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The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 0.6 percent in November before seasonal adjustment, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. The November level of 210.177 (1982-84=100) was 4.3 percent higher than in November 2006.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) increased 0.8 percent in November prior to seasonal adjustment. The November level of 205.891 (1982-84=100) was 4.6 percent higher than in November 2006.

The Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U) increased 0.4 percent in November on a not seasonally adjusted basis. The November level of 121.178 (December 1999=100) was 3.6 percent higher than in November 2006. Please note that the indexes for the post-2005 period are subject to revision.

CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U increased 0.8 percent in November, its largest advance since a 1.2 percent rise in September 2005. The index for energy advanced 5.7 percent and accounted for nearly 70 percent of the overall CPI increase in November. The index for petroleum-based energy rose 9.5 percent and the index for energy services, 0.7 percent. The food index rose 0.3 percent in November. The indexes for food at home and for food away from home each increased 0.3 percent. The index for all items less food and energy advanced 0.3 percent in November, following increases of 0.2 percent in each of the preceding five months. In November, the index for shelter rose 0.3 percent after increasing 0.1 percent in October and the apparel index increased 0.8 percent.

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

Expenditure Category	Seasonally adjusted							Compound annual rate 3-mos. ended Nov. '07	Un- adjusted 12-mos. ended Nov. '07
	Changes from preceding month								
	2007								
	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.		
All Items	.7	.2	.1	-.1	.3	.3	.8	5.6	4.3
Food and beverages	.3	.5	.3	.4	.5	.3	.3	4.1	4.7
Housing	.2	.3	.2	.0	.3	.2	.4	3.6	3.1
Apparel	-.3	-.6	.4	-.5	.3	.0	.8	4.1	-.4
Transportation	2.8	-.2	-.3	-1.2	.1	.4	2.9	14.4	9.6
Medical care	.3	.2	.6	.5	.3	.6	.4	5.2	5.0
Recreation	.2	.0	-.1	-.1	.3	.3	.1	3.0	.6
Education and communication	.6	.0	.2	.3	.1	.4	.1	2.2	2.8
Other goods and services	.3	.3	.0	.1	.4	.2	.3	3.7	3.7
Special Indexes									
Energy	5.4	-.5	-1.0	-3.2	.3	1.4	5.7	33.8	21.4
Food	.3	.5	.3	.4	.5	.3	.3	4.3	4.8
All Items less food and energy	.1	.2	.2	.2	.2	.2	.3	2.6	2.3

During the first eleven months of 2007, the CPI-U rose at a 4.2 percent seasonally adjusted annual rate (SAAR). This compares with an increase of 2.5 percent for all of 2006. The index for energy, which increased 2.9 percent in 2006, advanced at an 18.1 percent SAAR in the first 11 months of 2007. Petroleum-based energy costs increased at a 30.8 percent annual rate and charges for energy services rose at a 3.2 percent annual rate. The food index has increased at a 5.3 percent rate thus far in 2007, following a 2.1 percent rise for all of 2006. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U advanced at a 2.4 percent SAAR in the first 11 months of 2007 after increasing 2.6 percent in 2006.

The food and beverages index rose 0.3 percent in November. The index for food at home increased 0.3 percent in November, the same as in October. Larger increases in the indexes for fruit and vegetables, for cereal and bakery products, and for dairy products were offset by downturns in the indexes for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs, for nonalcoholic beverages, and for other food at home. The index for fruits and vegetables increased 1.6 percent in November, following a 0.7 percent increase in October. The indexes for fresh vegetables and for fresh fruits each increased 2.3 percent, while the index for processed fruits and vegetables declined 0.9 percent. The index for dairy products increased 0.6 percent in November and has advanced 14.0 percent in the last 12 months. Fresh milk prices, which declined 0.6 percent in October, turned back up in November, increasing 1.2 percent. Since the beginning of the year fresh milk prices have risen 23.2 percent. The index for cereal and bakery products increased 0.7 percent in November. The index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs decreased 0.1 percent in November, reflecting declines in the indexes for eggs, poultry, pork, and fish and seafood. Beef prices increased 0.6 percent. The indexes for nonalcoholic beverages and for other food at home declined 0.5 and 0.2 percent, respectively. The other two components of the food and beverages index--food away from home and alcoholic beverages--increased 0.3 and declined 0.1 percent, respectively.

