.4	45.4	-33.1	-19.2	57.1	-26.5
Salad dressing ^{1 2}	104.8	104.5	104.4	102.1	12.3	3.2	9.3	-9.9	7.6	-.8
Other fats and oils including peanut butter ^{1 2}	103.7	102.8	103.3	103.8	6.9	-.4	3.1	.4	3.2	1.8
Other foods	167.8	167.8	168.5	168.5	4.4	2.7	.5	1.7	3.6	1.1
Soups	193.2	194.5	198.0	198.5	6	-1.9	3.6	11.4	1.2	7.4
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods ¹	144.6	144.8	146.9	145.7	4.5	-3.0	-.6	3.1	.7	1.2
Snacks ¹	158.0	158.4	159.7	157.8	6.9	-2.3	2.3	-.5	2.2	.9
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces	175.3	175.2	174.9	175.9	3.5	4.9	-.7	1.4	4.2	.3
Baby food ^{1 2}	104.1	105.0	105.1	105.6	3.2	2.0	5.6	5.9	2.6	5.7
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	105.9	105.0	105.2	104.7	8.1	5.5	3.9	-4.5	6.8	-.4
Food away from home ¹	163.8	164.1	164.4	164.5	2.0	3.0	3.0	1.7	2.5	2.4
Full service meals and snacks ^{1 2}	103.5	103.8	103.9	104.0	2.8	2.4	4.0	1.9	2.6	2.9
Limited service meals and snacks ^{1 2}	102.4	102.6	103.0	103.1	1.6	2.8	1.6	2.8	2.2	2.2
Food at employee sites and schools ^{1 2}	102.6	102.8	102.7	102.8	1.6	6.5	1.2	.8	4.0	1.0
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors ^{1 2}	101.1	101.1	101.1	101.2	.0	.4	1.6	.4	.2	1.0
Other food away from home ^{1 2}	103.7	103.8	104.1	104.2	6.5	4.8	1.2	1.9	5.6	1.6
Alcoholic beverages	167.5	166.9	167.4	168.1	2.7	2.7	3.7	1.4	2.7	2.5
Alcoholic beverages at home	152.0	151.4	152.0	152.6	1.6	3.0	2.9	1.6	2.3	2.3
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home	151.0	150.0	150.5	151.5	2.5	3.5	3.0	1.3	3.0	2.1
Distilled spirits at home	154.1	154.1	154.3	154.1	.0	2.1	3.7	.0	1.1	1.8
Wine at home	146.5	146.4	146.7	147.0	1.4	1.4	2.5	1.4	1.4	1.9
Alcoholic beverages away from home	197.5	197.8	198.0	199.0	4.7	2.7	3.5	3.1	3.7	3.3
Housing	158.4	158.8	159.2	159.4	1.8	2.6	1.3	2.5	2.2	1.9
Shelter	179.7	180.2	180.7	181.2	2.8	4.1	1.8	3.4	3.4	2.6
Rent of primary residence ³	175.3	175.6	176.0	176.6	3.6	3.8	3.0	3.0	3.7	3.0
Lodging away from home ^{2 3}	101.4	103.0	104.9	104.7	-1.6	15.9	-12.4	13.7	6.8	-.2
Housing at school, excluding board ^{3 4}	242.1	242.7	243.7	244.6	3.8	6.2	4.1	4.2	5.0	4.1
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels	232.7	236.7	241.5	240.8	-2.2	17.2	-14.1	14.7	7.1	-.7
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	174.2	174.6	174.9	175.4	3.1	3.1	2.6	2.8	3.1	2.7
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	100.4	100.6	100.6	100.9	-1.2	3.7	.4	2.0	1.2	1.2
Fuels and utilities	126.7	127.2	127.3	127.0	-3.1	-1.6	-.9	1.0	-2.3	.0
Fuels	110.4	110.9	110.9	110.6	-4.2	-2.8	-1.4	.7	-3.5	-.4
Fuel oil and other fuels	84.1	85.0	87.1	87.8	-7.6	-12.3	-13.1	18.8	-10.0	1.6
Fuel oil	77.5	78.4	81.3	82.0	-12.7	-14.8	-14.5	25.3	-13.8	3.5
Other household fuels ⁵	123.3	122.8	123.4	123.8	2.2	-5.2	-7.1	1.6	-1.6	-2.8
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	118.3	118.8	118.7	118.2	-4.2	-2.0	-1.0	-.3	-3.1	-.7
Electricity ³	126.0	126.4	126.6	126.0	-3.7	-2.5	1.3	.0	-3.1	.6
Utility natural gas service ³	109.1	110.0	108.9	108.9	-4.9	-1.1	-7.0	-.7	-3.0	-3.9
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	103.1	103.4	103.7	103.7	2.0	2.8	2.4	2.3	2.4	2.4
Water and sewerage maintenance ³	217.3	218.0	218.5	218.6	1.7	2.4	2.2	2.4	2.1	2.3
Garbage and trash collection ^{1 6}	261.4	261.8	263.0	263.1	2.5	2.7	3.3	2.6	2.6	3.0
Household furnishings and operations	124.8	124.6	124.9	124.5	.6	.0	-1.3	-1.0	.3	-1.1
Window and floor coverings and other linens ^{1 2}	101.8	99.8	102.8	102.1	-2.3	.8	1.6	1.2	-.8	1.4
Floor coverings ^{1 2}	101.9	102.0	102.3	101.5	4.8	-1.2	-2.3	-1.6	1.8	-1.9
Window coverings ^{1 2}	102.8	100.6	102.7	101.3	-3.2	10.1	9.0	-5.7	3.3	1.4
Other linens ^{1 2}	101.2	98.4	103.2	102.9	-4.9	-3.9	.0	6.9	-4.4	3.4
Furniture and bedding ¹	131.7	132.6	133.3	131.4	3.1	-5.0	.9	-.9	-1.1	.0
Bedroom furniture ¹	139.4	139.8	140.9	140.5	-3.1	-3.6	.3	3.2	-3.4	1.7
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture ^{1 2}	101.1	102.3	102.8	100.6	7.4	-5.4	.4	-2.0	.8	-.8
Other furniture ^{1 2}	104.3	104.3	104.3	102.9	.8	-6.0	3.1	-5.3	-2.7	-1.2

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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—	
	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Aug. 1998	Nov. 1998	Feb. 1999	May 1999	Nov. 1998	May 1999
Expenditure category										
Appliances ^{1 2}	99.0	98.0	97.4	97.4	-1.6	-1.2	-2.8	-6.3	-1.4	-4.6
Major appliances ^{1 2}	98.8	98.0	97.3	97.7	.8	.0	-2.0	-4.4	.4	-3.2
Other appliances ^{1 2}	99.2	97.9	97.4	96.9	-5.0	-3.1	-4.7	-9.0	-4.1	-6.9
Other household equipment and furnishings ^{1 2}	99.7	99.8	100.2	99.6	-4.2	-1.2	-4.7	-.4	-2.7	-2.6
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items ¹	114.9	115.1	115.8	114.5	-10.9	4.5	-9.5	-1.4	-3.5	-5.5
Indoor plants and flowers ⁷	111.7	111.1	109.9	110.8	9.7	-3.8	-4.5	-3.2	2.7	-3.9
Dishes and flatware ^{1 2}	101.6	99.3	101.9	102.2	-4.5	-8.7	4.5	2.4	-6.6	3.4
Nonelectric cookware and tableware ^{1 2}	97.2	98.5	97.5	96.2	3.7	3.3	-11.1	-4.1	3.5	-7.6
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies ^{1 2}	98.8	98.9	99.0	99.4	-3.2	-1.6	-1.2	2.5	-2.4	.6
Tools, hardware and supplies ^{1 2}	97.0	96.9	96.4	96.6	-2.4	-6.0	.4	1.6	-4.2	-.6
Outdoor equipment and supplies ^{1 2}	99.8	100.0	100.4	100.9	-5.4	1.6	-1.6	4.5	-2.0	1.4
Housekeeping supplies ¹	148.1	148.5	147.8	148.2	1.1	1.1	1.9	.3	1.1	1.1
Household cleaning products ^{1 2}	101.4	101.7	101.3	102.2	.4	2.8	.8	3.2	1.6	2.0
Household paper products ^{1 2}	104.0	104.3	103.6	103.2	2.3	-3.8	4.3	-3.0	-.8	.6
Miscellaneous household products ^{1 2}	103.5	103.8	103.4	103.2	.4	2.0	2.4	1.2	1.2	.6
Household operations ^{1 2}	103.8	104.1	104.3	104.5	3.6	3.6	2.7	2.7	3.6	2.7
Domestic services ^{1 2}	103.5	104.0	104.4	104.4	4.4	3.6	2.4	3.5	4.0	2.9
Gardening and lawn care services ^{1 2}	102.1	102.3	102.5	102.4	1.6	.0	1.6	1.2	.8	1.4
Moving, storage, freight expense ^{1 2}	104.3	104.6	104.5	105.0	7.2	.4	1.5	2.7	3.8	2.1
Repair of household items ^{1 2}	106.2	106.3	106.6	107.0	2.0	11.9	6.7	3.0	6.8	4.8
Apparel	129.4	128.9	130.7	130.6	2.1	.0	-7.6	3.8	1.1	-2.1
Men's and boys' apparel	131.1	130.5	132.4	132.1	.6	.0	-1.2	3.1	.3	.9
Men's apparel	135.5	134.4	136.8	137.0	-.6	-1.5	1.5	4.5	-1.0	3.0
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear	135.2	134.5	137.6	136.7	-.9	-8.0	4.6	4.5	-4.5	4.5
Men's furnishings	139.2	138.7	141.9	141.0	-3.9	-11.5	13.7	5.3	-7.8	9.4
Men's shirts and sweaters ^{1 2}	98.3	99.8	101.3	102.9	-7.7	24.6	-22.0	20.1	7.3	-3.2
Men's pants and shorts	132.9	132.2	133.4	133.3	-.3	.6	2.1	1.2	.2	1.7
Boys' apparel	117.0	117.8	117.7	117.3	6.6	6.9	-12.9	1.0	6.8	-6.2
Women's and girls' apparel	120.0	120.0	121.4	122.0	3.9	-3.5	-12.3	6.8	.2	-3.2
Women's apparel	119.2	119.5	121.1	121.9	5.0	-3.8	-13.5	9.4	.5	-2.7
Women's outerwear	112.8	117.8	118.1	117.1	-3.2	-4.6	-20.3	16.1	-3.9	-3.8
Women's dresses	95.6	103.8	105.0	106.3	-20.7	8.8	-42.5	52.9	-7.1	-6.3
Women's suits and separates ^{1 2}	97.6	101.1	103.2	103.0	-9.4	14.2	-21.8	24.0	1.8	-1.5
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories ^{1 2}	101.9	104.8	107.4	106.4	-17.5	4.4	-1.6	18.9	-7.2	8.2
Girls' apparel	123.3	122.5	122.7	122.5	-.3	-2.2	-7.7	-2.6	-1.3	-5.2
Footwear	126.2	126.8	128.3	126.7	6.4	-.6	-9.8	1.6	2.8	-4.3
Men's footwear	129.8	129.7	129.6	127.9	3.1	-.9	-7.1	-5.7	1.1	-6.4
Boys' and girls' footwear	131.9	129.2	128.4	127.3	11.0	-2.1	.6	-13.2	4.2	-6.6
Women's footwear	118.9	121.7	125.4	124.1	7.4	1.6	-19.2	18.7	4.4	-2.1
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹	127.2	126.5	129.3	128.9	-7.3	27.0	-15.6	5.5	8.5	-5.6
Jewelry and watches ⁵	142.3	135.8	139.5	140.2	-5.0	2.0	6.4	-5.8	-1.6	.1
Watches ⁵	124.5	122.4	123.4	122.7	-7.2	-.7	6.7	-5.7	-4.0	.3
Jewelry ⁵	148.2	139.4	144.1	145.2	-5.4	4.0	8.5	-7.9	-.8	.0
Transportation	138.7	139.6	143.2	142.6	-.6	-.9	-3.9	11.7	-.7	3.6
Private transportation	136.0	136.8	140.4	139.9	-.9	-.3	-4.8	12.0	-.6	3.2
New and used motor vehicles ²	99.7	99.5	99.7	99.9	2.4	2.0	-6.2	.8	2.2	-2.7
New vehicles	144.1	143.8	143.9	143.7	2.5	-1.4	-1.4	-1.1	.6	-1.2
Used cars and trucks ¹	149.6	148.7	149.6	150.9	2.9	7.6	-13.7	3.5	5.2	-5.5
Car and truck rental ^{1 2}	99.8	103.9	104.2	104.6	18.6	-9.2	-11.2	20.7	3.8	3.5
Motor fuel	86.0	89.4	102.4	99.7	-11.8	-8.1	-11.6	80.6	-10.0	26.3
Gasoline (all types)	85.6	88.9	102.0	99.1	-11.9	-7.8	-11.3	79.6	-9.9	26.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁸	82.7	86.3	100.0	96.9	-13.4	-8.4	-12.5	88.5	-10.9	28.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{8 9}	90.4	93.4	105.4	102.9	-9.1	-6.2	-11.9	67.9	-7.7	21.6
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁸	88.9	91.7	103.2	101.0	-10.1	-6.7	-9.3	66.6	-8.4	22.9
Other motor fuels ^{1 2}	85.9	86.9	92.9	92.5	-12.2	-3.9	-16.3	34.5	-8.2	6.1
Motor vehicle parts and equipment	100.2	99.7	99.8	100.1	1.2	.0	-1.6	-.4	.6	-1.0
Tires	97.2	96.6	97.2	97.7	1.2	-1.2	-2.8	2.1	.0	-.4
Vehicle accessories other than tires ^{1 2}	100.0	99.6	98.9	99.1	1.6	2.0	-.4	-3.6	1.8	-2.0
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	171.6	172.0	172.3	172.9	3.4	4.8	2.4	3.1	4.1	2.7
Motor vehicle body work ¹	181.4	181.3	182.2	181.4	-2.2	4.8	.4	.0	1.2	.2
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing ¹	158.3	158.5	158.5	159.1	2.3	3.9	2.8	2.0	3.1	2.4
Motor vehicle repair ^{1 2}	103.7	103.9	104.1	104.4	4.5	6.9	2.3	2.7	5.7	2.5

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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—	
	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Aug. 1998	Nov. 1998	Feb. 1999	May 1999	Nov. 1998	May 1999
Expenditure category										
Motor vehicle insurance	253.8	254.4	253.4	253.1	-1.9	-1.3	0.6	-1.1	-1.6	-0.2
Motor vehicle fees ^{1 2}	103.2	103.2	103.3	103.2	-.8	2.8	.8	.0	1.0	.4
State and local registration and license ^{1 2 3}	102.0	101.9	101.9	101.9	-1.6	2.4	.8	-.4	.4	.2
Parking and other fees ^{1 2}	106.9	107.1	107.5	107.2	1.9	3.8	.4	1.1	2.9	.8
Public transportation ¹	189.1	194.1	196.4	193.9	3.2	-9.6	11.1	10.5	-3.4	10.8
Airline fare ¹	210.2	220.3	224.7	219.5	4.8	-12.4	23.0	18.9	-4.2	20.9
Other intercity transportation	162.1	161.2	161.3	162.0	4.0	3.7	-9.7	-.2	3.8	-5.1
Intracity transportation ¹	171.5	171.6	171.6	171.8	.9	-8.4	.2	.7	-3.9	.5
Medical care	246.4	247.2	248.1	248.7	3.9	2.8	3.0	3.8	3.4	3.4
Medical care commodities	223.0	223.6	225.4	225.3	3.9	3.3	2.2	4.2	3.6	3.2
Prescription drugs and medical supplies	266.8	267.9	270.0	270.7	4.9	4.5	5.6	6.0	4.7	5.8
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ^{1 5}	145.8	145.7	146.9	146.0	1.7	.0	-1.9	.5	.8	-.7
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs ¹	172.3	172.0	174.1	173.2	2.6	-2.3	-2.5	2.1	.1	-.2
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies ¹	177.7	177.9	177.3	176.0	-.2	6.1	.2	-3.8	2.9	-2.0
Medical care services	251.5	252.3	253.0	253.8	4.0	2.6	3.2	3.7	3.3	3.5
Professional services ³	228.0	228.5	229.2	229.8	3.5	3.1	2.9	3.2	3.3	3.0
Physicians' services ³	234.6	235.2	236.1	235.9	4.8	3.3	1.7	2.2	4.1	2.0
Dental services ^{1 3}	243.1	244.0	245.0	245.8	4.0	4.1	6.5	4.5	4.0	5.5
Eyeglasses and eye care ^{1 3 5}	143.6	144.2	144.5	146.8	-2.2	-2.2	-1.1	9.2	-2.2	3.9
Services by other medical professionals ^{3 5}	162.0	161.9	161.4	161.8	.8	4.3	2.8	-.5	2.5	1.1
Hospital and related services ³	291.2	292.2	292.3	293.6	4.8	2.3	5.8	3.3	3.5	4.6
Hospital services ^{1 3 10}	108.0	108.2	108.0	108.2	5.5	1.9	7.8	.7	3.7	4.2
Inpatient hospital services ^{1 3 8 10}	106.7	106.7	106.7	106.8	5.1	1.5	7.5	.4	3.3	3.9
Outpatient hospital services ^{3 5 8}	241.0	242.7	242.5	244.7	4.7	4.0	5.7	6.3	4.3	6.0
Nursing homes and adult daycare ^{1 3 10}	112.0	112.3	112.5	112.7	12.6	.7	8.7	2.5	6.5	5.5
Recreation ²	101.0	100.9	101.1	101.3	.4	-.4	1.2	1.2	.0	1.2
Video and audio ^{1 2}	101.0	100.5	100.4	100.5	.0	-.4	-.4	-2.0	.2	-1.2
Televisions ¹	55.8	55.6	55.1	54.0	-5.3	-8.0	-7.5	-12.3	-6.7	-9.9
Cable television ^{3 6}	253.2	253.4	253.5	254.6	5.7	6.3	3.1	2.2	6.0	2.6
Other video equipment ^{1 2}	84.2	81.6	79.7	79.5	-9.1	-16.0	-14.6	-20.5	-12.6	-17.6
Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental ^{1 2}	93.8	92.6	92.9	92.9	-6.8	-.4	-7.3	-3.8	-3.7	-5.6
Audio equipment ¹	84.0	83.8	83.1	82.1	-7.3	-7.4	8.0	-8.7	-7.3	-.7
Audio discs, tapes and other media ^{1 2}	101.3	101.3	102.3	102.5	-3.9	4.1	4.5	4.8	.0	4.6
Pets, pet products and services ^{1 2}	102.2	102.6	103.1	103.3	1.2	.0	1.2	4.4	.6	2.8
Pets and pet products ¹	143.4	143.8	144.3	144.5	.8	-2.2	.3	3.1	-.7	1.7
Pet services including veterinary ^{1 2}	105.0	105.3	106.2	106.6	2.8	4.8	3.9	6.2	3.8	5.1
Sporting goods ¹	123.4	123.5	123.3	123.0	1.0	-.3	-1.0	-1.3	.3	-1.1
Sports vehicles including bicycles ¹	131.6	132.4	131.6	131.2	5.1	4.1	4.1	-1.2	4.6	1.4
Sports equipment ¹	112.2	111.7	111.9	111.8	-2.7	-4.1	-5.5	-1.4	-3.4	-3.5
Photography ^{1 2}	100.1	100.2	100.0	99.9	1.2	.4	-.8	-.8	.8	-.8
Photographic equipment and supplies ¹	132.3	131.6	130.6	130.1	-2.9	-1.2	-2.1	-6.5	-2.1	-4.3
Photographers and film processing ^{1 2}	101.2	101.6	101.9	101.9	3.7	1.6	.0	2.8	2.6	1.4
Other recreational goods ²	94.3	93.8	93.4	92.8	-4.4	-5.7	-2.1	-6.2	-5.1	-4.2
Toys	117.2	116.3	116.0	115.3	-4.2	-6.8	-2.0	-6.3	-5.5	-4.2
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies ^{1 2}	97.7	99.7	98.2	96.2	-9.3	2.9	-2.8	-6.0	-3.4	-4.4
Music instruments and accessories ^{1 2}	100.2	99.6	99.0	99.0	-4.2	-4.3	-.8	-4.7	-4.2	-2.8
Recreation services ²	104.6	104.9	105.9	106.7	2.4	.4	5.9	8.3	1.4	7.1
Club membership dues and fees for participant sports ^{1 2}	105.7	105.7	106.0	106.1	6.9	4.3	5.5	1.5	5.6	3.5
Admissions ¹	208.0	208.8	211.9	214.5	-.8	-2.1	6.2	13.1	-1.4	9.6
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁵	182.3	183.0	183.7	184.8	3.4	2.0	6.6	5.6	2.7	6.1
Recreational reading materials ¹	187.1	186.7	186.9	187.8	2.4	1.1	1.3	1.5	1.7	1.4
Newspapers and magazines ^{1 2}	103.6	103.7	103.8	103.8	1.6	2.8	2.4	.8	2.2	1.6
Recreational books ^{1 2}	102.5	101.5	101.6	103.2	5.2	-2.3	-.8	2.8	1.4	1.0
Education and communication ²	101.4	101.4	101.3	101.3	-1.6	2.4	1.2	-.4	.4	.4
Education ²	105.9	106.3	106.7	107.3	3.6	4.3	6.3	5.4	3.9	5.8
Educational books and supplies	262.1	263.0	263.4	265.1	.6	11.4	4.2	4.7	5.9	4.4
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	297.8	298.9	299.8	301.5	3.8	4.1	6.6	5.1	3.9	5.8
College tuition and fees	313.5	314.8	315.8	316.6	2.9	4.1	4.9	4.0	3.5	4.4
Elementary and high school tuition and fees	318.3	320.0	321.6	323.4	8.4	4.2	6.0	6.6	6.3	6.3
Child care and nursery school ⁷	146.3	146.9	147.5	148.2	7.3	2.2	5.4	5.3	4.7	5.3
Technical and business school tuition and fees ^{1 2}	107.5	107.8	108.0	108.8	8.6	7.6	9.0	4.9	8.1	7.0

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

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	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Aug. 1998	Nov. 1998	Feb. 1999	May 1999	Nov. 1998	May 1999
Expenditure category										
Communication ^{1 2}	97.7	97.4	97.0	96.5	-5.1	0.4	-3.2	-4.8	-2.4	-4.0
Postage and delivery services ^{1 2}	103.1	103.1	103.1	103.1	.0	.0	12.5	.0	.0	6.1
Postage ¹	165.6	165.6	165.6	165.6	.0	.0	12.5	.0	.0	6.1
Delivery services ^{1 2}	105.8	108.9	109.2	109.6	1.2	-1.5	7.9	15.2	-2	11.5
Information and information processing ^{1 2}	97.4	97.1	96.7	96.2	-5.5	.4	-4.0	-4.8	-2.6	-4.4
Telephone services ^{1 2}	100.5	100.4	100.0	99.8	-2.7	2.8	-2.7	-2.8	.0	-2.7
Telephone services, local charges ^{1 3}	166.5	167.1	164.5	167.7	.7	1.2	1.7	2.9	1.0	2.3
Telephone services, long distance charges ^{1 2}	99.5	99.0	99.8	97.6	-5.4	4.5	-6.2	-7.4	-6	-6.8
Cellular telephone services ^{1 2}	90.7	89.9	88.9	86.9	-8.8	-5.0	-9.1	-15.7	-6.9	-12.5
Information and information processing other than telephone services ^{1 11}	34.4	33.5	33.0	31.8	-30.5	-21.6	-22.0	-27.0	-26.2	-24.5
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ^{1 2}	59.3	56.9	55.9	55.1	-42.9	-29.2	-32.0	-25.5	-36.4	-28.8
Computer software and accessories ^{1 2}	89.0	89.6	88.4	87.5	-9.9	-17.7	-4.4	-6.6	-13.9	-5.5
Computer information processing services ^{1 2}	103.5	103.5	103.5	74.4	.8	-4	.0	-73.3	.2	-48.3
Other information processing equipment ^{1 2}	89.1	86.7	86.2	84.8	-7.7	-10.3	-8.9	-18.0	-9.0	-13.5
Other goods and services	258.7	256.1	259.7	258.6	3.6	4.1	36.8	.2	3.9	16.9
Tobacco and smoking products	349.3	337.0	350.1	344.2	9.2	7.9	141.8	-5.7	8.6	51.0
Cigarettes ^{1 2}	140.7	135.2	141.3	139.4	5.7	11.8	144.7	-3.6	8.7	53.5
Tobacco products other than cigarettes ^{1 2}	108.6	109.7	110.2	109.9	-2.7	6.7	13.6	4.9	1.9	9.1
Personal care ¹	159.6	160.3	160.4	160.8	1.3	2.3	3.8	3.0	1.8	3.4
Personal care products ¹	150.8	151.6	151.7	151.6	-2.4	.5	2.7	2.1	-.9	2.4
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products ^{1 2}	101.0	101.1	101.7	101.5	-2.4	-.8	3.2	2.0	-1.6	2.6
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements ¹	165.1	166.7	166.0	166.1	-2.9	2.0	2.2	2.4	-.5	2.3
Personal care services ¹	169.6	170.2	170.6	171.4	3.2	2.4	3.9	4.3	2.8	4.1
Haircuts and other personal care services ^{1 2}	103.4	103.7	104.0	104.5	3.2	2.4	4.0	4.3	2.8	4.1
Miscellaneous personal services	240.4	240.9	241.0	241.8	4.0	4.5	5.2	2.3	4.3	3.7
Legal services ^{1 5}	177.6	178.7	179.1	179.8	2.1	7.7	7.8	5.0	4.9	6.4
Funeral expenses ⁵	185.3	185.2	185.0	185.2	6.0	3.4	7.2	-.2	4.7	3.4
Laundry and dry cleaning services ^{1 2}	103.2	103.3	103.5	103.8	.4	4.0	3.2	2.3	2.2	2.8
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning ^{1 2}	102.9	102.7	103.1	103.1	2.8	-1.2	6.5	.8	.8	3.6
Financial services ^{1 5}	203.3	203.2	203.2	204.1	5.0	1.0	7.0	1.6	3.0	4.2
Miscellaneous personal goods ^{1 2}	98.8	99.7	99.3	100.0	-4.7	4.5	-7.3	4.9	-.2	-1.4
Special aggregate indexes										
Commodities	142.5	142.4	144.4	144.2	.6	.8	.8	4.9	.7	2.8
Commodities less food and beverages	130.3	130.3	133.2	132.6	-.3	-.6	.0	7.2	-.5	3.6
Nondurables less food and beverages	132.6	133.2	138.1	137.3	.0	-.6	2.1	14.9	-.3	8.4
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	139.1	140.1	147.0	145.3	-.9	-.9	8.5	19.1	-.9	13.6
Durables	125.8	125.4	125.4	125.5	.6	-.3	-4.6	-1.0	.2	-2.8
Services	183.5	184.1	184.5	184.8	1.8	2.7	2.0	2.9	2.2	2.4
Rent of shelter ⁴	173.1	173.5	174.1	174.4	2.9	4.0	1.9	3.0	3.5	2.5
Transportation services	186.5	187.7	187.9	187.5	.6	-.6	2.2	2.2	.0	2.2
Other services	217.8	218.2	218.5	219.1	1.9	3.2	2.8	2.4	2.5	2.6
All items less food	160.6	160.9	162.4	162.3	1.0	1.5	1.3	4.3	1.3	2.8
All items less shelter	156.0	156.1	157.6	157.5	.8	.8	1.3	3.9	.8	2.6
All items less medical care	157.2	157.4	158.6	158.6	1.3	1.8	1.3	3.6	1.5	2.4
Commodities less food	131.9	131.9	134.8	134.2	-.3	-.6	.0	7.2	-.5	3.5
Nondurables less food	134.6	135.2	140.0	139.2	-.6	.3	1.8	14.4	-.1	7.9
Nondurables less food and apparel	140.8	141.6	148.0	146.7	-.9	-.3	7.7	17.8	-.6	12.7
Nondurables	148.0	148.3	150.8	150.5	1.7	.8	2.5	6.9	1.2	4.7
Apparel less footwear	125.9	125.1	127.0	127.2	.9	.6	-7.3	4.2	.8	-1.7
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	172.3	172.8	173.0	173.3	1.7	.9	1.6	2.3	1.3	2.0
Services less medical care services	177.8	178.2	178.6	179.0	2.1	2.5	1.8	2.7	2.3	2.3

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—	
	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Aug. 1998	Nov. 1998	Feb. 1999	May 1999	Nov. 1998	May 1999
Special aggregate indexes										
Energy	97.7	99.7	106.1	104.6	-7.9	-5.1	-6.3	31.4	-6.5	11.0
All items less energy	170.1	170.0	170.6	170.8	2.2	2.4	2.1	1.7	2.3	1.9
All items less food and energy	172.1	172.1	172.8	172.9	2.1	2.4	1.9	1.9	2.3	1.9
Commodities less food and energy commodities	143.9	143.2	144.1	144.0	1.4	.8	1.4	.3	1.1	.8
Energy commodities	85.9	89.1	101.5	99.0	-11.5	-8.5	-11.6	76.4	-10.0	24.9
Services less energy services	191.0	191.6	192.1	192.4	2.6	3.0	2.1	3.0	2.8	2.5
Domestically produced farm food	164.8	164.5	164.3	165.0	2.7	1.7	3.0	.5	2.2	1.7
Utilities and public transportation	144.3	144.6	144.9	144.5	-1.4	.0	.3	.6	-.7	.4

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January 1999

⁴ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

⁸ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹⁰ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

¹¹ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

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 May 1999 from—			Percent change to Apr. 1999 from—		
		Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	Apr. 1998	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999
U.S. city average	M	164.5	165.0	166.2	166.2	2.1	0.7	0.0	2.3	1.0	0.7
Region and area size²											
Northeast urban	M	171.6	171.9	172.8	172.8	2.0	.5	.0	1.9	.7	.5
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	172.4	172.8	173.6	173.6	2.0	.5	.0	2.0	.7	.5
Size B/C 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	103.0	103.2	103.9	103.9	2.1	.7	.0	1.8	.9	.7
Midwest urban	M	160.5	161.0	162.2	162.2	1.8	.7	.0	2.0	1.1	.7
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	161.8	162.4	163.6	163.6	1.9	.7	.0	2.2	1.1	.7
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	102.6	103.0	103.7	103.7	1.4	.7	.0	1.8	1.1	.7
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	155.6	155.7	156.4	156.5	2.0	.5	.1	2.1	.5	.4
South urban	M	160.0	160.6	161.5	161.6	1.8	.6	.1	1.9	.9	.6
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	158.9	159.7	160.5	160.5	1.8	.5	.0	1.8	1.0	.5
Size B/C 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	103.0	103.3	103.9	104.1	1.9	.8	.2	1.9	.9	.6
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	160.9	161.5	162.6	162.1	1.8	.4	-.3	2.2	1.1	.7
West urban	M	166.9	167.3	169.0	168.7	2.7	.8	-.2	3.3	1.3	1.0
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	167.8	168.2	170.0	169.8	2.9	1.0	-.1	3.5	1.3	1.1
Size B/C 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	103.8	104.1	105.1	104.8	2.3	.7	-.3	2.8	1.3	1.0
Size classes											
A ⁴	M	149.0	149.5	150.5	150.5	2.2	.7	.0	2.4	1.0	.7
B/C ³	M	103.0	103.3	104.1	104.1	1.9	.8	.0	2.1	1.1	.8
D	M	160.7	161.1	162.1	161.9	2.0	.5	-.1	2.3	.9	.6
Selected local areas⁵											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	M	166.4	167.0	167.6	168.2	1.6	.7	.4	1.7	.7	.4
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ..	M	164.6	165.0	166.6	166.2	2.4	.7	-.2	3.0	1.2	1.0
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	M	175.1	175.5	176.0	176.1	1.8	.3	.1	1.7	.5	.3
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1	-	174.8	-	174.2	1.9	-.3	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH	1	-	161.2	-	161.5	1.4	.2	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1	-	156.4	-	157.2	2.7	.5	-	-	-	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ⁶	1	-	103.2	-	103.6	2.1	.4	-	-	-	-
Atlanta, GA	2	161.9	-	164.0	-	-	-	-	2.0	1.3	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	2	161.2	-	164.1	-	-	-	-	3.1	1.8	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	146.6	-	148.3	-	-	-	-	1.4	1.2	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	161.4	-	161.7	-	-	-	-	.9	.2	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	2	168.6	-	171.1	-	-	-	-	2.4	1.5	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2	169.4	-	172.2	-	-	-	-	4.6	1.7	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2	170.6	-	172.2	-	-	-	-	3.5	.9	-

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

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

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

³ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁵ In addition, the following metropolitan areas are published semiannually and appear in Tables 34 and 39 of the January and July issues of the CPI Detailed Report: Anchorage, AK; 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.

⁶ Indexes on a November 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

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.

Table 11. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Regions¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Northeast			Midwest			South			West		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999
Expenditure category												
All items	172.8	2.0	0.0	162.2	1.8	0.0	161.6	1.8	0.1	168.7	2.7	-0.2
All items (December 1977=100)	272.2	-	-	263.9	-	-	262.2	-	-	272.7	-	-
Food and beverages	167.2	2.7	.4	160.6	2.0	-.1	161.9	2.0	.4	167.6	2.2	.1
Food	166.5	2.7	.4	160.0	2.0	-.1	161.9	2.0	.4	166.9	2.1	.1
Food at home	167.1	2.6	.5	159.2	1.7	-.2	159.7	1.6	.5	171.2	2.1	.1
Food away from home	167.8	2.8	.2	161.8	2.5	.1	167.2	2.6	.1	160.7	2.1	.0
Alcoholic beverages	174.3	2.5	.2	167.7	2.1	-.2	161.6	2.7	.4	174.4	2.5	.7
Housing	174.0	1.9	-.3	157.5	1.5	.1	152.9	1.7	-.1	168.8	3.1	.2
Shelter	206.7	2.8	.0	182.6	2.7	.1	168.9	2.3	-.2	187.1	3.9	.0
Rent of primary residence ²	189.6	3.3	.2	172.4	2.7	.1	163.2	2.7	.3	179.1	4.2	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{2 3}	214.9	2.6	.2	186.8	2.6	.1	170.2	2.3	.1	197.6	4.0	.3
Fuels and utilities	118.6	-2.2	-2.0	121.9	-2.4	1.1	131.7	-.1	1.1	139.2	0	2.6
Fuels	108.2	-2.9	-2.3	105.1	-3.4	1.4	112.1	-.7	1.3	126.6	-.8	3.4
Gas (piped) and electricity ²	124.0	-2.4	-2.7	110.6	-3.4	1.4	114.6	.6	1.4	129.5	8	3.6
Electricity ²	129.4	-2.3	-1.0	120.7	-3.5	.4	114.8	-.1	1.6	143.4	5	2.2
Utility natural gas service ²	116.0	-2.7	-6.0	100.9	-3.4	2.9	114.7	3.8	.0	112.9	4.3	7.5
Household furnishings and operations	128.4	.1	-.4	123.9	-1.4	-1.0	127.1	.6	.0	127.7	7	-.3
Apparel	130.6	-1.6	-.8	131.3	-1.4	1.1	146.8	.4	-.2	124.7	4	-1.0
Transportation	145.3	1.1	.6	142.9	1.2	.1	141.3	1.3	.2	148.3	2.8	-1.1
Private transportation	139.8	.9	.6	138.5	.8	.1	139.4	1.1	.4	143.6	2.6	-.8
New and used motor vehicles ⁴	99.5	.4	.1	99.9	.1	.0	100.1	-.3	-.1	99.2	-.9	.2
New vehicles	142.1	.4	-.2	140.3	.0	-.4	146.4	-.5	-.4	141.4	-1.2	-.1
New cars and trucks ^{4 5}	98.9	.5	-.2	99.3	.0	-.4	99.5	-.5	-.4	98.4	-1.2	-.1
New cars ⁵	139.9	.1	-.3	134.5	-.9	-.4	144.7	-.9	-.5	137.9	-1.1	-.1
Used cars and trucks	153.6	.1	.9	149.5	.0	.9	151.1	-.3	.8	145.8	-.8	1.0
Motor fuel	95.8	5.3	3.9	101.0	2.2	.9	95.8	5.4	2.2	115.4	16.3	-4.4
Gasoline (all types)	95.3	5.3	3.8	100.6	2.2	.9	95.4	5.5	2.3	114.4	16.4	-4.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁵	94.1	6.2	4.3	98.7	2.2	.8	92.4	6.0	2.3	111.4	16.9	-4.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{5 6}	98.0	3.7	3.5	111.9	1.7	1.1	101.6	5.1	2.2	111.6	15.9	-4.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁵	96.4	4.3	3.2	105.0	2.5	1.2	99.0	4.5	2.1	115.8	15.3	-4.1
Medical care	263.1	4.0	.3	244.0	4.1	.1	245.8	2.6	.1	247.0	3.0	.2
Medical care commodities	239.4	5.9	.2	227.4	4.6	.0	222.6	3.0	.2	233.1	1.0	-.3
Medical care services	267.8	3.5	.3	248.0	4.0	.1	251.5	2.4	.1	250.3	3.6	.3
Professional services ²	241.7	3.2	.5	229.3	4.7	.2	231.3	2.3	.0	212.1	2.7	.1
Recreation ⁴	103.8	2.2	-.1	102.5	1.7	.4	101.9	.6	.2	100.7	.4	-.1
Education and communication ⁴	99.8	.3	-.5	101.7	1.0	.7	100.0	.2	-.7	100.1	-.3	-.5
Other goods and services	261.6	6.8	.0	249.8	7.1	-.6	249.4	8.8	.2	262.1	9.4	-.2
Commodity and service group												
All items	172.8	2.0	.0	162.2	1.8	.0	161.6	1.8	.1	168.7	2.7	-.2
Commodities	144.9	1.6	.3	143.0	.9	-.3	144.4	1.5	.2	145.9	2.2	-.5
Commodities less food and beverages	130.4	.8	.1	133.1	.4	-.4	134.5	1.1	.1	132.9	2.4	-.9
Nondurables less food and beverages	133.8	2.1	.3	139.0	1.9	-.5	140.6	3.3	.4	139.3	5.5	-1.6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	141.8	4.1	.9	146.9	3.7	-.1	143.2	5.2	.8	152.1	8.0	-1.8
Durables	125.5	-1.1	-.2	124.9	-1.7	-.4	127.3	-1.5	-.2	125.1	-1.4	-.1
Services	200.8	2.3	-.1	182.5	2.4	.3	179.5	2.0	-.1	189.4	3.0	.1
Rent of shelter ³	215.9	3.0	.0	187.7	2.7	.1	173.6	2.3	-.2	198.7	4.0	.0
Transportation services	189.3	.5	.1	189.9	2.2	-.3	192.1	1.5	-.3	192.3	1.5	-.7
Other services	234.9	2.8	-.1	214.9	3.4	.8	218.6	2.6	.0	218.3	2.0	.0

