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Item	All consumer units	One person	Two or more persons	Two persons	Three persons	Four persons	Five or more persons
Number of consumer units (in thousands) .....	104,212	29,497	74,715	32,444	16,101	15,261	10,909
Income before taxes 1/ .....	\$38,014	\$20,668	\$44,972	\$41,268	\$46,156	\$50,836	\$46,215
Income after taxes 1/ .....	34,864	18,840	41,291	37,646	42,463	46,636	43,095
Age of reference person .....	47.7	50.0	46.8	53.1	43.5	41.0	41.2
Average number in consumer unit:							
Persons .....	2.5	1.0	3.2	2.0	3.0	4.0	5.6
Children under 18 .....	0.7	0.0	1.0	0.1	0.8	1.6	2.9
Persons 65 and over .....	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.1
Earners .....	1.3	0.6	1.6	1.2	1.8	2.0	2.2
Vehicles .....	1.9	1.0	2.3	2.1	2.2	2.5	2.5
Percent distribution:							
Male .....	60	43	67	68	60	70	69
Female .....	40	57	33	32	40	30	31
Percent homeowner .....	64	45	71	73	67	72	68
With mortgage .....	38	18	45	34	49	57	55
Without mortgage .....	26	27	26	39	18	14	13
Renter .....	36	55	29	27	33	28	32
Black .....	12	10	13	9	16	13	18
White and other .....	88	90	87	91	84	87	82
Elementary (1-8) .....	8	9	8	8	6	6	10
High school (9-12) .....	41	37	43	42	43	44	47
College .....	50	54	49	50	51	50	42
Never attended and other .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
At least one vehicle owned .....	85	72	90	90	89	92	89
Average annual expenditures .....	\$33,797	\$20,082	\$39,167	\$35,559	\$39,531	\$43,670	\$43,217
Food .....	4,698	2,599	5,503	4,574	5,423	6,535	7,043
Food at home .....	2,876	1,461	3,417	2,679	3,355	4,046	4,928
Cereals and bakery products .....	447	220	534	409	502	658	797
Cereals and cereal products .....	166	78	199	139	186	248	338
Bakery products .....	281	142	335	270	316	409	460
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	737	351	884	672	888	1,064	1,287
Beef .....	215	91	262	189	269	319	399
Pork .....	157	87	184	136	189	219	277
Other meats .....	99	45	119	89	114	147	183
Poultry .....	144	66	174	136	174	213	241
Fish and seafood .....	88	44	105	90	101	124	127
Eggs .....	34	19	40	32	41	41	59
Dairy products .....	312	159	371	282	344	448	579
Fresh milk and cream .....	132	64	159	110	147	201	269
Other dairy products .....	180	95	212	172	197	247	310
Fruits and vegetables .....	490	262	577	487	584	638	766
Fresh fruits .....	153	86	179	153	179	191	248
Fresh vegetables .....	147	77	174	149	187	187	216
Processed fruits .....	110	59	129	107	124	154	167
Processed vegetables .....	80	40	95	78	93	106	134
Other food at home .....	889	469	1,050	829	1,036	1,239	1,499
Sugar and other sweets .....	114	57	136	114	133	157	180
Fats and oils .....	83	43	98	81	96	104	149
Miscellaneous foods .....	391	199	464	346	457	566	699
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	252	138	296	229	308	347	411
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips .....	49	31	56	60	42	63	59
Food away from home .....	1,823	1,138	2,086	1,894	2,068	2,489	2,115
Alcoholic beverages .....	309	262	327	385	269	296	276
Housing .....	10,747	7,095	12,182	10,921	12,652	13,674	13,152
Shelter .....	6,064	4,396	6,722	5,982	6,930	7,644	7,328
Owned dwellings .....	3,783	1,882	4,533	3,848	4,621	5,458	5,144
Mortgage interest and charges .....	2,114	845	2,615	1,842	2,822	3,445	3,448

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Property taxes .....	939	534	1,099	1,077	1,065	1,200	1,074
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses .....	729	503	818	929	734	813	622
Rented dwellings .....	1,864	2,249	1,712	1,590	1,879	1,694	1,851