The index for housing increased 0.4 percent in November, following a 0.2 percent rise in October. Each of the three major housing groups contributed to the larger advance. The index for shelter, which rose 0.1 percent in October, increased 0.3 percent in November. Within shelter, the indexes for rent and for owners' equivalent rent increased 0.4 and 0.3 percent, respectively, while the index for lodging away from home decreased 0.2 percent. The index for fuels and utilities, which rose 1.2 percent in October, increased 1.5 percent in November. The index for fuel oil increased 14.2 percent, its largest monthly advance since a 14.7 percent increase in February 2003. The indexes for natural gas and for electricity rose 0.9 and 0.6 percent, respectively in November. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, charges for electricity declined 2.2 percent, reflecting the switch to winter rates in some areas.). The index for household furnishings and operations, which had declined in each of the preceding four months, rose 0.1 percent in November.

The transportation index increased 2.9 percent in November. The index for motor fuel rose 9.3 percent, accounting for over 90 percent of the overall transportation increase. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, gasoline prices rose 9.7 percent to a level that was 1.5 percent lower than their peak level recorded in May.) The index for new vehicles increased 0.1 percent in November. (As of November, about 53 percent of the new car sample consisted of 2008 models. The 2008 models will continue to be phased in, with adjustments for quality change, over the next several months as they replace old models at dealerships. For a report on quality changes for the 2008 vehicles represented in the Producer Price Index sample, see news release USDL-07-1787 dated November 14, 2007.) The index for used cars and trucks declined 0.2 percent. During the last 12 months, new vehicle prices have declined 0.4 percent and prices for used cars and trucks, 0.5 percent. The index for public transportation increased 1.8 percent in November, largely reflecting a 2.6 percent increase in the index for airline fares.

The index for apparel, which was virtually unchanged in October, increased 0.8 percent in November. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, apparel prices declined 0.5 percent in November, reflecting seasonal discounting of women's clothing.)

Medical care costs rose 0.4 percent in November to a level 5.0 percent above a year ago. The index for medical care commodities--prescription drugs, nonprescription drugs, and medical supplies--rose 0.6 percent. The index for medical care services rose 0.3 percent. The indexes for professional services and for hospital and related services advanced 0.2 and 0.6 percent, respectively. The index for hospital and related services has increased 7.9 percent during the last 12 months.

The index for recreation rose 0.1 percent in November. Increases in the indexes for admissions to movies, theaters, concerts and sporting events, for club membership dues and for fees for participant sports--each up 0.6 percent--more than offset declines in the indexes for video and audio, for photography, and for toys.

The index for education and communication increased 0.1 percent in November. The index for education rose 0.6 percent, while the index for communication declined 0.5 percent. Within the latter group, the index for telephone services declined 0.3 percent, reflecting decreases in the indexes for both land-line local charges and long distance charges. The index for personal computers and peripheral equipment declined 4.1 percent and the index for internet services and electronic information providers decreased 0.2 percent.

The index for other goods and services increased 0.3 percent in November. The two major sub-indexes --tobacco and smoking products and personal care--rose 0.2 and 0.3 percent, respectively. Within the latter group, the index for financial services rose 0.5 percent, reflecting a 0.9 percent increase in the index for tax return preparation and other accounting fees.

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

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers increased 0.9 percent in November.

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

Expenditure Category	Seasonally adjusted							Compound annual rate 3-mos. ended Nov. '07	Un-adjusted 12-mos. ended Nov. '07
	Changes from preceding month								
	2007								
	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.		
All Items	.8	.1	.1	-.2	.3	.3	.9	6.0	4.6
Food and beverages	.4	.5	.2	.4	.5	.3	.2	4.0	4.7
Housing	.2	.2	.2	.0	.2	.3	.5	4.1	3.2
Apparel	-.3	-.9	.8	-.3	.1	.1	.5	2.6	-.7
Transportation	3.1	-.2	-.3	-1.4	.1	.4	3.0	15.3	10.5
Medical care	.3	.2	.7	.5	.4	.6	.4	5.5	5.1
Recreation	.2	-.1	-.1	-.1	.4	.3	.0	2.8	.3
Education and communication	.6	.0	.3	.3	.0	.3	.0	1.2	2.4
Other goods and services	.3	.3	.1	.1	.4	.2	.2	3.7	4.4
Special Indexes									
Energy	5.8	-.7	-1.0	-3.4	.3	1.4	5.9	35.0	22.3
Food	.4	.5	.3	.4	.5	.3	.2	4.2	4.8
All Items less food and energy	.1	.2	.3	.2	.2	.2	.2	2.4	2.2