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 11. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Regions¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Northeast			Midwest			South			West		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999
Special aggregate indexes												
All items less medical care	168.5	1.9	0.0	157.8	1.6	0.0	156.3	1.8	0.1	164.4	2.6	-0.2
All items less food	174.1	1.9	-.1	162.5	1.7	.0	161.5	1.8	.0	169.1	2.8	-.2
All items less shelter	161.8	1.6	.0	156.4	1.4	.0	159.6	1.6	.2	162.5	2.1	-.2
Commodities less food	132.3	.9	.1	134.4	.4	-.4	135.6	1.3	.2	134.8	2.4	-.9
Nondurables	150.8	2.4	.3	149.8	1.9	-.3	151.3	2.6	.4	153.9	3.6	-.7
Nondurables less food	136.2	2.0	.3	140.7	1.9	-.5	141.7	3.4	.4	142.0	5.3	-1.5
Nondurables less food and apparel	143.9	3.9	.8	148.1	3.6	-.2	143.9	5.0	.7	153.7	7.4	-1.6
Services less rent of shelter ³	201.4	1.6	-.3	187.2	2.2	.4	192.8	1.9	.2	198.5	1.8	.2
Services less medical care services	195.4	2.2	-.2	176.5	2.3	.2	171.7	2.0	-.1	184.2	3.0	.1
Energy	102.9	-.1	-.1	102.6	-1.0	1.1	102.3	1.9	1.7	119.0	7.4	-.8
All items less energy	182.1	2.1	.0	170.7	2.0	-.1	169.5	1.8	-.1	174.4	2.4	-.1
All items less food and energy	186.2	2.0	-.1	173.4	2.0	-.1	171.4	1.8	-.1	176.3	2.5	-.2
Commodities less food and energy												
commodities	145.1	.6	-.3	144.1	.1	-.6	146.4	.8	-.1	141.5	.7	-.4
Energy commodities	92.5	2.8	3.1	100.3	1.9	.8	96.4	5.0	2.1	116.2	16.0	-4.4
Services less energy services	208.2	2.6	.0	191.6	2.9	.2	186.6	2.2	-.2	193.8	3.1	-.1

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

² This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

³ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

⁵ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

⁶ 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 classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Size class A ²			Size class B/C ³			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1999	May 1998		Apr. 1999	May 1999		May 1998	Apr. 1999
Expenditure category									
All items ⁴	150.5	2.2	0.0	104.1	1.9	0.0	161.9	2.0	-0.1
All items (December 1977=100)	150.5	-	-	-	-	-	261.1	-	-
Food and beverages	148.7	2.4	.1	102.8	2.0	.3	159.2	1.9	.1
Food	148.3	2.4	.2	102.8	2.0	.3	158.8	1.9	.0
Food at home	152.1	2.3	.3	102.5	1.7	.4	156.5	1.8	.0
Food away from home	142.7	2.7	.1	103.3	2.4	.1	163.8	1.9	.0
Alcoholic beverages	153.0	2.7	.3	102.6	2.4	.1	164.8	1.5	.9
Housing	147.1	2.4	.0	102.7	1.6	.0	154.3	1.2	-.3
Shelter	157.9	3.3	.0	104.0	2.4	-.1	176.6	1.9	-.6
Rent of primary residence ⁵	148.4	3.8	.2	103.0	2.4	.2	165.1	2.5	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{5 6}	157.7	3.3	.2	103.0	2.3	.1	183.4	2.2	.2
Fuels and utilities	125.9	-1.9	.6	97.8	-.4	.5	130.5	.0	.6
Fuels	122.1	-2.9	.7	96.5	-.9	.6	108.3	-1.1	.8
Gas (piped) and electricity ⁵	121.6	-2.8	.7	96.9	-.7	.6	117.0	-1.2	.8
Electricity ⁵	124.5	-1.6	1.4	98.2	-.5	.5	122.7	2.0	-.1
Utility natural gas service ⁵	116.1	-5.0	-.3	93.0	-1.4	1.2	110.1	.8	3.0
Household furnishings and operations	119.8	.6	-.5	100.8	.6	.2	123.2	.6	.1
Apparel	123.0	-1.9	-1.0	103.1	.9	.4	135.7	.1	.1
Transportation	142.6	1.8	.0	100.5	1.2	-.1	141.1	1.8	-.4
Private transportation	141.2	1.6	.1	99.9	1.0	.1	137.0	1.6	-.3
New and used motor vehicles ³	99.5	-.3	.1	99.9	-.1	-.1	100.5	.0	-.3
New vehicles	125.0	-.6	-.2	99.7	.0	-.3	145.2	.3	-.7
New cars and trucks ^{3 7}	98.6	-.6	-.2	99.7	.0	-.3	100.5	.3	-.7
New cars ⁷	123.1	-.9	-.3	99.0	-.5	-.3	140.7	-.1	-.8
Used cars and trucks	142.5	.0	.8	100.6	-.6	.8	142.5	-.8	.8
Motor fuel	150.9	8.8	.5	97.9	4.7	.6	96.6	6.6	-.6
Gasoline (all types)	150.2	8.9	.5	97.9	4.7	.5	95.9	6.7	-.6
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁷	150.5	9.5	.5	98.2	5.3	.5	92.1	6.6	-.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{7 8}	104.1	7.9	.5	97.3	4.1	.9	104.1	5.5	.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁷	140.4	8.1	.7	97.6	4.1	.7	100.3	7.2	-.2
Medical care	197.7	3.4	.1	104.8	3.1	.3	244.4	4.0	.1
Medical care commodities	186.3	4.1	.0	104.5	2.9	.3	229.0	4.9	-.3
Medical care services	200.1	3.3	.1	104.9	3.3	.4	248.5	3.7	.3
Professional services ⁵	181.1	3.1	.1	105.0	3.2	.3	234.5	2.2	-.3
Recreation ³	102.3	1.3	-.1	101.6	.9	.3	104.7	1.9	.5
Education and communication ³	101.0	.6	.0	99.5	-.1	-.9	99.3	-1.0	-.1
Other goods and services	203.3	7.3	-.1	112.9	9.1	.0	257.3	9.5	-.7
Commodity and service group									
All items ⁴	150.5	2.2	.0	104.1	1.9	.0	161.9	2.0	-.1
Commodities	138.6	1.5	-.1	101.8	1.5	.0	142.2	1.9	-.1
Commodities less food and beverages	131.9	1.0	-.4	101.3	1.3	.0	132.9	1.8	-.3
Nondurables less food and beverages	143.2	2.7	-.5	103.7	3.6	.1	138.5	4.4	-.3
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	157.2	5.4	-.1	103.9	4.7	.2	143.4	6.4	-.5
Durables	117.2	-1.4	-.3	98.3	-1.6	-.2	126.4	-1.1	-.3
Services	160.0	2.7	.1	103.4	2.2	.0	183.4	2.0	-.1
Rent of shelter ⁶	158.4	3.4	.0	104.1	2.5	.0	182.8	2.0	-.5
Transportation services	156.2	1.4	-.2	102.7	1.2	-.5	189.7	2.2	-.3
Other services	180.9	2.9	.2	103.8	2.5	-.1	220.0	2.3	.3

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 12. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Population size classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Size class A ²			Size class B/C ³			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999
Special aggregate indexes									
All items less medical care	147.9	2.1	-0.1	102.5	1.7	0.0	156.1	1.8	-0.2
All items less food	150.9	2.2	-1	102.6	1.8	-1	162.4	1.9	-2
All items less shelter	147.3	1.7	-1	102.1	1.6	.0	158.3	1.9	.0
Commodities less food	133.0	1.0	-4	101.3	1.3	-1	133.9	1.8	-2
Nondurables	146.2	2.5	-1	103.2	2.7	.2	148.8	3.0	-1
Nondurables less food	144.2	2.7	-4	103.6	3.4	.0	139.8	4.3	-2
Nondurables less food and apparel	156.6	5.0	-1	103.8	4.5	.2	144.6	6.1	-4
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	161.4	1.8	.2	102.6	1.8	.0	193.9	2.0	.3
Services less medical care services	156.6	2.6	.1	103.2	2.0	-1	175.5	1.8	-2
Energy	133.7	2.0	.7	97.1	1.5	.6	101.7	1.9	.3
All items less energy	151.7	2.2	-1	103.1	1.9	-1	170.5	2.0	-2
All items less food and energy	152.4	2.1	-1	103.2	1.9	-1	173.3	1.9	-2
Commodities less food and energy commodities	131.1	.2	-5	101.9	.9	-1	145.1	1.3	-2
Energy commodities	148.5	7.8	.5	97.3	4.0	.6	96.0	6.4	-5
Services less energy services	162.7	3.0	.0	103.9	2.4	0	191.3	2.3	.2

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

² Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

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

⁵ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator

in January, 1999.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁷ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Northeast					
	Size class A			Size class B/C ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1999	May 1998		Apr. 1999	May 1999
Expenditure category						
All items ³	173.6	2.0	0.0	103.9	2.1	0.0
All items (December 1977=100)	268.3	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	167.2	3.0	.4	103.3	2.1	.5
Food	166.4	2.9	.4	103.4	2.2	.5
Food at home	167.5	3.0	.5	103.0	2.0	.6
Food away from home	167.2	3.0	.3	104.0	2.5	.1
Alcoholic beverages	175.9	3.0	.3	101.4	.9	.0
Housing	174.4	2.0	-.2	102.7	1.9	-.4
Shelter	205.5	2.8	.0	104.3	3.1	-.1
Rent of primary residence ⁴	191.5	3.5	.3	102.8	2.7	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{4 5}	211.3	2.8	.2	102.5	2.1	.1
Fuels and utilities	117.7	-2.2	-1.8	95.3	-2.3	-2.2
Fuels	110.9	-3.1	-2.3	93.8	-2.8	2.4
Gas (piped) and electricity ⁴	123.5	-2.6	-2.6	94.8	-2.1	-3.1
Electricity ⁴	127.1	-2.4	.5	95.7	2.0	-1.7
Utility natural gas service ⁴	118.6	-2.9	-6.0	92.9	1.6	6.0
Household furnishings and operations	129.3	.5	-.4	101.7	-.9	-.3
Apparel	125.7	-1.6	-1.3	103.3	-1.3	.7
Transportation	147.8	1.0	.8	99.1	1.4	.2
Private transportation	142.3	.9	.9	98.6	1.2	.4
Motor fuel	95.4	6.1	4.6	93.3	3.6	2.2
Gasoline (all types)	94.9	6.2	4.7	93.3	3.6	2.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁶	93.7	7.2	5.2	93.3	4.7	2.8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{6 7}	96.3	4.8	4.6	93.3	1.9	1.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁶	95.6	5.2	3.9	93.7	2.6	1.6
Medical care	268.4	3.9	.0	105.1	4.3	1.0
Recreation ²	104.0	2.0	-.1	103.3	2.5	-.1
Education and communication ²	100.2	.8	-.5	98.5	-1.1	-.7
Other goods and services	256.0	6.0	.1	112.8	9.2	.0
Commodity and service group						
All items ³	173.6	2.0	.0	103.9	2.1	.0
Commodities	145.8	1.7	.2	101.8	1.4	.4
Commodities less food and beverages	130.9	.7	-.1	100.9	1.0	.3
Nondurables less food and beverages	133.6	1.8	.1	102.3	2.4	.7
Durables	127.1	-1.2	-.2	99.0	-.9	-.2
Services	199.7	2.2	-.1	103.2	2.5	-.3
Special aggregate indexes						
All items less medical care	169.1	1.9	.0	102.4	1.9	-.1
All items less shelter	162.6	1.6	-.1	101.9	1.6	.1
Commodities less food	132.8	.8	-.1	100.9	1.0	.3
Nondurables	151.3	2.4	.3	102.8	2.2	.6
Nondurables less food	136.3	1.9	.1	102.2	2.3	.6
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	200.7	1.5	-.2	102.0	1.9	-.5
Services less medical care services	194.1	2.2	-.1	103.0	2.4	-.4
Energy	104.7	.0	.1	93.6	-.4	-.7
All items less energy	182.1	2.1	.0	103.4	2.3	.1
All items less food and energy	186.1	2.0	-.1	103.4	2.3	.0

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Midwest								
	Size class A			Size class B/C ²			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1999	May 1998		Apr. 1999	May 1999		May 1998	Apr. 1999
Expenditure category									
All items ³	163.6	1.9	0.0	103.7	1.4	0.0	156.5	2.0	0.1
All items (December 1977=100)	270.2	-	-	-	-	-	250.9	-	-
Food and beverages	163.8	2.3	.0	102.7	1.9	.0	152.6	.5	-1.0
Food	163.4	2.4	.1	102.6	1.8	-.1	151.6	.5	-1.0
Food at home	163.7	2.1	-.1	102.6	1.6	.0	147.3	-.5	-1.5
Food away from home	163.1	2.6	.2	102.6	2.1	-.2	160.2	2.2	-.1
Alcoholic beverages	167.9	1.7	.3	103.7	3.3	-.2	166.8	.2	-.8
Housing	158.2	1.7	-.1	102.7	1.2	.2	148.2	1.4	.7
Shelter	184.7	3.0	-.1	104.3	2.0	.3	166.8	3.0	.5
Rent of primary residence ⁴	177.1	3.1	.1	102.9	2.1	.1	155.5	2.5	-.1
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{4 5}	189.3	2.9	.1	102.8	1.9	.1	173.9	2.6	.3
Fuels and utilities	118.3	-4.0	.9	98.0	-.4	1.0	130.0	-.5	2.1
Fuels	103.9	-5.3	1.1	96.9	-1.1	1.3	100.7	1.6	2.8
Gas (piped) and electricity ⁴	107.1	-5.3	1.1	97.2	-1.0	1.3	108.8	-1.7	2.7
Electricity ⁴	117.2	-4.9	.2	101.3	-1.2	.8	104.5	-5.2	.2
Utility natural gas service ⁴	97.1	-5.9	2.4	91.2	-.8	2.2	116.7	2.5	6.2
Household furnishings and operations	119.2	-1.2	-.9	100.1	-1.2	-1.4	118.1	3.5	-.2
Apparel	128.6	-2.6	-1.5	100.7	-1.2	-.6	146.3	4.0	.6
Transportation	144.6	1.7	.2	101.3	.2	.0	135.5	1.7	-.4
Private transportation	141.0	1.2	.4	100.8	.0	-.1	128.9	1.5	-.5
Motor fuel	103.4	3.6	2.1	101.0	.0	-.2	94.0	4.6	-.9
Gasoline (all types)	102.8	3.6	2.1	101.0	-.1	-.2	93.1	4.6	-1.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁶	101.5	3.6	2.1	100.8	-.1	-.4	89.6	3.9	-.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{6 7}	111.7	3.1	2.2	101.1	-.2	.1	108.8	4.5	-1.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁶	105.2	3.6	2.1	101.8	.3	.4	99.3	8.1	-1.6
Medical care	243.8	5.2	.2	104.2	2.5	-.4	238.8	5.0	.9
Recreation ²	103.0	1.9	.2	101.6	1.3	1.1	103.2	1.8	-.4
Education and communication ²	103.1	1.2	1.5	100.5	1.2	-.5	97.8	-1.6	1.7
Other goods and services	254.0	6.5	-.6	112.3	7.4	-.8	243.2	9.8	-.4
Commodity and service group									
All items ³	163.6	1.9	.0	103.7	1.4	.0	156.5	2.0	.1
Commodities	144.5	.9	-.3	101.4	.7	-.4	141.3	1.5	-.8
Commodities less food and beverages	132.9	.1	-.4	100.7	.1	-.5	135.0	2.1	-.6
Nondurables less food and beverages	140.3	1.5	-.4	103.1	1.5	-.5	143.7	5.4	-.6
Durables	122.5	-1.4	-.2	97.6	-1.7	-.5	123.9	-2.1	-.6
Services	183.2	2.7	.2	103.7	1.9	.2	173.0	2.5	.8
Special aggregate indexes									
All items less medical care	159.6	1.8	.0	102.5	1.3	.0	150.7	1.8	-.1
All items less shelter	157.4	1.5	.1	102.1	1.2	-.1	153.9	1.8	-.1
Commodities less food	134.5	.1	-.4	100.8	.2	-.5	136.0	2.1	-.6
Nondurables	152.4	1.9	-.2	102.9	1.7	-.3	148.8	2.9	-.8
Nondurables less food	142.1	1.5	-.4	103.1	1.6	-.6	145.1	5.1	-.5
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	187.9	2.3	.5	103.3	1.8	.2	182.1	2.1	1.0
Services less medical care services	177.8	2.5	.2	103.7	1.9	.3	164.5	2.2	.7
Energy	103.3	-1.7	1.5	98.8	-.6	.6	96.5	.9	1.2
All items less energy	171.8	2.2	-.1	103.0	1.6	-.1	165.0	2.1	-.1
All items less food and energy	174.0	2.2	-.1	103.0	1.4	-.1	168.1	2.5	.2

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	South								
	Size class A			Size class B/C ²			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1999	May 1998		Apr. 1999	May 1999		May 1998	Apr. 1999
Expenditure category									
All items ³	160.5	1.8	0.0	104.1	1.9	0.2	162.1	1.8	-0.3
All items (December 1977=100)	259.2	-	-	-	-	-	263.2	-	-
Food and beverages	162.5	2.1	.3	102.4	1.9	.3	157.6	2.1	.6
Food	162.6	2.1	.2	102.5	1.9	.4	157.9	2.1	.6
Food at home	159.7	1.6	.5	101.8	1.4	.5	155.5	2.6	.8
Food away from home	168.5	2.9	.0	103.6	2.7	.2	164.2	.9	.0
Alcoholic beverages	161.1	3.1	.7	102.1	2.2	.2	151.9	3.5	0
Housing	152.2	2.2	.0	102.9	1.6	.2	154.0	1.0	-1.0
Shelter	168.0	2.6	-.3	104.4	2.3	.1	177.0	1.5	-1.6
Rent of primary residence ⁴	165.3	3.2	.2	103.3	2.2	.3	167.3	3.3	.5
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{4 5}	169.9	2.3	.1	103.6	2.4	.2	179.2	2.3	.0
Fuels and utilities	121.9	-.3	1.9	97.8	.1	.8	131.0	-.5	-.2
Fuels	107.9	-.8	2.4	96.2	-.5	.9	111.3	1.6	.1
Gas (piped) and electricity ⁴	111.5	-.8	2.5	96.3	-.4	1.0	116.0	1.6	.1
Electricity ⁴	110.9	.9	3.7	96.5	-.4	.6	119.7	-1.4	0
Utility natural gas service ⁴	104.9	-8.7	-3.6	95.0	-.6	2.6	110.3	2.8	1.0
Household furnishings and operations	131.9	2.1	-.5	100.6	-.6	.3	122.3	.7	.2
Apparel	151.5	-2.5	.0	103.8	1.6	-.4	132.2	-3.5	1.4
Transportation	140.2	1.1	.2	100.5	1.3	.3	140.5	1.7	-.2
Private transportation	139.1	.7	.4	99.9	1.2	.4	138.8	1.4	-.1
Motor fuel	98.2	5.6	2.5	96.5	5.5	2.3	86.9	4.1	.6
Gasoline (all types)	97.4	5.6	2.5	96.6	5.6	2.3	85.8	4.0	.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁶	95.0	6.1	2.7	96.7	6.3	2.5	81.2	4.0	.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{6 7}	99.4	5.2	2.5	96.5	5.0	2.3	102.4	4.5	.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁶	99.8	5.1	2.3	96.6	4.3	2.1	94.2	4.0	.7
Medical care	241.6	1.6	.0	104.7	2.8	.3	249.7	3.7	-.2
Recreation ²	101.7	.9	.2	101.2	.3	.0	107.4	1.7	1.0
Education and communication ²	101.1	.7	-.3	99.1	-.3	-1.1	100.5	.5	-.6
Other goods and services	235.6	7.5	-.3	113.4	9.5	.6	250.0	9.9	-.8
Commodity and service group									
All items ³	160.5	1.8	.0	104.1	1.9	.2	162.1	1.8	-.3
Commodities	144.1	1.3	.1	101.9	1.6	.3	141.3	1.7	.3
Commodities less food and beverages	133.6	.7	-.1	101.5	1.4	.2	132.5	1.5	.1
Nondurables less food and beverages	138.0	2.4	.3	104.1	4.1	.6	136.3	2.9	.4
Durables	128.8	-1.4	-.4	98.5	-1.7	-.2	127.9	-.2	-.3
Services	177.0	2.1	.0	103.4	2.1	.0	184.2	1.8	-.8
Special aggregate indexes									
All items less medical care	156.1	1.8	.1	102.6	1.8	.2	155.1	1.6	-.3
All items less shelter	158.2	1.5	.1	102.1	1.7	.2	158.4	1.9	.1
Commodities less food	134.8	.7	.0	101.5	1.4	.2	133.0	1.5	.1
Nondurables	150.2	2.3	.3	103.2	2.9	.4	146.7	2.5	.4
Nondurables less food	139.4	2.4	.4	104.0	4.0	.6	136.8	2.9	.3
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	191.3	1.8	.3	102.4	1.9	.0	194.7	1.9	-.1
Services less medical care services	170.6	2.3	.0	103.3	2.0	.0	174.5	1.6	-.8
Energy	101.9	1.8	2.4	96.3	2.0	1.5	97.9	.5	.1
All items less energy	168.5	1.8	-.1	103.2	1.8	.0	171.2	1.8	-.3
All items less food and energy	169.9	1.7	-.2	103.4	1.9	.0	174.4	1.8	-.5

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	West					
	Size class A			Size class B/C ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1999	May 1998		Apr. 1999	May 1999
Expenditure category						
All items ³	169.8	2.9	-0.1	104.8	2.3	-0.3
All items (December 1977=100)	276.8	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	168.4	2.1	-1	103.2	2.1	.3
Food	167.7	2.0	-1	103.2	2.1	.3
Food at home	172.5	2.0	-1	103.6	2.2	.4
Food away from home	161.2	2.1	-1	102.3	1.7	.2
Alcoholic beverages	174.8	2.5	.5	103.7	2.9	.4
Housing	172.7	3.6	.2	102.4	2.2	.0
Shelter	190.3	4.4	.2	102.7	2.7	-.5
Rent of primary residence ⁴	185.2	4.8	.3	102.3	2.8	-.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{4 5}	201.9	4.7	.3	102.3	2.6	.2
Fuels and utilities	141.0	-.6	2.8	101.3	.6	2.6
Fuels	129.2	-1.5	4.0	100.9	.2	3.3
Gas (piped) and electricity ⁴	131.3	-1.7	4.1	101.2	.4	3.4
Electricity ⁴	145.7	-.3	2.3	103.4	1.6	2.4
Utility natural gas service ⁴	118.1	-4.9	8.4	92.8	-4.7	7.2
Household furnishings and operations	129.7	.9	-.5	101.3	.2	-.1
Apparel	122.2	-1.1	-1.0	104.8	5.2	-1.2
Transportation	147.9	3.1	-1.0	101.0	1.8	-1.5
Private transportation	143.4	3.1	-.8	100.1	1.6	-.9
Motor fuel	116.5	17.7	-4.5	102.5	12.3	-4.8
Gasoline (all types)	115.4	17.9	-4.5	102.5	12.3	-4.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁶	112.4	18.4	-4.5	102.9	13.1	-5.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{6 7}	111.4	17.3	-5.0	101.7	11.4	-4.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁶	117.9	16.8	-4.1	102.2	10.7	-4.6
Medical care	242.1	2.8	.1	105.2	3.6	.5
Recreation ²	100.7	.4	-.3	100.5	-.1	.5
Education and communication ²	100.1	.1	-.3	100.5	-.4	-.6
Other goods and services	268.7	9.3	.1	112.0	9.9	-.8
Commodity and service group						
All items ³	169.8	2.9	-1	104.8	2.3	-.3
Commodities	146.2	2.2	-.6	102.4	2.6	-.4
Commodities less food and beverages	132.2	2.2	-1.0	101.8	2.8	-.9
Nondurables less food and beverages	137.8	5.0	-1.5	105.0	6.6	-1.6
Durables	124.7	-1.4	-.2	98.2	-1.4	.1
Services	190.4	3.4	.2	103.0	2.2	-.1
Special aggregate indexes						
All items less medical care	166.0	2.9	-1	102.5	2.2	-.4
All items less shelter	162.5	2.0	-.3	102.7	2.2	-.2
Commodities less food	134.4	2.2	-1.0	101.9	2.8	-.9
Nondurables	153.8	3.4	-.8	104.0	4.1	-.7
Nondurables less food	140.9	4.8	-1.4	104.9	6.4	-1.5
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	198.6	1.9	.3	103.0	1.5	.1
Services less medical care services	186.1	3.4	.2	102.7	1.9	-.2
Energy	119.5	8.3	-.8	101.6	5.3	-.6
All items less energy	175.2	2.6	-.1	102.8	2.1	-.2
All items less food and energy	177.1	2.7	-.1	102.7	2.1	-.4

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

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ The 'All items' index size B/C is on a December 1996=100 base.

⁴ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator

in January, 1999.

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.

- 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 May 1999 from—			Percent change to Apr. 1999 from—		
		Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	Apr. 1998	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999
U.S. city average	M	163.8	163.4	163.5	163.9	2.0	0.3	0.2	2.1	-0.2	0.1
Region and area size²											
Northeast urban	M	166.2	165.1	166.2	167.1	2.6	1.2	.5	2.5	.0	.7
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	166.2	164.7	166.7	167.5	3.0	1.7	.5	2.8	.3	1.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	103.1	102.8	102.4	103.0	2.0	.2	.6	2.0	-.7	-.4
Midwest urban	M	159.4	159.4	159.5	159.2	1.7	-.1	-.2	2.1	.1	.1
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	164.1	164.0	163.8	163.7	2.1	-.2	-.1	2.5	-.2	-.1
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	102.3	102.3	102.6	102.6	1.6	.3	.0	1.6	.3	.3
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	149.0	149.5	149.6	147.3	-.5	-1.5	-1.5	1.8	.4	.1
South urban	M	159.4	159.3	158.9	159.7	1.6	.3	.5	1.2	-.3	-.3
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	158.8	159.1	158.9	159.7	1.6	.4	.5	1.5	.1	-.1
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	101.9	101.6	101.3	101.8	1.4	.2	.5	.8	-.6	-.3
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	154.9	155.5	154.2	155.5	2.6	0	.8	1.9	.5	-.8
West urban	M	171.6	171.5	171.1	171.2	2.1	-.2	.1	2.8	-.3	-.2
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	173.3	173.1	172.6	172.5	2.0	-.3	.1	2.9	.4	-.3
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	103.6	103.3	103.2	103.6	2.2	.3	.4	2.1	-.4	-.1
Size classes											
A ⁴	M	151.8	151.4	151.7	152.1	2.3	.5	.3	2.4	-.1	.2
B/C ³	M	102.4	102.2	102.1	102.5	1.7	.3	.4	1.5	-.3	-.1
D	M	156.4	157.2	156.5	156.5	1.8	-.4	.0	2.4	.1	-.4
Selected local areas											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	M	178.0	177.5	176.9	177.0	2.1	-.3	.1	3.0	-.6	-.3
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ..	M	177.7	178.1	176.2	175.7	.9	-1.3	-.3	2.2	-.8	-1.1
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	M	168.4	167.0	168.5	169.6	2.7	1.6	.7	2.3	.1	.9
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1	164.4	163.4	165.8	166.2	3.0	1.7	.2	3.6	.9	1.5
Cleveland-Akron, OH	1	164.6	166.2	165.9	167.6	4.7	.8	1.0	5.3	.8	-.2
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1	152.6	153.3	150.8	152.8	2.9	-.3	1.3	2.7	-1.2	-1.6
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ³	1	100.4	100.5	100.8	101.6	.7	1.1	.8	.8	.4	.3
Atlanta, GA	2	165.2	165.2	165.0	163.9	1.1	-.8	-.7	1.5	-.1	-.1
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	2	154.1	156.2	157.3	156.1	2.4	-.1	-.8	2.9	2.1	.7
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	154.5	155.7	156.3	154.9	-.6	-.5	-.9	-.2	1.2	.4
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	168.3	168.4	168.0	169.2	2.4	.5	.7	1.8	-.2	-.2
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	2	165.7	163.2	167.6	167.3	3.8	2.5	-.2	4.0	1.1	2.7
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2	174.1	173.9	175.6	174.7	1.7	.5	-.5	2.8	.9	1.0
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2	170.4	172.4	168.7	168.3	1.7	-2.4	-.2	3.6	-1.0	-2.1

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

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

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

³ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

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—	
		May 1999	May 1998		Apr. 1999	May 1999		May 1998	Apr. 1999		May 1999	May 1998
Expenditure category												
All items	166.2	2.1	0.0	168.2	1.6	0.4	166.2	2.4	-0.2	176.1	1.8	0.1
All items (1967=100)	497.7	-	-	502.4	-	-	490.9	-	-	509.2	-	-
Food and beverages	164.2	2.2	.2	168.3	2.0	.1	169.4	1.2	-.2	170.6	3.0	.6
Food	163.7	2.1	.2	167.8	2.0	.1	167.5	1.1	-.2	169.7	2.9	.6
Food at home	163.9	2.0	.2	177.0	2.1	.1	175.7	.9	-.3	169.6	2.7	.7
Food away from home	164.6	2.5	.1	152.2	1.9	.1	155.7	1.4	-.1	174.1	3.4	.5
Alcoholic beverages	169.3	2.5	.3	173.8	1.2	-.3	188.6	3.5	.3	180.6	2.8	.3
Housing	163.0	2.1	.0	167.0	1.6	.2	163.4	2.4	.0	178.4	2.1	-.1
Shelter	186.5	2.9	-.1	201.8	3.8	.1	176.8	3.2	.1	210.8	2.7	.0
Rent of primary residence ¹	176.7	3.3	.2	196.7	4.1	.0	168.8	3.6	.2	195.9	3.3	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{1 2}	192.2	2.9	.2	207.1	3.7	.0	185.1	2.9	.2	218.1	2.6	.1
Fuels and utilities	126.5	-1.1	.6	112.1	-10.4	1.9	144.0	-1.7	2.0	112.8	-2.3	-.4
Fuels	111.0	-1.9	.7	99.3	-12.4	2.3	136.4	-2.7	2.8	109.7	-2.7	.6
Gas (piped) and electricity ¹	118.4	-1.7	.8	101.9	-12.5	2.2	136.7	-2.8	2.9	119.7	-2.4	-.7
Electricity ¹	124.4	-1.2	.8	107.7	-13.2	.1	154.2	.5	.0	118.9	-2.5	-1.0
Utility natural gas service ¹	109.4	-3.4	.5	96.0	-11.4	5.0	120.4	-9.5	9.9	121.3	-2.2	-.2
Household furnishings and operations	126.7	.1	-.4	110.0	-2.0	-1.5	122.4	.0	-1.4	131.6	1.1	-.1
Apparel	134.2	-.8	-.7	122.6	-3.2	-3.6	122.7	-2.8	-.8	124.6	-2.8	-2.0
Transportation	144.2	1.5	-.1	140.1	1.1	.4	148.4	3.9	-.7	151.7	.4	.9
Private transportation	140.2	1.3	.1	136.6	.6	.5	142.5	3.6	-.8	143.7	.3	.8
Motor fuel	101.4	7.1	.5	102.3	3.8	2.6	114.4	18.7	-4.9	93.6	6.0	4.0
Gasoline (all types)	100.8	7.0	.4	101.5	3.8	2.5	111.8	18.7	-4.9	93.3	6.0	4.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular ³	98.9	7.5	.4	99.1	4.0	2.7	109.5	18.9	-5.1	92.8	7.4	4.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{3 4}	104.7	6.2	.7	109.2	3.6	2.5	109.4	19.3	-5.0	94.9	4.4	3.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium ³	102.2	6.3	.6	103.4	3.6	2.4	112.7	17.9	-4.3	94.8	4.5	3.2
Medical care	249.5	3.4	.2	252.7	3.2	.4	244.5	4.1	-2	264.0	3.5	.0
Recreation ⁵	102.2	1.2	.2	102.6	2.9	1.5	103.1	1.6	-1.2	103.7	1.5	-.3
Education and communication ⁵	100.4	.3	-.3	106.9	1.0	5.2	98.9	-.8	-.3	100.2	.8	-.4
Other goods and services	255.8	8.1	-.1	257.4	4.3	-.3	272.5	10.0	.5	252.8	5.2	.0
Commodity and service group												
All items	166.2	2.1	.0	168.2	1.6	.4	166.2	2.4	-.2	176.1	1.8	.1
Commodities	144.5	1.5	-.1	144.8	.3	-.5	145.6	1.7	-.9	148.1	1.5	.1
Commodities less food and beverages	132.8	1.1	-.3	129.9	-.6	-.8	130.4	2.2	-1.3	131.1	.3	-.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	138.2	3.1	-.3	137.5	.3	-1.2	138.1	4.9	-1.8	133.2	1.1	-.3
Durables	125.8	-1.4	-.2	118.9	-1.7	-.4	120.0	-1.5	-.6	126.9	-1.3	-.3
Services	187.9	2.5	.1	190.8	2.4	.9	184.3	2.7	.2	200.8	2.0	.0
Special aggregate indexes												
All items less medical care	161.6	2.0	.0	164.0	1.5	.3	162.0	2.3	-.2	172.0	1.7	.1
All items less shelter	159.9	1.7	.0	157.4	.5	.4	162.7	1.9	-.4	163.1	1.4	.1
Commodities less food	134.3	1.2	-.2	132.0	-.6	-.8	133.5	2.2	-1.3	133.2	.5	-.2
Nondurables	151.4	2.6	.0	153.4	1.2	-.6	154.8	2.9	-1.0	153.3	2.1	.2
Nondurables less food	140.1	3.1	-.2	140.3	.4	-1.1	142.6	4.8	-1.7	136.2	1.3	-.2
Services less rent of shelter ²	194.7	1.9	.1	188.1	.9	1.8	201.5	2.2	.4	197.6	1.1	.1
Services less medical care services	181.8	2.4	.0	185.8	2.4	1.0	179.3	2.7	.2	195.7	1.9	.1
Energy	105.6	1.7	.6	99.2	-6.1	2.4	120.5	8.1	-1.6	103.6	.0	.9
All items less energy	174.1	2.1	-.1	177.0	2.1	.2	171.1	2.0	-2	184.3	1.9	.1
All items less food and energy	176.6	2.0	-.1	179.3	2.1	.2	172.3	2.3	-.1	188.0	1.7	-.1

¹ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item
stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

² Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

³ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁵ 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 ¹								
	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—	
	May 1999	May 1998	Mar. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Mar. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Mar. 1999
Expenditure category									
All items ³	166.2	2.1	0.7	174.2	1.9	-0.3	168.2	1.6	0.7
All items (1967=100)	497.7	-	-	506.3	-	-	502.4	-	-
Food and beverages ³	164.2	2.2	.3	170.2	3.3	.9	168.3	2.0	-.1
Food ³	163.7	2.1	.2	170.6	3.1	.9	167.8	2.0	-.1
Food at home	163.9	2.0	.3	166.2	3.0	1.7	177.0	2.1	-.3
Food away from home ⁴	164.6	2.5	.2	178.9	3.2	-.2	152.2	1.9	.2
Alcoholic beverages ⁴	169.3	2.5	.5	168.4	5.3	.4	173.8	1.2	-.3
Housing ³	163.0	2.1	.1	167.0	1.7	-1.8	167.0	1.6	1.0
Shelter	186.5	2.9	.1	198.5	3.0	-.8	201.8	3.8	1.1
Rent of primary residence ^{3 5}	176.7	3.3	.4	189.8	3.9	.4	196.7	4.1	.3
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{5 6}	192.2	2.9	.4	203.6	3.4	.3	207.1	3.7	.9
Fuels and utilities	126.5	-1.1	.5	110.7	-3.0	-8.8	112.1	10.4	2.1
Fuels	111.0	-1.9	.5	93.7	-4.0	-10.2	99.3	12.4	2.5
Gas (piped) and electricity ⁵	118.4	-1.7	.4	114.3	-3.1	12.7	101.9	-12.5	2.4
Electricity ⁵	124.4	-1.2	.7	128.0	-.3	.3	107.7	-13.2	2.7
Utility natural gas service ⁵	109.4	-3.4	-.5	92.9	-8.2	-30.3	96.0	-11.4	2.0
Household furnishings and operations	126.7	.1	.0	119.8	-2.0	-1.7	110.0	-2.0	-1.0
Apparel ³	134.2	-.8	1.1	145.6	-4.1	-.9	122.6	-3.2	-.2
Transportation ³	144.2	1.5	2.6	141.7	2.0	2.0	140.1	1.1	1.5
Private transportation	140.2	1.3	2.8	140.7	1.7	2.3	136.6	.6	1.8
Motor fuel	101.4	7.1	17.5	97.5	5.6	15.5	102.3	3.8	12.7
Gasoline (all types)	100.8	7.0	17.5	96.3	5.7	15.6	101.5	3.8	12.7
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁷	98.9	7.5	19.0	93.7	6.5	17.1	99.1	4.0	13.3
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{7 8}	104.7	6.2	15.8	98.6	3.8	13.5	109.2	3.6	11.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁷	102.2	6.3	15.1	99.4	5.0	13.3	103.4	3.6	12.4
Medical care ³	249.5	3.4	.5	326.7	4.2	-.2	252.7	3.2	.9
Recreation ⁹	102.2	1.2	.4	105.8	1.6	.2	102.6	2.9	.7
Education and communication ⁹	100.4	.3	-.4	100.2	-.1	-.8	106.9	1.0	-.4
Other goods and services ³	255.8	8.1	1.0	253.9	7.0	3.0	257.4	4.3	.4
Commodity and service group									
All items ³	166.2	2.1	.7	174.2	1.9	-.3	168.2	1.6	.7
Commodities	144.5	1.5	1.3	144.4	.8	1.0	144.8	.3	.6
Commodities less food and beverages	132.8	1.1	2.0	129.4	-.7	1.1	129.9	-.6	1.0
Nondurables less food and beverages	138.2	3.1	3.8	135.7	.5	2.2	137.5	.3	2.2
Durables	125.8	-1.4	-.2	124.7	-2.4	-.6	118.9	-1.7	-.4
Services	187.9	2.5	.2	202.4	2.6	-1.1	190.8	2.4	.8
Special aggregate indexes									
All items less medical care ³	161.6	2.0	.7	167.3	1.8	-.4	164.0	1.5	.7
All items less shelter	159.9	1.7	.9	166.7	1.3	-.1	157.4	.5	.5
Commodities less food	134.3	1.2	2.0	131.1	-.4	1.1	132.0	-.6	.9
Nondurables	151.4	2.6	2.0	152.3	1.9	1.5	153.4	1.2	1.0
Nondurables less food	140.1	3.1	3.5	137.4	.9	2.0	140.3	.4	2.1
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	194.7	1.9	.3	214.6	2.0	-1.5	188.1	.9	.5
Services less medical care services	181.8	2.4	.2	192.4	2.6	-1.2	185.8	2.4	.9
Energy ³	105.6	1.7	7.3	94.6	-.6	-2.1	99.2	-6.1	6.6
All items less energy	174.1	2.1	.2	185.5	2.1	-.3	177.0	2.1	.4
All items less food and energy ³	176.6	2.0	.2	189.1	1.9	-.5	179.3	2.1	.4