Other lodging .....	417	265	478	544	429	492	333
Utilities, fuels, and public services .....	2,347	1,488	2,686	2,431	2,755	2,894	3,053
Natural gas .....	291	185	333	300	336	373	373
Electricity .....	907	548	1,050	955	1,063	1,141	1,183
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	108	67	124	119	126	123	137
Telephone services .....	772	544	862	777	921	904	972
Water and other public services .....	268	144	317	280	310	353	388
Household operations .....	522	262	625	413	807	898	601
Personal services .....	259	66	335	78	552	612	389
Other household expenses .....	263	196	290	336	255	286	212
Housekeeping supplies .....	464	217	558	506	619	596	569
Laundry and cleaning supplies .....	119	55	144	114	151	163	199
Other household products .....	205	90	249	236	248	281	244
Postage and stationery .....	140	73	165	156	220	152	127
Household furnishings and equipment .....	1,350	732	1,592	1,590	1,542	1,642	1,602
Household textiles .....	76	52	85	81	82	96	88
Furniture .....	321	209	365	369	331	394	361
Floor coverings .....	101	23	131	108	141	160	146
Major appliances .....	162	68	199	195	193	186	239
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares .....	84	47	99	99	78	128	87
Miscellaneous household equipment .....	607	333	713	738	716	678	681
Apparel and services .....	1,752	886	2,085	1,631	2,110	2,492	2,875
Men and boys .....	423	188	513	404	491	618	737
Men, 16 and over .....	330	179	388	368	370	410	448
Boys, 2 to 15 .....	93	10	126	36	121	208	289
Women and girls .....	718	403	839	716	789	943	1,152
Women, 16 and over .....	607	390	690	661	639	686	877
Girls, 2 to 15 .....	111	13	149	56	151	257	275
Children under 2 .....	82	12	109	37	170	138	200
Footwear .....	298	144	358	241	396	452	526
Other apparel products and services .....	230	139	265	232	263	342	260
Transportation .....	6,382	3,197	7,639	6,975	7,835	8,152	8,606
Vehicle purchases (net outlay) .....	2,815	1,189	3,457	3,117	3,592	3,632	4,022
Cars and trucks, new .....	1,209	488	1,493	1,512	1,655	1,478	1,219
Cars and trucks, used .....	1,568	676	1,920	1,554	1,907	2,128	2,737
Other vehicles .....	38	24	44	51	30	26	66
Gasoline and motor oil .....	1,082	582	1,279	1,089	1,323	1,484	1,490
Other vehicle expenses .....	2,058	1,121	2,428	2,206	2,481	2,657	2,689
Vehicle finance charges .....	276	101	344	271	407	367	437
Maintenance and repairs .....	645	381	750	691	732	827	842
Vehicle insurance .....	698	384	821	762	837	874	900
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges .....	440	255	512	481	505	588	510
Public transportation .....	427	305	475	563	438	379	405
Health care .....	1,770	1,155	2,013	2,138	2,013	1,886	1,816
Health insurance .....	827	521	948	1,043	924	865	813
Medical services .....	543	344	622	571	678	636	674
Drugs .....	303	218	336	415	311	276	220
Medical supplies .....	97	72	107	109	100	109	110
Entertainment .....	1,834	1,002	2,160	2,101	1,876	2,617	2,114
Fees and admissions .....	459	275	532	512	440	650	558
Television, radios, sound equipment .....	561	386	630	544	689	694	711
Pets, toys, and playground equipment .....	335	160	402	388	374	464	402
Other entertainment supplies, equipment and services .....	479	182	596	657	373	809	443
Personal care products and services .....	513	290	599	537	588	686	685
Reading .....	159	117	176	196	166	171	139

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Education .....	524	414	567	402	612	767	714
Tobacco products and smoking supplies .....	255	166	290	256	314	303	334
Miscellaneous .....	855	681	923	1,007	918	780	884