Consumer Price Index data for December are scheduled for release on Wednesday, January 16, 2008, at 8:30 A.M. (EST). Releases for the remainder of 2008:

Feb.20
Mar.14
Apr. 16
May 14
June 13
July 16

Aug. 14
Sep. 16
Oct. 16
Nov. 19
Dec. 16
Jan. 16, 2009

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Brief Explanation of the CPI

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time of goods and services purchased by households. The Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes CPIs for two population groups: (1) the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W), which covers households of wage earners and clerical workers that comprise approximately 32 percent of the total population and (2) the CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and the Chained CPI for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U), which cover approximately 87 percent of the total population and include in addition to wage earners and clerical worker households, 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 CPIs are based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' 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 geographic areas and every other month in other areas. Prices of most goods and services are obtained by personal visits or telephone calls of the Bureau's trained representatives.

In calculating the index, price changes for the various items in each location are averaged together with weights, which represent their importance in the spending of the appropriate population group. Local data are then combined to obtain a U.S. city average. For the CPI-U and CPI-W 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 27 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. For the C-CPI-U data are issued only at the national level. It is important to note that the CPI-U and CPI-W are considered final when released, but the C-CPI-U is issued in preliminary form and subject to two annual revisions.

The index measures price change from a designed reference date. For the CPI-U and the CPI-W the reference base is 1982-84 equals 100.0. The reference base for the C-CPI-U is December 1999 equals 100. An increase of 16.5 percent from the reference base, 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 visit the CPI home page on the Internet at <http://www.bls.gov/cpi/> or contact our CPI Information and Analysis Section on (202) 691-7000.

Note on Sampling Error in the Consumer Price Index

The CPI is a statistical estimate that is subject to sampling error because it is based upon a sample of retail prices and not the complete universe of all prices. BLS calculates and publishes estimates of the 1-month, 2-month, 6-month and 12-month percent change standard errors annually, for the CPI-U. These standard error estimates can be used to construct confidence intervals for hypothesis testing. For example, the estimated standard error of the 1 month percent change is 0.06 percent for the U.S. All Items Consumer Price Index. This means that if we repeatedly sample from the universe of all retail prices using the same methodology, and estimate a percentage change for each sample, then 95% of these estimates would be within 0.12 percent of the 1 month percentage change based on all retail prices. For a 1-month change of 0.2 percent in the All Items CPI for All Urban Consumers, we are 95 percent confident that the actual percent change based on all retail prices would fall between 0.08 and 0.32 percent. For the latest data, including information on how to use the estimates of standard error, see “Variance Estimates for Changes in the Consumer Price Index, January 2005-December 2005 in the CPI Detailed Report, February 2006. These data are available on the CPI home page (<http://www.bls.gov/cpi>), using the following link <http://www.bls.gov/cpi/cpivar2006.pdf>

Calculating Index Changes

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

Index Point Change

CPI	202.416
Less previous index	201.800
Equals index point change	.616

Percent Change

Index point difference	.616
Divided by the previous index	201.800
Equals	0.003
Results multiplied by one hundred	0.003x100
Equals percent change	0.3

Regions Defined

The states in the four regions shown in Tables 3 and 6 are listed below.

The Northeast--Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

The Midwest--Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

The South--Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

The West--Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

A Note on Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted Data

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

For analyzing general price trends in the economy, seasonally adjusted changes are usually preferred since they eliminate the effect of changes that normally occur at the same time and in about the same magnitude every year--such as price movements resulting from changing climatic conditions, production cycles, model changeovers, holidays, and sales.

The unadjusted data are of primary interest to consumers concerned about the prices they actually pay. Unadjusted data 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 the seasonally adjusted indexes are derived by the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Method. Seasonally adjusted indexes and seasonal factors are computed annually. Each year, the last 5 years of seasonally adjusted data are revised. Data from January 2002 through December 2006 were replaced in January 2007. Exceptions to the usual revision schedule were: the updated seasonal data at the end of 1977 replaced data from 1967 through 1977; and, in January 2002, dependently seasonally adjusted series were revised for January 1987-December 2001 as a result of a change in the aggregation weights for dependently adjusted series. For further information, please see "Aggregation of Dependently Adjusted Seasonally Adjusted Series," in the October 2001 issue of the [CPI Detailed Report](#).