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 ¹								
	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—	
		May 1999	May 1998 Mar. 1999		May 1999	May 1998 Mar. 1999		May 1999	May 1998 Mar. 1999
Expenditure category									
All items ³	161.5	1.4	0.2	157.2	2.7	0.5	166.2	2.4	0.7
All items (1967=100)	517.4	-	-	493.2	-	-	490.9	-	-
Food and beverages ³	169.6	4.0	.8	165.6	3.9	.1	169.4	1.2	-.6
Food ³	171.6	4.1	1.0	163.1	3.5	.0	167.5	1.1	-.8
Food at home	167.6	4.7	.8	152.8	2.9	-.3	175.7	.9	-1.3
Food away from home ⁴	180.2	3.0	1.2	179.7	4.3	.3	155.7	1.4	.0
Alcoholic beverages ⁴	149.3	2.4	-1.6	195.5	9.4	2.4	188.6	3.5	2.6
Housing ³	158.7	1.3	-.3	145.4	2.5	.2	163.4	2.4	.3
Shelter	182.5	2.4	-.1	156.6	3.1	0	176.8	3.2	.3
Rent of primary residence ^{3 5}	172.3	1.2	.1	155.7	4.3	.8	168.8	3.6	.4
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{5 6}	182.4	2.6	.4	165.2	2.7	.2	185.1	2.9	.4
Fuels and utilities	123.1	-1.3	.2	122.2	-1.6	.4	144.0	-1.7	1.7
Fuels	117.3	-2.1	.3	111.1	-3.3	.1	136.4	-2.7	2.3
Gas (piped) and electricity ⁵	119.1	-2.2	.3	110.7	-3.3	.2	136.7	2.8	2.3
Electricity ⁵	133.6	.5	.0	112.2	.4	.5	154.2	.5	0
Utility natural gas service ⁵	105.5	-5.6	.4	94.1	-19.4	-2.1	120.4	-9.5	7.6
Household furnishings and operations	125.8	-2.5	-2.9	135.7	3.6	.9	122.4	.0	-.5
Apparel ³	123.0	-7.2	-2.8	144.9	.1	-2.7	122.7	-2.8	.4
Transportation ³	142.9	.8	1.6	140.2	1.7	1.7	148.4	3.9	3.6
Private transportation	143.2	.5	1.8	140.1	1.2	2.5	142.5	3.6	4.1
Motor fuel	108.1	1.3	11.9	97.9	6.6	16.1	114.4	18.7	20.4
Gasoline (all types)	107.3	1.4	12.0	97.4	6.7	16.2	111.8	18.7	20.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁷	105.6	1.3	12.9	94.3	7.4	18.0	109.5	18.9	21.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{7 8}	110.5	1.3	11.1	98.9	6.0	14.5	109.4	19.3	20.4
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁷	110.9	1.6	10.2	99.8	5.6	13.7	112.7	17.9	18.0
Medical care ³	223.2	4.1	-.2	231.0	1.2	-.2	244.5	4.1	1.1
Recreation ⁹	101.4	2.0	.2	101.6	2.0	.7	103.1	1.6	.1
Education and communication ⁹	98.9	-.4	-.3	103.0	4.0	.9	98.9	-.8	.4
Other goods and services ³	224.6	2.3	.3	237.3	8.4	3.1	272.5	10.0	.5
Commodity and service group									
All items ³	161.5	1.4	.2	157.2	2.7	.5	166.2	2.4	.7
Commodities	147.2	.6	.5	143.3	2.6	.9	145.6	1.7	1.1
Commodities less food and beverages	133.5	-1.4	.4	131.7	1.7	1.4	130.4	2.2	2.4
Nondurables less food and beverages	138.6	-1.4	1.5	133.7	3.6	2.7	138.1	4.9	4.3
Durables	121.9	-1.5	-1.0	130.9	-.3	.0	120.0	-1.5	-.1
Services	177.2	2.0	-.1	170.6	2.9	.2	184.3	2.7	.4
Special aggregate indexes									
All items less medical care ³	158.4	1.3	.2	153.1	2.8	.6	162.0	2.3	.7
All items less shelter	154.7	1.0	.3	158.2	2.7	.7	162.7	1.9	1.0
Commodities less food	134.1	-1.3	.3	133.8	2.1	1.4	133.5	2.2	2.5
Nondurables	154.5	1.4	1.2	149.1	3.8	1.3	154.8	2.9	1.6
Nondurables less food	138.8	-1.1	1.3	137.1	4.0	2.6	142.6	4.8	4.2
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	175.4	1.6	-.1	192.9	2.6	.4	201.5	2.2	.7
Services less medical care services	173.9	1.9	-.1	164.5	3.0	.2	179.3	2.7	.4
Energy ³	112.9	-.9	4.2	103.7	1.1	6.9	120.5	8.1	11.7
All items less energy	168.4	1.6	-.1	165.8	2.9	.1	171.1	2.0	.1
All items less food and energy ³	167.6	1.1	-.4	166.7	2.8	.2	172.3	2.3	.3

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 ¹					
	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—	
		May 1999	May 1998		Mar. 1999	May 1999
Expenditure category						
All items ³	176.1	1.8	0.3	103.6	2.1	0.4
All items (1967=100)	509.2	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages ³	170.6	3.0	1.2	103.4	1.6	.5
Food ³	169.7	2.9	1.3	103.5	1.8	.5
Food at home	169.6	2.7	1.6	101.6	.7	1.1
Food away from home ⁴	174.1	3.4	.9	104.1	3.2	-.3
Alcoholic beverages ⁴	180.6	2.8	.7	100.9	.3	1.4
Housing ³	178.4	2.1	.1	104.0	2.5	-.5
Shelter	210.8	2.7	.0	105.2	2.6	-.3
Rent of primary residence ^{3 5}	195.9	3.3	.3	105.3	2.7	.3
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{5 6}	218.1	2.6	.4	104.8	2.4	.3
Fuels and utilities	112.8	-2.3	-1.1	102.2	3.5	.8
Fuels	109.7	-2.7	-1.3	101.9	3.5	.9
Gas (piped) and electricity ⁵	119.7	-2.4	-1.6	102.8	4.0	1.1
Electricity ⁵	118.9	-2.5	-1.7	105.5	4.9	.7
Utility natural gas service ⁵	121.3	-2.2	-1.4	92.9	.7	2.2
Household furnishings and operations	131.6	1.1	1.2	101.4	.2	-3.0
Apparel ³	124.6	-2.8	-.8	100.4	-.5	1.9
Transportation ³	151.7	.4	1.3	99.7	1.6	1.9
Private transportation	143.7	.3	1.4	98.9	1.1	2.2
Motor fuel	93.6	6.0	16.3	92.7	3.0	13.6
Gasoline (all types)	93.3	6.0	16.3	92.7	3.1	13.7
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁷	92.8	7.4	17.9	91.5	2.9	15.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{7 8}	94.9	4.4	14.3	93.8	3.2	12.6
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁷	94.8	4.5	14.4	94.1	3.3	11.6
Medical care ³	264.0	3.5	.1	106.6	2.6	-.2
Recreation ⁹	103.7	1.5	.1	102.9	1.3	1.0
Education and communication ⁹	100.2	.8	-.1	101.8	.6	-.2
Other goods and services ³	252.8	5.2	-.3	113.5	7.2	1.5
Commodity and service group						
All items ³	176.1	1.8	.3	103.6	2.1	.4
Commodities	148.1	1.5	1.2	101.7	1.2	1.1
Commodities less food and beverages	131.1	.3	1.2	101.1	.8	1.5
Nondurables less food and beverages	133.2	1.1	1.5	103.4	2.3	3.5
Durables	126.9	-1.3	.5	98.0	-1.2	-1.1
Services	200.8	2.0	-.1	104.4	2.7	-.1
Special aggregate indexes						
All items less medical care ³	172.0	1.7	.4	103.4	2.1	.5
All items less shelter	163.1	1.4	.6	102.4	1.7	.7
Commodities less food	133.2	.5	1.1	101.1	.8	1.5
Nondurables	153.3	2.1	1.4	102.9	1.9	1.8
Nondurables less food	136.2	1.3	1.5	103.1	2.1	3.2
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	197.6	1.1	-.3	103.6	2.7	.1
Services less medical care services	195.7	1.9	-.2	104.5	2.8	.0
Energy ³	103.6	.0	3.9	95.2	3.3	6.0
All items less energy	184.3	1.9	.2	103.6	2.0	.1
All items less food and energy ³	188.0	1.7	-.1	104.3	2.0	.0

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 This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁷ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁹ 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 May 1999 from—			Percent change to Apr. 1999 from—		
		Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	Apr. 1998	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999
U.S. city average	M	161.1	161.4	162.7	162.8	2.1	0.9	0.1	2.3	1.0	0.8
Region and area size²											
Northeast urban	M	168.3	168.5	169.5	169.7	2.0	.7	.1	1.9	.7	.6
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	168.1	168.3	169.3	169.4	2.0	.7	.1	2.0	.7	.6
Size B/C 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	102.6	102.8	103.5	103.5	2.0	.7	.0	2.0	.9	.7
Midwest urban	M	156.5	156.9	158.2	158.3	1.7	.9	.1	2.1	1.1	.8
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	157.2	157.5	158.8	158.9	1.9	.9	.1	2.2	1.0	.8
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	102.2	102.6	103.5	103.4	1.3	.8	-.1	1.8	1.3	.9
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	153.4	153.4	154.4	154.4	2.0	.7	.0	2.3	.7	.7
South urban	M	158.0	158.4	159.4	159.7	1.9	.8	.2	1.9	.9	.6
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	156.4	156.9	157.9	158.1	1.8	.8	.1	1.8	1.0	.6
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	102.6	102.8	103.5	103.7	1.9	.9	.2	2.0	.9	.7
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	161.0	161.5	162.7	162.6	1.9	.7	-.1	2.3	1.1	.7
West urban	M	162.7	163.2	164.9	164.7	2.7	.9	-.1	3.3	1.4	1.0
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	161.9	162.3	164.2	164.0	2.9	1.0	-.1	3.6	1.4	1.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	103.6	104.0	105.0	104.7	2.4	.7	-.3	2.9	1.4	1.0
Size classes											
A ⁴	M	147.4	147.7	148.9	149.0	2.2	.9	.1	2.4	1.0	.8
B/C ³	M	102.6	102.9	103.7	103.8	1.9	.9	.1	2.1	1.1	.8
D	M	159.4	159.8	160.9	160.8	1.9	.6	-.1	2.3	.9	.7
Selected local areas⁵											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	M	160.6	161.1	161.7	162.3	1.5	.7	.4	1.7	.7	.4
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ..	M	158.1	158.3	160.1	159.7	2.2	.9	-.2	2.9	1.3	1.1
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	M	170.6	170.8	171.3	171.5	1.7	.4	.1	1.7	.4	.3
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1	-	172.3	-	172.6	2.2	.2	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH	1	-	152.9	-	153.7	1.7	.5	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1	-	155.8	-	157.0	2.7	.8	-	-	-	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ⁶	1	-	102.8	-	103.4	2.1	.6	-	-	-	-
Atlanta, GA	2	159.1	-	160.9	-	-	-	-	2.0	1.1	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	2	155.8	-	158.7	-	-	-	-	3.4	1.9	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	145.0	-	146.6	-	-	-	-	1.2	1.1	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	158.8	-	159.1	-	-	-	-	1.1	.2	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	2	167.8	-	170.6	-	-	-	-	2.5	1.7	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2	165.7	-	168.8	-	-	-	-	5.0	1.9	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2	166.0	-	167.8	-	-	-	-	3.6	1.1	-

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

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

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

³ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁵ In addition, the following metropolitan areas are published semiannually and appear in Tables 34 and 39 of the January and July issues of the CPI Detailed Report: Anchorage, AK; 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.

⁶ Indexes on a November 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

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.

Table 18. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Regions¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Northeast			Midwest			South			West		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999
Expenditure category												
All items	169.7	2.0	0.1	158.3	1.7	0.1	159.7	1.9	0.2	164.7	2.7	-0.1
All items (December 1977=100)	265.0	-	-	256.0	-	-	258.6	-	-	264.9	-	-
Food and beverages	166.2	2.5	.4	160.4	2.0	-.1	160.6	1.9	.4	166.9	2.1	.1
Food	165.7	2.5	.3	159.8	2.0	-.1	160.7	1.8	.3	166.2	2.0	.1
Food at home	165.9	2.5	.4	158.9	1.8	-.2	158.1	1.4	.5	169.7	2.0	.1
Food away from home	167.9	2.8	.2	161.8	2.4	-.1	166.7	2.5	.1	161.0	2.1	-.1
Alcoholic beverages	171.9	2.2	.2	168.0	2.4	-.2	159.1	3.0	.6	175.0	3.0	1.0
Housing	170.4	1.9	-.2	152.4	1.4	.1	151.6	1.7	.1	164.9	3.2	.2
Shelter	202.0	2.9	.1	174.1	2.7	.1	167.4	2.4	-.1	180.7	3.9	.0
Rent of primary residence ²	188.8	3.2	.2	172.7	2.7	.1	163.0	2.7	.2	179.3	4.1	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{2 3}	189.4	2.5	.2	174.0	2.6	.1	159.1	2.4	.1	176.3	4.0	.2
Fuels and utilities	118.7	-2.3	-2.0	122.2	2.6	1.1	132.2	-.2	1.1	138.9	0	2.5
Fuels	108.3	-3.0	-2.3	105.2	-3.5	1.3	111.8	-.8	1.4	127.1	-.7	3.3
Gas (piped) and electricity ²	123.8	-2.6	-2.6	110.6	-3.5	1.4	114.3	-.7	1.3	129.7	.8	3.3
Electricity ²	129.2	-2.5	-1.1	120.3	-3.7	.3	114.1	-.2	1.6	144.0	.5	2.1
Utility natural gas service ²	116.0	-2.7	-5.5	100.7	-3.5	2.9	115.1	-3.9	.1	112.6	-4.3	7.3
Household furnishings and operations	125.4	-.2	-.1	122.2	1.7	-1.1	125.0	.2	.0	127.4	.4	-.3
Apparel	128.0	-1.5	-.4	130.1	-1.0	-1.0	145.6	-.3	-.1	125.7	.8	.9
Transportation	144.7	.9	.8	141.9	.9	.2	140.7	1.3	.4	145.8	2.6	-.9
Private transportation	140.6	.9	.8	139.1	.7	.2	139.3	1.1	.4	142.8	2.5	-.8
New and used motor vehicles ⁴	99.6	.2	.2	100.0	.1	.1	100.3	-.4	.0	99.0	-.9	.2
New vehicles	143.3	.4	-.2	143.1	.0	-.3	146.0	-.5	-.4	143.4	-1.2	-.2
Used cars and trucks	153.6	-.1	.9	151.5	.0	.9	152.5	-.3	.9	146.2	-.7	1.0
Motor fuel	95.7	5.2	3.9	101.1	2.0	.7	95.9	5.5	2.2	114.9	16.1	-4.4
Gasoline (all types)	95.2	5.2	3.8	100.7	2.0	.8	95.4	5.5	2.3	114.1	16.3	-4.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁵	93.9	6.1	4.2	98.7	2.0	.6	92.4	6.0	2.3	111.0	16.7	-4.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{5 6}	98.1	3.7	3.5	111.8	1.5	1.0	101.7	5.2	2.2	111.4	15.7	-4.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁵	96.0	4.2	3.1	104.8	2.3	1.1	99.0	4.7	2.1	115.5	15.0	-4.0
Medical care	260.6	3.9	.4	244.2	4.0	.0	246.2	2.6	.1	245.8	3.2	.2
Medical care commodities	234.9	5.7	.1	224.8	4.3	.0	221.0	2.7	.2	227.0	.8	-.4
Medical care services	265.8	3.5	.5	248.6	3.9	.1	252.1	2.5	.1	250.2	3.7	.3
Professional services ²	242.7	3.1	.6	230.1	4.6	.2	232.1	2.3	.0	214.8	2.7	.1
Recreation ⁴	103.2	1.7	-.1	102.0	1.3	.4	101.4	.1	.2	99.7	-.3	-.1
Education and communication ⁴	99.8	.4	-.5	102.1	1.1	.9	100.3	.3	-.7	100.5	-.1	-.5
Other goods and services	269.1	9.3	-.1	252.6	8.9	-.8	252.3	11.3	.1	261.5	11.3	-.4
Commodity and service group												
All items	169.7	2.0	.1	158.3	1.7	.1	159.7	1.9	.2	164.7	2.7	-.1
Commodities	146.1	1.8	.3	142.3	1.1	-.3	144.4	1.7	.2	146.1	2.5	-.5
Commodities less food and beverages	132.3	1.3	.2	132.2	.7	-.4	135.3	1.7	.2	133.5	2.7	-.9
Nondurables less food and beverages	134.4	2.8	.4	139.3	2.5	-.4	140.9	4.1	.5	140.2	6.5	-1.7
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	143.6	5.2	.9	147.6	4.2	-.2	143.7	6.2	.7	153.0	9.4	-2.0
Durables	126.3	-1.1	-.1	122.8	-1.3	-.2	127.4	-1.3	-.2	126.2	-1.3	.0
Services	197.5	2.1	-.1	178.0	2.3	.3	178.4	2.1	.1	184.8	2.9	.2
Rent of shelter ³	188.8	2.9	.1	173.0	2.7	.1	159.4	2.4	.0	174.3	4.0	.1
Transportation services	187.0	-.1	.1	185.1	1.7	-.2	191.8	1.4	-.3	187.7	1.3	-.5
Other services	237.0	2.6	-.2	207.3	3.3	.8	216.3	2.4	-.1	211.4	1.7	-.1

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 18. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Regions¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Northeast			Midwest			South			West		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999
Special aggregate indexes												
All items less medical care	166.0	1.8	0.1	154.5	1.6	0.1	154.9	1.8	0.2	161.0	2.7	-0.2
All items less food	170.5	1.9	.0	157.8	1.7	.0	159.3	1.9	.1	164.3	2.8	-.2
All items less shelter	160.0	1.6	.0	154.4	1.4	.0	157.8	1.7	.3	159.5	2.1	-.3
Commodities less food	134.0	1.4	.3	133.6	.8	-.3	136.0	1.6	.2	135.5	2.7	-.8
Nondurables	151.0	2.7	.4	150.1	2.3	-.3	150.8	2.9	.4	154.3	4.0	-.7
Nondurables less food	136.7	2.8	.4	141.1	2.5	-.4	141.7	4.0	.5	143.0	6.2	-1.4
Nondurables less food and apparel	145.5	5.0	.9	148.9	4.1	-.2	144.2	6.0	.8	154.3	8.8	-1.7
Services less rent of shelter ³	176.7	1.1	-.3	167.4	1.9	.5	173.5	1.7	.2	175.9	1.6	.3
Services less medical care services	192.6	2.0	-.1	172.2	2.1	.3	170.8	2.0	.1	179.8	2.9	.1
Energy	102.3	.1	.1	102.7	-.9	1.1	101.9	2.1	1.8	119.3	8.0	-1.1
All items less energy	179.1	2.2	.1	166.5	2.0	-.1	167.9	1.9	.0	170.1	2.3	-.1
All items less food and energy	183.0	2.1	.0	168.2	1.9	-.1	169.7	1.9	-.1	171.1	2.4	-.1
Commodities less food and energy												
commodities	146.4	1.0	-.2	142.6	.6	-.5	146.5	1.2	-.1	142.0	.9	-.4
Energy commodities	93.2	3.2	3.2	100.6	1.8	.7	96.5	5.2	2.2	115.9	15.9	-4.4
Services less energy services	205.4	2.4	.1	187.0	2.8	.2	186.3	2.3	-.1	189.1	3.1	-.1

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

² This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

³ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁴ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

⁵ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

⁶ 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 classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Size class A ²			Size class B/C ³			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1999	May 1998		Apr. 1999	May 1999		May 1998	Apr. 1999
Expenditure category									
All items ⁴	149.0	2.2	0.1	103.8	1.9	0.1	160.8	1.9	-0.1
All items (December 1977=100)	149.0	-	-	-	-	-	259.9	-	-
Food and beverages	148.3	2.3	.1	102.6	1.9	.2	158.0	1.7	.1
Food	147.9	2.3	.1	102.6	1.9	.3	157.5	1.7	.0
Food at home	151.1	2.1	.1	102.3	1.6	.4	154.8	1.6	.0
Food away from home	142.7	2.6	.1	103.3	2.5	.1	163.4	1.9	.1
Alcoholic beverages	152.5	3.0	.6	102.5	2.4	.1	164.5	1.4	1.1
Housing	145.3	2.4	.1	102.3	1.5	.0	155.6	1.4	.0
Shelter	156.3	3.4	.1	103.7	2.4	.0	179.5	2.2	-1.1
Rent of primary residence ⁵	148.3	3.8	.3	102.9	2.3	.1	165.4	2.5	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{5 6}	157.8	3.3	.2	103.0	2.3	.2	170.5	2.2	.1
Fuels and utilities	125.2	-2.2	.6	98.0	-.3	.6	131.9	.0	.6
Fuels	121.4	-3.1	.8	96.7	-.8	.7	108.1	-1.1	.8
Gas (piped) and electricity ⁵	120.9	-3.0	.8	97.0	-.7	.7	116.5	-1.2	.8
Electricity ⁵	123.8	-2.0	1.3	98.3	-.5	.5	122.0	-1.9	.0
Utility natural gas service ⁵	115.1	-5.3	.0	92.8	-1.4	1.3	110.3	1.2	3.5
Household furnishings and operations	118.0	.3	-.4	100.4	1.0	-.3	122.5	-.9	0
Apparel	120.9	-1.6	-.7	103.1	.9	-.5	136.3	-.1	.1
Transportation	142.8	1.6	.1	100.2	1.0	.0	140.6	1.4	-1.1
Private transportation	142.0	1.6	.2	99.9	.9	.2	138.1	1.3	-1.1
New and used motor vehicles ³	99.7	-.4	.2	100.0	-.1	.1	100.1	-.2	.0
New vehicles	125.9	-.7	-.2	99.6	.1	-.2	147.1	-.1	-.7
Used cars and trucks	143.6	.1	.9	100.6	-.6	.8	142.4	-.6	.8
Motor fuel	150.8	8.6	.6	98.1	4.4	.5	96.3	6.3	-.5
Gasoline (all types)	150.1	8.8	.6	98.1	4.4	.5	95.7	6.3	-.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁷	150.4	9.1	.6	98.4	4.8	.4	91.9	6.2	-.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{7 8}	104.4	7.9	.7	97.5	3.7	.8	103.8	5.2	.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁷	140.3	8.0	.8	97.8	3.8	.7	99.5	6.9	-.1
Medical care	197.1	3.4	.1	104.7	3.1	.3	242.3	3.9	.1
Medical care commodities	183.9	3.8	.0	104.2	2.6	.2	227.5	4.7	-.4
Medical care services	200.0	3.3	.1	104.9	3.2	.4	246.0	3.7	.3
Professional services ⁵	182.6	3.2	.2	105.1	3.2	.4	233.8	2.1	-.3
Recreation ³	101.5	.6	-.1	101.1	.5	.3	104.2	1.8	.4
Education and communication ³	101.3	.7	.1	99.8	.0	-.8	100.2	-.3	.1
Other goods and services	205.8	9.2	-.3	116.1	11.4	-.1	264.1	11.5	-.8
Commodity and service group									
All items ⁴	149.0	2.2	.1	103.8	1.9	.1	160.8	1.9	-.1
Commodities	139.3	1.8	-.1	102.0	1.7	.0	143.3	1.8	-.1
Commodities less food and beverages	133.2	1.4	-.2	101.7	1.6	-.1	134.8	1.9	-.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	144.7	3.6	-.3	104.4	4.1	.0	139.6	4.6	-.4
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	159.9	6.5	-.1	104.9	5.5	.1	144.3	7.0	-.5
Durables	119.2	-1.2	-.1	98.6	-1.3	-.1	127.2	-1.0	-.1
Services	158.0	2.5	.1	103.0	2.0	.0	183.9	2.1	.1
Rent of shelter ⁶	156.8	3.4	.1	103.7	2.4	.0	167.8	2.2	-.1
Transportation services	156.1	1.1	-.1	102.2	1.0	-.3	184.1	2.1	-.2
Other services	179.4	2.7	.2	103.7	2.4	-.1	218.1	2.3	.4

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 19. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Population size classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Size class A ²			Size class B/C ³			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1999	May 1998		Apr. 1999	May 1999		May 1998	Apr. 1999
Special aggregate indexes									
All items less medical care	146.8	2.2	0.1	102.4	1.8	0.0	156.0	1.8	-0.1
All items less food	149.2	2.2	.0	102.5	1.8	.0	161.4	2.0	.0
All items less shelter	146.2	1.7	.1	102.2	1.7	.1	156.4	1.8	.0
Commodities less food	134.3	1.5	-.2	101.7	1.6	-.1	135.8	1.9	-.1
Nondurables	146.7	2.9	-.1	103.5	3.0	.1	149.1	3.1	-.2
Nondurables less food	145.5	3.6	-.2	104.3	4.0	.0	140.9	4.5	-.4
Nondurables less food and apparel	158.9	6.1	-.1	104.8	5.4	.2	145.5	6.7	-.4
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	159.0	1.5	.2	102.4	1.7	.1	173.0	2.0	.3
Services less medical care services	154.9	2.5	.1	102.9	2.0	.0	176.8	1.9	.1
Energy	134.5	2.3	.7	97.4	1.6	.6	101.6	2.0	.3
All items less energy	150.2	2.2	.0	103.0	1.9	.0	169.4	1.9	-.1
All items less food and energy	150.7	2.2	.0	103.1	1.9	-.1	172.5	2.0	-.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities	132.2	.6	-.4	102.4	1.3	-.1	146.1	1.3	-.1
Energy commodities	148.9	7.8	5	97.7	3.8	.5	95.5	6.0	-.5
Services less energy services	161.0	2.9	1	103.6	2.3	.0	192.5	2.4	.1

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

² Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

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

⁵ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator

in January, 1999.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁷ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

⁸ 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 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes¹, 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 ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999
Expenditure category						
All items ³	169.4	2.0	0.1	103.5	2.0	0.0
All items (December 1977=100)	258.9	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	165.9	2.8	.3	103.2	2.1	.5
Food	165.3	2.7	.3	103.2	2.1	.4
Food at home	165.8	2.7	.4	102.9	2.0	.6
Food away from home	166.5	2.8	.3	104.0	2.5	.1
Alcoholic beverages	173.7	2.8	.2	101.8	.9	.3
Housing	168.5	2.0	-.1	102.1	1.6	-.4
Shelter	197.2	2.9	.2	103.6	2.8	.0
Rent of primary residence ⁴	191.4	3.4	.2	102.8	2.7	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{4 5}	186.5	2.8	.3	102.5	2.1	.1
Fuels and utilities	116.7	-2.4	-1.9	95.6	-2.0	-2.2
Fuels	110.5	-3.1	-2.1	94.1	-2.6	-2.5
Gas (piped) and electricity ⁴	123.4	-2.8	-2.5	94.9	-2.0	3.0
Electricity ⁴	126.9	-2.8	-.7	95.7	-2.0	1.7
Utility natural gas service ⁴	118.7	-2.9	-5.3	92.9	-1.6	-6.0
Household furnishings and operations	126.4	.3	.1	101.4	-1.3	-.5
Apparel	121.6	-1.6	-.9	103.6	-1.3	.8
Transportation	147.7	.6	1.0	98.8	1.3	.2
Private transportation	143.2	.7	1.1	98.5	1.2	.4
Motor fuel	95.4	6.1	4.7	93.3	3.6	2.2
Gasoline (all types)	94.9	6.2	4.7	93.3	3.6	2.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁶	93.7	7.1	5.3	93.3	4.7	2.8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{6 7}	96.4	4.8	4.6	93.3	1.9	1.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁶	95.4	5.1	3.9	93.7	2.6	1.6
Medical care	265.4	3.8	.0	105.2	4.2	1.2
Recreation ²	103.4	1.4	.1	103.0	2.3	-.1
Education and communication ²	100.5	1.1	-.4	97.8	-1.6	-.8
Other goods and services	264.4	8.1	-.1	116.7	12.0	.0
Commodity and service group						
All items ³	169.4	2.0	.1	103.5	2.0	.0
Commodities	145.8	2.0	.3	102.0	1.7	.4
Commodities less food and beverages	131.3	1.3	.2	101.3	1.4	.3
Nondurables less food and beverages	132.5	2.6	.4	103.5	3.3	.7
Durables	126.7	-1.2	.0	98.5	-1.0	-.3
Services	195.4	2.0	-.1	102.7	2.3	-.2
Special aggregate indexes						
All items less medical care	165.6	1.9	.1	102.2	1.9	.0
All items less shelter	160.5	1.6	.1	101.9	1.7	.0
Commodities less food	133.1	1.4	.3	101.3	1.4	.3
Nondurables	150.2	2.7	.3	103.3	2.6	.6
Nondurables less food	135.0	2.6	.4	103.4	3.2	.7
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	175.6	1.0	-.3	101.8	1.8	-.4
Services less medical care services	190.2	1.9	-.1	102.5	2.2	-.3
Energy	103.7	.3	.4	93.8	-.1	-.5
All items less energy	178.1	2.1	.1	103.2	2.2	.1
All items less food and energy	181.8	2.0	.0	103.1	2.1	.0

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Midwest								
	Size class A			Size class B/C ²			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999
Expenditure category									
All items ³	158.9	1.9	0.1	103.4	1.3	-0.1	154.4	2.0	0.0
All items (December 1977=100)	259.8	-	-	-	-	-	250.2	-	-
Food and beverages	163.7	2.4	.1	102.6	1.9	-2	151.7	.6	-9
Food	163.3	2.4	.1	102.5	1.7	-2	150.7	.6	-9
Food at home	163.7	2.2	.0	102.5	1.5	-1	146.1	-.2	-1.4
Food away from home	163.1	2.7	.2	102.6	2.1	-2	160.0	2.2	-1
Alcoholic beverages	168.0	1.9	-.1	103.7	3.4	-2	166.4	.5	-.7
Housing	151.4	1.6	.0	102.2	1.0	.1	148.0	1.3	.7
Shelter	173.3	3.0	.0	103.9	2.1	.3	167.5	3.0	.4
Rent of primary residence ⁴	177.2	3.1	.1	102.9	2.1	.1	155.5	2.5	-.1
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{4 5}	173.3	2.9	.1	102.8	1.9	.1	165.5	2.5	.3
Fuels and utilities	118.4	-4.3	.9	97.9	-.5	1.0	131.6	-.5	2.1
Fuels	103.4	-5.7	1.0	96.9	-1.0	1.3	101.1	-1.7	2.6
Gas (piped) and electricity ⁴	106.8	-5.7	1.1	97.2	-1.0	1.4	108.8	-1.7	2.6
Electricity ⁴	116.2	-5.1	.2	101.3	-1.2	.8	104.5	5.2	-.2
Utility natural gas service ⁴	97.0	-6.5	2.6	91.2	-.8	2.2	116.6	2.5	6.2
Household furnishings and operations	116.8	-1.4	-.8	99.6	-1.6	-1.7	118.7	-3.8	-.3
Apparel	128.1	-1.8	-1.2	100.8	-1.0	.5	142.5	3.9	-1.2
Transportation	142.8	1.5	.4	100.9	.0	.0	135.8	1.3	-.1
Private transportation	140.3	1.2	.5	100.6	-.2	-.1	131.8	1.3	-.2
Motor fuel	103.5	3.6	2.1	101.0	.0	-.2	94.0	4.6	-.9
Gasoline (all types)	102.9	3.5	2.1	101.0	-.1	-.2	93.1	4.6	-1.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁶	101.6	3.6	2.0	100.8	-.1	-.4	89.6	3.8	-.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{6 7}	111.7	3.0	2.1	101.1	-.2	.1	108.8	4.5	-1.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁶	104.9	3.6	2.0	101.8	.3	.4	99.3	8.1	-1.6
Medical care	245.3	5.1	.2	104.1	2.3	-.4	236.0	4.9	.9
Recreation ²	102.5	1.4	.1	100.9	.9	.9	103.2	1.7	-.5
Education and communication ²	103.4	1.2	1.8	100.6	1.2	-.5	100.2	-.2	1.9
Other goods and services	255.4	8.1	-.7	115.2	9.1	-1.2	248.2	12.0	-.5
Commodity and service group									
All items ³	158.9	1.9	.1	103.4	1.3	-.1	154.4	2.0	.0
Commodities	143.0	1.3	-.1	101.6	.9	-.4	141.9	1.8	-.6
Commodities less food and beverages	131.1	.6	-.2	101.1	.4	-.5	136.5	2.5	-.4
Nondurables less food and beverages	140.4	2.3	-.3	103.8	2.0	-.6	143.7	6.0	-.8
Durables	119.9	-1.3	-.1	98.0	-1.5	-.4	124.0	-1.4	-.2
Services	178.0	2.6	.3	103.4	1.8	.3	170.9	2.4	.8
Special aggregate indexes									
All items less medical care	155.2	1.8	.1	102.3	1.2	-.1	150.1	1.9	-.1
All items less shelter	155.4	1.6	.1	102.0	1.1	-.2	151.7	1.9	-.1
Commodities less food	132.6	.6	-.2	101.1	.4	-.5	137.5	2.5	-.5
Nondurables	152.5	2.4	-.1	103.2	1.9	-.4	148.4	3.3	-.8
Nondurables less food	142.3	2.3	-.3	103.8	2.1	-.6	145.3	5.7	-.8
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	169.2	2.1	.5	103.0	1.6	.2	159.8	2.0	1.1
Services less medical care services	172.4	2.4	.3	103.3	1.8	.3	164.0	2.1	.7
Energy	103.0	-1.4	1.6	99.0	-.6	.4	97.5	1.0	.9
All items less energy	167.0	2.3	.0	102.8	1.5	-.1	162.5	2.2	-.1
All items less food and energy	167.9	2.3	.0	102.8	1.4	-.2	165.5	2.5	.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 classes¹, 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 ²			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999
Expenditure category									
All items ³	158.1	1.8	0.1	103.7	1.9	0.2	162.6	1.9	-0.1
All items (December 1977=100)	256.1	-	-	-	-	-	263.2	-	-
Food and beverages	161.2	2.0	.3	102.3	1.9	.4	156.6	2.0	.5
Food	161.3	1.8	.2	102.3	1.8	.4	156.9	1.9	.5
Food at home	158.1	1.2	.3	101.6	1.4	.6	154.5	2.6	.8
Food away from home	167.8	2.8	.0	103.6	2.7	.1	164.0	.9	.0
Alcoholic beverages	160.1	3.8	1.3	102.0	2.3	.1	150.5	2.6	.0
Housing	149.6	2.3	.1	102.5	1.5	.3	157.4	1.4	-.4
Shelter	165.1	2.7	-.1	104.0	2.3	.1	185.1	2.1	-.6
Rent of primary residence ⁴	164.5	3.3	.2	103.3	2.2	.3	167.3	3.3	.5
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{4 5}	158.3	2.3	.1	103.6	2.4	.2	169.4	2.4	.0
Fuels and utilities	121.6	-.5	2.0	97.8	.1	.7	133.5	-.4	-.1
Fuels	107.9	-1.1	2.6	96.3	-.4	.9	111.3	1.6	.2
Gas (piped) and electricity ⁴	111.6	-1.0	2.6	96.3	-.4	.9	116.4	1.5	-.1
Electricity ⁴	110.8	.5	3.8	96.5	-.4	.6	119.8	1.4	.0
Utility natural gas service ⁴	105.1	-9.3	-4.1	95.0	-.6	2.6	110.4	2.8	-.9
Household furnishings and operations	129.5	2.3	-.5	100.3	-1.0	.3	119.5	.8	.3
Apparel	148.1	-2.2	.2	103.5	1.4	-.5	131.3	-3.1	1.3
Transportation	140.9	.9	.3	100.3	1.4	.5	140.8	1.6	-.1
Private transportation	139.8	.7	.4	99.9	1.3	.6	139.7	1.5	.0
Motor fuel	98.5	5.9	2.5	96.6	5.6	2.4	86.9	4.1	.6
Gasoline (all types)	97.7	6.0	2.5	96.6	5.6	2.3	85.8	4.0	.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁶	95.5	6.5	2.7	96.7	6.3	2.5	81.2	4.0	.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{6 7}	99.6	5.4	2.4	96.5	5.0	2.3	102.4	4.5	.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁶	99.9	5.4	2.4	96.6	4.3	2.1	94.2	4.0	.7
Medical care	241.7	1.4	.0	104.7	2.9	.3	247.8	3.6	-.2
Recreation ²	101.0	.3	.1	100.6	-.2	.0	107.2	1.2	1.0
Education and communication ²	101.3	.7	-.3	99.6	.0	-1.0	100.7	.7	-.6
Other goods and services	232.6	9.7	-.6	116.7	12.1	.6	261.8	12.1	-1.0
Commodity and service group									
All items ³	158.1	1.8	.1	103.7	1.9	.2	162.6	1.9	-.1
Commodities	144.0	1.5	.1	102.2	1.9	.4	141.7	1.8	.3
Commodities less food and beverages	134.1	1.1	.1	102.1	1.9	.3	133.2	1.7	.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	139.3	3.3	.4	104.6	4.6	.6	135.7	3.3	.4
Durables	127.9	-1.2	-.2	98.9	-1.5	.0	128.1	-.2	-.1
Services	174.9	2.2	.2	103.1	2.1	.1	189.8	2.0	-.3
Special aggregate indexes									
All items less medical care	153.9	1.9	.2	102.5	1.9	.2	156.5	1.8	.0
All items less shelter	156.3	1.5	.2	102.2	1.9	.3	157.4	1.8	.1
Commodities less food	135.1	1.2	.1	102.1	1.9	.3	133.6	1.7	.1
Nondurables	150.2	2.5	.3	103.4	3.2	.5	146.2	2.6	.5
Nondurables less food	140.4	3.4	.4	104.5	4.5	.6	136.1	3.2	-.4
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	169.5	1.5	.4	102.1	1.8	.0	179.0	1.9	-.1
Services less medical care services	168.3	2.2	.2	102.9	1.9	.1	181.0	1.9	-.3
Energy	102.4	2.2	2.6	96.4	2.3	1.6	96.9	.7	.1
All items less energy	166.1	1.8	-.1	103.2	2.0	.1	172.3	2.0	-.1
All items less food and energy	167.3	1.7	-.1	103.4	2.0	.0	176.3	2.0	-.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 classes¹, 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 ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		May 1999	May 1998		Apr. 1999	May 1999
Expenditure category						
All items ³	164.0	2.9	-0.1	104.7	2.4	-0.3
All items (December 1977=100)	265.4	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	167.9	2.0	-1	103.0	2.0	.3
Food	167.1	1.9	-2	103.0	2.0	.3
Food at home	171.1	1.8	-1	103.4	2.1	.4
Food away from home	161.2	2.1	-1	102.4	1.9	.2
Alcoholic beverages	175.9	3.2	.8	103.3	2.9	.4
Housing	165.3	3.7	.4	102.4	2.1	-1
Shelter	178.9	4.6	.2	102.8	2.8	-5
Rent of primary residence ⁴	185.9	4.8	.3	102.3	2.8	-1
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{4 5}	176.1	4.6	.3	102.3	2.6	.1
Fuels and utilities	140.1	-7	2.8	101.5	.7	2.7
Fuels	130.0	-1.6	3.9	101.2	.4	3.3
Gas (piped) and electricity ⁴	131.9	-1.7	3.9	101.3	.4	3.3
Electricity ⁴	146.5	-.3	2.2	103.5	1.7	2.5
Utility natural gas service ⁴	117.5	-4.8	8.5	92.8	-4.7	7.3
Household furnishings and operations	129.8	.7	-5	101.1	-2	-1
Apparel	123.2	-1.2	-6	105.8	6.0	-1.5
Transportation	145.7	3.3	-9	100.5	1.5	-1.1
Private transportation	142.6	3.2	-8	100.1	1.5	-8
Motor fuel	116.2	17.7	-4.3	102.4	12.0	-4.7
Gasoline (all types)	115.1	17.7	-4.3	102.4	12.0	-4.7
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁶	111.9	18.3	-4.4	102.8	12.8	-5.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{6 7}	111.4	17.3	-4.8	101.5	10.9	-4.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁶	117.8	16.9	-3.9	101.9	10.3	-4.6
Medical care	240.8	2.8	.1	105.2	3.8	.4
Recreation ²	99.4	-6	-4	100.3	-3	.4
Education and communication ²	100.3	.1	-4	101.2	.0	-7
Other goods and services	262.9	11.2	-1	114.7	12.3	-9
Commodity and service group						
All items ³	164.0	2.9	-1	104.7	2.4	-3
Commodities	145.5	2.3	-5	102.5	2.8	-6
Commodities less food and beverages	131.8	2.6	-9	102.2	3.2	-1.1
Nondurables less food and beverages	138.3	6.1	-1.6	105.7	7.4	-1.9
Durables	125.0	-1.4	-2	98.4	-1.3	.1
Services	183.2	3.3	.2	102.8	2.0	-1
Special aggregate indexes						
All items less medical care	160.8	2.9	-1	102.6	2.4	-3
All items less shelter	159.3	2.1	-3	102.7	2.3	-2
Commodities less food	134.0	2.6	-8	102.3	3.2	-9
Nondurables	153.9	3.8	-7	104.4	4.7	-8
Nondurables less food	141.4	5.9	-1.4	105.6	7.2	-1.8
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	174.3	1.6	.3	102.8	1.4	.4
Services less medical care services	179.1	3.3	.3	102.6	1.9	-2
Energy	120.0	9.3	-1.2	101.7	5.5	-8
All items less energy	169.2	2.5	.0	102.8	2.2	-2
All items less food and energy	169.8	2.7	-1	102.7	2.2	-4

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

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ The 'All items' index size B/C is on a December 1996=100 base.