Cash contributions .....	940	721	1,027	1,196	1,012	908	714
Personal insurance and pensions .....	3,060	1,497	3,677	3,240	3,744	4,404	3,864
Life and other personal insurance .....	353	141	437	400	427	491	485
Pensions and Social Security .....	2,707	1,356	3,240	2,839	3,318	3,913	3,379
Money income before taxes 1/ .....	38,014	20,668	44,972	41,268	46,156	50,836	46,215
Wages and salaries .....	29,560	14,045	35,784	29,001	38,712	45,167	38,825
Self-employment income .....	2,318	947	2,868	2,815	2,957	2,478	3,433
Social Security, private and government retirement .....	4,334	4,222	4,379	7,437	2,820	1,408	1,621
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income .....	761	741	769	1,258	377	445	331
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits .....	213	122	249	190	263	336	284
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps .....	437	170	545	306	508	573	1,272
Regular contributions for support .....	243	225	250	153	401	272	286
Other income .....	148	196	128	108	119	157	162
Personal taxes 1/ .....	3,150	1,828	3,681	3,623	3,692	4,200	3,119
Federal income taxes .....	2,372	1,417	2,754	2,680	2,848	3,155	2,286
State and local income taxes .....	665	356	789	785	723	934	700
Other taxes .....	113	54	137	158	121	111	133
Income after taxes 1/ .....	34,864	18,840	41,291	37,646	42,463	46,636	43,095
Net change in total assets and liabilities .....	-1,689	-130	-2,305	-1,929	-2,788	-599	-5,096
Net change in total assets .....	4,049	2,528	4,649	4,798	3,010	7,064	3,244
Net change in total liabilities .....	5,738	2,658	6,954	6,727	5,797	7,664	8,340
Other money receipts .....	309	282	320	415	260	289	166
Mortgage principal paid on owned property .....	-960	-426	-1,171	-935	-1,240	-1,448	-1,384
Estimated market value of owned home .....	73,168	43,096	85,040	85,226	83,518	89,731	80,174
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home .....	503	310	580	581	556	612	567
Gifts of goods and services .....	1,119	847	1,224	1,329	1,270	1,155	942
Food .....	62	34	73	66	84	83	68
Housing .....	280	197	312	321	339	350	187
Housekeeping supplies .....	40	27	46	53	37	49	33
Household textiles .....	8	6	9	11	8	7	6
Appliances and miscellaneous housewares .....	30	22	33	37	26	43	20
Major appliances .....	8	5	9	12	10	7	3
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares .....	22	18	24	25	16	35	17
Miscellaneous household equipment .....	81	61	88	94	109	83	47
Other housing .....	120	81	136	127	160	169	80
Apparel and services .....	296	200	333	335	301	347	359
Males, 2 and over .....	78	49	89	110	77	53	96
Females, 2 and over .....	99	78	108	119	98	100	99
Children under 2 .....	41	12	52	34	50	57	103
Other apparel products and services .....	78	61	85	72	76	136	62
Jewelry and watches .....	44	42	45	27	38	97	33
All other apparel products and services .....	34	19	40	45	38	39	29
Transportation .....	60	58	61	69	59	33	76
Health care .....	43	66	34	45	30	26	14
Entertainment .....	110	94	116	135	103	101	101
Toys, games, hobbies, and tricycles .....	40	27	44	48	31	49	48
Other entertainment .....	70	67	72	87	72	53	53
Education .....	128	58	155	169	235	109	63
All other gifts .....	140	141	140	189	119	106	74

1/ Components of income and taxes are derived from "complete income reporters" only; see glossary.

Note that all values have been rounded, and therefore some rounded values equal zero. When data are not reported or are not applicable (i.e., missing values), values are set to zero. Note also that some data are likely to have large sampling errors.