⁴ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator

in January, 1999.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁶ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

⁷ 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 May 1999 from—			Percent change to Apr. 1999 from—		
		Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	Apr. 1998	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999
U.S. city average	M	162.6	162.3	162.2	162.6	1.9	0.2	0.2	1.9	-0.2	-0.1
Region and area size²											
Northeast urban	M	165.3	164.1	165.2	165.9	2.5	1.1	.4	2.4	-1	.7
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	164.9	163.4	165.2	165.8	2.7	1.5	.4	2.6	.2	1.1
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	103.0	102.8	102.3	102.9	2.0	.1	.6	1.9	-7	-5
Midwest urban	M	159.2	159.1	159.2	158.9	1.8	-1	-2	2.2	.0	.1
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	164.1	164.0	163.7	163.7	2.2	-2	.0	2.5	-2	-2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	102.3	102.3	102.6	102.5	1.5	.2	-1	1.7	.3	.3
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	147.5	148.1	148.1	146.1	-2	-1.4	-1.4	1.8	.4	.0
South urban	M	158.0	157.9	157.3	158.1	1.4	.1	.5	1.0	-4	-4
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	157.7	158.0	157.6	158.1	1.2	.1	.3	1.2	-1	-3
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	101.7	101.4	101.0	101.6	1.4	.2	.6	.7	-7	-4
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	154.1	154.7	153.2	154.5	2.6	-1	.8	2.0	-6	-1.0
West urban	M	170.4	170.2	169.6	169.7	2.0	-3	.1	2.7	-5	-4
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	172.2	172.0	171.3	171.1	1.8	-5	-1	2.8	-5	-4
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	103.4	103.2	103.0	103.4	2.1	.2	.4	2.2	-4	-2
Size classes											
A ⁴	M	151.2	150.8	150.9	151.1	2.1	.2	.1	2.4	-2	.1
B/C ³	M	102.3	102.1	101.9	102.3	1.6	.2	.4	1.4	-4	-2
D	M	154.9	155.6	154.8	154.8	1.6	-5	.0	2.2	-1	-5
Selected local areas											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	M	177.5	177.2	176.1	176.4	2.2	-5	.2	2.9	-8	-6
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ..	M	176.7	177.0	175.0	174.5	.7	-1.4	-3	2.2	-1.0	-1.1
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	M	167.2	165.8	167.2	167.9	2.4	1.3	.4	2.2	.0	.8
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1	162.2	160.8	163.5	163.8	3.1	1.9	.2	3.5	.8	1.7
Cleveland-Akron, OH	1	163.3	164.7	164.7	166.4	4.9	1.0	1.0	5.3	.9	.0
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1	151.7	152.7	149.9	151.8	2.4	-6	1.3	2.2	-1.2	-1.8
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ³	1	100.5	100.6	100.8	101.3	.3	.7	.5	.6	.3	.2
Atlanta, GA	2	160.8	160.8	160.6	159.4	.7	-9	-7	1.3	-1	-1
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	2	154.5	156.7	157.6	156.5	2.6	-1	-7	2.9	2.0	.6
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	154.8	155.9	156.5	155.0	-8	-6	-1.0	-2	1.1	.4
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	166.5	166.6	165.9	167.1	2.4	.3	.7	1.8	-4	-4
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	2	164.6	162.2	166.1	165.7	3.4	2.2	-2	3.7	.9	2.4
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2	172.7	172.4	174.2	173.1	1.6	.4	-6	2.8	.9	1.0
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2	168.7	171.0	166.9	166.0	1.4	-2.9	-5	3.2	-1.1	-2.4

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

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

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

³ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

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—		
		May 1999	May 1998		Apr. 1999	May 1999		May 1998	Apr. 1999		May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999
Expenditure category													
All items	162.8	2.1	0.1	162.3	1.5	0.4	159.7	2.2	-0.2	171.5	1.7	0.1	
All items (1967=100)	484.9	-	-	476.8	-	-	471.9	-	-	488.3	-	-	
Food and beverages	163.3	2.1	.2	168.4	2.0	.1	169.5	1.1	-1	169.0	2.7	.5	
Food	162.9	2.1	.2	167.9	2.1	.2	167.1	.9	-2	168.5	2.7	.5	
Food at home	162.6	1.9	.2	176.4	2.2	.2	174.5	.7	-3	167.9	2.4	.4	
Food away from home	164.5	2.4	.1	152.3	1.9	.1	155.9	1.4	-1	173.2	3.3	.5	
Alcoholic beverages	168.5	2.7	.4	175.3	1.0	-2	191.6	4.5	.7	175.9	2.7	.3	
Housing	159.2	2.0	.1	156.8	1.6	.2	156.8	2.3	.1	172.1	2.0	.1	
Shelter	180.9	3.0	.1	185.6	3.8	.2	166.5	3.2	.1	203.2	2.8	.1	
Rent of primary residence ¹	176.4	3.3	.2	196.7	4.1	.0	169.0	3.6	.2	195.5	3.3	.2	
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{1 2}	175.1	2.9	.2	185.3	3.6	.1	164.7	2.9	.1	193.9	2.6	.2	
Fuels and utilities	126.3	-1.3	.6	111.8	-10.6	1.9	142.9	-1.9	2.1	110.2	-2.7	.6	
Fuels	110.6	2.0	.8	98.8	-12.4	2.2	136.7	-2.8	2.9	108.7	-3.0	.7	
Gas (pipel) and electricity ¹	117.9	-1.9	.9	102.0	-12.4	2.2	137.1	-2.9	2.9	119.1	-2.9	.8	
Electricity ¹	123.9	-1.3	.9	107.7	-13.2	.1	154.3	.5	.0	118.3	-3.0	-1.2	
Utility natural gas service ¹	108.8	-3.5	.6	96.0	-11.4	5.0	120.3	-9.5	9.9	120.6	-2.5	.2	
Household furnishings and operations	124.8	-3	-3	106.5	-1.9	-1.6	123.8	-3	-1.3	127.3	.4	.0	
Apparel	133.0	-5	-5	119.9	-3.2	-3.4	121.6	-3.1	-6	118.3	-3.3	-1.7	
Transportation	143.1	1.4	.1	137.1	.9	.6	143.3	3.8	-7	151.3	-3	.9	
Private transportation	140.3	1.2	.1	134.1	.6	.7	139.4	3.6	-8	144.8	.0	1.0	
Motor fuel	101.3	6.6	.5	102.3	3.8	2.6	114.3	18.6	-4.9	93.6	6.0	4.2	
Gasoline (all types)	100.8	6.7	.5	101.5	3.8	2.5	111.7	18.7	-4.9	93.3	6.0	4.2	
Gasoline, unleaded regular ³	98.7	6.9	.4	99.1	4.0	2.7	109.4	18.8	-5.1	92.8	7.3	4.6	
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{3 4}	104.8	5.9	.7	109.2	3.6	2.5	109.4	19.2	-5.0	95.0	4.4	4.1	
Gasoline, unleaded premium ³	102.2	6.1	.7	103.4	3.6	2.4	112.7	17.9	-4.4	94.6	4.3	3.2	
Medical care	248.7	3.4	.2	257.6	3.2	.4	241.7	4.2	-1	263.9	3.4	.1	
Recreation ⁵	101.5	.6	.1	101.8	2.0	1.1	100.7	-3	-1.5	102.9	.6	-1	
Education and communication ⁵	100.7	.4	-2	107.9	1.4	5.7	98.7	-1.1	-3	100.8	1.2	-3	
Other goods and services	258.8	10.2	-3	261.7	5.5	-3	261.2	11.7	.3	262.3	7.4	.0	
Commodity and service group													
All items	162.8	2.1	.1	162.3	1.5	.4	159.7	2.2	-2	171.5	1.7	.1	
Commodities	144.6	1.8	-1	142.9	.6	-3	143.9	1.8	-8	147.0	1.5	.2	
Commodities less food and beverages	133.4	1.5	-1	127.5	-1	-5	128.6	2.4	-1.2	130.2	.5	.0	
Nondurables less food and beverages	138.8	3.9	-2	138.5	.8	-1.1	136.9	5.7	-1.8	130.9	1.5	.0	
Durables	125.6	-1.3	-2	115.7	-9	.0	121.0	-1.2	-4	125.7	-1.5	.0	
Services	184.4	2.3	.1	183.9	2.2	.9	176.2	2.6	.2	197.2	1.8	.1	
Special aggregate indexes													
All items less medical care	158.8	2.0	.0	157.8	1.4	.4	156.4	2.2	-3	167.9	1.6	.1	
All items less shelter	157.7	1.7	.0	155.4	.5	.5	158.1	1.8	-4	160.5	1.1	.1	
Commodities less food	134.8	1.6	-1	129.6	-1	-5	131.9	2.5	-1.1	132.1	.6	.0	
Nondurables	151.4	2.9	.0	154.1	1.4	-5	154.1	3.0	-9	151.3	2.2	.2	
Nondurables less food	140.6	3.8	-1	141.3	.9	-1.0	142.0	5.6	-1.7	133.5	1.5	-1	
Services less rent of shelter ²	173.0	1.6	.2	169.9	.2	1.9	174.7	1.7	.4	173.2	.5	-1	
Services less medical care services	178.6	2.2	.1	177.5	2.1	1.0	171.8	2.5	.2	192.3	1.7	.1	
Energy	105.2	1.9	.7	98.5	-5.9	2.3	120.4	9.4	-2.1	102.4	.0	1.0	
All items less energy	170.7	2.0	.0	171.1	2.1	.3	164.4	1.8	-1	180.0	1.9	.1	
All items less food and energy	172.8	2.1	-1	171.7	2.0	.3	164.0	2.0	-1	183.4	1.7	.0	

¹ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

² Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

³ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁵ 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 ¹								
	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—	
		May 1999	May 1998		Mar. 1999	May 1999		May 1998	Mar. 1999
Expenditure category									
All items ³	162.8	2.1	0.9	172.6	2.2	0.2	162.3	1.5	0.7
All items (1967=100)	484.9	-	-	499.0	-	-	476.8	-	-
Food and beverages ³	163.3	2.1	.2	168.2	3.2	1.0	168.4	2.0	-.2
Food ³	162.9	2.1	.2	168.8	3.1	1.1	167.9	2.1	-.2
Food at home	162.6	1.9	.2	163.8	3.1	1.9	176.4	2.2	-.5
Food away from home ⁴	164.5	2.4	.2	179.4	3.2	-.2	152.3	1.9	.3
Alcoholic beverages ⁴	168.5	2.7	.7	166.0	4.8	.3	175.3	1.0	-.4
Housing ³	159.2	2.0	.3	165.3	2.1	-1.2	156.8	1.6	1.0
Shelter	180.9	3.0	.2	197.0	3.2	-.3	185.6	3.8	1.1
Rent of primary residence ^{3 5}	176.4	3.3	.5	189.8	3.9	.4	196.7	4.1	.3
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{5 6}	175.1	2.9	.3	178.9	3.4	.3	185.3	3.6	.9
Fuels and utilities	126.3	-1.3	.4	112.1	-2.8	-9.2	111.8	10.6	2.1
Fuels	110.6	-2.0	.5	93.7	-3.7	-10.6	98.8	12.4	2.4
Gas (piped) and electricity ⁵	117.9	-1.9	.5	114.4	-3.1	-12.4	102.0	12.4	2.4
Electricity ⁵	123.9	-1.3	.7	128.0	-.3	.2	107.7	13.2	2.7
Utility natural gas service ⁵	108.8	-3.5	-.4	92.9	-8.2	-30.3	96.0	-11.4	2.0
Household furnishings and operations	124.8	-.3	-.1	115.9	-.5	.2	106.5	1.9	-.8
Apparel ³	133.0	-.5	1.4	148.0	-4.3	.5	119.9	-3.2	-.2
Transportation ³	143.1	1.4	2.9	143.8	2.0	2.6	137.1	.9	1.7
Private transportation	140.3	1.2	3.0	142.4	1.8	2.9	134.1	.6	2.0
Motor fuel	101.3	6.6	17.2	97.5	5.6	15.5	102.3	3.8	12.7
Gasoline (all types)	100.8	6.7	17.3	96.3	5.7	15.6	101.5	3.8	12.7
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁷	98.7	6.9	18.6	93.7	6.5	17.1	99.1	4.0	13.3
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{7 8}	104.8	5.9	15.7	98.6	3.8	13.5	109.2	3.6	11.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁷	102.2	6.1	15.0	99.4	5.0	13.3	103.4	3.6	12.4
Medical care ³	248.7	3.4	.5	317.7	4.5	-.1	257.6	3.2	.7
Recreation ⁹	101.5	.6	.2	105.5	1.9	.5	101.8	2.0	.3
Education and communication ⁹	100.7	.4	-.3	99.9	-.4	-.8	107.9	1.4	-.5
Other goods and services ³	258.8	10.2	1.3	265.5	10.3	3.7	261.7	5.5	.7
Commodity and service group									
All items ³	162.8	2.1	.9	172.6	2.2	.2	162.3	1.5	.7
Commodities	144.6	1.8	1.5	147.1	1.7	1.7	142.9	.6	.7
Commodities less food and beverages	133.4	1.5	2.4	134.7	.7	2.2	127.5	-.1	1.3
Nondurables less food and beverages	138.8	3.9	4.3	140.2	2.6	3.9	138.5	.8	2.5
Durables	125.6	-1.3	-.1	126.3	-1.7	-.2	115.7	-.9	.1
Services	184.4	2.3	.2	201.1	2.6	-.9	183.9	2.2	.8
Special aggregate indexes									
All items less medical care ³	158.8	2.0	.8	166.4	2.1	.2	157.8	1.4	.8
All items less shelter	157.7	1.7	1.0	166.0	1.8	.4	155.4	.5	.6
Commodities less food	134.8	1.6	2.3	135.7	.9	2.1	129.6	-.1	1.2
Nondurables	151.4	2.9	2.1	153.3	2.9	2.4	154.1	1.4	1.1
Nondurables less food	140.6	3.8	4.1	140.8	2.7	3.6	141.3	.9	2.4
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	173.0	1.6	.2	192.1	1.7	-1.6	169.9	.2	.4
Services less medical care services	178.6	2.2	.2	191.6	2.6	-1.0	177.5	2.1	.9
Energy ³	105.2	1.9	7.9	95.0	.0	-1.2	98.5	-5.9	6.7
All items less energy	170.7	2.0	.3	184.4	2.4	.3	171.1	2.1	.4
All items less food and energy ³	172.8	2.1	.3	188.7	2.2	.2	171.7	2.0	.5

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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 ¹								
	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—	
		May 1999	May 1998		Mar. 1999	May 1999		May 1998	Mar. 1999
Expenditure category									
All items ³	153.7	1.7	0.5	157.0	2.7	0.8	159.7	2.2	0.9
All items (1967=100)	480.3	-	-	484.0	-	-	471.9	-	-
Food and beverages ³	169.0	4.2	1.0	164.2	3.7	.1	169.5	1.1	-6
Food ³	170.5	4.2	1.1	161.7	3.1	-2	167.1	.9	-9
Food at home	166.4	4.9	1.0	151.8	2.4	-6	174.5	.7	-1.4
Food away from home ⁴	179.4	3.0	1.2	179.5	4.2	.3	155.9	1.4	.0
Alcoholic beverages ⁴	151.1	3.3	-1.5	192.6	9.1	3.3	191.6	4.5	3.9
Housing ³	146.5	1.2	-.3	144.6	2.7	.3	156.8	2.3	.3
Shelter	162.3	2.3	.0	156.9	3.4	.2	166.5	3.2	.4
Rent of primary residence ^{3 5}	172.3	1.2	.1	155.7	4.3	.8	169.0	3.6	.5
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{5 6}	169.6	2.7	.4	150.0	2.7	.3	164.7	2.9	.4
Fuels and utilities	124.4	-1.1	.2	121.3	-1.4	.3	142.9	-1.9	1.7
Fuels	117.4	-2.0	.3	111.6	-2.9	.2	136.7	-2.8	2.3
Gas (piped) and electricity ⁵	119.0	-2.2	.2	110.7	-3.0	.2	137.1	-2.9	2.3
Electricity ⁵	133.6	.5	.0	112.2	.4	.5	154.3	.5	.0
Utility natural gas service ⁵	105.6	-5.5	.5	94.1	-19.4	-2.1	120.3	-9.5	7.6
Household furnishings and operations	121.8	-2.2	-2.8	128.9	4.2	1.3	123.8	.3	-6
Apparel ³	121.9	-5.4	-2.5	137.8	-.1	-1.4	121.6	-3.1	1.4
Transportation ³	139.4	.6	2.0	144.7	1.3	1.9	143.3	3.8	3.9
Private transportation	139.3	.4	2.1	144.7	1.1	2.4	139.4	3.6	4.3
Motor fuel	108.1	1.3	11.9	97.9	6.6	16.1	114.3	18.6	20.3
Gasoline (all types)	107.3	1.4	12.0	97.4	6.7	16.2	111.7	18.7	20.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁷	105.6	1.3	12.9	94.3	7.4	18.0	109.4	18.8	21.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{7 8}	110.5	1.3	11.1	98.9	6.0	14.5	109.4	19.2	20.4
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁷	110.9	1.6	10.2	99.8	5.6	13.7	112.7	17.9	18.0
Medical care ³	218.7	3.8	-.2	235.5	1.2	-.1	241.7	4.2	1.5
Recreation ⁹	101.4	2.0	.3	101.6	2.0	.5	100.7	-.3	-6
Education and communication ⁹	98.5	-.4	-.3	102.6	3.8	1.3	98.7	-1.1	.5
Other goods and services ³	233.5	4.9	2.3	234.5	9.1	3.4	261.2	11.7	.4
Commodity and service group									
All items ³	153.7	1.7	.5	157.0	2.7	.8	159.7	2.2	.9
Commodities	142.1	1.1	1.0	145.1	2.4	1.1	143.9	1.8	1.3
Commodities less food and beverages	127.5	-.6	1.1	134.1	1.7	1.7	128.6	2.4	2.8
Nondurables less food and beverages	138.3	-.1	2.7	134.1	3.9	3.6	136.9	5.7	5.3
Durables	115.7	-1.1	-.4	135.4	-.3	-.1	121.0	-1.2	.0
Services	167.6	2.1	.0	170.5	3.0	.4	176.2	2.6	.5
Special aggregate indexes									
All items less medical care ³	150.9	1.5	.5	152.8	2.8	.8	156.4	2.2	.8
All items less shelter	153.0	1.4	.7	157.6	2.5	.9	158.1	1.8	1.2
Commodities less food	128.4	-.5	1.0	136.2	2.1	1.8	131.9	2.5	2.8
Nondurables	154.3	2.3	1.7	149.2	3.8	1.6	154.1	3.0	1.8
Nondurables less food	138.9	.1	2.4	137.7	4.5	3.6	142.0	5.6	5.1
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	161.7	1.8	.0	172.7	2.5	.6	174.7	1.7	.7
Services less medical care services	163.9	2.0	.1	163.9	3.1	.4	171.8	2.5	.5
Energy ³	113.4	-.6	5.1	103.5	1.5	7.3	120.4	9.4	12.7
All items less energy	159.6	1.9	.1	165.8	2.8	.2	164.4	1.8	.2
All items less food and energy ³	157.3	1.2	-.1	166.9	2.7	.4	164.0	2.0	.4

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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 ¹					
	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—	
		May 1999	May 1998		Mar. 1999	May 1999
Expenditure category						
All items 3	171.5	1.7	0.4	103.4	2.1	0.6
All items (1967=100)	488.3	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages 3	169.0	2.7	1.1	103.1	1.5	.4
Food 3	168.5	2.7	1.1	103.1	1.5	.2
Food at home	167.9	2.4	1.3	101.3	.3	.7
Food away from home 4	173.2	3.3	.8	104.1	3.2	-.4
Alcoholic beverages 4	175.9	2.7	.7	101.0	.7	1.5
Housing 3	172.1	2.0	.1	104.2	2.6	-.4
Shelter	203.2	2.8	.1	105.1	2.7	.0
Rent of primary residence 3 5	195.5	3.3	.3	105.4	2.7	.3
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence 5 6	193.9	2.6	.4	104.8	2.5	.2
Fuels and utilities	110.2	2.7	-1.3	103.0	4.0	.9
Fuels	108.7	-3.0	-1.5	102.8	3.9	1.0
Gas (piped) and electricity 5	119.1	-2.9	-1.8	103.5	4.3	1.1
Electricity 5	118.3	-3.0	-1.9	105.2	4.7	.7
Utility natural gas service 5	120.6	-2.5	-1.5	95.5	3.0	3.2
Household furnishings and operations	127.3	.4	1.3	102.8	.8	-3.8
Apparel 3	118.3	-3.3	-.5	100.4	-.4	2.1
Transportation 3	151.3	-.3	1.4	99.5	1.5	2.1
Private transportation	144.8	.0	1.7	99.3	1.2	2.2
Motor fuel	93.6	6.0	16.3	92.8	3.1	13.6
Gasoline (all types)	93.3	6.0	16.2	92.8	3.1	13.7
Gasoline, unleaded regular 7	92.8	7.3	17.8	91.6	3.0	15.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade 7 8	95.0	4.4	14.3	93.9	3.3	12.6
Gasoline, unleaded premium 7	94.6	4.3	14.1	94.2	3.3	11.6
Medical care 3	263.9	3.4	.2	105.1	1.8	-.4
Recreation 9	102.9	.6	.1	102.0	.4	.4
Education and communication 9	100.8	1.2	.0	101.8	.0	-.2
Other goods and services 3	262.3	7.4	-.5	117.4	10.7	2.3
Commodity and service group						
All items 3	171.5	1.7	.4	103.4	2.1	.6
Commodities	147.0	1.5	1.3	102.0	1.5	1.2
Commodities less food and beverages	130.2	.5	1.6	101.7	1.5	1.6
Nondurables less food and beverages	130.9	1.5	1.9	104.0	3.4	3.9
Durables	125.7	-1.5	.8	99.1	-.6	-1.0
Services	197.2	1.8	-.2	104.3	2.7	.0
Special aggregate indexes						
All items less medical care 3	167.9	1.6	.4	103.3	2.1	.6
All items less shelter	160.5	1.1	.5	102.5	1.9	.8
Commodities less food	132.1	.6	1.5	101.7	1.5	1.6
Nondurables	151.3	2.2	1.4	103.0	2.2	1.9
Nondurables less food	133.5	1.5	1.8	103.7	3.1	3.7
Services less rent of shelter 6	173.2	.5	-.6	103.6	2.7	.2
Services less medical care services	192.3	1.7	-.2	104.4	2.7	.1
Energy 3	102.4	.0	4.2	95.3	3.5	6.7
All items less energy	180.0	1.9	.2	103.6	2.0	.2
All items less food and energy 3	183.4	1.7	.0	104.2	2.1	.1

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 This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁷ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁹ 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	13.7	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	161.9	162.2	162.5	162.8	163.0	163.2	163.4	163.6	164.0	164.0	163.9	162.3	163.7	163.0	1.6	1.6
1999	164.3	164.5	165.0	166.2	166.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

- 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										May 1999
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Expenditure category											
All items	126.1	133.8	137.9	141.9	145.8	149.7	153.5	158.6	161.3	163.9	166.2
All items (1967=100)	377.6	400.9	413.0	425.2	436.8	448.4	459.9	475.0	483.2	491.0	497.7
Food and beverages	127.2	133.9	137.3	139.5	143.3	147.2	150.3	156.6	159.1	162.7	164.2
Food	127.4	134.2	136.7	138.7	142.7	146.8	149.9	156.3	158.7	162.3	163.7
Food at home	126.5	133.8	135.5	137.5	142.3	147.3	150.3	157.7	159.2	162.6	163.9
Cereals and bakery products	136.1	142.4	147.4	153.3	158.9	164.2	169.5	175.7	178.4	182.3	185.1
Cereals and cereal products	136.5	143.7	148.8	154.4	159.6	164.5	168.6	166.6	169.6	172.0	175.8
Flour and prepared flour mixes	121.2	124.0	123.5	130.2	129.9	132.3	140.6	151.2	150.6	153.6	163.3
Breakfast cereal	152.4	163.5	171.4	178.1	186.5	191.0	194.1	186.0	189.0	192.7	195.8
Rice, pasta, cornmeal	120.1	122.7	126.3	128.9	131.7	139.5	142.8	144.0	149.8	150.0	152.5
Rice ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0	101.3
Bakery products	135.6	141.5	146.4	152.5	158.2	163.8	169.6	179.8	182.3	186.9	189.2
Bread ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.5	103.1
White bread ²	133.2	138.3	140.4	146.1	156.2	160.4	169.3	183.4	186.2	189.6	191.4
Bread other than white ²	132.2	137.5	143.8	151.6	157.0	162.4	171.6	180.7	186.9	193.5	193.5
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.7	104.4
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies	139.0	147.2	154.2	157.7	163.2	169.2	171.6	178.8	180.1	184.0	185.0
Cookies ²	140.2	148.0	155.4	157.5	163.9	170.1	174.2	180.5	182.3	186.1	186.6
Fresh cakes and cupcakes ²	132.9	139.4	144.8	151.0	156.3	165.2	169.8	175.6	178.6	182.6	185.0
Other bakery products	137.5	141.8	147.6	154.9	158.0	163.1	168.0	178.1	178.8	183.9	188.1
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts ²	132.2	137.1	142.0	146.8	155.1	159.5	168.9	173.8	177.2	170.4	175.6
Crackers, bread, and cracker products ²	147.5	159.3	168.1	181.4	176.9	178.7	183.8	206.9	206.4	215.6	220.4
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers ²	137.0	139.8	145.2	150.4	157.4	161.7	170.8	174.9	181.7	188.5	189.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	123.8	133.6	131.6	132.1	137.1	136.4	142.0	150.0	148.4	147.3	146.7
Meats, poultry, and fish	123.0	133.8	132.0	133.0	138.4	137.6	141.7	149.0	148.1	147.4	147.8
Meats	120.0	133.6	130.8	131.1	135.9	133.7	137.2	144.4	143.4	140.2	141.4
Beef and veal	122.1	133.0	131.7	132.8	137.7	134.7	134.6	137.8	136.9	137.1	137.9
Uncooked ground beef	112.2	120.8	119.1	118.4	123.0	117.7	115.7	117.6	116.4	115.9	116.9
Uncooked beef roasts ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.2	99.4
Uncooked beef steaks ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.6	101.9
Uncooked other beef and veal ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	97.8	99.3
Pork	117.2	136.8	128.5	127.4	133.1	130.1	139.6	155.4	153.0	144.1	144.7
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	96.8	95.0
Bacon and related products ²	105.0	122.9	108.6	104.8	117.1	114.8	130.2	161.5	160.3	153.1	147.7
Breakfast sausage and related products ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.3	99.8
Ham	121.9	144.4	137.3	134.9	137.1	134.8	144.2	157.4	154.3	145.1	145.0
Ham, excluding canned ²	129.5	154.5	143.6	141.2	144.5	142.1	151.9	168.3	164.7	154.4	154.7
Pork chops	123.7	142.5	136.1	139.5	145.8	138.8	146.2	156.0	150.2	139.5	142.8
Other pork including roasts and picnics ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	91.8	93.8
Other meats	119.5	131.6	132.7	133.0	136.4	137.3	141.4	146.2	147.0	145.6	148.6
Frankfurters ²	119.3	132.9	134.7	133.9	138.2	134.3	139.3	143.8	144.9	140.2	147.2
Lunchmeats ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.8	99.9
Lamb and organ meats ²	119.8	128.2	130.2	134.1	140.1	145.1	151.8	160.7	160.8	166.3	170.9
Lamb and mutton ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.6	NA
Poultry	127.8	129.7	130.2	133.7	141.1	140.4	146.3	157.8	155.2	159.3	155.7
Chicken ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.5	99.8
Fresh whole chicken ²	130.4	130.6	129.9	135.4	141.3	139.4	144.8	158.2	158.9	162.4	158.6
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ²	130.2	133.2	134.8	136.9	146.8	143.2	150.2	161.5	154.4	160.6	153.6
Other poultry including turkey ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1	102.1
Fish and seafood	143.0	148.5	150.4	152.0	158.7	166.9	172.1	175.1	177.2	183.7	185.9
Fresh fish and seafood ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.5	105.7
Processed fish and seafood ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.8	103.9
Canned fish and seafood ²	119.4	118.8	118.2	119.9	122.8	124.5	125.5	126.5	129.4	134.5	132.4
Frozen fish and seafood ²	156.3	164.1	167.0	168.7	177.0	187.9	194.8	198.6	200.5	NA	NA
Eggs	134.9	128.7	123.5	117.7	116.0	116.4	145.5	162.9	151.1	142.9	121.4
Dairy and related products	122.9	126.7	127.4	129.1	130.2	131.6	135.0	148.6	147.8	157.6	156.2
Milk ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	106.1	103.3
Fresh whole milk ²	123.0	126.0	125.5	127.8	130.6	131.1	133.7	148.3	145.8	155.2	150.6
Fresh milk other than whole ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	106.1	103.7
Cheese and related products	126.9	132.7	135.1	135.4	134.6	136.0	139.0	150.1	148.3	159.0	160.7
Ice cream and related products	123.1	128.5	130.1	130.6	131.5	136.1	139.7	150.5	151.8	162.8	160.0
Other dairy and related products ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	106.0	106.9

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										May 1999
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Expenditure category											
Fruits and vegetables	136.7	146.5	152.9	156.2	166.5	180.3	177.9	187.2	191.3	200.7	207.2
Fresh fruits and vegetables	145.6	157.6	169.6	173.9	190.1	212.8	206.3	216.2	222.3	235.2	243.2
Fresh fruits	154.8	171.2	188.6	181.8	205.4	213.1	224.2	251.1	239.4	258.7	280.6
Apples	124.7	151.6	169.9	154.1	166.9	163.2	187.6	194.1	193.9	191.8	197.2
Bananas	122.6	128.3	128.3	124.3	127.6	143.1	146.5	157.5	151.5	165.6	159.0
Citrus fruits ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	118.0	161.7
Oranges, including tangerines ²	138.5	152.7	186.8	156.7	177.4	178.7	206.7	199.6	189.3	224.3	352.0
Other fresh fruits ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	106.6	108.3
Fresh vegetables	136.5	144.0	150.7	166.1	174.9	212.7	188.4	181.2	205.2	212.3	207.7
Potatoes	140.0	133.9	129.0	137.2	165.0	154.2	175.3	160.2	175.0	178.0	191.5
Lettuce	135.8	152.0	170.1	183.0	152.1	273.4	172.2	184.6	218.5	199.3	207.7
Tomatoes	140.3	129.5	124.5	193.4	197.2	233.6	242.6	193.4	253.4	281.9	214.3
Other fresh vegetables	135.6	151.0	162.3	166.4	178.5	216.1	183.2	185.9	201.5	209.8	214.2
Processed fruits and vegetables ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.0	104.9
Canned fruits and vegetables ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.3	105.3
Canned fruits ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.7	105.9
Canned vegetables ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.1	106.5
Frozen fruits and vegetables ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.5	105.4
Frozen vegetables ²	124.6	128.5	129.3	130.2	135.4	136.5	140.4	143.7	147.8	150.3	154.2
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1	102.1
Dried beans, peas, and lentils ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.5	101.7
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	111.0	113.1	112.5	112.3	114.8	131.7	129.5	126.9	133.1	131.7	134.2
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9	102.4
Carbonated drinks	109.8	110.8	111.9	113.7	115.6	115.2	118.5	118.0	116.1	114.9	118.8
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.7	103.9
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1	102.1
Beverage materials including coffee and tea ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	96.5	96.9
Coffee	115.7	117.4	111.3	105.4	111.1	172.7	156.1	145.6	170.2	155.2	156.2
Roasted coffee ²	115.3	116.7	109.0	102.4	109.2	179.0	159.5	145.7	178.0	NA	NA
Instant and freeze dried coffee ²	115.5	118.1	115.6	111.7	115.8	157.9	148.9	145.3	155.2	NA	NA
Other beverage materials including tea ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.3	103.5
Other food at home	120.1	125.2	127.1	128.3	130.9	138.8	140.5	143.6	147.7	152.4	153.4
Sugar and sweets	121.1	126.4	130.9	132.1	133.3	134.5	138.5	144.7	147.9	150.1	153.0
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	114.8	118.1	118.1	119.3	120.6	122.8	127.9	132.2	133.3	133.8	138.8
Candy and chewing gum ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.1	102.4
Other sweets ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.8	106.2
Fats and oils	121.6	131.0	129.3	128.4	129.4	134.2	137.5	140.7	140.3	151.9	147.2
Butter and margarine ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	120.5	109.5
Butter ²	103.0	94.9	94.4	88.0	82.0	81.6	93.4	113.9	128.2	168.9	139.6
Margarine ²	126.7	134.0	131.8	128.9	130.3	139.4	141.6	145.5	144.2	152.9	156.0
Salad dressing ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.4	101.8
Other fats and oils including peanut butter ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.1	103.6
Peanut butter ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.2	103.6
Other foods	127.6	134.2	138.2	141.2	144.9	148.1	152.1	158.9	162.8	166.9	168.7
Soups	132.4	140.2	148.6	157.0	163.9	170.7	176.5	184.9	189.1	191.7	199.2
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods	131.3	135.8	138.0	138.7	138.6	138.9	139.8	146.2	144.9	147.1	146.5
Snacks	126.2	131.1	132.8	132.5	136.3	138.7	143.4	151.7	155.6	156.9	158.3
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces	124.9	132.6	137.9	143.6	147.4	150.9	156.8	163.9	168.3	172.4	175.9
Salt and other seasonings and spices ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.4	101.9
Olives, pickles, relishes ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.3	98.5
Sauces and gravies ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.6	102.5
Other condiments ²	120.6	127.8	133.7	140.1	140.1	143.1	148.2	154.5	162.1	166.6	176.4
Baby food ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.3	105.8
Other miscellaneous foods ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.9	105.0
Prepared salads ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	NA	NA
Food away from home	129.8	135.7	139.6	141.6	144.3	147.1	150.4	155.0	159.0	163.0	164.6
Full service meals and snacks ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.8	104.0
Limited service meals and snacks ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.2	103.2
Food at employee sites and schools ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.5	102.9
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.9	101.3
Other food away from home ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.3	104.3

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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										May 1999
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Expenditure category											
Alcoholic beverages	125.6	130.9	143.9	148.1	150.3	151.8	154.9	160.5	164.0	167.2	169.3
Alcoholic beverages at home	119.5	124.0	138.4	141.3	142.0	141.8	143.1	148.0	149.3	151.4	153.4
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home	120.0	124.3	139.0	142.9	143.3	143.2	144.1	148.3	147.5	149.8	151.9
Distilled spirits at home	122.1	128.1	139.9	141.8	143.1	144.2	145.5	148.5	151.9	153.0	155.4
Whiskey at home ²	121.2	127.5	137.8	139.0	141.3	142.4	145.2	147.9	151.5	153.2	155.4
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home ²	123.8	129.2	142.3	144.0	144.6	144.5	145.1	147.9	152.1	152.8	155.2
Wine at home	111.6	114.5	130.5	132.4	133.1	131.3	133.4	141.7	145.1	147.2	148.9
Alcoholic beverages away from home	140.3	146.9	158.9	165.0	169.3	173.3	178.8	185.6	192.5	198.1	200.3
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.9	103.5
Wine away from home ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.2	104.1
Distilled spirits away from home ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.4	103.3
Housing	124.9	130.5	135.0	138.5	142.3	145.4	149.7	154.0	157.7	161.3	163.0
Shelter	135.6	142.7	148.2	152.5	157.1	161.8	167.4	172.3	178.1	184.0	186.5
Rent of primary residence ³	135.5	141.1	145.2	148.6	151.9	155.7	159.6	164.0	169.1	174.9	176.7
Lodging away from home ^{1 3}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.8	111.8
Housing at school, excluding board ^{3 4}	156.3	166.1	175.8	188.6	193.8	201.9	210.6	219.0	229.7	239.4	240.0
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels	133.8	154.9	168.0	174.3	181.0	183.3	191.2	201.0	213.5	221.4	240.4
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	141.0	147.7	153.2	157.8	162.8	168.1	174.3	179.1	184.7	190.7	192.2
Tenants' and household insurance ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9	100.5
Fuels and utilities	108.4	112.7	116.0	118.7	121.7	122.0	123.7	129.4	130.0	126.6	126.5
Fuels	101.2	105.6	106.5	108.9	110.7	110.1	110.9	117.1	115.8	111.4	111.0
Fuel oil and other fuels	88.7	114.1	94.7	91.8	88.3	88.4	89.6	110.3	97.2	86.1	87.7
Fuel oil	88.7	115.2	92.3	89.2	85.1	85.1	86.4	106.5	94.0	79.7	82.2
Other household fuels ⁵	108.3	136.4	123.3	120.4	118.0	118.5	119.4	146.8	128.8	125.9	125.0
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	107.0	108.6	112.4	115.6	118.1	117.4	118.3	122.8	123.0	118.9	118.4
Electricity ³	113.4	115.0	120.8	122.9	123.6	124.4	127.8	128.7	127.0	122.9	124.4
Utility natural gas service ³	97.8	99.6	99.9	105.0	111.1	107.5	103.6	115.0	118.8	114.7	109.4
Water and sewer and trash collection services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.7	103.7
Water and sewerage maintenance ³	144.7	153.7	165.7	176.7	185.2	193.0	198.6	205.5	213.7	219.4	221.5
Garbage and trash collection ⁶	161.1	176.9	197.3	214.0	225.2	236.4	243.3	247.8	252.8	259.9	262.8
Household furnishings and operations	111.7	113.7	116.3	118.2	120.3	120.8	123.8	125.0	125.1	126.6	126.7
Window and floor coverings and other linens ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.2	101.5
Floor coverings ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.3	101.5
Window coverings ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1	99.4
Other linens ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.5	103.1
Furniture and bedding	113.8	115.1	116.2	121.4	125.8	127.8	133.2	134.5	133.5	135.4	134.8
Bedroom furniture	118.8	117.2	122.0	129.5	136.3	133.7	136.8	141.5	142.7	141.8	141.9
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.6	101.3
Other furniture ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.3	102.6
Appliances ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	98.9	97.4
Major appliances ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	98.5	97.6
Laundry equipment ²	105.9	107.2	105.6	106.3	107.1	110.6	109.8	113.2	113.4	110.6	110.8
Other appliances ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.6	97.1
Other household equipment and furnishings ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9	99.6
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items	112.8	112.6	117.8	120.3	118.2	117.8	122.1	117.0	121.0	119.5	116.9
Indoor plants and flowers ⁷	-	100.0	107.0	113.0	110.0	114.1	115.6	116.4	107.1	109.3	111.9
Dishes and flatware ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.4	102.6
Nonelectric cookware and tableware ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.5	96.3
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.6	99.5
Tools, hardware and supplies ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	97.4	96.0
Outdoor equipment and supplies ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.5	101.2
Housekeeping supplies	123.6	127.5	129.8	129.5	131.9	132.9	139.8	141.4	143.4	146.3	147.1
Household cleaning products ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.7	102.0
Household paper products ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.7	103.0
Miscellaneous household products ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.8	103.0
Household operations ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.0	104.1
Domestic services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.3	104.3
Gardening and lawn care services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.5	102.4
Moving, storage, freight expense ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.3	104.7
Repair of household items ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.6	107.0

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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										May 1999
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Expenditure category											
Apparel	119.2	125.3	129.6	131.4	132.6	130.5	130.6	130.3	131.6	130.7	134.2
Men's and boys' apparel	118.8	122.3	125.9	127.1	127.5	125.3	126.0	127.8	131.2	130.3	133.8
Men's apparel	120.6	124.5	128.3	130.0	130.0	128.2	128.3	130.4	133.7	133.1	138.3
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear	124.7	128.2	131.3	132.8	137.4	136.0	133.7	133.3	135.8	133.2	138.7
Men's furnishings	117.4	119.8	122.2	123.6	123.0	122.7	120.0	124.6	134.1	133.1	140.5
Men's shirts and sweaters ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.6	102.0
Men's pants and shorts	116.7	121.9	126.1	129.2	127.8	125.8	127.0	129.2	129.0	128.9	135.8
Boys' apparel	111.4	113.0	116.2	115.0	117.1	113.2	116.2	116.8	120.7	118.8	116.6
Women's and girls' apparel	116.4	123.5	128.4	129.1	130.6	125.7	124.7	123.3	123.6	122.4	127.3
Women's apparel	116.5	124.2	128.0	128.4	131.0	125.3	124.1	123.0	123.7	123.0	128.0
Women's outerwear	108.9	117.2	121.1	126.2	131.8	119.0	123.5	126.1	126.7	122.1	111.5
Women's dresses	122.5	131.1	128.0	130.7	127.2	113.1	114.7	108.1	102.7	107.2	115.5
Women's suits and separates ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	98.2	102.3
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.4	106.1
Girls' apparel	116.1	120.2	130.8	133.5	129.1	128.2	128.7	125.0	123.6	119.4	123.7
Footwear	114.7	118.4	121.8	125.1	125.8	123.6	124.1	125.9	128.2	127.5	127.4
Men's footwear	122.0	125.6	129.4	132.9	133.2	132.2	131.6	131.1	131.4	132.4	129.5
Boys' and girls' footwear	118.5	122.9	122.7	121.5	122.1	123.3	125.2	130.4	133.5	133.3	127.5
Women's footwear	107.5	110.9	115.5	120.6	121.5	117.1	117.8	119.6	122.7	120.6	125.3
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	115.3	125.6	129.2	130.7	127.1	131.3	128.7	126.9	125.8	129.6	127.6
Jewelry and watches ⁵	121.5	129.4	134.4	138.2	140.6	147.7	147.7	140.3	138.9	136.1	143.6
Watches ⁵	107.7	110.4	114.1	112.7	118.7	124.6	130.6	122.6	122.2	120.5	124.4
Jewelry ⁵	125.5	134.9	140.2	145.5	146.8	154.3	152.6	145.4	143.6	140.5	149.0
Transportation	115.2	127.2	125.3	129.0	132.1	137.1	139.1	145.2	143.2	140.7	144.2
Private transportation	113.9	125.1	123.4	126.7	128.6	134.9	136.6	141.7	140.0	137.2	140.2
New and used motor vehicles ¹	-	-	-	-	94.1	98.3	100.7	101.7	100.0	100.9	99.7
New vehicles	121.9	124.3	128.3	131.3	135.6	140.1	142.8	145.4	144.1	144.1	142.9
New cars and trucks ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0	99.2
New cars ²	121.8	123.5	127.6	130.5	134.2	138.5	140.7	143.0	141.5	141.3	139.6
New trucks ^{2 6}	120.7	125.8	129.6	132.9	139.0	144.1	148.2	151.5	151.4	152.1	151.9
New motorcycles ^{2 5}	114.2	117.4	123.7	128.7	138.0	148.9	156.5	162.4	163.7	164.3	165.1
Used cars and trucks	119.7	117.1	120.1	129.0	139.3	151.5	158.2	155.6	147.9	153.1	149.6
Car and truck rental ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.5	104.9
Motor fuel	85.8	117.1	98.4	100.2	94.8	100.4	96.4	108.6	101.9	86.2	101.4
Gasoline (all types)	85.5	117.0	98.1	100.1	94.2	100.2	96.0	107.9	101.3	85.7	100.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular ²	83.1	115.4	96.1	97.9	91.3	97.9	93.6	106.1	99.1	82.8	98.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{2 8}	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.3	100.6	112.4	105.9	90.7	104.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium ²	89.9	118.7	101.4	103.2	98.3	103.4	98.4	109.1	103.0	89.2	102.2
Other motor fuels ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	87.7	92.5
Motor vehicle parts and equipment	101.1	102.0	103.6	103.0	101.4	101.9	102.4	102.3	101.4	101.2	100.2
Tires	99.1	99.0	101.3	100.8	99.4	101.6	101.8	101.8	99.0	98.6	97.9
Vehicle accessories other than tires ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9	98.8
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires ²	107.3	109.4	110.2	109.5	107.7	106.3	107.3	107.0	108.2	108.3	107.0
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids ²	109.8	117.5	118.4	118.1	118.8	126.0	130.0	132.0	131.8	130.8	130.7
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	126.9	132.5	138.4	143.2	147.7	151.9	155.7	160.6	164.7	169.6	171.3
Motor vehicle body work	133.9	138.5	141.9	145.8	150.0	155.7	161.2	168.6	176.2	181.5	180.9
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing	122.5	127.0	133.8	136.6	139.4	141.3	144.2	148.2	152.1	156.5	158.4
Motor vehicle repair ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.0	104.1
Motor vehicle insurance	171.5	184.4	199.1	212.2	222.8	230.4	240.2	249.3	255.3	254.5	253.1
Motor vehicle fees ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.1	103.2
State and local registration and license ^{1 3}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.4	101.5
Parking and other fees ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	107.0	107.4
Parking fees and tolls ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	107.4	107.6
Automobile service clubs ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.9	102.3
Public transportation	131.7	154.4	149.8	158.2	176.5	165.6	170.7	189.9	184.3	188.4	198.4
Airline fare	134.8	165.4	155.4	165.7	193.8	175.3	178.4	204.7	194.8	202.8	220.2
Other intercity transportation	139.2	148.4	152.0	152.2	148.0	151.4	152.6	155.2	156.3	161.1	160.0
Ship fare ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.6	101.1
Intracity transportation	125.9	135.6	140.8	147.8	152.0	153.5	165.2	174.7	176.6	171.9	172.4

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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										May 1999	
	December											
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998		
Expenditure category												
Medical care	154.4	169.2	182.6	194.7	205.2	215.3	223.8	230.6	237.1	245.2	249.5	
Medical care commodities	156.0	169.1	181.7	191.1	197.0	202.9	206.6	212.0	216.8	225.6	229.4	
Prescription drugs and medical supplies	172.0	189.0	206.7	218.5	225.7	233.2	237.8	245.4	251.5	263.8	271.8	
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ⁵	117.1	123.5	127.9	132.9	136.5	139.6	141.5	143.3	145.8	149.2	147.8	
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs	141.5	150.0	153.7	160.5	164.9	166.3	167.6	171.2	173.1	177.4	175.5	
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	134.4	140.4	148.4	152.7	156.6	164.3	168.2	168.0	172.8	176.3	174.9	
Medical care services	154.1	169.3	182.8	195.6	207.1	218.2	227.8	235.0	241.8	249.6	254.0	
Professional services ³	149.9	160.0	169.8	179.4	187.4	196.0	203.9	211.0	217.5	224.6	228.6	
Physicians' services ³	153.7	165.1	174.2	185.1	194.5	203.1	212.1	218.5	224.5	231.9	235.2	
Dental services ³	149.9	159.9	173.0	183.1	191.1	201.4	210.4	221.1	230.0	240.2	246.4	
Eyeglasses and eye care ^{3 5}	114.1	119.2	123.5	128.1	130.7	135.0	138.3	139.9	142.5	143.4	146.3	
Services by other medical professionals ^{3 5}	116.6	122.5	129.2	133.2	137.5	143.0	144.1	148.4	153.0	156.7	158.6	
Hospital and related services ³	167.9	186.9	203.5	221.4	238.2	251.3	262.8	273.7	282.5	291.4	297.0	
Hospital services ^{3 9}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.2	106.4	108.4	
Inpatient hospital services ^{2 3 9}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.5	105.2	107.0	
Outpatient hospital services ^{2 3 5}	130.7	145.4	159.7	175.4	189.2	199.7	209.2	219.2	228.3	237.3	243.6	
Nursing homes and adult daycare ^{3 9}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.9	108.4	111.1	
Recreation ¹	-	-	-	-	91.7	93.0	95.6	98.5	100.0	101.2	102.2	
Video and audio ¹	-	-	-	-	96.6	94.2	94.6	97.7	100.0	100.7	100.9	
Televisions	75.8	73.1	72.3	71.4	70.2	69.2	66.4	62.9	60.2	57.3	55.0	
Cable television ^{3 6}	146.8	166.1	180.4	187.0	200.1	194.9	202.8	218.6	233.6	249.8	254.1	
Other video equipment ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	87.0	79.7	
Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	93.9	92.3	
Video cassettes and discs, blank and prerecorded ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	95.9	93.0	
Rental of video tapes and discs ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	92.9	91.7	
Audio equipment	94.3	93.3	95.0	93.6	94.0	93.1	90.7	90.2	88.4	81.9	82.6	
Audio discs, tapes and other media ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0	102.2	
Pets, pet products and services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.9	103.8	
Pets and pet products	122.9	127.4	129.6	128.3	129.5	130.8	135.4	142.6	142.1	142.9	145.2	
Pet food ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.4	102.9	
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.7	100.1	
Pet services including veterinary ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.4	106.7	
Pet services ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.8	104.4	
Veterinarian services ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.6	106.9	
Sporting goods	113.3	115.3	119.6	119.7	120.0	123.8	123.1	123.0	122.5	121.8	121.0	
Sports vehicles including bicycles	113.6	115.9	117.6	120.1	120.0	124.7	124.8	124.9	124.3	127.7	128.3	
Sports equipment	110.4	112.0	118.3	116.5	117.1	120.0	118.7	118.4	118.1	114.3	112.6	
Photography ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.3	99.5	
Photographic equipment and supplies	127.2	129.0	130.1	132.9	135.2	130.9	133.4	132.9	134.0	129.7	129.5	
Film and photographic supplies ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.2	97.3	
Photographic equipment ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	94.8	95.0	
Photographers and film processing ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.0	101.4	
Photographer fees ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.3	NA	
Film processing ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1	100.1	
Other recreational goods ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	95.0	93.2	
Toys	115.1	116.8	118.1	121.1	122.9	121.8	123.0	126.4	124.4	116.8	114.5	
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	95.0	93.0	
Video game hardware, software and accessories ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	NA	NA	
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	98.1	95.8	
Music instruments and accessories ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.6	98.5	
Recreation services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.7	106.8	
Club membership dues and fees for participant sports ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.0	106.4	
Admissions	146.0	153.6	161.0	167.3	170.3	177.1	186.4	193.8	200.3	205.8	215.3	
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.9	106.5	
Admission to sporting events ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.0	109.7	
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁵	119.6	125.4	132.4	139.2	144.7	151.8	156.3	165.5	174.1	178.9	183.2	
Recreational reading materials	132.4	138.5	147.3	152.8	158.2	163.9	173.6	178.2	180.2	185.7	186.8	
Newspapers and magazines ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.4	103.8	
Recreational books ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.5	103.4	

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes										May 1999	
	December											
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998		
Expenditure category												
Education and communication ¹	-	-	-	-	87.4	90.3	93.9	97.1	100.0	100.7	100.4	
Education ¹	-	-	-	-	81.2	85.9	90.7	95.1	100.0	104.7	105.6	
Educational books and supplies	164.0	174.7	184.7	193.8	200.4	207.4	219.0	231.1	242.8	257.3	261.6	
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	170.0	183.5	201.4	218.5	234.0	247.8	261.6	274.3	288.5	301.7	304.1	
College tuition and fees	169.1	183.0	205.1	225.7	243.5	258.9	273.7	288.3	301.7	313.6	314.5	
Elementary and high school tuition and fees	177.4	192.8	207.3	223.7	237.0	251.6	268.2	280.5	300.6	318.7	319.2	
Child care and nursery school ⁷	-	100.0	106.3	111.0	116.7	122.2	126.9	131.6	137.6	144.2	146.6	
Technical and business school tuition and fees ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	107.1	108.6	
Communication ¹	-	-	-	-	97.3	97.3	99.0	100.3	100.0	97.1	95.7	
Postage and delivery services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1	103.1	
Postage	125.1	125.1	145.3	145.3	145.3	145.3	160.3	160.3	160.3	160.3	165.1	
Delivery services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.2	109.4	
Information and information processing ¹	-	-	-	-	98.3	98.3	98.9	100.3	100.0	96.9	95.2	
Telephone services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3	99.6	
Telephone services, local charges ³	146.0	147.5	155.0	155.7	157.2	156.7	160.7	162.1	163.8	166.0	168.2	
Telephone services, long distance charges ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.9	97.5	
Interstate toll calls ²	70.0	67.4	68.3	67.4	71.8	75.7	75.8	78.6	75.2	74.6	72.5	
Intrastate toll calls ²	96.6	94.5	93.1	90.9	91.1	90.2	86.8	92.1	94.7	96.1	94.9	
Cellular telephone services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	31.7	85.8	
Information and information processing other than telephone services ¹⁰	92.7	90.3	86.6	81.3	75.1	68.3	61.0	53.9	47.4	34.8	30.9	
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	64.2	55.7	
Computer software and accessories ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	90.0	87.3	
Computer information processing services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.3	77.5	
Other information processing equipment ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	90.3	85.4	
Other goods and services	152.9	164.5	177.6	189.1	194.2	202.4	211.1	218.7	230.1	250.3	255.8	
Tobacco and smoking products	171.9	190.5	211.7	228.9	215.5	222.0	228.1	234.3	251.2	331.2	345.5	
Cigarettes ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	133.7	139.5	
Tobacco products other than cigarettes ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.5	109.7	
Personal care	127.1	132.4	135.7	139.6	143.1	145.8	148.9	150.5	154.0	158.3	160.7	
Personal care products	124.7	129.9	133.4	137.8	140.1	142.6	144.1	142.8	145.3	148.7	150.9	
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.4	101.6	
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements	123.9	131.2	135.1	137.0	143.4	144.8	146.9	150.6	153.9	160.8	163.5	
Personal care services	129.7	135.0	138.0	141.3	146.1	149.2	154.3	159.2	163.9	168.3	171.0	
Haircuts and other personal care services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.7	104.4	
Miscellaneous personal services	151.4	162.0	172.4	179.8	190.3	199.4	210.0	218.3	230.0	237.8	242.1	
Legal services ⁵	116.8	124.8	131.9	137.2	145.1	147.9	153.5	159.3	167.5	174.6	179.6	
Funeral expenses ⁵	113.4	120.9	128.0	133.2	140.4	148.6	156.6	164.0	172.3	179.1	181.3	
Laundry and dry cleaning services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.3	103.9	
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.7	103.0	
Financial services ⁵	117.9	127.0	137.5	144.4	153.9	165.9	177.6	183.6	194.7	201.6	205.3	
Checking account and other bank services ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.2	103.6	
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.8	109.2	
Miscellaneous personal goods ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.6	100.2	
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap ²	116.6	121.7	127.5	131.3	136.1	138.2	147.2	151.8	158.1	160.7	160.2	
Special aggregate indexes												
Commodities	118.2	126.0	127.5	130.1	132.0	135.1	137.0	141.4	141.7	142.2	144.5	
Commodities less food and beverages	112.6	121.1	121.5	124.3	125.1	127.6	128.9	132.1	131.2	130.2	132.8	
Nondurables less food and beverages	112.0	125.8	124.5	127.4	126.5	128.1	128.8	133.7	133.5	132.1	138.2	
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	112.0	130.1	126.0	129.6	127.7	131.5	132.7	140.5	139.5	137.8	145.6	
Durables	113.5	114.5	117.2	120.1	123.3	126.9	129.0	129.9	128.0	127.4	125.8	
Services	134.6	142.3	148.8	154.2	160.0	164.7	170.4	176.1	181.0	185.7	187.9	
Rent of shelter ⁴	140.9	148.4	154.2	158.7	163.5	168.3	174.2	179.3	185.3	191.5	194.2	
Transportation services	138.6	150.0	153.7	159.2	166.9	171.1	176.3	184.1	186.0	188.4	190.4	
Other services	145.1	154.5	164.1	172.8	181.6	188.9	197.3	205.0	213.1	219.5	221.9	
All items less food	125.8	133.7	138.1	142.5	146.4	150.2	154.2	159.0	161.8	164.2	166.6	
All items less shelter	123.5	131.5	135.0	139.1	142.7	146.3	149.6	154.7	156.4	157.8	159.9	
All items less medical care	124.4	131.8	135.3	138.9	142.5	146.0	149.6	154.5	157.0	159.4	161.6	
Commodities less food	113.0	121.4	122.4	125.3	126.1	128.5	129.9	133.3	132.6	131.7	134.3	
Nondurables less food	112.6	125.7	125.5	128.5	127.8	129.5	130.4	135.3	135.3	134.2	140.1	
Nondurables less food and apparel	112.5	129.0	126.9	130.5	129.1	132.6	134.0	141.5	141.0	139.7	147.0	
Nondurables	119.8	130.0	131.1	133.6	135.1	137.8	139.7	145.3	146.5	147.5	151.4	

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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										May 1999
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Special aggregate indexes											
Apparel less footwear	117.6	123.8	128.2	129.4	130.3	127.9	127.7	126.6	127.6	126.7	130.9
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	137.8	146.4	153.9	160.7	167.8	172.7	178.5	185.2	189.5	192.8	194.7
Services less medical care services	132.6	139.7	145.5	150.3	155.6	159.7	165.0	170.6	175.4	179.8	181.8
Energy	93.2	110.1	101.9	103.9	102.4	104.7	103.3	112.2	108.4	98.9	105.6
All items less energy	130.6	137.4	142.8	147.1	151.7	155.7	160.2	164.8	168.3	172.3	174.1
All items less food and energy	131.5	138.3	144.4	149.2	153.9	157.9	162.7	167.0	170.7	174.8	176.6
Commodities less food and energy commodities	121.2	125.3	130.3	133.6	135.7	137.6	140.0	141.5	142.1	143.9	144.5
Energy commodities	86.4	117.0	98.2	99.4	94.3	99.2	95.9	109.1	101.6	86.3	100.3
Services less energy services	137.5	145.8	152.5	158.2	164.3	169.6	175.7	181.5	186.9	192.5	195.0
Domestically produced farm food	127.4	135.4	137.2	139.6	144.5	148.1	151.5	160.1	161.1	165.0	166.2
Utilities and public transportation	117.1	122.9	126.7	130.7	136.5	135.1	137.5	144.4	145.0	145.0	145.9

¹ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

² Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

³ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base

⁶ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

¹⁰ 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										May 1999	
	December											
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998		
Expenditure category												
All items	4.6	6.1	3.1	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.5	3.3	1.7	1.6	1.4	
Food and beverages	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.7	2.1	4.2	1.6	2.3	.9	
Food	5.6	5.3	1.9	1.5	2.9	2.9	2.1	4.3	1.5	2.3	.9	
Food at home	6.2	5.8	1.3	1.5	3.5	3.5	2.0	4.9	1.0	2.1	.8	
Cereals and bakery products	7.5	4.6	3.5	4.0	3.7	3.3	3.2	3.7	1.5	2.2	1.5	
Cereals and cereal products	7.3	5.3	3.5	3.8	3.4	3.1	2.5	-1.2	1.8	1.4	2.2	
Flour and prepared flour mixes	7.2	2.3	-4	5.4	-2	1.8	6.3	7.5	-4	2.0	6.3	
Breakfast cereal	9.8	7.3	4.8	3.9	4.7	2.4	1.6	-4.2	1.6	2.0	1.6	
Rice, pasta, cornmeal	1.4	2.2	2.9	2.1	2.2	5.9	2.4	.8	4.0	.1	1.7	
Rice ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0	1.3	
Bakery products	7.5	4.4	3.5	4.2	3.7	3.5	3.5	6.0	1.4	2.5	1.2	
Bread ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	.6	
White bread ²	6.1	3.8	1.5	4.1	6.9	2.7	5.5	8.3	1.5	1.8	.9	
Bread other than white ²	7.0	4.0	4.6	5.4	3.6	3.4	5.7	5.3	3.4	3.5	.0	
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	1.7	
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies	8.0	5.9	4.8	2.3	3.5	3.7	1.4	4.2	.7	2.2	.5	
Cookies ²	8.0	5.6	5.0	1.4	4.1	3.8	2.4	3.6	1.0	2.1	.3	
Fresh cakes and cupcakes ²	6.0	4.9	3.9	4.3	3.5	5.7	2.8	3.4	1.7	2.2	1.3	
Other bakery products	8.9	3.1	4.1	4.9	2.0	3.2	3.0	6.0	.4	2.9	2.3	
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts ²	7.7	3.7	3.6	3.4	5.7	2.8	5.9	2.9	2.0	-3.8	3.1	
Crackers, bread, and cracker products ²	12.8	8.0	5.5	7.9	-2.5	1.0	2.9	12.6	-2	4.5	2.2	
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers ²	8.3	2.0	3.9	3.6	4.7	2.7	5.6	2.4	3.9	3.7	.6	
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	6.6	7.9	-1.5	.4	3.8	-5	4.1	5.6	-1.1	.7	-4	
Meats, poultry, and fish	5.0	8.8	-1.3	.8	4.1	-6	3.0	5.2	.6	.5	.3	
Meats	6.5	11.3	-2.1	.2	3.7	-1.6	2.6	5.2	-7	-2.2	.9	
Beef and veal	6.5	8.9	-1.0	.8	3.7	-2.2	-1	2.4	-7	.1	.6	
Uncooked ground beef	7.4	7.7	-1.4	-6	3.9	-4.3	-1.7	1.6	-1.0	-4	.9	
Uncooked beef roasts ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.2	-1.8	
Uncooked beef steaks ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.6	1.3	
Uncooked other beef and veal ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2.2	1.5	
Pork	6.9	16.7	-6.1	-9	4.5	-2.3	7.3	11.3	-1.5	-5.8	.4	
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-3.2	-1.9	
Bacon and related products ²	8.4	17.0	-11.6	-3.5	11.7	-2.0	13.4	24.0	-7	-4.5	-3.5	
Breakfast sausage and related products ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-7	.5	
Ham	5.2	18.5	-4.9	-1.7	1.6	-1.7	7.0	9.2	-2.0	-6.0	-1	
Ham, excluding canned ²	6.0	19.3	-7.1	-1.7	2.3	-1.7	6.9	10.8	-2.1	-6.3	.2	
Pork chops	7.8	15.2	-4.5	2.5	4.5	-4.8	5.3	6.7	-3.7	-7.1	2.4	
Other pork including roasts and picnics ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-8.2	2.2	
Other meats	5.7	10.1	.8	.2	2.6	.7	3.0	3.4	.5	-1.0	2.1	
Frankfurters ²	5.4	11.4	1.4	-6	3.2	-2.8	3.7	3.2	.8	-3.2	5.0	
Lunchmeats ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2	.1	
Lamb and organ meats ²	2.7	7.0	1.6	3.0	4.5	3.6	4.6	5.9	.1	3.4	2.8	
Lamb and mutton ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.6	-	
Poultry	.6	1.5	.4	2.7	5.5	-5	4.2	7.9	-1.6	2.6	-2.3	
Chicken ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	-3.6	
Fresh whole chicken ²	-5	.2	-5	4.2	4.4	-1.3	3.9	9.3	.4	2.2	-2.3	
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ²	-1.0	2.3	1.2	1.6	7.2	-2.5	4.9	7.5	-4.4	4.0	-4.4	
Other poultry including turkey ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1	2.0	
Fish and seafood	3.0	3.8	1.3	1.1	4.4	5.2	3.1	1.7	1.2	3.7	1.2	
Fresh fish and seafood ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	2.1	
Processed fish and seafood ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.8	.1	
Canned fish and seafood ²	-4.3	-5	-5	1.4	2.4	1.4	.8	.8	2.3	3.9	-1.6	
Frozen fish and seafood ²	5.3	5.0	1.8	1.0	4.9	6.2	3.7	2.0	1.0	-	-	
Eggs	35.4	-4.6	-4.0	-4.7	-1.4	.3	25.0	12.0	-7.2	-5.4	-15.0	
Dairy and related products	10.3	3.1	.6	1.3	.9	1.1	2.6	10.1	-5	6.6	-9	
Milk ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.1	-2.6	
Fresh whole milk ²	11.7	2.4	-4	1.8	2.2	.4	2.0	10.9	-1.7	6.4	-3.0	
Fresh milk other than whole ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.1	-2.3	
Cheese and related products	12.7	4.6	1.8	.2	-6	1.0	2.2	8.0	-1.2	7.2	1.1	
Ice cream and related products	7.2	4.4	1.2	.4	.7	3.5	2.6	7.7	.9	7.2	-1.7	
Other dairy and related products ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.0	.8	
Fruits and vegetables	4.4	7.2	4.4	2.2	6.6	8.3	-1.3	5.2	2.2	4.9	3.2	

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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										May 1999	
	December											
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998		
Expenditure category												
Fresh fruits and vegetables	5.4	8.2	7.6	2.5	9.3	11.9	-3.1	4.8	2.8	5.8	3.4	
Fresh fruits	8.1	10.6	10.2	-3.6	13.0	3.7	5.2	12.0	-4.7	8.1	8.5	
Apples	-5.8	21.6	12.1	-9.3	8.3	-2.2	15.0	3.5	-1.1	-1.1	2.8	
Bananas	5.8	4.6	.0	-3.1	2.7	12.1	2.4	7.5	-3.8	9.3	-4.0	
Citrus fruits ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18.0	37.0	
Oranges, including tangerines ²	-4.1	10.3	22.3	-16.1	13.2	.7	15.7	-3.4	-5.2	18.5	56.9	
Other fresh fruits ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.6	1.6	
Fresh vegetables	2.6	5.5	4.7	10.2	5.3	21.6	-11.4	-3.8	13.2	3.5	-2.2	
Potatoes	8.9	-4.4	-3.7	6.4	20.3	-6.5	13.7	-8.6	9.2	1.7	7.6	
Lettuce	-22.1	11.9	11.9	7.6	-16.9	79.8	-37.0	7.2	18.4	-8.8	4.2	
Tomatoes	12.9	-7.7	-3.9	55.3	2.0	18.5	3.9	-20.3	31.0	11.2	-24.0	
Other fresh vegetables	4.8	11.4	7.5	2.5	7.3	21.1	-15.2	1.5	8.4	4.1	2.1	
Processed fruits and vegetables ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0	2.8	
Canned fruits and vegetables ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.3	2.9	
Canned fruits ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	3.1	
Canned vegetables ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.1	3.3	
Frozen fruits and vegetables ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.8	
Frozen vegetables ²	7.1	3.1	.6	.7	4.0	.8	2.9	2.4	2.9	1.7	2.6	
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1	2.0	
Dried beans, peas, and lentils ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.5	1.2	
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	3.0	1.9	-.5	-.2	2.2	14.7	1.7	-2.0	4.9	1.1	1.9	
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1	2.5	
Carbonated drinks	5.0	.9	1.0	1.6	1.7	.3	2.9	-.4	1.6	-1.0	3.4	
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.7	-.8	
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1	2.0	
Beverage materials including coffee and tea ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-3.5	.4	
Coffee	-1.0	1.5	-5.2	-5.3	5.4	55.4	-9.6	-6.7	16.9	-8.8	.6	
Roasted coffee ²	-.7	1.2	-6.6	-6.1	6.6	63.9	-10.9	-8.7	22.2	-	-	
Instant and freeze dried coffee ²	-1.2	2.3	-2.1	-3.4	3.7	36.4	-5.7	-2.4	6.8	-	-	
Other beverage materials including tea ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	.2	
Other food at home	4.2	4.2	1.5	.9	2.0	6.0	1.2	2.2	2.9	3.2	.7	
Sugar and sweets	3.8	4.4	3.6	.9	.9	.9	3.0	4.5	2.2	1.5	1.9	
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	4.4	2.9	.0	1.0	1.1	1.8	4.2	3.4	.8	.4	3.7	
Candy and chewing gum ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1	1.3	
Other sweets ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.8	2.3	
Fats and oils	2.6	7.7	-1.3	-.7	.8	3.7	2.5	2.3	-.3	8.3	-3.1	
Butter and margarine ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20.5	-9.1	
Butter ²	-1.7	-7.9	-.5	-6.8	-6.8	-.5	14.5	21.9	12.6	31.7	-17.3	
Margarine ²	2.1	5.8	-1.6	-2.2	1.1	7.0	1.6	2.8	-.9	6.0	2.0	
Salad dressing ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.4	-1.5	
Other fats and oils including peanut butter ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.1	1.5	
Peanut butter ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.2	1.4	
Other foods	5.7	5.2	3.0	2.2	2.6	2.2	2.7	4.5	2.5	2.5	1.1	
Soups	7.5	5.9	6.0	5.7	4.4	4.1	3.4	4.8	2.3	1.4	3.9	
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods	5.4	3.4	1.6	.5	-.1	.2	.6	4.6	-.9	1.5	-.4	
Snacks	4.1	3.9	1.3	-.2	2.9	1.8	3.4	5.8	2.6	.8	.9	
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces	5.6	6.2	4.0	4.1	2.6	2.4	3.9	4.5	2.7	2.4	2.0	
Salt and other seasonings and spices ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.4	1.5	
Olives, pickles, relishes ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.3	-2.8	
Sauces and gravies ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.6	-.1	
Other condiments ²	5.1	6.0	4.6	4.8	.0	2.1	3.6	4.3	4.9	2.8	5.9	
Baby food ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	2.4	
Other miscellaneous foods ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.9	.1	
Prepared salads ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Food away from home	4.6	4.5	2.9	1.4	1.9	1.9	2.2	3.1	2.6	2.5	1.0	
Full service meals and snacks ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.8	1.2	
Limited service meals and snacks ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.2	1.0	
Food at employee sites and schools ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	.4	
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.9	.4	
Other food away from home ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	1.0	
Alcoholic beverages	4.8	4.2	9.9	2.9	1.5	1.0	2.0	3.6	2.2	2.0	1.3	

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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										
	December										May 1999
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Expenditure category											
Alcoholic beverages at home	4.3	3.8	11.6	2.1	0.5	-0.1	0.9	3.4	0.9	1.4	1.3
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home	4.7	3.6	11.8	2.8	.3	-.1	.6	2.9	-.5	1.6	1.4
Distilled spirits at home	4.4	4.9	9.2	1.4	.9	.8	.9	2.1	2.3	.7	1.6
Whiskey at home ²	5.6	5.2	8.1	.9	1.7	.8	2.0	1.9	2.4	1.1	1.4
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home ²	3.9	4.4	10.1	1.2	.4	-.1	.4	1.9	2.8	.5	1.6
Wine at home	3.5	2.6	14.0	1.5	.5	-1.4	1.6	6.2	2.4	1.4	1.2
Alcoholic beverages away from home	5.3	4.7	8.2	3.8	2.6	2.4	3.2	3.8	3.7	2.9	1.1
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.9	1.6
Wine away from home ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.2	-.1
Distilled spirits away from home ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.4	-.1
Housing	3.9	4.5	3.4	2.6	2.7	2.2	3.0	2.9	2.4	2.3	1.1
Shelter	4.9	5.2	3.9	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.5	2.9	3.4	3.3	1.4
Rent of primary residence ³	4.2	4.1	2.9	2.3	2.2	2.5	2.5	2.8	3.1	3.4	1.0
Lodging away from home ^{1 3}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.8	7.7
Housing at school, excluding board ^{3 4}	7.4	6.3	5.8	7.3	2.8	4.2	4.3	4.0	4.9	4.2	.3
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels	5.4	15.8	8.5	3.8	3.8	1.3	4.3	5.1	6.2	3.7	8.6
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	5.1	4.8	3.7	3.0	3.2	3.3	3.7	2.8	3.1	3.2	.8
Tenants' and household insurance ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	6
Fuels and utilities	3.2	4.0	2.9	2.3	2.5	.2	1.4	4.6	5	-2.6	.1
Fuels	3.9	4.3	.9	2.3	1.7	-.5	.7	5.6	1.1	-3.8	.4
Fuel oil and other fuels	15.5	28.6	-17.0	-3.1	-3.8	.1	1.4	23.1	-11.9	-11.4	1.9
Fuel oil	19.5	29.9	-19.9	-3.4	-4.6	.0	1.5	23.3	-11.7	-15.2	3.1
Other household fuels ⁵	5.9	25.9	-9.6	-2.4	-2.0	.4	.8	22.9	12.3	-2.3	-.7
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	2.8	1.5	3.5	2.8	2.2	-.6	.8	3.8	.2	-3.3	-.4
Electricity ³	2.8	1.4	5.0	1.7	.6	.6	2.7	.7	-1.3	-3.2	1.2
Utility natural gas service ³	2.7	1.8	.3	5.1	5.8	-3.2	-3.6	11.0	3.3	-3.5	-4.6
Water and sewer and trash collection services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	1.0
Water and sewerage maintenance ³	6.6	6.2	7.8	6.6	4.8	4.2	2.9	3.5	4.0	2.7	1.0
Garbage and trash collection ⁶	9.7	9.8	11.5	8.5	5.2	5.0	2.9	1.8	2.0	2.8	1.1
Household furnishings and operations	1.0	1.8	2.3	1.6	1.8	.4	2.5	1.0	.1	1.2	.1
Window and floor coverings and other linens ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.2	.3
Floor coverings ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.3	-.8
Window coverings ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1	-.7
Other linens ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.5	1.6
Furniture and bedding	-1.4	1.1	1.0	4.5	3.6	1.6	4.2	1.0	-.7	1.4	-.4
Bedroom furniture	-2.1	-1.3	4.1	6.1	5.3	-1.9	2.3	3.4	.8	-.6	.1
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.6	-.3
Other furniture ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.3	-1.6
Appliances ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.1	-1.5
Major appliances ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.5	-.9
Laundry equipment ²	-1.0	1.2	-1.5	.7	.8	3.3	-.7	3.1	.2	-2.5	.2
Other appliances ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.4	-2.5
Other household equipment and furnishings ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.1	-.3
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items	6.5	-.2	4.6	2.1	-1.7	-.3	3.7	-4.2	3.4	-1.2	-2.2
Indoor plants and flowers ⁷	-	-	7.0	5.6	-2.7	3.7	1.3	.7	-8.0	2.1	2.4
Dishes and flatware ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.6	3.2
Nonelectric cookware and tableware ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.5	-3.2
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.4	-.1
Tools, hardware and supplies ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2.6	-1.4
Outdoor equipment and supplies ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.5	.7
Housekeeping supplies	5.6	3.2	1.8	-.2	1.9	.8	5.2	1.1	1.4	2.0	.5
Household cleaning products ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.7	.3
Household paper products ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	.3
Miscellaneous household products ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.8	1.2
Household operations ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	1.1
Domestic services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	1.0
Gardening and lawn care services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.5	.9
Moving, storage, freight expense ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	1.4
Repair of household items ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.6	1.3
Apparel	1.0	5.1	3.4	1.4	.9	-1.6	.1	-.2	1.0	-.7	2.7

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

Item and group	Percent change from previous December										
	December										May 1999
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Expenditure category											
Men's and boys' apparel	1.3	2.9	2.9	1.0	0.3	-1.7	0.6	1.4	2.7	-0.7	2.7
Men's apparel	1.9	3.2	3.1	1.3	.0	-1.4	.1	1.6	2.5	-.4	3.9
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear	2.2	2.8	2.4	1.1	3.5	-1.0	-1.7	-.3	1.9	-1.9	4.1
Men's furnishings	3.3	2.0	2.0	1.1	-.5	-.2	-2.2	3.8	7.6	-.7	5.6
Men's shirts and sweaters ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.6	1.4
Men's pants and shorts	1.8	4.5	3.4	2.5	-1.1	-1.6	1.0	1.7	-.2	-.1	5.4
Boys' apparel	-1.0	1.4	2.8	-1.0	1.8	-3.3	2.7	.5	3.3	-1.6	-1.9
Women's and girls' apparel	-.1	6.1	4.0	.5	1.2	-3.8	-.8	-1.1	.2	-1.0	4.0
Women's apparel	-.2	6.6	3.1	.3	2.0	-4.4	-1.0	-.9	.6	-.6	4.1
Women's outerwear	4.2	7.6	3.3	4.2	4.4	-9.7	3.8	2.1	.5	-3.6	-8.7
Women's dresses	-.8	7.0	-2.4	2.1	-2.7	-11.1	1.4	-5.8	-5.0	4.4	7.7
Women's suits and separates ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.8	4.2
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.4	5.7
Girls' apparel	-1.0	3.5	8.8	2.1	-3.3	-.7	.4	-2.9	-1.1	-3.4	3.6
Footwear	1.1	3.2	2.9	2.7	.6	-1.7	.4	1.5	1.8	-.5	-.1
Men's footwear	2.3	3.0	3.0	2.7	.2	-.8	-.5	-.4	.2	.8	-2.2
Boys' and girls' footwear	3.3	3.7	-.2	-1.0	.5	1.0	1.5	4.2	2.4	-.1	-4.4
Women's footwear	-.7	3.2	4.1	4.4	.7	3.6	.6	1.5	2.6	-1.7	3.9
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	-1.7	8.9	2.9	1.2	-2.8	3.3	-2.0	-1.4	-.9	3.0	-1.5
Jewelry and watches ⁵	3.3	6.5	3.9	2.8	1.7	5.0	.0	-5.0	1.0	-2.0	5.5
Watches ⁵	-.2	2.5	3.4	-1.2	5.3	5.0	4.8	-6.1	-.3	-1.4	3.2
Jewelry ⁵	4.3	7.5	3.9	3.8	.9	5.1	-1.1	-4.7	1.2	-2.2	6.0
Transportation	4.0	10.4	-1.5	3.0	2.4	3.8	1.5	4.4	-1.4	-1.7	2.5
Private transportation	3.9	9.8	-1.4	2.7	1.5	4.9	1.3	3.7	-1.2	-2.0	2.2
New and used motor vehicles ¹	-	-	-	-	-	4.5	2.4	1.0	-1.7	.9	-1.2
New vehicles	2.4	2.0	3.2	2.3	3.3	3.3	1.9	1.8	-.9	.0	-.8
New cars and trucks ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0	-.8
New cars ²	2.3	1.4	3.3	2.3	2.8	3.2	1.6	1.6	-1.0	-.1	-1.2
New trucks ^{2 6}	3.3	4.2	3.0	2.5	4.6	3.7	2.8	2.2	-.1	.5	-.1
New motorcycles ^{2 5}	4.2	2.8	5.4	4.0	7.2	7.9	5.1	3.8	.8	.4	.5
Used cars and trucks	-.4	-2.2	2.6	7.4	8.0	8.8	4.4	-1.6	-4.9	3.5	-2.3
Car and truck rental ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.5	3.3
Motor fuel	6.8	36.5	-16.0	1.8	-5.4	5.9	-4.0	12.7	-6.2	-15.4	17.6
Gasoline (all types)	6.5	36.8	-16.2	2.0	-5.9	6.4	-4.2	12.4	-6.1	-15.4	17.6
Gasoline, unleaded regular ²	5.5	38.9	-16.7	1.9	-6.7	7.2	-4.4	13.4	-6.6	-16.4	19.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{2 8}	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	-4.5	11.7	-5.8	-14.4	15.4
Gasoline, unleaded premium ²	6.1	32.0	-14.6	1.8	-4.7	5.2	-4.8	10.9	-5.6	-13.4	14.6
Other motor fuels ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-12.3	5.5
Motor vehicle parts and equipment	2.2	.9	1.6	-.6	-1.6	.5	.5	-.1	-.9	-.2	-1.0
Tires	2.3	-.1	2.3	-.5	-1.4	2.2	.2	.0	-2.8	-.4	-.7
Vehicle accessories other than tires ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.1	-1.1
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires ²	2.1	2.0	.7	-.6	-1.6	-1.3	.9	-.3	1.1	.1	-1.2
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids ²	-.3	7.0	.8	-.3	.6	6.1	3.2	1.5	-.2	-.8	-.1
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	4.4	4.4	4.5	3.5	3.1	2.8	2.5	3.1	2.6	3.0	1.0
Motor vehicle body work	6.0	3.4	2.5	2.7	2.9	3.8	3.5	4.6	4.5	3.0	-.3
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing	3.1	3.7	5.4	2.1	2.0	1.4	2.1	2.8	2.6	2.9	1.2
Motor vehicle repair ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	1.1
Motor vehicle insurance	5.9	7.5	8.0	6.6	5.0	3.4	4.3	3.8	2.4	-.3	-.6
Motor vehicle fees ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.1	.1
State and local registration and license ^{1 3}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.4	.1
Parking and other fees ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.0	.4
Parking fees and tolls ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.4	.2
Automobile service clubs ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.9	1.4
Public transportation	4.1	17.2	-3.0	5.6	11.6	-6.2	3.1	11.2	-2.9	2.2	5.3
Airline fare	5.3	22.7	-6.0	6.6	17.0	-9.5	1.8	14.7	-4.8	4.1	8.6
Other intercity transportation	1.7	6.6	2.4	.1	-2.8	2.3	.8	1.7	.7	3.1	-.7
Ship fare ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.6	-3.3
Intracity transportation	2.1	7.7	3.8	5.0	2.8	1.0	7.6	5.8	1.1	-2.7	.3
Medical care	8.5	9.6	7.9	6.6	5.4	4.9	3.9	3.0	2.8	3.4	1.8

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Item and group	Percent change from previous December										May 1999
	December										
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Expenditure category											
Medical care commodities	8.2	8.4	7.5	5.2	3.1	3.0	1.8	2.6	2.3	4.1	1.7
Prescription drugs and medical supplies	9.5	9.9	9.4	5.7	3.3	3.3	2.0	3.2	2.5	4.9	3.0
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ⁵	5.8	5.5	3.6	3.9	2.7	2.3	1.4	1.3	1.7	2.3	-9
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs	5.6	6.0	2.5	4.4	2.7	.8	.8	2.1	1.1	2.5	-1.1
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	6.1	4.5	5.7	2.9	2.6	4.9	2.4	-.1	2.9	2.0	-.8
Medical care services	8.6	9.9	8.0	7.0	5.9	5.4	4.4	3.2	2.9	3.2	1.8
Professional services ³	6.5	6.7	6.1	5.7	4.5	4.6	4.0	3.5	3.1	3.3	1.8
Physicians' services ³	7.2	7.4	5.5	6.3	5.1	4.4	4.4	3.0	2.7	3.3	1.4
Dental services ³	6.4	6.7	8.2	5.8	4.4	5.4	4.5	5.1	4.0	4.4	2.6
Eyeglasses and eye care ^{3 5}	3.4	4.5	3.6	3.7	2.0	3.3	2.4	1.2	1.9	.6	2.0
Services by other medical professionals ^{3 5}	5.7	5.1	5.5	3.1	3.2	4.0	.8	3.0	3.1	2.4	1.2
Hospital and related services ³	11.3	11.3	8.9	8.8	7.6	5.5	4.6	4.1	3.2	3.2	1.9
Hospital services ^{3 9}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.2	3.1	1.9
Inpatient hospital services ^{2 3 9}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	2.6	1.7
Outpatient hospital services ^{2 3 5}	11.7	11.2	9.8	9.8	7.9	5.5	4.8	4.8	4.2	3.9	2.7
Nursing homes and adult daycare ^{3 9}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.9	4.3	2.5
Recreation ¹	-	-	-	-	-	1.4	2.8	3.0	1.5	1.2	1.0
Video and audio ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-2.5	4	3.3	2.4	.7	.2
Televisions	-1.3	-3.6	-1.1	-1.2	-1.7	-1.4	-4.0	-5.3	-4.3	-4.8	-4.0
Cable television ^{3 6}	3.8	13.1	8.6	3.7	7.0	-2.6	4.1	7.8	6.9	6.9	1.7
Other video equipment ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-13.0	-8.4
Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-6.1	-1.7
Video cassettes and discs, blank and prerecorded ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-4.1	-3.0
Rental of video tapes and discs ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-7.1	-1.3
Audio equipment	2.6	-1.1	1.8	-1.5	4	-1.0	-2.6	-.6	-2.0	-7.4	.9
Audio discs, tapes and other media ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0	2.2
Pets, pet products and services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.9	1.9
Pets and pet products	4.4	3.7	1.7	-1.0	.9	1.0	3.5	5.3	-.4	.6	1.6
Pet food ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.4	1.5
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.3	.4
Pet services including veterinary ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.4	2.2
Pet services ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.8	.6
Veterinarian services ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.6	2.2
Sporting goods	2.1	1.8	3.7	.1	.3	3.2	-.6	-.1	-.4	-.6	-.7
Sports vehicles including bicycles	2.3	2.0	1.5	2.1	-.1	3.9	.1	.1	-.5	2.7	.5
Sports equipment	1.9	1.4	5.6	-1.5	.5	2.5	-1.1	-.3	-.3	-3.2	-1.5
Photography ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.7	.2
Photographic equipment and supplies	3.4	1.4	.9	2.2	1.7	-3.2	1.9	-.4	.8	-3.2	-.2
Film and photographic supplies ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.8	-1.9
Photographic equipment ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-5.2	.2
Photographers and film processing ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0	.4
Photographer fees ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.3	-
Film processing ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1	.0
Other recreational goods ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-5.0	-1.9
Toys	2.4	1.5	1.1	2.5	1.5	-.9	1.0	2.8	-1.6	-6.1	-2.0
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-5.0	-2.1
Video game hardware, software and accessories ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.9	-2.3
Music instruments and accessories ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.4	-1.1
Recreation services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.7	3.0
Club membership dues and fees for participant sports ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	1.3
Admissions	9.5	5.2	4.8	3.9	1.8	4.0	5.3	4.0	3.4	2.7	4.6
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.9	4.5
Admission to sporting events ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	4.5
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁵	8.9	4.8	5.6	5.1	4.0	4.9	3.0	5.9	5.2	2.8	2.4
Recreational reading materials	4.7	4.6	6.4	3.7	3.5	3.6	5.9	2.6	1.1	3.1	.6
Newspapers and magazines ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.4	.4
Recreational books ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	.9
Education and communication ¹	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	4.0	3.4	3.0	.7	-.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										May 1999	
	December											
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998		
Expenditure category												
Education ¹	-	-	-	-	-	5.8	5.6	4.9	5.2	4.7	0.9	
Educational books and supplies	7.8	6.5	5.7	4.9	3.4	3.5	5.6	5.5	5.1	6.0	1.7	
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	7.9	7.9	9.8	8.5	7.1	5.9	5.6	4.9	5.2	4.6	.8	
College tuition and fees	8.1	8.2	12.1	10.0	7.9	6.3	5.7	5.3	4.6	3.9	.3	
Elementary and high school tuition and fees	8.8	8.7	7.5	7.9	5.9	6.2	6.6	4.6	7.2	6.0	.2	
Child care and nursery school ⁷	-	-	6.3	4.4	5.1	4.7	3.8	3.7	4.6	4.8	1.7	
Technical and business school tuition and fees ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.1	1.4	
Communication ¹	-	-	-	-	-	.0	1.7	1.3	-.3	-2.9	-1.4	
Postage and delivery services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1	3.0	
Postage	.0	.0	16.1	.0	.0	.0	10.3	.0	.0	.0	3.0	
Delivery services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.2	5.0	
Information and information processing ¹	-	-	-	-	-	.0	.6	1.4	-.3	-3.1	-1.8	
Telephone services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3	-.7	
Telephone services, local charges ³	.6	1.0	5.1	.5	1.0	-.3	2.6	.9	1.0	1.3	1.3	
Telephone services, long distance charges ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.1	-2.4	
Interstate toll calls ²	-1.3	-3.7	1.3	-1.3	6.5	5.4	.1	3.7	-4.3	-.8	-2.8	
Intrastate toll calls ²	-2.6	-2.2	-1.5	-2.4	.2	-1.0	-3.8	6.1	2.8	1.5	-1.2	
Cellular telephone services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-8.3	-6.4	
Information and information processing other than telephone services ¹⁰	-7.3	-2.6	-4.1	-6.1	-7.6	-9.1	-10.7	-11.6	-12.1	-26.6	-11.2	
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35.8	13.2	
Computer software and accessories ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-10.0	-3.0	
Computer information processing services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	-25.0	
Other information processing equipment ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-9.7	-5.4	
Other goods and services	8.2	7.6	8.0	6.5	2.7	4.2	4.3	3.6	5.2	8.8	2.2	
Tobacco and smoking products	14.7	10.8	11.1	8.1	-5.9	3.0	2.7	2.7	7.2	31.8	4.3	
Cigarettes ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33.7	4.3	
Tobacco products other than cigarettes ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.5	4.0	
Personal care	3.8	4.2	2.5	2.9	2.5	1.9	2.1	1.1	2.3	2.8	1.5	
Personal care products	2.5	4.2	2.7	3.3	1.7	1.8	1.1	-.9	1.8	2.3	1.5	
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.4	1.2	
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements	1.9	5.9	3.0	1.4	4.7	1.0	1.5	2.5	2.2	4.5	1.7	
Personal care services	5.4	4.1	2.2	2.4	3.4	2.1	3.4	3.2	3.0	2.7	1.6	
Haircuts and other personal care services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	1.7	
Miscellaneous personal services	5.8	7.0	6.4	4.3	5.8	4.8	5.3	4.0	5.4	3.4	1.8	
Legal services ⁵	6.3	6.8	5.7	4.0	5.8	1.9	3.8	3.8	5.1	4.2	2.9	
Funeral expenses ⁵	4.8	6.6	5.9	4.1	5.4	5.8	5.4	4.7	5.1	3.9	1.2	
Laundry and dry cleaning services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.3	1.6	
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.7	1.3	
Financial services ⁵	5.9	7.7	8.3	5.0	6.6	7.8	7.1	3.4	6.0	3.5	1.8	
Checking account and other bank services ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.2	1.4	
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.8	3.2	
Miscellaneous personal goods ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.6	-.4	
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap ²	3.0	4.4	4.8	3.0	3.7	1.5	6.5	3.1	4.2	1.6	-.3	
Special aggregate indexes												
Commodities	4.1	6.6	1.2	2.0	1.5	2.3	1.4	3.2	.2	.4	1.6	
Commodities less food and beverages	3.3	7.5	.3	2.3	.6	2.0	1.0	2.5	-.7	-.8	2.0	
Nondurables less food and beverages	4.8	12.3	-1.0	2.3	-.7	1.3	.5	3.8	-.1	-1.0	4.6	
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	7.2	16.2	-3.2	2.9	-1.5	3.0	.9	5.9	-.7	-1.2	5.7	
Durables	1.2	.9	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.9	1.7	.7	-1.5	-.5	-1.3	
Services	5.1	5.7	4.6	3.6	3.8	2.9	3.5	3.3	2.8	2.6	1.2	
Rent of shelter ⁴	4.9	5.3	3.9	2.9	3.0	2.9	3.5	2.9	3.3	3.3	1.4	
Transportation services	4.9	8.2	2.5	3.6	4.8	2.5	3.0	4.4	1.0	1.3	1.1	
Other services	6.5	6.5	6.2	5.3	5.1	4.0	4.4	3.9	4.0	3.0	1.1	
All items less food	4.5	6.3	3.3	3.2	2.7	2.6	2.7	3.1	1.8	1.5	1.5	
All items less shelter	4.6	6.5	2.7	3.0	2.6	2.5	2.3	3.4	1.1	.9	1.3	
All items less medical care	4.5	5.9	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.5	3.3	1.6	1.5	1.4	
Commodities less food	3.3	7.4	.8	2.4	.6	1.9	1.1	2.6	-.5	-.7	2.0	
Nondurables less food	4.7	11.6	-.2	2.4	-.5	1.3	.7	3.8	.0	-.8	4.4	
Nondurables less food and apparel	6.8	14.7	-1.6	2.8	-1.1	2.7	1.1	5.6	-.4	-.9	5.2	
Nondurables	5.2	8.5	.8	1.9	1.1	2.0	1.4	4.0	.8	.7	2.6	
Apparel less footwear	.7	5.3	3.6	.9	.7	-1.8	-.2	-.9	.8	-.7	3.3	
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	5.1	6.2	5.1	4.4	4.4	2.9	3.4	3.8	2.3	1.7	1.0	
Services less medical care services	4.7	5.4	4.2	3.3	3.5	2.6	3.3	3.4	2.8	2.5	1.1	
Energy	5.1	18.1	-7.4	2.0	-1.4	2.2	-1.3	8.6	-3.4	-8.8	6.8	

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										May 1999
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Special aggregate indexes											
All items less energy	4.6	5.2	3.9	3.0	3.1	2.6	2.9	2.9	2.1	2.4	1.0
All items less food and energy	4.4	5.2	4.4	3.3	3.2	2.6	3.0	2.6	2.2	2.4	1.0
Commodities less food and energy commodities	2.7	3.4	4.0	2.5	1.6	1.4	1.7	1.1	.4	1.3	.4
Energy commodities	7.9	35.4	-16.1	1.2	-5.1	5.2	-3.3	13.8	-6.9	-15.1	16.2
Services less energy services	5.3	6.0	4.6	3.7	3.9	3.2	3.6	3.3	3.0	3.0	1.3
Domestically produced farm food	6.7	6.3	1.3	1.7	3.5	2.5	2.3	5.7	.6	2.4	.7
Utilities and public transportation	2.8	5.0	3.1	3.2	4.4	-1.0	1.8	5.0	.4	.0	.6

¹ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

² Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

³ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

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

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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	158.5	158.7	159.1	159.5	159.7	159.8	160.0	160.2	160.6	160.7	160.7	159.0	160.3	159.7	1.6	1.3
1999	161.0	161.1	161.4	162.7	162.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

- 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										
	December										May 1999
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Expenditure category											
All items	124.6	132.2	135.9	139.8	143.3	147.2	150.9	155.9	158.2	160.7	162.8
All items (1967=100)	371.1	393.8	404.7	416.3	426.8	438.6	449.5	464.3	471.3	478.6	484.9
Food and beverages	126.9	133.6	136.9	139.1	142.9	146.6	149.8	156.1	158.5	161.9	163.3
Food	127.1	133.9	136.3	138.3	142.2	146.2	149.4	155.8	158.1	161.5	162.9
Food at home	126.2	133.5	135.0	137.0	141.7	146.3	149.5	156.9	158.2	161.3	162.6
Cereals and bakery products	136.0	142.3	147.2	153.0	158.6	163.9	169.2	175.4	178.1	182.0	184.8
Cereals and cereal products	136.1	143.1	148.2	153.5	158.7	163.6	167.8	165.7	168.8	171.3	174.9
Flour and prepared flour mixes	120.8	123.5	123.3	129.5	129.3	131.5	140.0	150.6	150.0	153.6	162.8
Breakfast cereal	152.4	163.3	171.1	177.7	186.1	190.5	193.6	185.4	188.6	192.7	195.4
Rice, pasta, cornmeal	120.4	122.9	126.4	128.9	131.7	139.6	143.1	144.2	150.1	149.9	152.4
Bakery products	135.7	141.6	146.4	152.5	158.2	163.8	169.5	179.7	182.2	187.0	189.3
Bread ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.4	102.9
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.1	104.8
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies	138.8	146.7	153.7	157.3	162.5	168.5	170.7	177.8	179.1	183.1	184.2
Other bakery products	137.8	142.4	147.9	155.5	158.4	163.6	168.0	178.4	179.0	184.3	188.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	123.8	133.6	131.5	132.1	136.9	136.0	141.7	149.8	148.0	146.9	146.1
Meats, poultry, and fish	123.0	133.9	132.0	133.1	138.2	137.3	141.4	148.9	147.8	147.0	147.3
Meats	120.1	133.8	130.8	131.2	136.0	133.7	137.3	144.5	143.3	140.2	141.4
Beef and veal	122.3	133.2	131.7	132.8	137.7	134.7	134.4	137.8	136.6	136.9	137.7
Uncooked ground beef	112.6	121.2	119.5	118.8	123.2	117.7	115.7	117.6	116.3	115.9	117.0
Uncooked beef roasts ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.2	99.4
Uncooked beef steaks ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.7	102.0
Uncooked other beef and veal ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	98.3	99.8
Pork	117.3	136.8	128.6	127.7	133.4	130.3	140.0	155.5	153.1	144.1	144.8
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	96.8	94.9
Ham	121.6	143.7	136.8	134.9	136.9	134.9	144.6	156.9	153.9	144.9	144.8
Pork chops	124.1	142.6	136.4	140.0	146.5	139.3	146.9	156.9	150.9	140.0	143.3
Other pork including roasts and picnics ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	91.5	93.9
Other meats	119.0	131.3	132.3	132.6	136.1	136.9	141.2	146.0	146.6	145.4	148.0
Poultry	127.4	129.2	129.8	133.4	140.7	140.2	146.0	157.5	155.0	159.4	155.7
Chicken ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.5	99.9
Other poultry including turkey ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1	102.3
Fish and seafood	144.8	148.8	151.2	153.8	158.8	167.1	172.3	176.5	178.0	184.5	186.6
Fresh fish and seafood ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.5	105.4
Processed fish and seafood ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.8	103.9
Eggs	134.3	128.0	122.7	117.0	114.8	115.3	144.8	162.3	150.1	142.0	120.8
Dairy and related products	122.8	126.5	127.2	128.9	130.0	131.4	134.7	148.5	147.5	157.4	155.8
Milk ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	106.2	103.2
Cheese and related products	126.8	132.7	134.9	135.1	134.0	135.2	138.4	149.8	147.7	158.4	160.0
Ice cream and related products	123.1	128.5	129.9	130.5	131.2	136.0	139.7	150.4	151.9	163.2	160.5
Other dairy and related products ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	106.2	107.0
Fruits and vegetables	135.8	145.7	152.1	155.3	165.4	178.8	177.0	186.0	190.0	199.0	205.3
Fresh fruits and vegetables	144.0	156.1	168.5	172.8	188.6	210.8	205.2	214.3	220.7	232.9	240.7
Fresh fruits	152.3	169.5	188.1	180.0	202.6	209.8	222.0	248.1	236.0	253.8	276.2
Apples	124.6	151.9	170.4	154.2	167.2	163.5	188.0	195.2	194.9	191.5	198.0
Bananas	122.7	128.1	127.6	124.0	127.2	142.7	146.4	157.2	151.3	165.5	159.3
Citrus fruits ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	118.2	161.8
Other fresh fruits ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.9	107.9
Fresh vegetables	135.9	143.1	149.3	166.0	175.1	212.0	189.0	181.2	205.8	212.9	207.9
Potatoes	139.3	133.5	128.2	136.8	164.9	154.1	175.2	160.2	175.0	177.6	192.3
Lettuce	135.3	151.3	169.6	180.7	151.4	269.0	171.1	183.1	215.4	196.2	204.5
Tomatoes	139.2	128.2	123.1	190.9	194.6	229.9	239.2	190.5	249.5	277.2	212.1
Other fresh vegetables	135.0	150.8	162.4	167.4	179.6	217.6	184.1	187.5	203.6	212.3	216.6
Processed fruits and vegetables ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.1	104.8
Canned fruits and vegetables ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.4	105.2
Frozen fruits and vegetables ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.4	105.1
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3	102.2

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes										May 1999	
	December											
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998		
Expenditure category												
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	111.2	113.3	112.9	112.7	115.1	130.6	128.8	126.5	131.7	130.4	133.1	
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.7	102.4	
Carbonated drinks	110.4	111.3	112.3	114.0	116.0	115.7	119.1	118.5	116.3	115.2	119.1	
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.6	104.1	
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0	102.1	
Beverage materials including coffee and tea ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	96.7	97.2	
Coffee	115.2	117.0	111.0	104.9	110.5	172.3	155.6	144.9	169.3	154.2	155.1	
Other beverage materials including tea ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.3	103.8	
Other food at home	120.1	125.1	127.0	128.2	130.8	138.3	140.1	143.2	147.1	151.7	152.6	
Sugar and sweets	121.1	126.3	130.6	131.9	133.1	134.4	138.4	144.5	147.7	150.0	152.8	
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	115.2	118.4	118.4	119.6	120.8	123.2	128.3	132.7	133.7	134.2	139.1	
Candy and chewing gum ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.3	102.5	
Other sweets ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.7	106.0	
Fats and oils	121.5	130.8	129.1	128.3	129.3	134.1	137.3	140.4	140.0	151.2	147.0	
Butter and margarine ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	120.2	109.4	
Salad dressing ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.5	102.1	
Other fats and oils including peanut butter ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.2	103.8	
Other foods	127.4	134.0	138.1	141.0	144.7	148.0	151.9	158.8	162.7	166.7	168.5	
Soups	132.6	140.7	149.0	157.5	164.3	171.3	177.4	185.6	189.6	192.3	199.9	
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods	130.8	135.3	137.4	138.1	137.5	137.9	138.4	145.3	144.1	146.4	145.7	
Snacks	126.1	131.1	132.6	132.1	136.0	138.5	143.3	151.5	155.1	156.1	157.8	
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces	124.7	132.5	137.8	143.5	147.3	150.8	156.8	163.9	168.4	172.4	176.2	
Baby food ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.0	105.6	
Other miscellaneous foods ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.9	104.7	
Food away from home	129.7	135.6	139.4	141.6	144.1	147.0	150.3	155.0	159.0	163.0	164.5	
Full service meals and snacks ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.7	104.0	
Limited service meals and snacks ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.2	103.1	
Food at employee sites and schools ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.5	102.8	
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.8	101.2	
Other food away from home ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.4	104.2	
Alcoholic beverages	125.2	130.5	143.5	147.7	150.0	151.4	154.3	159.9	163.1	166.2	168.5	
Alcoholic beverages at home	119.4	123.9	138.2	141.3	142.0	141.7	143.0	147.7	148.4	150.8	153.0	
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home	119.7	124.1	138.9	142.8	143.2	142.9	144.1	148.1	147.2	149.9	152.1	
Distilled spirits at home	121.9	127.9	139.3	141.3	142.8	143.8	145.0	147.9	151.2	152.1	154.3	
Wine at home	110.8	114.0	129.3	131.3	131.6	130.0	131.7	139.9	143.0	145.1	147.2	
Alcoholic beverages away from home	139.5	146.3	158.0	164.0	168.8	172.5	178.0	185.2	192.1	196.7	199.0	
Housing	123.1	128.3	132.7	136.1	139.7	142.7	146.7	151.0	154.4	157.8	159.2	
Shelter	132.6	139.3	144.6	148.7	153.1	157.7	163.1	167.7	173.1	178.8	180.9	
Rent of primary residence ²	135.0	140.6	144.8	148.2	151.6	155.4	159.3	163.7	168.8	174.6	176.9	
Lodging away from home ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.0	112.0	
Housing at school, excluding board ^{2 3}	155.5	165.0	175.7	189.7	193.8	202.9	211.8	219.2	231.2	241.7	242.2	
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels	134.4	155.2	168.6	174.5	181.2	184.4	191.1	201.1	213.2	221.7	240.6	
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{2 3}	128.5	134.5	139.7	143.8	148.4	153.3	159.0	163.4	168.3	173.7	175.1	
Tenants' and household insurance ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3	100.9	
Fuels and utilities	108.0	112.1	115.7	118.4	121.5	121.6	123.3	129.0	129.7	126.4	126.3	
Fuels	100.7	104.7	105.9	108.4	110.2	109.5	110.2	116.5	115.2	110.9	110.6	
Fuel oil and other fuels	88.1	113.4	94.4	91.7	88.2	88.3	89.5	110.6	97.0	86.6	88.0	
Fuel oil	89.0	115.6	92.5	89.5	85.4	85.4	86.8	106.9	94.2	79.9	82.4	
Other household fuels ⁴	108.3	136.6	123.2	120.3	117.8	118.2	119.2	147.9	128.5	125.3	124.4	
Gas (piped) and electricity ²	106.7	108.2	111.9	115.1	117.7	116.8	117.5	122.3	122.4	118.4	117.9	
Electricity ²	113.1	114.5	120.4	122.4	123.0	123.8	127.2	128.1	126.4	122.3	123.9	
Utility natural gas service ²	97.7	99.4	99.3	104.7	110.9	107.0	102.8	114.9	118.3	114.1	108.8	
Water and sewer and trash collection services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.8	103.8	
Water and sewerage maintenance ²	144.1	152.6	163.8	174.3	182.9	190.5	195.9	202.6	210.6	216.4	218.4	
Garbage and trash collection ⁵	161.0	177.1	197.6	214.6	225.7	236.8	243.3	247.9	252.8	260.2	263.1	
Household furnishings and operations	111.1	113.0	115.4	117.2	119.0	119.7	122.4	123.5	123.6	124.8	124.8	
Window and floor coverings and other linens ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.0	102.1	
Floor coverings ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.5	101.5	
Window coverings ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.2	101.3	
Other linens ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.7	102.9	
Furniture and bedding	113.0	114.2	115.5	120.5	123.9	125.4	130.7	131.9	130.6	132.3	131.4	
Bedroom furniture	118.8	117.1	122.0	128.3	134.6	132.2	134.8	139.6	141.5	141.2	140.5	
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.2	100.6	
Other furniture ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.5	102.9	

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										May 1999
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Expenditure category											
Appliances ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	98.9	97.4
Major appliances ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	98.6	97.7
Other appliances ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.5	96.9
Other household equipment and furnishings ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0	99.6
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items	112.2	112.3	116.2	119.0	115.0	114.5	118.7	114.1	118.4	117.6	114.5
Indoor plants and flowers ⁶	-	100.0	107.3	113.2	110.4	114.7	116.3	117.0	107.3	109.7	112.7
Dishes and flatware ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.2	102.2
Nonelectric cookware and tableware ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	98.8	96.2
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.4	99.4
Tools, hardware and supplies ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	97.7	96.6
Outdoor equipment and supplies ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3	100.9
Housekeeping supplies	123.8	127.8	130.4	130.0	131.9	133.3	139.9	142.0	144.3	147.1	148.2
Household cleaning products ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.7	102.2
Household paper products ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.7	103.2
Miscellaneous household products ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.7	103.2
Household operations ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.3	104.5
Domestic services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.3	104.4
Gardening and lawn care services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.7	102.4
Moving, storage, freight expense ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.6	105.0
Repair of household items ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.5	107.0
Apparel	118.5	124.5	128.4	130.4	131.3	129.3	129.5	129.3	130.3	129.8	133.0
Men's and boys' apparel	118.0	121.4	124.9	126.4	127.0	124.5	125.8	127.5	130.7	130.2	134.0
Men's apparel	120.1	123.9	127.7	129.9	130.3	128.2	128.7	130.9	133.9	133.8	139.3
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear	124.6	127.8	131.0	133.6	140.4	137.3	135.5	134.7	135.9	133.4	138.7
Men's furnishings	116.8	119.5	122.1	123.2	123.1	123.9	120.5	125.7	136.1	135.8	144.0
Men's shirts and sweaters ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.3	102.9
Men's pants and shorts	116.3	120.7	124.9	128.2	127.2	125.6	127.1	129.0	128.9	128.6	135.6
Boys' apparel	111.5	113.3	116.3	115.3	116.6	112.9	116.4	116.7	120.5	118.8	117.6
Women's and girls' apparel	115.5	122.6	126.7	127.6	128.4	124.0	123.3	121.7	121.5	121.0	125.5
Women's apparel	115.1	122.8	125.7	126.1	128.1	123.2	122.2	120.8	120.8	120.9	125.4
Women's outerwear	104.0	115.2	118.4	121.9	128.9	118.6	121.3	126.1	129.2	123.2	114.1
Women's dresses	123.0	132.7	128.4	132.4	128.8	114.2	116.7	105.9	100.5	107.5	111.0
Women's suits and separates ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	98.8	103.0
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.4	106.4
Girls' apparel	117.4	121.6	131.7	135.1	130.0	127.6	128.6	126.2	125.0	121.8	125.6
Footwear	115.4	119.3	122.5	125.6	126.6	124.2	125.0	127.0	129.2	128.2	127.9
Men's footwear	122.2	125.6	129.6	132.6	134.1	132.1	132.3	131.4	131.4	132.6	129.1
Boys' and girls' footwear	118.6	123.5	123.0	122.7	122.7	123.9	125.8	131.2	135.0	133.3	128.1
Women's footwear	107.4	111.0	115.8	120.7	121.9	117.3	118.0	120.2	123.1	120.6	125.7
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	119.3	127.9	131.8	133.1	128.1	132.9	129.8	128.1	126.5	130.9	128.9
Jewelry and watches ⁴	120.3	127.3	131.3	136.6	140.1	144.9	144.2	138.4	137.7	133.6	141.3
Watches ⁴	107.5	110.7	113.6	111.9	118.6	122.9	129.3	120.9	121.1	119.4	122.7
Jewelry ⁴	124.0	132.0	136.4	143.6	146.3	151.2	148.5	143.4	142.4	137.6	146.6
Transportation	114.8	126.7	124.5	128.2	130.8	136.7	138.9	144.8	142.4	139.6	143.1
Private transportation	113.8	125.3	123.2	126.6	128.5	135.2	137.2	142.4	140.1	137.1	140.3
New and used motor vehicles ¹	-	-	-	-	93.7	98.5	101.3	102.1	100.0	101.1	99.8
New vehicles	122.0	124.4	128.5	131.7	136.2	140.9	143.7	146.5	145.3	145.3	144.0
Used cars and trucks	119.5	116.9	120.2	129.7	140.2	152.1	159.1	156.8	149.5	154.3	150.9
Car and truck rental ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.5	104.6
Motor fuel	85.9	117.1	98.5	99.9	94.6	100.2	96.4	108.9	101.7	86.0	101.3
Gasoline (all types)	85.6	117.0	98.3	99.9	94.0	100.0	95.9	108.3	101.2	85.5	100.8
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁷	83.2	115.4	96.2	97.6	91.1	97.6	93.5	106.5	98.9	82.6	98.7
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{7 8}	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.3	100.6	112.4	105.9	90.6	104.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁷	90.0	118.7	101.5	103.0	98.1	103.2	98.3	109.2	102.8	89.0	102.2
Other motor fuels ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	87.7	92.5
Motor vehicle parts and equipment	100.6	101.5	103.0	102.2	100.7	101.0	101.6	101.4	100.8	100.5	99.7
Tires	98.8	98.6	100.8	100.4	98.9	101.1	101.2	101.2	98.2	97.7	97.1
Vehicle accessories other than tires ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0	99.1
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	126.9	132.8	138.8	143.9	148.3	152.6	156.6	161.4	165.7	170.9	172.7
Motor vehicle body work	134.0	139.5	142.9	147.0	150.8	155.7	161.4	168.6	176.5	181.9	181.4
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing	122.0	126.8	133.7	136.5	139.3	141.4	144.4	148.6	152.7	157.1	159.1
Motor vehicle repair ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.2	104.4

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes										
	December										May 1999
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Expenditure category											
Motor vehicle insurance	170.6	183.7	198.6	211.5	221.9	229.5	239.6	249.0	255.3	254.6	253.1
Motor vehicle fees ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.1	103.2
State and local registration and license ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.8	101.9
Parking and other fees ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	106.8	107.2
Public transportation	130.1	150.3	147.8	155.5	171.1	162.5	169.0	186.9	182.5	185.1	193.9
Airline fare	133.1	163.4	154.0	163.6	191.8	173.5	177.2	204.5	193.9	201.6	219.5
Other intercity transportation	140.5	149.3	154.2	155.4	149.6	152.3	154.9	157.9	160.3	164.7	162.9
Intracity transportation	125.9	135.7	140.7	147.6	152.0	153.3	164.9	174.1	176.2	171.4	171.8
Medical care	154.7	168.8	182.0	194.3	204.5	214.6	223.1	230.1	236.5	244.4	248.7
Medical care commodities	154.8	168.0	180.3	189.4	195.1	200.8	204.2	209.4	214.1	222.1	225.7
Prescription drugs and medical supplies	171.8	189.0	206.8	218.3	225.2	233.2	237.8	244.9	251.0	263.4	271.6
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies ⁴	116.8	123.6	127.7	133.0	136.5	138.7	140.4	142.5	144.8	147.4	146.0
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs	140.3	148.9	152.7	159.2	163.3	164.7	165.9	169.0	171.6	175.0	173.2
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	135.7	142.4	150.5	156.1	160.4	167.0	171.2	171.6	175.0	177.4	176.0
Medical care services	154.7	169.0	182.4	195.4	206.6	217.7	227.4	234.7	241.6	249.4	253.8
Professional services ²	150.2	160.3	170.2	180.0	188.0	196.9	204.9	212.3	218.9	226.2	230.7
Physicians' services ²	154.0	165.4	174.5	185.5	194.8	203.6	212.5	219.1	225.3	233.1	236.4
Dental services ²	150.0	159.7	172.9	182.8	190.9	201.3	210.1	220.9	229.6	239.7	245.8
Eyeglasses and eye care ^{2 4}	113.8	119.0	123.2	127.8	130.5	135.2	138.5	140.4	142.8	143.7	146.8
Services by other medical professionals ^{2 4}	117.2	122.8	129.2	133.9	138.1	144.3	146.8	151.5	156.8	160.6	162.6
Hospital and related services ²	166.8	184.4	201.2	218.9	235.1	248.5	260.0	270.4	278.7	287.4	293.0
Hospital services ^{2 9}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.0	106.2	108.2
Inpatient hospital services ^{2 7 9}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.3	104.9	106.8
Outpatient hospital services ^{2 4 7}	131.1	145.9	160.4	176.0	189.3	200.2	209.4	219.5	228.6	238.1	244.2
Nursing homes and adult daycare ^{2 9}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.0	110.6	112.7
Recreation ¹	-	-	-	-	92.2	93.2	95.6	98.5	100.0	100.8	101.5
Video and audio ¹	-	-	-	-	96.5	93.9	94.3	97.5	100.0	100.7	100.6
Televisions	74.8	72.2	71.4	70.9	69.4	68.2	65.2	61.7	59.3	56.4	54.0
Cable television ^{2 5}	147.1	166.9	181.2	188.4	201.7	195.8	203.5	219.5	234.6	250.7	255.1
Other video equipment ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	86.8	79.5
Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental ¹ ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	94.8	92.9
Audio equipment	94.0	93.1	94.9	93.5	94.2	93.2	90.8	90.2	88.4	81.7	82.1
Audio discs, tapes and other media ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3	102.5
Pets, pet products and services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.6	103.3
Pets and pet products	122.8	127.3	129.5	128.5	129.3	130.7	135.4	142.4	141.9	142.5	144.5
Pet services including veterinary ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.3	106.6
Sporting goods	115.9	116.5	120.5	121.6	122.6	126.1	124.5	124.6	124.5	124.0	123.0
Sports vehicles including bicycles	117.7	117.8	120.4	123.5	124.9	128.8	127.3	127.4	127.7	131.5	131.2
Sports equipment	110.8	112.1	118.0	116.3	116.7	119.7	118.0	118.0	117.3	113.3	111.8
Photography ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.6	99.9
Photographic equipment and supplies	127.8	129.7	131.1	134.1	136.5	131.4	133.8	133.9	134.6	130.5	130.1
Photographers and film processing ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.2	101.9
Other recreational goods ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	95.0	93.1
Toys	114.8	116.6	117.9	121.3	123.2	122.2	123.5	127.4	125.2	117.8	115.4
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.1	96.2
Music instruments and accessories ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	99.8	99.0
Recreation services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.3	106.6
Club membership dues and fees for participant sports ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.7	106.1
Admissions	145.8	153.1	160.5	166.6	169.9	176.2	185.7	193.3	199.8	205.0	214.5
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁴	119.6	126.1	133.6	140.7	146.3	154.0	158.6	167.3	175.8	179.4	184.3
Recreational reading materials	132.5	138.6	147.8	153.4	159.0	164.8	174.5	179.3	181.3	186.9	187.8
Newspapers and magazines ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.3	103.8
Recreational books ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.6	103.2
Education and communication ¹	-	-	-	-	87.8	90.4	94.0	97.1	100.0	100.9	100.7
Education ¹	-	-	-	-	81.1	85.6	90.4	94.8	100.0	104.7	105.9
Educational books and supplies	162.9	173.9	184.4	194.9	202.3	208.5	220.3	232.9	245.2	257.7	264.3
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	169.6	182.7	199.4	214.4	228.7	242.0	255.8	267.9	282.7	295.8	298.7
College tuition and fees	169.3	183.6	205.0	223.8	240.3	255.3	271.2	286.1	300.9	312.7	313.8
Elementary and high school tuition and fees	176.2	191.4	206.2	222.7	235.4	250.2	266.9	279.3	299.4	318.0	318.5
Child care and nursery school ⁶	-	100.0	106.3	110.8	116.7	122.7	127.5	132.1	138.7	145.2	147.6
Technical and business school tuition and fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	107.6	108.8

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes										May 1999
	December										
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Expenditure category											
Communication ¹	-	-	-	-	96.8	96.9	98.7	100.1	100.0	97.8	96.5
Postage and delivery services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.1	103.1
Postage	125.4	125.4	145.7	145.7	145.7	145.7	160.8	160.8	160.8	160.8	165.6
Delivery services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	104.2	109.6
Information and information processing ¹	-	-	-	-	97.6	97.9	98.5	100.1	100.0	97.7	96.2
Telephone services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.4	99.8
Telephone services, local charges ²	145.5	147.0	154.7	155.3	156.9	156.3	159.9	161.3	163.0	165.3	167.7
Telephone services, long distance charges ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.0	97.6
Cellular telephone services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	92.4	86.9
Information and information processing other than telephone services ¹⁰	92.7	89.7	86.9	80.6	74.2	68.2	61.4	54.9	48.9	36.0	31.8
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	64.0	55.1
Computer software and accessories ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	89.9	87.5
Computer information processing services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	103.5	74.4
Other information processing equipment ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	89.7	84.8
Other goods and services	152.7	164.4	177.7	189.0	192.0	200.0	208.1	215.2	226.9	252.6	258.8
Tobacco and smoking products	171.8	190.1	211.5	229.0	215.4	222.2	228.4	233.9	250.9	332.0	345.9
Cigarettes ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	133.8	139.4
Tobacco products other than cigarettes ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	105.5	109.9
Personal care	126.9	132.2	135.7	139.9	143.2	146.1	148.9	150.4	153.9	158.3	160.8
Personal care products	124.7	130.0	133.7	138.6	140.7	143.5	144.7	143.5	146.1	149.6	151.6
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.3	101.5
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements	124.8	132.0	136.0	138.5	144.7	146.8	148.9	153.1	156.7	163.7	166.1
Personal care services	129.4	134.9	137.9	141.3	146.2	149.2	154.2	159.4	164.1	168.6	171.4
Haircuts and other personal care services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.8	104.5
Miscellaneous personal services	151.0	160.1	170.5	177.6	188.9	198.8	208.9	217.8	228.9	237.4	242.3
Legal services ⁴	116.4	121.7	129.2	133.6	144.0	147.2	153.1	159.7	166.5	174.9	179.8
Funeral expenses ⁴	115.1	122.6	130.1	135.1	142.1	150.6	158.1	165.9	174.7	182.1	185.6
Laundry and dry cleaning services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	102.2	103.8
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	101.9	103.1
Financial services ⁴	117.9	127.1	136.8	143.9	153.3	166.5	177.7	183.2	193.9	200.5	204.1
Miscellaneous personal goods ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	100.4	100.0
Special aggregate indexes											
Commodities	117.8	125.8	127.0	129.8	131.6	134.8	136.9	141.4	141.6	142.3	144.6
Commodities less food and beverages	112.1	121.0	120.9	124.1	124.7	127.6	129.0	132.4	131.3	130.6	133.4
Nondurables less food and beverages	111.6	126.2	124.2	127.3	125.7	127.7	128.3	133.6	133.1	132.1	138.8
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	111.7	131.0	126.2	129.9	127.2	131.3	132.1	140.4	139.3	137.9	146.6
Durables	112.0	112.6	115.3	118.7	122.3	126.5	128.9	129.6	127.5	127.4	125.6
Services	133.4	140.7	147.0	152.1	157.6	162.4	167.9	173.4	178.2	182.5	184.4
Rent of shelter ³	127.5	133.9	139.1	143.0	147.3	151.7	156.9	161.4	166.6	172.2	174.2
Transportation services	137.8	147.9	152.5	157.2	163.3	169.2	174.9	181.5	183.9	186.1	187.5
Other services	143.8	152.8	162.0	169.9	178.5	185.9	194.0	201.7	209.9	216.1	218.4
All items less food	124.0	131.7	135.7	140.0	143.4	147.4	151.1	155.8	158.1	160.4	162.6
All items less shelter	122.6	130.6	133.7	137.6	140.8	144.6	147.8	152.8	154.2	155.6	157.7
All items less medical care	123.1	130.4	133.6	137.2	140.4	144.0	147.5	152.4	154.5	156.8	158.8
Commodities less food	112.6	121.2	121.8	125.0	125.7	128.5	130.0	133.5	132.5	132.0	134.8
Nondurables less food	112.2	126.0	125.3	128.4	127.1	129.0	129.8	135.2	135.0	134.1	140.6
Nondurables less food and apparel	112.2	129.7	127.0	130.7	128.6	132.4	133.4	141.3	140.7	139.7	147.9
Nondurables	119.5	130.1	130.8	133.4	134.5	137.4	139.3	145.2	146.2	147.3	151.4
Apparel less footwear	116.9	122.9	126.8	128.3	128.9	126.5	126.5	125.5	126.1	125.7	129.7
Services less rent of shelter ³	123.9	131.1	137.9	143.5	149.5	154.0	159.2	165.0	168.8	171.5	173.0
Services less medical care services	131.4	138.1	143.9	148.4	153.4	157.6	162.8	168.1	172.7	176.9	178.6

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										May 1999
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Special aggregate indexes											
Energy	92.7	110.5	101.6	103.5	101.7	104.2	102.6	112.0	107.7	97.8	105.2
All items less energy	129.1	135.5	140.8	144.9	149.1	153.3	157.6	162.1	165.2	169.3	170.7
All items less food and energy	129.7	136.0	142.0	146.6	150.9	155.1	159.7	163.7	167.1	171.3	172.8
Commodities less food and energy commodities	120.2	124.0	128.9	132.7	134.7	137.1	139.6	141.0	141.5	144.1	144.5
Energy commodities	86.4	117.1	98.4	99.5	94.3	99.4	96.0	109.4	101.6	86.2	100.6
Services less energy services	136.4	144.3	151.0	156.3	162.1	167.5	173.4	179.0	184.3	189.7	191.9
Domestically produced farm food	127.0	135.0	136.7	139.0	143.9	147.1	150.7	159.3	160.2	163.7	164.8
Utilities and public transportation	116.3	121.2	125.6	129.4	134.4	133.6	135.9	142.4	143.3	143.1	143.8

¹ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

² This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

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 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										May 1999
	December										
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Expenditure category											
All items	4.5	6.1	2.8	2.9	2.5	2.7	2.5	3.3	1.5	1.6	1.3
Food and beverages	5.5	5.3	2.5	1.6	2.7	2.6	2.2	4.2	1.5	2.1	.9
Food	5.6	5.4	1.8	1.5	2.8	2.8	2.2	4.3	1.5	2.2	.9
Food at home	6.2	5.8	1.1	1.5	3.4	3.2	2.2	4.9	.8	2.0	.8
Cereals and bakery products	7.3	4.6	3.4	3.9	3.7	3.3	3.2	3.7	1.5	2.2	1.5
Cereals and cereal products	7.3	5.1	3.6	3.6	3.4	3.1	2.6	-1.3	1.9	1.5	2.1
Flour and prepared flour mixes	7.3	2.2	-2	5.0	-2	1.7	6.5	7.6	-4	2.4	6.0
Breakfast cereal	9.7	7.2	4.8	3.9	4.7	2.4	1.6	-4.2	1.7	2.2	1.4
Rice, pasta, cornmeal	1.4	2.1	2.8	2.0	2.2	6.0	2.5	.8	4.1	-1	1.7
Bakery products	7.4	4.3	3.4	4.2	3.7	3.5	3.5	6.0	1.4	2.6	1.2
Bread	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.4	.5
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.1	1.6
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies	7.8	5.7	4.8	2.3	3.3	3.7	1.3	4.2	.7	2.2	.6
Other bakery products	8.8	3.3	3.9	5.1	1.9	3.3	2.7	6.2	.3	3.0	2.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	6.9	7.9	-1.6	.5	3.6	-7	4.2	5.7	-1.2	-7	-5
Meats, poultry, and fish	5.2	8.9	-1.4	.8	3.8	-7	3.0	5.3	-7	-5	.2
Meats	6.6	11.4	-2.2	.3	3.7	-1.7	2.7	5.2	-8	2.2	.9
Beef and veal	6.7	8.9	-1.1	.8	3.7	-2.2	-2	2.5	-9	.2	.6
Uncooked ground beef	7.5	7.6	-1.4	-6	3.7	4.5	-1.7	1.6	-1.1	.3	.9
Uncooked beef roasts	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.2	1.8
Uncooked beef steaks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.7	1.3
Uncooked other beef and veal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.7	1.5
Pork	7.0	16.6	-6.0	-7	4.5	-2.3	7.4	11.1	-1.5	-5.9	.5
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-3.2	2.0
Ham	5.1	18.2	-4.8	-1.4	1.5	-1.5	7.2	8.5	-1.9	-5.8	-1
Pork chops	8.2	14.9	-4.3	2.6	4.6	-4.9	5.5	6.8	-3.8	-7.2	2.4
Other pork including roasts and picnics	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-8.5	2.6
Other meats	5.6	10.3	.8	.2	2.6	.6	3.1	3.4	.4	-8	1.8
Poultry	.4	1.4	.5	2.8	5.5	-4	4.1	7.9	-1.6	2.8	-2.3
Chicken	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	-3.5
Other poultry including turkey	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.1	2.2
Fish and seafood	3.7	2.8	1.6	1.7	3.3	5.2	3.1	2.4	.8	3.7	1.1
Fresh fish and seafood	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	1.8
Processed fish and seafood	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.8	.1
Eggs	35.7	-4.7	-4.1	-4.6	-1.9	.4	25.6	12.1	-7.5	-5.4	-14.9
Dairy and related products	10.4	3.0	.6	1.3	.9	1.1	2.5	10.2	-7	6.7	-1.0
Milk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.2	-2.8
Cheese and related products	12.9	4.7	1.7	.1	-8	.9	2.4	8.2	-1.4	7.2	1.0
Ice cream and related products	7.1	4.4	1.1	.5	.5	3.7	2.7	7.7	1.0	7.4	-1.7
Other dairy and related products	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.2	.8
Fruits and vegetables	3.8	7.3	4.4	2.1	6.5	8.1	-1.0	5.1	2.2	4.7	3.2
Fresh fruits and vegetables	4.7	8.4	7.9	2.6	9.1	11.8	-2.7	4.4	3.0	5.5	3.3
Fresh fruits	6.4	11.3	11.0	-4.3	12.6	3.6	5.8	11.8	-4.9	7.5	8.8
Apples	-6.3	21.9	12.2	-9.5	8.4	-2.2	15.0	3.8	-2	-1.7	3.4
Bananas	5.9	4.4	-4	-2.8	2.6	12.2	2.6	7.4	-3.8	9.4	-3.7
Citrus fruits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18.2	36.9
Other fresh fruits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.9	1.9
Fresh vegetables	2.7	5.3	4.3	11.2	5.5	21.1	-10.8	-4.1	13.6	3.4	-2.3
Potatoes	9.1	-4.2	-4.0	6.7	20.5	-6.5	13.7	-8.6	9.2	1.5	8.3
Lettuce	-22.1	11.8	12.1	6.5	-16.2	77.7	-36.4	7.0	17.6	-8.9	4.2
Tomatoes	13.2	-7.9	-4.0	55.1	1.9	18.1	4.0	-20.4	31.0	11.1	-23.5
Other fresh vegetables	4.5	11.7	7.7	3.1	7.3	21.2	-15.4	1.8	8.6	4.3	2.0
Processed fruits and vegetables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.1	2.6
Canned fruits and vegetables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.4	2.7
Frozen fruits and vegetables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.4	2.6
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3	1.9
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	3.2	1.9	-4	-2	2.1	13.5	-1.4	-1.8	4.1	-1.0	2.1

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											May 1999
	December											
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998		
Expenditure category												
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.3	2.7	
Carbonated drinks	4.9	0.8	0.9	1.5	1.8	-0.3	2.9	-0.5	-1.9	-9	3.4	
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.6	-5	
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0	2.1	
Beverage materials including coffee and tea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-3.3	.5	
Coffee	-1.2	1.6	-5.1	-5.5	5.3	55.9	-9.7	-6.9	16.8	-8.9	.6	
Other beverage materials including tea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	.5	
Other food at home	4.3	4.2	1.5	.9	2.0	5.7	1.3	2.2	2.7	3.1	.6	
Sugar and sweets	3.8	4.3	3.4	1.0	.9	1.0	3.0	4.4	2.2	1.6	1.9	
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	4.4	2.8	.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	4.1	3.4	.8	.4	3.7	
Candy and chewing gum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.3	1.2	
Other sweets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.7	2.2	
Fats and oils	2.7	7.7	-1.3	-6	.8	3.7	2.4	2.3	-3	8.0	-2.8	
Butter and margarine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20.2	-9.0	
Salad dressing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	-1.4	
Other fats and oils including peanut butter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.2	1.6	
Other foods	5.7	5.2	3.1	2.1	2.6	2.3	2.6	4.5	2.5	2.5	1.1	
Soups	7.5	6.1	5.9	5.7	4.3	4.3	3.6	4.6	2.2	1.4	4.0	
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods	5.5	3.4	1.6	.5	-4	.3	.4	5.0	.8	1.6	.5	
Snacks	3.9	4.0	1.1	-4	3.0	1.8	3.5	5.7	2.4	.6	1.1	
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces	5.6	6.3	4.0	4.1	2.6	2.4	4.0	4.5	2.7	2.4	2.2	
Baby food	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	2.5	
Other miscellaneous foods	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.9	.2	
Food away from home	4.6	4.5	2.8	1.6	1.8	2.0	2.2	3.1	2.6	2.5	.9	
Full service meals and snacks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	1.3	
Limited service meals and snacks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.2	.9	
Food at employee sites and schools	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	.3	
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.8	.4	
Other food away from home	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.4	.8	
Alcoholic beverages	4.8	4.2	10.0	2.9	1.6	.9	1.9	3.6	2.0	1.9	1.4	
Alcoholic beverages at home	4.4	3.8	11.5	2.2	.5	-2	.9	3.3	.5	1.6	1.5	
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home	4.7	3.7	11.9	2.8	.3	-2	.8	2.8	-6	1.8	1.5	
Distilled spirits at home	4.5	4.9	8.9	1.4	1.1	.7	.8	2.0	2.2	.6	1.4	
Wine at home	3.1	2.9	13.4	1.5	.2	-1.2	1.3	6.2	2.2	1.5	1.4	
Alcoholic beverages away from home	5.2	4.9	8.0	3.8	2.9	2.2	3.2	4.0	3.7	2.4	1.2	
Housing	3.9	4.2	3.4	2.6	2.6	2.1	2.8	2.9	2.3	2.2	.9	
Shelter	4.8	5.1	3.8	2.8	3.0	3.0	3.4	2.8	3.2	3.3	1.2	
Rent of primary residence ¹	4.1	4.1	3.0	2.3	2.3	2.5	2.5	2.8	3.1	3.4	1.0	
Lodging away from home ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	7.7	
Housing at school, excluding board ¹	7.3	6.1	6.5	8.0	2.2	4.7	4.4	3.5	5.5	4.5	.2	
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels	6.5	15.5	8.6	3.5	3.8	1.8	3.6	5.2	6.0	4.0	8.5	
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ¹	5.2	4.7	3.9	2.9	3.2	3.3	3.7	2.8	3.0	3.2	.8	
Tenants' and household insurance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3	.6	
Fuels and utilities	3.1	3.8	3.2	2.3	2.6	.1	1.4	4.6	.5	-2.5	-1	
Fuels	3.6	4.0	1.1	2.4	1.7	-6	.6	5.7	-1.1	-3.7	-3	
Fuel oil and other fuels	14.9	28.7	-16.8	-2.9	-3.8	.1	1.4	23.6	-12.3	-10.7	1.6	
Fuel oil	19.6	29.9	-20.0	-3.2	-4.6	.0	1.6	23.2	-11.9	-15.2	3.1	
Other household fuels	6.0	26.1	-9.8	-2.4	-2.1	.3	.8	24.1	-13.1	-2.5	-7	
Gas (piped) and electricity ¹	2.7	1.4	3.4	2.9	2.3	-8	.6	4.1	.1	-3.3	-4	
Electricity ¹	2.6	1.2	5.2	1.7	.5	.7	2.7	.7	-1.3	-3.2	1.3	
Utility natural gas service ¹	2.6	1.7	-1	5.4	5.9	-3.5	-3.9	11.8	3.0	-3.6	-4.6	
Water and sewer and trash collection services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.8	1.0	
Water and sewerage maintenance ¹	6.7	5.9	7.3	6.4	4.9	4.2	2.8	3.4	3.9	2.8	.9	
Garbage and trash collection	9.7	10.0	11.6	8.6	5.2	4.9	2.7	1.9	2.0	2.9	1.1	
Household furnishings and operations	.8	1.7	2.1	1.6	1.5	.6	2.3	.9	.1	1.0	.0	
Window and floor coverings and other linens	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0	1.1	
Floor coverings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	-1.0	
Window coverings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.2	1.1	
Other linens	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.7	2.2	
Furniture and bedding	-1.7	1.1	1.1	4.3	2.8	1.2	4.2	.9	-1.0	1.3	-7	
Bedroom furniture	-2.3	-1.4	4.2	5.2	4.9	-1.8	2.0	3.6	1.4	-2	-5	
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.2	-6	
Other furniture	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.5	-1.5	
Appliances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.1	-1.5	

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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										May 1999
	December										
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Expenditure category											
Major appliances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.4	-0.9
Other appliances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-5	-2.6
Other household equipment and furnishings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0	-4
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items	6.0	0.1	3.5	2.4	-3.4	-0.4	3.7	-3.9	3.8	-7	-2.6
Indoor plants and flowers	-	-	7.3	5.5	-2.5	3.9	1.4	.6	-8.3	2.2	2.7
Dishes and flatware	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-8	3.0
Nonelectric cookware and tableware	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.2	-2.6
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-6	.0
Tools, hardware and supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2.3	-1.1
Outdoor equipment and supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3	.6
Housekeeping supplies	5.5	3.2	2.0	-.3	1.5	1.1	5.0	1.5	1.6	1.9	.7
Household cleaning products	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.7	.5
Household paper products	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	.5
Miscellaneous household products	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.7	1.5
Household operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	1.2
Domestic services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	1.1
Gardening and lawn care services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.7	.7
Moving, storage, freight expense	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.6	1.4
Repair of household items	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.5	1.4
Apparel	8	5.1	3.1	1.6	.7	-1.5	.2	.2	8	4	2.5
Men's and boys' apparel	1.3	2.9	2.9	1.2	.5	-2.0	1.0	1.4	2.5	4	2.9
Men's apparel	2.0	3.2	3.1	1.7	.3	-1.6	.4	1.7	2.3	1	4.1
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.0	5.1	-2.2	-1.3	-6	.9	-1.8	4.0
Men's furnishings	3.0	2.3	2.2	.9	-1	.6	-2.7	4.3	8.3	-2	6.0
Men's shirts and sweaters	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.3	1.6
Men's pants and shorts	2.2	3.8	3.5	2.6	-8	-1.3	1.2	1.5	.1	-2	5.4
Boys' apparel	-8	1.6	2.6	-.9	1.1	-3.2	3.1	.3	3.3	-1.4	-1.0
Women's and girls' apparel	-6	6.1	3.3	.7	.6	-3.4	-6	-1.3	-2	-4	3.7
Women's apparel	-6	6.7	2.4	.3	1.6	-3.8	-8	-1.1	.0	.1	3.7
Women's outerwear	1.3	10.8	2.8	3.0	5.7	-8.0	2.3	4.0	2.5	-4.6	-7.4
Women's dresses	-2.5	7.9	-3.2	3.1	-2.7	-11.3	2.2	-9.3	-5.1	7.0	3.3
Women's suits and separates	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.2	4.3
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.4	6.0
Girls' apparel	-4	3.6	8.3	2.6	-3.8	-1.8	.8	-1.9	-1.0	-2.6	3.1
Footwear	1.2	3.4	2.7	2.5	.8	-1.9	.6	1.6	1.7	-8	-2
Men's footwear	2.0	2.8	3.2	2.3	1.1	-1.5	.2	-.7	.0	.9	-2.6
Boys' and girls' footwear	3.4	4.1	-.4	-2	.0	1.0	1.5	4.3	2.9	-1.3	-3.9
Women's footwear	-.8	3.4	4.3	4.2	1.0	-3.8	.6	1.9	2.4	-2.0	4.2
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	-.8	7.2	3.0	1.0	-3.8	3.7	-2.3	-1.3	-1.2	3.5	-1.5
Jewelry and watches	3.5	5.8	3.1	4.0	2.6	3.4	-.5	-4.0	-.5	-3.0	5.8
Watches	-.3	3.0	2.6	-1.5	6.0	3.6	5.2	-6.5	.2	-1.4	2.8
Jewelry	4.6	6.5	3.3	5.3	1.9	3.3	-1.8	-3.4	-.7	-3.4	6.5
Transportation	4.0	10.4	-1.7	3.0	2.0	4.5	1.6	4.2	-1.7	-2.0	2.5
Private transportation	3.9	10.1	-1.7	2.8	1.5	5.2	1.5	3.8	-1.6	-2.1	2.3
New and used motor vehicles	-	-	-	-	-	5.1	2.8	.8	-2.1	1.1	-1.3
New vehicles	2.7	2.0	3.3	2.5	3.4	3.5	2.0	1.9	-.8	.0	-.9
Used cars and trucks	-.5	-2.2	2.8	7.9	8.1	8.5	4.6	-1.4	-4.7	3.2	-2.2
Car and truck rental	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.5	3.1
Motor fuel	6.8	36.3	-15.9	1.4	-5.3	5.9	-3.8	13.0	-6.6	-15.4	17.8
Gasoline (all types)	6.5	36.7	-16.0	1.6	-5.9	6.4	-4.1	12.9	-6.6	-15.5	17.9
Gasoline, unleaded regular ²	5.6	38.7	-16.6	1.5	-6.7	7.1	-4.2	13.9	-7.1	-16.5	19.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ²	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	-4.5	11.7	-5.8	-14.4	15.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium ²	6.3	31.9	-14.5	1.5	-4.8	5.2	-4.7	11.1	-5.9	-13.4	14.8
Other motor fuels	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-12.3	5.5
Motor vehicle parts and equipment	2.2	.9	1.5	-.8	-1.5	.3	.6	-.2	-.6	-.3	-.8
Tires	2.1	-.2	2.2	-.4	-1.5	2.2	.1	.0	-3.0	-.5	-.6
Vehicle accessories other than tires	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0	-.9
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	4.4	4.6	4.5	3.7	3.1	2.9	2.6	3.1	2.7	3.1	1.1
Motor vehicle body work	5.9	4.1	2.4	2.9	2.6	3.2	3.7	4.5	4.7	3.1	-.3
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing	3.1	3.9	5.4	2.1	2.1	1.5	2.1	2.9	2.8	2.9	1.3
Motor vehicle repair	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.2	1.2
Motor vehicle insurance	6.0	7.7	8.1	6.5	4.9	3.4	4.4	3.9	2.5	-.3	-.6

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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										May 1999
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Expenditure category											
Motor vehicle fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.1	0.1
State and local registration and license ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.8	.1
Parking and other fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	.4
Public transportation	3.7	15.5	-1.7	5.2	10.0	-5.0	4.0	10.6	-2.4	1.4	4.8
Airline fare	5.2	22.8	-5.8	6.2	17.2	-9.5	2.1	15.4	-5.2	4.0	8.9
Other intercity transportation	2.7	6.3	3.3	.8	-3.7	1.8	1.7	1.9	1.5	2.7	-1.1
Intracity transportation	1.9	7.8	3.7	4.9	3.0	.9	7.6	5.6	1.2	-2.7	.2
Medical care	8.3	9.1	7.8	6.8	5.2	4.9	4.0	3.1	2.8	3.3	1.8
Medical care commodities	8.2	8.5	7.3	5.0	3.0	2.9	1.7	2.5	2.2	3.7	1.6
Prescription drugs and medical supplies	9.5	10.0	9.4	5.6	3.2	3.6	2.0	3.0	2.5	4.9	3.1
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies	5.8	5.8	3.3	4.2	2.6	1.6	1.2	1.5	1.6	1.8	-.9
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs	5.3	6.1	2.6	4.3	2.6	.9	.7	1.9	1.5	2.0	-1.0
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies	7.2	4.9	5.7	3.7	2.8	4.1	2.5	.2	2.0	1.4	-.8
Medical care services	8.4	9.2	7.9	7.1	5.7	5.4	4.5	3.2	2.9	3.2	1.8
Professional services ¹	6.5	6.7	6.2	5.8	4.4	4.7	4.1	3.6	3.1	3.3	1.8
Physicians' services ¹	7.2	7.4	5.5	6.3	5.0	4.5	4.4	3.1	2.8	3.5	1.4
Dental services ¹	6.5	6.5	8.3	5.7	4.4	5.4	4.4	5.1	3.9	4.4	2.5
Eyeglasses and eye care ¹	3.6	4.6	3.5	3.7	2.1	3.6	2.4	1.4	1.7	.6	2.2
Services by other medical professionals ¹	5.8	4.8	5.2	3.6	3.1	4.5	1.7	3.2	3.5	2.4	1.2
Hospital and related services ¹	11.2	10.6	9.1	8.8	7.4	5.7	4.6	4.0	3.1	3.1	1.9
Hospital services ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	3.1	1.9
Inpatient hospital services ^{1 2}	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.3	2.5	1.8
Outpatient hospital services ^{1 2}	12.0	11.3	9.9	9.7	7.6	5.8	4.6	4.8	4.1	4.2	2.6
Nursing homes and adult daycare ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	6.3	1.9
Recreation	-	-	-	-	-	1.1	2.6	3.0	1.5	.8	.7
Video and audio	-	-	-	-	-	-2.7	.4	3.4	2.6	.7	-.1
Televisions	-2.1	-3.5	-1.1	-.7	-2.1	-1.7	-4.4	-5.4	-3.9	-4.9	-4.3
Cable television ¹	3.9	13.5	8.6	4.0	7.1	-2.9	3.9	7.9	6.9	6.9	1.8
Other video equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-13.2	-8.4
Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-5.2	-2.0
Audio equipment	2.3	-1.0	1.9	-1.5	.7	-1.1	-2.6	-.7	-2.0	-7.6	.5
Audio discs, tapes and other media	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.3	2.2
Pets, pet products and services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.6	1.7
Pets and pet products	4.3	3.7	1.7	-.8	.6	1.1	3.6	5.2	-.4	.4	1.4
Pet services including veterinary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.3	2.2
Sporting goods	3.0	.5	3.4	.9	.8	2.9	-1.3	.1	-.1	-.4	-.8
Sports vehicles including bicycles	4.0	.1	2.2	2.6	1.1	3.1	-1.2	.1	.2	3.0	-.2
Sports equipment	1.7	1.2	5.3	-1.4	.3	2.6	-1.4	.0	-.6	-3.4	-1.3
Photography	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.4	.3
Photographic equipment and supplies	3.5	1.5	1.1	2.3	1.8	-3.7	1.8	.1	.5	-3.0	-.3
Photographers and film processing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.2	.7
Other recreational goods	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-5.0	-2.0
Toys	2.2	1.6	1.1	2.9	1.6	-.8	1.1	3.2	-1.7	-5.9	-2.0
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.9	-2.9
Music instruments and accessories	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-.2	-.8
Recreation services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	3.2
Club membership dues and fees for participant sports	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.7	1.3
Admissions	9.8	5.0	4.8	3.8	2.0	3.7	5.4	4.1	3.4	2.6	4.6
Fees for lessons or instructions	8.1	5.4	5.9	5.3	4.0	5.3	3.0	5.5	5.1	2.0	2.7
Recreational reading materials	4.6	4.6	6.6	3.8	3.7	3.6	5.9	2.8	1.1	3.1	.5
Newspapers and magazines	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	.5
Recreational books	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.6	.6
Education and communication	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	4.0	3.3	3.0	.9	-.2
Education	-	-	-	-	-	5.5	5.6	4.9	5.5	4.7	1.1
Educational books and supplies	7.8	6.8	6.0	5.7	3.8	3.1	5.7	5.7	5.3	5.9	1.8
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	8.0	7.7	9.1	7.5	6.7	5.8	5.7	4.7	5.5	4.6	1.0
College tuition and fees	8.4	8.4	11.7	9.2	7.4	6.2	6.2	5.5	5.2	3.9	.4
Elementary and high school tuition and fees	8.8	8.6	7.7	8.0	5.7	6.3	6.7	4.6	7.2	6.2	.2
Child care and nursery school	-	-	6.3	4.2	5.3	5.1	3.9	3.6	5.0	4.7	1.7
Technical and business school tuition and fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.6	1.1
Communication	-	-	-	-	-	.1	1.9	1.4	-.1	-2.2	-1.3

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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										May 1999
	December										
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Expenditure category											
Postage and delivery services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1	3.0
Postage	0.0	0.0	16.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.4	0.0	0.0	.0	3.0
Delivery services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.2	5.2
Information and information processing	-	-	-	-	-	.3	.6	1.6	-1	-2.3	-1.5
Telephone services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.4	-6
Telephone services, local charges ¹	.5	1.0	5.2	.4	1.0	-4	2.3	.9	1.1	1.4	1.5
Telephone services, long distance charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0	-2.4
Cellular telephone services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-7.6	-6.0
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	-26.4	-11.7
Personal computers and peripheral equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-36.0	-13.9
Computer software and accessories	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-10.1	-2.7
Computer information processing services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	-28.1
Other information processing equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-10.3	-5.5
Other goods and services	8.6	7.7	8.1	6.4	1.6	4.2	4.1	3.4	5.4	11.3	2.5
Tobacco and smoking products	14.4	10.7	11.3	8.3	-5.9	3.2	2.8	2.4	7.3	32.3	4.2
Cigarettes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33.8	4.2
Tobacco products other than cigarettes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.5	4.2
Personal care	3.8	4.2	2.6	3.1	2.4	2.0	1.9	1.0	2.3	2.9	1.6
Personal care products	2.6	4.3	2.8	3.7	1.5	2.0	.8	.8	1.8	2.4	1.3
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1.2
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements	2.1	5.8	3.0	1.8	4.5	1.5	1.4	2.8	2.4	4.5	1.5
Personal care services	5.2	4.3	2.2	2.5	3.5	2.1	3.4	3.4	2.9	2.7	1.7
Haircuts and other personal care services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.8	1.7
Miscellaneous personal services	5.6	6.0	6.5	4.2	6.4	5.2	5.1	4.3	5.1	3.7	2.1
Legal services	6.0	4.6	6.2	3.4	7.8	2.2	4.0	4.3	4.3	5.0	2.8
Funeral expenses	5.0	6.5	6.1	3.8	5.2	6.0	5.0	4.9	5.3	4.2	1.9
Laundry and dry cleaning services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.2	1.6
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.9	1.2
Financial services	5.6	7.8	7.6	5.2	6.5	8.6	6.7	3.1	5.8	3.4	1.8
Miscellaneous personal goods	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.4	-4
Special aggregate indexes											
Commodities	4.2	6.8	1.0	2.2	1.4	2.4	1.6	3.3	.1	.5	1.6
Commodities less food and beverages	3.2	7.9	-1	2.6	.5	2.3	1.1	2.6	-8	-5	2.1
Nondurables less food and beverages	5.0	13.1	-1.6	2.5	-1.3	1.6	.5	4.1	-4	-8	5.1
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	7.3	17.3	-3.7	2.9	-2.1	3.2	.6	6.3	-8	-1.0	6.3
Durables	1.2	.5	2.4	2.9	3.0	3.4	1.9	.5	-1.6	-1	-1.4
Services	4.9	5.5	4.5	3.5	3.6	3.0	3.4	3.3	2.8	2.4	1.0
Rent of shelter	4.9	5.0	3.9	2.8	3.0	3.0	3.4	2.9	3.2	3.4	1.2
Transportation services	5.0	7.3	3.1	3.1	3.9	3.6	3.4	3.8	1.3	1.2	.8
Other services	6.5	6.3	6.0	4.9	5.1	4.1	4.4	4.0	4.1	3.0	1.1
All items less food	4.4	6.2	3.0	3.2	2.4	2.8	2.5	3.1	1.5	1.5	1.4
All items less shelter	4.4	6.5	2.4	2.9	2.3	2.7	2.2	3.4	.9	.9	1.3
All items less medical care	4.4	5.9	2.5	2.7	2.3	2.6	2.4	3.3	1.4	1.5	1.3
Commodities less food	3.4	7.6	.5	2.6	.6	2.2	1.2	2.7	-7	-4	2.1
Nondurables less food	5.0	12.3	-6	2.5	-1.0	1.5	.6	4.2	-1	-7	4.8
Nondurables less food and apparel	7.0	15.6	-2.1	2.9	-1.6	3.0	.8	5.9	-4	-7	5.9
Nondurables	5.3	8.9	.5	2.0	.8	2.2	1.4	4.2	.7	.8	2.8
Apparel less footwear	.4	5.1	3.2	1.2	.5	-1.9	.0	-8	.5	-3	3.2
Services less rent of shelter	4.9	5.8	5.2	4.1	4.2	3.0	3.4	3.6	2.3	1.6	.9
Services less medical care services	4.6	5.1	4.2	3.1	3.4	2.7	3.3	3.3	2.7	2.4	1.0
Energy	5.2	19.2	-8.1	1.9	-1.7	2.5	-1.5	9.2	-3.8	-9.2	7.6

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										May 1999
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	
Special aggregate indexes											
All items less energy	4.4	5.0	3.9	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.9	1.9	2.5	0.8
All items less food and energy	4.3	4.9	4.4	3.2	2.9	2.8	3.0	2.5	2.1	2.5	.9
Commodities less food and energy commodities	2.7	3.2	4.0	2.9	1.5	1.8	1.8	1.0	.4	1.8	.3
Energy commodities	7.6	35.5	-16.0	1.1	-5.2	5.4	-3.4	14.0	-7.1	-15.2	16.7
Services less energy services	5.1	5.8	4.6	3.5	3.7	3.3	3.5	3.2	3.0	2.9	1.2
Domestically produced farm food	6.6	6.3	1.3	1.7	3.5	2.2	2.4	5.7	.6	2.2	.7
Utilities and public transportation	2.6	4.2	3.6	3.0	3.9	-6	1.7	4.8	.6	-1	.5

¹ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

² 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 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)	
	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999
U.S. city average	\$29.490	\$29.948	\$63.249	\$63.548	\$45.179	\$45.233	\$0.853	\$0.852
Region and area size ¹								
Northeast urban	40.636	38.247	85.653	80.048	60.142	59.547	.843	.845
Size A - More than 1,500,000	40.762	38.386	86.620	81.268	63.346	62.953	.884	.885
Size B/C 50,000 to 1,500,000	40.268	37.843	82.815	76.470	54.964	54.042	.764	.768
Midwest urban	26.282	26.937	52.522	54.219	43.376	43.591	.789	.783
Size A - More than 1,500,000	26.435	27.009	52.727	54.209	45.858	46.161	.815	.811
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	26.322	26.787	52.221	53.508	42.910	43.120	.779	.773
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	25.456	27.006	52.423	56.225	36.997	36.943	NA	NA
South urban	30.603	30.417	63.776	63.354	41.455	41.437	.939	.939
Size A - More than 1,500,000	31.712	30.444	63.092	59.800	43.618	43.606	.992	.992
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	29.838	30.552	64.064	66.093	40.652	40.628	.869	.870
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	29.654	29.248	65.961	64.895	41.023	41.019	NA	NA
West urban	24.089	27.251	59.655	64.342	43.080	43.585	1.007	.953
Size A - More than 1,500,000	24.211	28.125	62.376	68.266	48.509	48.890	1.137	1.073
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	24.128	26.033	55.628	58.805	39.800	40.720	.847	.868
Size classes								
A	30.116	30.592	65.531	65.395	50.246	50.326	.895	.893
B/C	29.216	29.553	61.270	61.890	42.759	42.806	.784	.786
D	25.658	26.504	54.633	56.791	36.538	36.523	1.027	.971
Selected local areas								
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	26.936	27.916	51.495	53.677	52.132	52.339	-	-
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA	24.090	27.771	60.789	65.766	58.099	58.099	-	-
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	40.894	40.680	86.203	85.957	68.141	67.389	-	-
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	44.028	31.822	96.293	67.438	57.814	57.814	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH	25.447	25.520	56.558	56.906	60.706	60.706	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	25.478	20.551	54.568	41.677	43.990	43.990	-	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV	37.195	37.857	73.689	75.358	43.291	43.251	-	-
Atlanta, GA	35.260	35.690	67.395	68.507	41.602	41.583	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	25.732	25.717	51.544	51.506	46.660	46.645	-	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	24.256	24.256	45.778	45.778	39.783	39.783	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	46.526	47.059	103.653	105.208	42.493	42.493	-	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD ..	38.092	38.148	83.755	83.823	60.327	60.307	-	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	20.840	27.150	63.034	74.988	54.980	55.249	-	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	25.552	25.552	56.651	56.651	30.292	30.292	-	-

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

NA Data not adequate for publication.

Table P2. Average residential unit prices and consumption ranges for utility 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 May 1999		Average price per KWH of electricity		Range of KWH consumption for May 1999	
	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Low	High	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Low	High
U.S. city average	\$0.658	\$0.662	1	2,260	\$0.084	\$0.085	5	9,920
Region and area size ¹								
Northeast urban	.874	.820	5	1,176	.115	.114	8	5,069
Size A - More than 1,500,000	.883	.829	5	862	.121	.120	110	3,750
Size B/C 50,000 to 1,500,000	.845	.795	6	1,176	.106	.104	8	5,069
Midwest urban	.530	.547	1	1,124	.082	.082	5	4,517
Size A - More than 1,500,000	.499	.514	6	1,124	.087	.087	5	3,785
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	.550	.562	5	498	.080	.081	35	4,517
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	.643	.683	1	739	.073	.073	72	3,113
South urban	.753	.746	3	2,260	.074	.075	76	9,920
Size A - More than 1,500,000	.728	.691	7	394	.076	.079	242	6,301
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	.767	.784	3	2,260	.074	.074	94	9,920
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	.816	.808	6	146	.072	.072	76	8,120
West urban	.590	.640	8	1,557	.084	.085	101	5,033
Size A - More than 1,500,000	.615	.676	12	1,557	.094	.096	103	5,033
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	.554	.594	8	606	.078	.080	101	3,321
Size classes								
A	.658	.658	5	1,557	.094	.095	5	6,301
B/C	.660	.669	3	2,260	.080	.080	8	9,920
D	.644	.666	1	739	.068	.068	72	8,120
Selected local areas								
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	.435	.457	24	1,124	.103	.103	100	2,700
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA	.599	.658	17	447	.116	.116	164	2,454
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	.896	.893	5	549	.133	.131	125	3,750
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1.022	.712	16	232	.110	.110	279	1,533
Cleveland-Akron, OH	.551	.554	41	561	.108	.108	298	2,259
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	.576	.446	20	394	.070	.071	242	6,250
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV	.910	.930	20	125	.076	.076	415	4,252
Atlanta, GA	.762	.773	31	132	.073	.073	450	3,034
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	.520	.520	10	1,016	.095	.095	27	2,033
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	.568	.568	18	209	.072	.087	312	6,301
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1.800	1.812	7	13	.082	.082	380	2,607
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD ..	.848	.849	19	862	.114	.114	110	2,451
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	.600	.723	15	293	.115	.115	200	1,746
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	.564	.564	45	186	.052	.052	751	5,033

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

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

Area, region and population size class	Gasoline All types ¹		Gasoline Unleaded regular		Gasoline Unleaded midgrade		Gasoline Unleaded premium		Automotive Diesel fuel	
	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999
U.S. city average	\$1.232	\$1.233	\$1.177	\$1.178	\$1.270	\$1.272	\$1.367	\$1.370	\$1.178	\$1.174
Region and area size ²										
Northeast urban	1.147	1.192	1.087	1.135	1.185	1.225	1.274	1.317	1.122	1.138
Size A - More than 1,500,000	1.144	1.200	1.084	1.142	1.179	1.233	1.268	1.322	1.125	1.135
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	1.151	1.177	1.093	1.123	1.194	1.213	1.286	1.307	1.119	1.142
Midwest urban	1.159	1.171	1.117	1.127	1.200	1.214	1.286	1.299	1.113	1.113
Size A - More than 1,500,000	1.177	1.201	1.130	1.153	1.221	1.249	1.298	1.319	1.107	1.106
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	1.135	1.133	1.098	1.094	1.179	1.180	1.266	1.270	1.133	1.132
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	1.149	1.142	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
South urban	1.098	1.123	1.039	1.064	1.142	1.166	1.230	1.256	1.098	1.105
Size A - More than 1,500,000	1.109	1.137	1.041	1.069	1.154	1.182	1.237	1.267	1.197	1.211
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	1.092	1.117	1.039	1.065	1.132	1.157	1.218	1.243	1.041	1.044
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	1.098	1.104	1.036	1.040	1.146	1.154	1.265	1.274	NA	NA
West urban	1.547	1.477	1.485	1.415	1.589	1.519	1.702	1.632	1.472	1.420
Size A - More than 1,500,000	1.585	1.512	1.519	1.447	1.629	1.554	1.735	1.663	1.501	1.492
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	1.474	1.399	1.424	1.348	1.509	1.438	1.622	1.543	1.466	1.297
Size classes										
A	1.283	1.284	1.224	1.225	1.323	1.324	1.413	1.415	1.215	1.218
B/C	1.170	1.174	1.121	1.125	1.208	1.213	1.299	1.304	1.136	1.119
D	1.196	1.189	1.151	1.142	1.231	1.226	1.340	1.334	1.134	1.144
Selected local areas										
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	1.242	1.274	1.182	1.214	1.287	1.319	1.377	1.409	-	-
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA	1.610	1.530	1.545	1.464	1.645	1.562	1.743	1.664	-	-
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	1.184	1.234	1.121	1.175	1.215	1.264	1.300	1.345	-	-
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1.105	1.171	1.058	1.123	1.143	1.203	1.227	1.300	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH	1.174	1.161	1.123	1.108	1.217	1.204	1.307	1.299	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1.086	1.121	1.027	1.060	1.127	1.164	1.215	1.252	-	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV	1.130	1.161	1.061	1.093	1.178	1.205	1.244	1.274	-	-
Atlanta, GA	1.006	1.022	.942	.956	1.050	1.065	1.144	1.169	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	1.162	1.195	1.114	1.143	1.211	1.252	1.309	1.350	-	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	1.093	1.128	1.035	1.069	1.136	1.171	1.205	1.241	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1.215	1.233	1.133	1.154	1.272	1.288	1.343	1.357	-	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD ..	1.107	1.169	1.036	1.100	1.146	1.206	1.227	1.287	-	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	1.742	1.633	1.685	1.570	1.795	1.686	1.883	1.793	-	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	1.446	1.458	1.382	1.395	1.505	1.514	1.608	1.622	-	-

¹ Also includes types of gasoline not shown separately.

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

NA Data not adequate for publication.

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

Food and unit	U.S. city average		Northeast		Midwest		South		West	
	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999
Cereals and bakery products:										
Flour, white, all purpose, per lb. (453.6 gm)	\$0.283	\$0.306	\$0.294	\$0.313	\$0.272	\$0.301	\$0.287	\$0.321	NA	NA
Rice, white, long grain, uncooked, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.548	.551	NA	NA	NA	NA	.573	.574	\$0.545	\$0.548
Spaghetti and macaroni, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.888	.887	.839	.855	.890	.892	.759	.749	1.098	1.081
Bread, white, pan, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.897	.886	1.066	1.058	.893	.868	.789	.794	.928	.905
Bread, French, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.563	1.523	NA	NA
Bread, whole wheat, pan, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.270	1.332	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cookies, chocolate chip, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.564	2.573	NA	NA	2.494	2.540	2.462	2.388	NA	NA
Crackers, soda, salted, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.615	1.595	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.613	1.695	NA	NA
Meats, poultry, fish and eggs:										
Meats:										
Beef and veal:										
Ground chuck, 100% beef, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.833	1.812	1.831	1.861	1.803	1.718	1.815	1.786	NA	NA
Ground beef, 100% beef, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.429	1.444	NA	NA	1.276	1.332	1.502	1.488	NA	NA
Ground beef, lean and extra lean, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.113	2.108	2.230	2.289	1.867	1.882	2.149	2.100	2.153	2.143
All uncooked ground beef, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.884	1.869	2.053	2.074	1.704	1.701	1.839	1.810	2.007	1.976
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)	2.083	2.098	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.970	2.057	2.146	2.202
Chuck roast, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.441	2.317	2.411	2.385	2.475	2.154	2.411	2.394	NA	NA
Round roast, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.772	2.694	2.685	2.537	2.702	2.786	2.897	2.825	2.853	2.635
Round roast, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.669	2.587	NA	NA	3.064	2.897	2.433	2.385	2.665	2.614
Rib roast, USDA Choice, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
All Uncooked Beef Roasts, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.710	2.670	2.695	2.596	2.802	2.681	2.635	2.650	2.745	2.751
Steak, T-Bone, USDA Choice, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	6.380	6.487	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Steak, rib eye, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	6.116	6.202	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Steak, round, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.118	3.085	3.151	3.142	2.964	3.010	3.147	3.035	3.314	3.236
Steak, round, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.883	2.829	NA	NA	2.815	2.800	2.691	2.669	3.069	2.966
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)	3.561	3.747	NA	NA	NA	NA	3.160	3.548	3.851	3.897
Steak, sirloin, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	4.167	4.391	4.128	4.195	4.337	4.583	3.741	4.055	4.861	5.138
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)	2.577	2.571	NA	NA	2.640	2.633	NA	NA	NA	NA
All Uncooked Beef Steaks, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.697	3.746	3.709	3.707	3.782	3.881	3.437	3.541	3.988	3.963
All Uncooked Other Beef (Excluding Veal), per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.222	2.217	2.420	2.487	2.238	2.245	2.031	1.986	2.379	2.379
Pork:										
Bacon, sliced, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.445	2.474	2.679	2.736	2.412	2.612	2.267	2.193	2.586	2.612
Chops, center cut, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.122	3.174	2.956	3.111	2.839	2.868	3.086	3.148	3.676	3.616
Chops, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.627	3.655	3.538	3.987	3.597	3.567	4.023	3.588	3.297	3.531
All Pork Chops, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.951	3.007	2.859	3.030	2.911	2.959	2.862	2.851	3.259	3.338
Ham, rump or shank half, bone-in, smoked, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Ham, boneless, excluding canned, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.721	2.793	NA	NA	2.254	2.386	3.048	3.212	2.588	2.442
All Ham (Excluding Canned Ham and Luncheon Slices), per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.926	1.990	1.865	1.954	1.940	2.087	1.904	1.994	1.998	1.923
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)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	.975	1.052	NA	NA
All Other Pork (Excluding Canned Ham and Luncheon Slices), per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.651	1.670	1.606	1.595	1.684	1.674	1.454	1.488	1.996	2.039
Sausage, fresh, loose, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.387	2.450	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.345	2.323	NA	NA
Other meats:										
Frankfurters, all meat or all beef, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.378	2.346	NA	NA
Bologna, all beef or mixed, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.388	2.424	NA	NA	2.546	2.541	NA	NA	NA	NA
Lamb and mutton, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Poultry:										
Chicken, fresh, whole, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.057	1.026	1.159	1.084	1.082	1.061	.965	.954	1.100	1.063
Chicken breast, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.111	2.039	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.977	1.811	2.295	2.450
Chicken legs, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.253	1.237	1.243	1.162	1.241	1.189	1.234	1.219	NA	NA
Turkey, frozen, whole, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.936	.975	NA	NA	.935	.946	.874	.947	NA	NA
Fish and seafood:										
Tuna, light, chunk, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.119	2.145	NA	NA	2.240	2.294	2.035	2.048	NA	NA
Eggs:										
Grade A, large, per doz.	.942	.900	1.119	1.062	.840	.799	.895	.861	NA	NA
Grade AA, large, per doz.	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.306	1.285

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		South		West	
	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999
Dairy products:										
Milk, fresh, whole, fortified, per 1/2 gal. (1.9 lit)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Milk, fresh, whole, fortified, per gal. (3.8 lit)	\$2.707	\$2.716	\$2.709	\$2.701	\$2.463	\$2.468	\$2.715	\$2.739	\$2.828	\$2.828
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)	2.686	2.651	NA	NA	2.386	2.418	2.713	2.660	2.887	2.823
Butter, salted, grade AA, stick, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.703	2.546	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.528	2.260	NA	NA
American processed cheese, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.748	3.806	NA	NA	NA	NA	3.731	3.850	NA	NA
Cheddar cheese, natural, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.694	3.721	NA	NA	NA	NA	3.819	3.751	3.402	3.390
Ice cream, prepackaged, bulk, regular, per 1/2 gal. (1.9 lit)	3.266	3.195	3.654	3.581	3.040	3.055	3.139	3.137	3.388	3.168
Yogurt, natural, fruit flavored, per 8 oz. (226.8 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Fruits and vegetables:										
Fresh fruits and vegetables:										
Apples, Red Delicious, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.870	.881	.897	.964	.887	.917	.895	.876	.816	.806
Bananas, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.482	.492	.520	.513	.478	.485	.436	.440	.520	.557
Oranges, Navel, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.944	NA	1.066	NA	.926	NA	.943	NA	.885	NA
Oranges, Valencia, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	.865	NA	NA	NA	.887	NA	NA	NA	.877
Cherries, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Grapes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.556	.606	.507	.617	.515	.543	.547	.614	.646	.660
Grapes, Thompson Seedless, per lb. (453.6 gm)	2.262	NA	2.359	NA	1.976	NA	2.125	NA	2.452	NA
Lemons, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.188	1.159	1.068	1.154	.999	.996	1.120	1.218	1.378	1.195
Peaches, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Pears, Anjou, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.953	.960	1.067	1.036	.894	.898	1.001	1.075	NA	NA
Strawberries, dry pint, per 12 oz. (340.2 gm)	1.751	1.419	1.540	1.224	1.740	1.371	1.692	1.482	1.927	1.506
Potatoes, white, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.380	.388	.378	.379	.316	.330	.410	.420	.417	.421
Lettuce, iceberg, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.753	.691	.793	.748	.744	.646	.761	.698	.712	.676
Tomatoes, field grown, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.298	1.284	1.420	1.439	1.448	1.394	1.200	1.208	1.231	1.189
Broccoli, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.012	.952	NA	NA	.952	.877	1.099	1.095	1.043	.923
Cabbage, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.406	.421	NA	NA	NA	NA	.385	.397	NA	NA
Carrots, short trimmed and topped, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.578	.604	NA	NA	NA	NA	.547	.589	NA	NA
Celery, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.550	.556	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)	.910	.833	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Onions, dry yellow, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Peppers, sweet, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.456	1.622	NA	NA	1.454	1.376	NA	NA	NA	NA
Processed fruits and vegetables:										
Apple Sauce, any variety, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Orange juice, frozen concentrate, 12 oz. can, per 16 oz. (473.2 ml)	1.779	1.764	1.946	1.849	1.790	1.812	1.733	1.751	NA	NA
Peaches, any variety, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Beans, dried, any type, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.695	.700	.783	.815	.679	.674	.646	.650	.724	.731
Corn, canned, any style, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Potatoes, frozen, French fried, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.995	1.030	1.221	1.283	NA	NA	.900	.920	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)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other foods at home:										
Sugar and sweets:										
Sugar, white, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.432	.436	.472	.472	.423	.429	.416	.424	.441	.438
Sugar, white, 33-80 oz. pkg, per lb. (453.6 gm)	.415	.420	.451	.449	.412	.419	.391	.400	NA	NA
Fats and oils:										
Margarine, stick, per lb. (453.6 gm)	NA	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)	1.050	1.053	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Peanut butter, creamy, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	1.822	1.809	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.723	1.726	NA	NA
Nonalcoholic beverages:										
Cola, nondiet, cans, 72 oz. 6 pk., per 16 oz. (473.2 ml) ¹	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cola, nondiet, per 2 liters (67.6 oz) ¹	1.031	1.074	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.003	1.042	NA	NA
Coffee, 100%, ground roast, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm)	3.466	3.495	3.747	3.653	3.177	3.237	3.286	3.408	3.583	3.628
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)	10.328	10.400	NA	NA	NA	NA	9.563	9.571	NA	NA
Other prepared foods:										
Potato chips, per 16 oz. (453.6 gm)	\$3.264	\$3.212	3.040	3.007	3.430	3.129	3.252	3.255	3.306	3.396
Alcoholic beverages at home:										
Malt beverages, all types, all sizes, any origin, per 16 oz. (473.2 ml)	.855	.895	.832	.929	.839	.823	.899	.875	.842	.960
Vodka, all types, all sizes, any origin, per 1 liter (33.8 oz)	9.395	9.115	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Wine, red and white table, all sizes, any origin, per 1 liter (33.8 oz)	5.129	5.302	5.849	5.931	5.208	4.946	4.735	5.285	5.032	5.104

¹ Deposit may be included in price.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Relative importance, December 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from-	
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999
Expenditure category					
All items	100.000	166.3	166.3	2.1	0.0
All items (1967=100)	-	498.2	498.2	-	-
Food and beverages	16.408	163.9	164.3	2.2	.2
Food	15.422	163.5	163.9	2.2	.2
Food at home	9.691	163.6	164.1	2.1	.3
Cereals and bakery products	1.544	184.7	185.1	2.5	.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.569	146.9	146.9	.5	.0
Dairy and related products	1.088	156.3	156.2	5.5	-.1
Fruits and vegetables	1.440	203.7	208.1	2.1	2.2
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	1.049	134.0	134.2	1.0	.1
Other food at home	2.002	153.6	153.3	2.7	-.2
Sugar and sweets	.377	151.8	152.9	2.3	.7
Fats and oils	.309	148.9	147.2	4.2	-1.1
Other foods	1.316	169.2	168.8	2.5	-.2
Other miscellaneous foods ¹	.320	105.7	105.2	3.7	-.5
Food away from home	5.730	164.5	164.7	2.6	.1
Other food away from home ¹	.175	104.0	104.3	3.7	.3
Alcoholic beverages	.986	168.8	169.3	2.5	.3
Housing	39.828	163.2	163.1	2.1	.1
Shelter	30.283	186.7	186.5	2.9	.1
Rent of primary residence	7.007	176.4	176.7	3.3	.2
Lodging away from home ¹	2.376	115.4	111.7	2.8	-3.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ²	20.529	191.9	192.2	2.9	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ¹	.371	100.3	100.5	.9	.2
Fuels and utilities	4.735	125.7	126.5	-1.1	.6
Fuels	3.801	110.2	111.0	-1.9	.7
Fuel oil and other fuels	.227	87.7	87.6	-4.6	-.1
Gas (piped) and electricity	3.574	117.5	118.4	-1.7	.8
Household furnishings and operations	4.810	127.4	127.1	.4	-.2
Apparel	4.831	135.8	134.8	-.4	-.7
Men's and boys' apparel	1.358	133.9	134.0	.4	.1
Women's and girls' apparel	1.939	130.1	128.6	-.8	-1.2
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	.272	128.3	127.4	.4	-.7
Footwear	.876	129.1	127.5	-.6	-1.2
Transportation	16.999	144.3	144.4	1.7	.1
Private transportation	15.653	140.1	140.3	1.4	.1
New and used motor vehicles ¹	7.843	99.8	99.8	-.1	.0
New vehicles	4.983	143.3	142.9	-.3	-.3
Used cars and trucks	1.914	148.4	149.6	-.3	.8
Motor fuel	2.493	100.9	101.3	7.0	.4
Gasoline (all types)	2.476	100.3	100.8	7.0	.5
Motor vehicle parts and equipment	.549	100.3	100.5	-.1	.2
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	1.624	171.0	171.4	3.3	.2
Public transportation	1.346	201.3	199.9	5.0	-.7
Medical care	5.713	249.2	249.6	3.4	.2
Medical care commodities	1.252	229.8	230.1	3.9	.1
Medical care services	4.461	253.5	254.0	3.3	.2
Professional services	2.854	228.2	228.6	3.1	.2
Hospital and related services	1.354	296.3	297.0	4.0	.2
Recreation ¹	6.120	102.2	102.4	1.4	.2
Video and audio ¹	1.748	101.0	101.1	-.1	.1
Education and communication ¹	5.478	100.7	100.5	.4	-.2
Education ¹	2.694	105.5	105.6	4.7	.1
Educational books and supplies	.203	260.9	261.3	5.0	.2
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	2.492	303.8	304.1	4.7	.1
Communication ¹	2.783	96.4	95.9	-3.5	-.5
Information and information processing ¹	2.580	95.9	95.4	-3.9	-.5
Telephone services ¹	2.327	100.1	99.7	-1.4	-.4
Information and information processing other than telephone services ³	.253	32.2	31.4	-24.3	-2.5
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ¹	.148	57.0	55.9	-32.4	-1.9

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Relative importance, December 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from-	
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999
Expenditure category					
Other goods and services	4.624	256.2	256.1	8.2	0.0
Tobacco and smoking products	1.159	348.5	344.8	27.7	-1.1
Personal care	3.465	160.4	161.0	2.8	.4
Personal care products	.742	150.9	151.2	1.3	.2
Personal care services	.973	170.6	171.3	3.6	.4
Miscellaneous personal services	1.491	241.8	242.5	3.6	.3
Commodity and service group					
Commodities	42.109	144.8	144.8	1.8	.0
Food and beverages	16.408	163.9	164.3	2.2	.2
Commodities less food and beverages	25.702	133.3	133.1	1.4	-.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	14.345	138.8	138.5	3.4	-.2
Apparel	4.831	135.8	134.8	-.4	-.7
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	9.514	145.7	145.8	5.3	.1
Durables	11.356	126.2	126.0	-1.3	-.2
Services	57.891	187.9	188.0	2.5	.1
Rent of shelter ²	29.912	194.4	194.2	3.0	-.1
Transportation services	6.963	191.1	190.9	1.7	-.1
Other services	10.768	221.9	222.2	2.8	.1
Special indexes					
All items less food	84.578	166.8	166.7	2.1	-.1
All items less shelter	69.717	160.1	160.1	1.8	.0
All items less medical care	94.287	161.7	161.7	2.1	.0
Commodities less food	26.688	134.8	134.6	1.4	-.1
Nondurables less food	15.331	140.7	140.4	3.3	-.2
Nondurables less food and apparel	10.500	147.1	147.2	5.1	.1
Nondurables	30.753	151.6	151.6	2.8	.0
Services less rent of shelter ²	27.979	194.6	194.9	2.0	.2
Services less medical care services	53.429	181.9	181.9	2.4	.0
Energy	6.294	104.9	105.6	1.7	.7
All items less energy	93.706	174.3	174.3	2.2	.0
All items less food and energy	78.284	177.0	176.8	2.1	-.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities	23.967	145.1	144.8	.8	-.2
Energy commodities	2.720	99.9	100.3	6.0	.4
Services less energy services	54.316	195.1	195.1	2.8	.0
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00)	-	\$.601	\$.601	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00)	-	\$.201	\$.201	-	-

¹ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

² Index is on a December 1982=100 base.

³ 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(LAS). Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W-XL): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group using a Laspeyres Estimator

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Relative importance, December 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from-	
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999
Expenditure category					
All items	100.000	162.8	162.9	2.1	0.1
All items (1967=100)	-	485.0	485.3	-	-
Food and beverages	18.011	163.1	163.4	2.2	.2
Food	16.966	162.7	163.0	2.1	.2
Food at home	10.832	162.3	162.7	1.9	.2
Cereals and bakery products	1.689	184.4	184.8	2.5	.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	3.055	146.5	146.4	.4	-.1
Dairy and related products	1.193	155.9	155.8	5.4	-.1
Fruits and vegetables	1.492	202.0	206.2	1.7	2.1
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	1.184	132.9	133.1	1.1	.2
Other food at home	2.220	153.0	152.6	2.6	-.3
Sugar and sweets	.420	151.7	152.8	2.3	.7
Fats and oils	.354	148.5	147.0	4.2	-1.0
Other foods	1.446	169.0	168.6	2.4	-.2
Other miscellaneous foods ¹	.355	105.4	104.9	3.3	-.5
Food away from home	6.133	164.5	164.6	2.5	.1
Other food away from home ¹	.216	104.1	104.2	3.6	.1
Alcoholic beverages	1.045	167.8	168.5	2.7	.4
Housing	36.685	159.1	159.2	2.0	.1
Shelter	27.496	180.9	180.9	3.0	.0
Rent of primary residence	8.500	176.0	176.4	3.3	.2
Lodging away from home ¹	1.379	115.0	111.7	2.9	-2.9
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ²	17.296	174.8	175.1	2.9	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ¹	.320	100.7	100.9	1.2	.2
Fuels and utilities	4.850	125.5	126.3	-1.3	.6
Fuels	3.928	109.7	110.6	-2.0	.8
Fuel oil and other fuels	.201	88.1	88.0	-4.3	-.1
Gas (piped) and electricity	3.727	116.9	117.9	-1.9	.9
Household furnishings and operations	4.339	125.6	125.2	.0	-.3
Apparel	5.199	134.2	133.5	-.1	-.5
Men's and boys' apparel	1.474	134.0	134.2	.8	.1
Women's and girls' apparel	1.948	127.8	126.7	-.5	-.9
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	.344	129.5	128.8	1.1	-.5
Footwear	1.057	129.4	128.0	-.8	-1.1
Transportation	19.166	143.0	143.2	1.5	.1
Private transportation	18.109	140.2	140.4	1.3	.1
New and used motor vehicles ¹	9.250	99.7	99.8	-.3	.1
New vehicles	5.224	144.4	144.0	-.3	-.3
Used cars and trucks	3.216	149.7	151.0	-.2	.9
Motor fuel	3.066	100.7	101.2	6.5	.5
Gasoline (all types)	3.045	100.2	100.7	6.6	.5
Motor vehicle parts and equipment	.682	99.8	100.1	.2	.3
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	1.690	172.5	172.9	3.5	.2
Public transportation	1.056	196.2	195.0	4.1	-.6
Medical care	4.672	248.3	248.8	3.4	.2
Medical care commodities	.926	226.1	226.3	3.7	.1
Medical care services	3.746	253.3	253.8	3.3	.2
Professional services	2.415	229.7	230.2	3.1	.2
Hospital and related services	1.114	292.3	293.0	4.0	.2
Recreation ¹	5.925	101.5	101.7	.8	.2
Video and audio ¹	1.951	100.8	100.8	-.3	.0
Education and communication ¹	5.361	100.9	100.8	.5	-.1
Education ¹	2.478	105.7	105.8	4.9	.1
Educational books and supplies	.200	263.5	264.0	5.1	.2
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	2.278	298.3	298.7	4.8	.1
Communication ¹	2.883	97.1	96.7	-3.0	-.4
Information and information processing ¹	2.733	96.8	96.4	-3.3	-.4
Telephone services ¹	2.519	100.1	99.9	-1.3	-.2
Information and information processing other than telephone services ³	.213	33.2	32.4	-23.9	-2.4
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ¹	.120	56.1	55.3	-32.5	-1.4

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2(LAS). Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W-XL): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group using a Laspeyres Estimator-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Relative importance, December 1998	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 1999 from-	
		Apr. 1999	May 1999	May 1998	Apr. 1999
Expenditure category					
Other goods and services	4.981	259.4	258.9	10.3	-0.2
Tobacco and smoking products	1.694	349.0	345.2	27.8	-1.1
Personal care	3.287	160.7	161.1	2.8	.2
Personal care products	.838	151.7	151.8	.9	.1
Personal care services	.975	170.9	171.6	3.6	.4
Miscellaneous personal services	1.253	242.1	242.7	4.2	.2
Commodity and service group					
Commodities	46.764	144.8	144.8	1.9	.0
Food and beverages	18.011	163.1	163.4	2.2	.2
Commodities less food and beverages	28.753	133.8	133.6	1.7	-1.1
Nondurables less food and beverages	15.564	139.2	139.0	4.0	-1.1
Apparel	5.199	134.2	133.5	-1	-5
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	10.365	146.7	146.7	6.2	.0
Durables	13.189	125.9	125.8	-1.2	-1.1
Services	53.236	184.3	184.5	2.3	.1
Rent of shelter ²	27.175	174.2	174.2	3.0	.0
Transportation services	6.800	188.1	187.9	1.3	-1.1
Other services	10.144	218.3	218.6	2.6	.1
Special indexes					
All items less food	83.034	162.7	162.8	2.1	.1
All items less shelter	72.504	157.8	157.9	1.8	.1
All items less medical care	95.328	158.9	158.9	2.1	.0
Commodities less food	29.798	135.1	135.0	1.7	-1.1
Nondurables less food	16.609	141.0	140.8	3.9	-1.1
Nondurables less food and apparel	11.410	147.9	147.9	5.9	.0
Nondurables	33.575	151.5	151.6	3.1	.1
Services less rent of shelter ²	26.061	172.8	173.1	1.7	.2
Services less medical care services	49.490	178.5	178.7	2.3	.1
Energy	6.994	104.5	105.2	1.9	.7
All items less energy	93.006	170.9	170.9	2.2	.0
All items less food and energy	76.040	173.0	172.9	2.1	-1.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities	26.531	145.0	144.7	1.1	-2.1
Energy commodities	3.267	100.1	100.6	5.9	.5
Services less energy services	49.509	191.8	191.9	2.7	.1
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00)	-	\$.614	\$.614	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00)	-	\$.206	\$.206	-	-

¹ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

² Index is on a December 1984=100 base.

³ 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(LAS). Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U-XL): Selected areas, all items index using a Laspeyres Estimator

(1982-84= 100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Pricing schedule 1	Indexes				Percent change to May1999 from--		
		Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999
U.S. city average	M	164.7	165.2	166.3	166.3	1.0	0.7	0.0
Region and area size²								
Northeast urban	M	171.7	172.1	173.0	173.0	.8	.5	.0
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	172.6	173.1	173.8	173.8	.7	.4	.0
Size B/C 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	103.0	103.3	104.0	103.9	.9	.6	-.1
Midwest urban	M	160.6	161.2	162.3	162.3	1.1	.7	.0
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	161.9	162.5	163.7	163.7	1.1	.7	.0
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	102.7	103.1	103.8	103.8	1.1	.7	.0
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	155.7	155.8	156.5	156.6	.6	.5	.1
South urban	M	160.2	160.8	161.6	161.7	.9	.6	.1
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	159.1	159.8	160.6	160.6	.9	.5	.0
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	103.1	103.4	104.0	104.2	1.1	.8	.2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	161.1	161.7	162.8	162.1	.6	.2	-.4
West urban	M	167.0	167.5	169.2	169.0	1.2	.9	-.1
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	167.9	168.4	170.1	170.1	1.3	1.0	.0
Size B/C 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	103.9	104.3	105.2	105.0	1.1	.7	-.2
Size classes								
A ⁴	M	149.1	149.6	150.7	150.6	1.0	.7	-.1
B/C ³	M	103.1	103.5	104.1	104.2	1.1	.7	.1
D	M	160.8	161.3	162.3	162.0	.7	.4	-.2
Selected local areas								
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	M	166.4	166.9	167.6	168.2	1.1	.8	.4
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA	M	164.7	165.2	166.6	166.4	1.0	.7	-.1
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	M	175.4	175.8	176.3	176.4	.6	.3	.1
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1	-	175.2	-	174.3	-	-.5	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH	1	-	161.1	-	161.6	-	.3	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1	-	156.4	-	157.3	-	.6	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ⁵	1	-	103.4	-	103.7	-	.3	-
Atlanta, GA	2	162.1	-	163.8	-	-	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	2	161.3	-	164.0	-	-	-	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	146.8	-	148.3	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	161.4	-	161.8	-	-	-	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	2	168.7	-	171.1	-	-	-	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2	169.5	-	172.5	-	-	-	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2	170.8	-	172.6	-	-	-	-

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

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

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

³ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a November 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

Table 4(LAS). Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W-XL): Selected areas, all items index using a Laspeyres Estimator

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Pricing schedule 1	Indexes				Percent change to May 1999 from--		
		Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999	May 1999	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1999	Apr. 1999
U.S. city average	M	161.2	161.6	162.8	162.9	1.1	0.8	0.1
Region and area size²								
Northeast urban	M	168.4	168.7	169.7	169.8	.8	.7	.1
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	168.3	168.5	169.5	169.6	.8	.7	.1
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	102.7	102.8	103.5	103.5	.8	.7	.0
Midwest urban	M	156.6	157.1	158.3	158.4	1.1	.8	.1
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	157.2	157.6	158.8	159.0	1.1	.9	.1
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	102.3	102.7	103.6	103.5	1.2	.8	-.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	153.5	153.5	154.4	154.6	.7	.7	.1
South urban	M	158.1	158.5	159.5	159.8	1.1	.8	.2
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	156.5	157.0	157.9	158.1	1.0	.7	.1
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	102.7	102.9	103.6	103.8	1.1	.9	.2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	161.2	161.7	162.8	162.7	.9	.6	-.1
West urban	M	162.8	163.3	165.0	164.9	1.3	1.0	-.1
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	162.0	162.4	164.2	164.2	1.4	1.1	0
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	103.7	104.1	105.1	104.8	1.1	.7	.3
Size classes								
A ⁴	M	147.5	147.8	149.0	149.1	1.1	.9	.1
B/C ³	M	102.7	103.0	103.8	103.9	1.2	.9	.1
D	M	159.5	159.9	160.9	160.9	.9	.6	.0
Selected local areas								
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	M	160.6	161.1	161.7	162.4	1.1	.8	.4
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA	M	158.1	158.5	160.1	159.9	1.1	.9	-.1
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	M	170.8	171.0	171.6	171.7	.5	.4	.1
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1	-	172.7	-	172.8	-	.1	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH	1	-	152.9	-	153.8	-	.6	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1	-	155.9	-	157.0	-	.7	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ⁵	1	-	103.0	-	103.5	-	.5	-
Atlanta, GA	2	159.3	-	160.9	-	-	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	2	155.9	-	158.6	-	-	-	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	145.2	-	146.6	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	158.8	-	159.2	-	-	-	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	2	167.9	-	170.5	-	-	-	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2	165.8	-	169.0	-	-	-	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2	166.2	-	168.1	-	-	-	-

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

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

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

³ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a November 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

Technical Note

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 CPIs 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:

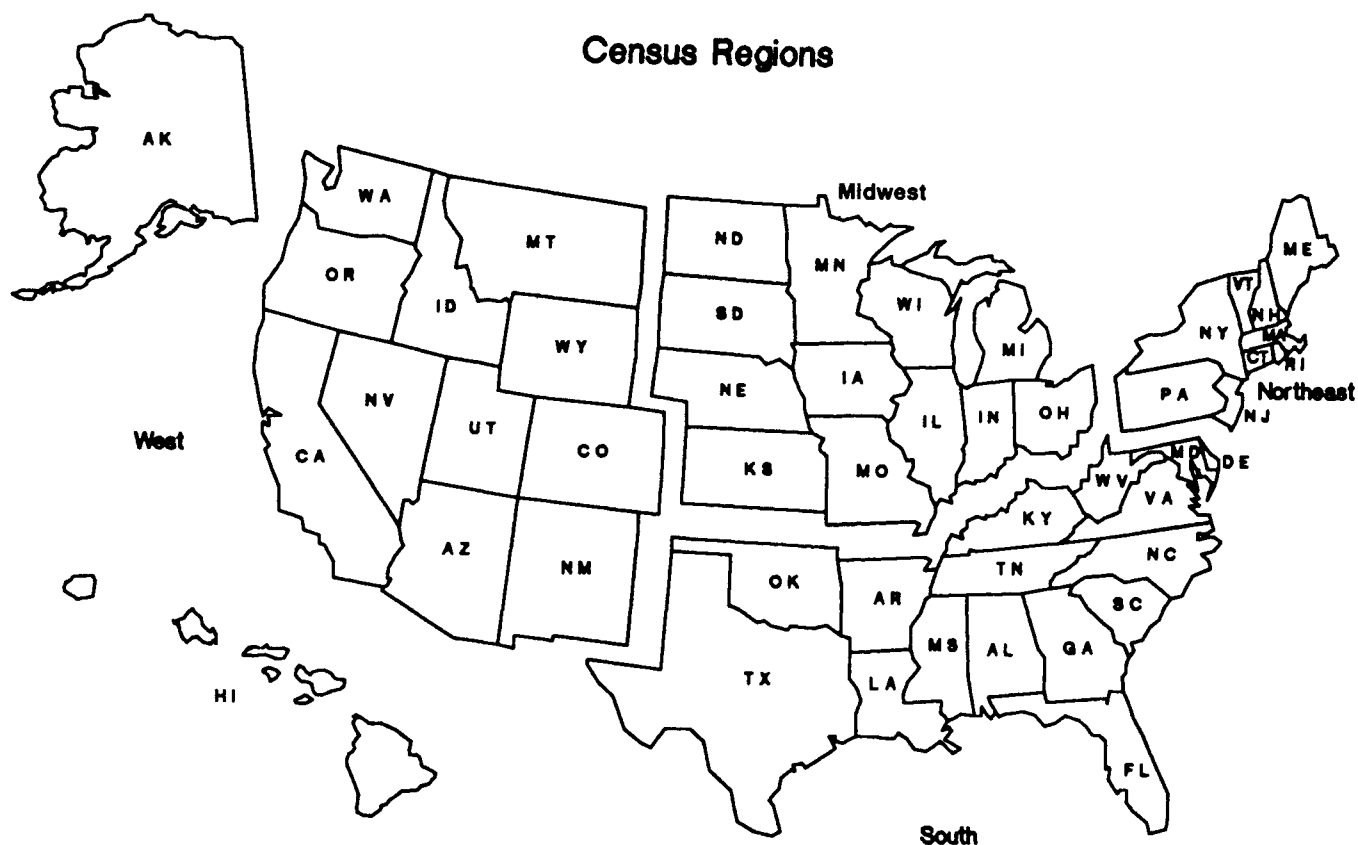
1 therm = 100,000 Btu's (U.S. Department of Energy)

1 kWh = 3,412 Btu's (Edison Electric Institute)

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

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 data 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.

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

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 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 has been used for intervention analysis seasonal adjustment.

For the fuel oil and the motor fuels indexes, this procedure is 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 is used to offset the effects of changes in pricing methodology. For the tobacco and smoking products index, this procedure is used to offset the effects of increases in excise taxes and wholesale tobacco prices. For some alcoholic beverage series, intervention analysis seasonal adjustment is used to offset the effects of excise tax increases. For the nonalcoholic beverages index, the procedure is 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 is 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, can be obtained by writing to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Division of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, Washington, DC 20212, by calling Claire McAnaw Gallagher at (202) 606-6968, or at gallagher_c@bls.gov through e-mail.

Since the release of seasonal adjustment factors for 1997, in February 1998, seasonal adjustment is 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:

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

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 2 to 3 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:

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
 San Diego, CA
 St. Louis, MO-IL
 Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL

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 releases. 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 for help using any of these systems.

World Wide Web. BLS maintains a Web site <http://stats.bls.gov> on the Internet. 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 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 \$27 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 \$27 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) 331-3415
Baltimore	(410) 962-4898
Boston	(617) 565-2325/2327
Chicago	(312) 353-1880
Cincinnati	(513) 684-2349
Cleveland	(216) 522-3852
Dallas	(214) 767-6970
Denver	(303) 844-1726
Detroit	(313) 226-7558
Honolulu	(808) 541-2808
Houston	(713) 718-3753
Indianapolis	(317) 226-7885
Kansas City	(816) 426-2481
Los Angeles	(310) 235-6884
Milwaukee	(414) 276-2579
Minneapolis-St. Paul	(612) 290-3996
New York	(212) 337-2404/2408
Philadelphia	(215) 596-1156
Pittsburgh	(412) 644-2900
Portland	(503) 231-2045
San Diego	(619) 557-6538
San Francisco	(415) 975-4350
Seattle	(206) 553-0645
St. Louis	(314) 539-3581
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 the 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 morn-

ing of release day. Call (202) 606-6325 and follow 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
Atlanta	(404) 331-3403	(404) 331-3415
Boston	(617) 565-9167	(617) 565-2327
Chicago	(312) 353-1880	(312) 353-1880
Dallas	(214) 767-9613	(214) 767-6970
Kansas City	(816) 426-3152	(816) 426-2481
New York	(212) 337-2412	(212) 337-2400
Philadelphia	(215) 596-4160	(215) 596-1154
San Francisco	(415) 975-4567	(415) 975-4350
Washington, DC	(202) 606-6325	(202) 606-7000

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 can 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.