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 upon 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 in the aggregation of the dependent series for the last 5 years, but the seasonally adjusted indexes will be used before that period. Note: 44 of the 73 components are seasonally adjusted for 2007.

Seasonally adjusted data, including the All items index levels, are subject to revision for up to five 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 and/or sharp movements which might distort the seasonal pattern are estimated and removed from the data prior to calculation of seasonal factors. Beginning with the calculation of seasonal factors for 1996, X-12-ARIMA software was used for Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment.

In January 2007, BLS adjusted 37 series using Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment, including selected food and beverage items, fuel oil, motor fuels, vehicles, jewelry, admission to sporting events and educational books and supplies. For example, this procedure was used for the Motor fuel series to offset the effects of damage to oil refineries from Hurricane Katrina, as well as the effects of implementing new fuel requirements in the United States.

For a complete list of Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment series and explanations, please refer to the article “Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment”, located on our website at: <http://www.bls.gov/cpi/cpisapage.htm>.

For additional information on seasonal adjustment in the CPI, please write to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Division of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, Washington, DC 20212 or contact Jeff Wilson on (202) 691-6968 by e-mail at Wilson.Jeff@bls.gov. If you have general questions about the CPI, please call our information staff at (202) 691-7000.

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)

CPI-U Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 2006	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Nov. 2007 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Oct. 2007	Nov. 2007	Nov. 2006	Oct. 2007	Aug. to Sep.	Sep. to Oct.	Oct. to Nov.
All items	100.000	208.936	210.177	4.3	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.8
All items (1967=100)	-	625.879	629.598	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	14.992	206.124	206.563	4.7	.2	.5	.3	.3
Food	13.885	205.796	206.277	4.8	.2	.5	.3	.3
Food at home	7.896	204.333	204.745	5.4	.2	.5	.3	.3
Cereals and bakery products	1.103	224.691	225.668	5.2	.4	.4	.4	.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.112	198.474	198.616	5.4	.1	.5	.2	-.1
Dairy and related products .....	.821	205.319	205.959	14.0	.3	1.0	.2	.6
Fruits and vegetables	1.211	263.648	268.407	4.5	1.8	1.8	.7	1.6
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	.906	155.545	154.299	3.6	-.8	.0	.1	-.5
Other food at home	1.743	174.695	173.963	2.8	-.4	-.2	.3	-.2
Sugar and sweets .....	.302	177.236	178.600	3.4	.8	.6	-.4	.9
Fats and oils .....	.227	176.050	175.327	4.3	-.4	-.3	.8	.9
Other foods ¹	1.214	189.695	188.340	2.4	-.7	-.4	.3	-.7
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2} .....	.327	114.850	115.396	1.4	.5	-1.2	.2	.5
Food away from home ¹	5.989	209.275	209.854	4.1	.3	.5	.2	.3
Other food away from home ² .....	.281	146.074	146.628	5.8	.4	.9	-.5	.5
Alcoholic beverages ¹	1.107	209.126	209.018	3.7	-.1	.1	.3	-.1
Housing	42.691	210.701	210.745	3.1	.0	.3	.2	.4
Shelter	32.776	242.405	242.207	3.1	-.1	.3	.1	.3
Rent of primary residence ³	5.930	237.135	238.169	4.0	.4	.3	.5	.4
Lodging away from home ²	2.648	143.172	136.703	4.6	-4.5	1.0	-1.5	-.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	23.830	248.075	248.876	2.8	.3	.3	.2	.3
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.369	116.640	116.997	-1.1	.3	-.1	-.1	.3
Fuels and utilities	5.264	200.836	202.161	6.1	.7	.1	1.2	1.5
Household energy	4.368	181.509	182.725	6.2	.7	.1	1.4	1.6
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	.338	261.745	291.845	28.5	11.5	1.0	2.6	11.9
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	4.029	185.337	184.753	4.4	-.3	.1	1.3	.7
Water and sewer and trash collection services ² .....	.897	145.488	146.376	5.3	.6	.2	.2	.6
Household furnishings and operations	4.651	126.233	126.252	-.7	.0	-.2	-.1	.1
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.792	141.013	141.610	2.0	.4	-.2	.2	.4
Apparel	3.726	121.846	121.204	-.4	-.5	.3	.0	.8
Men's and boys' apparel .....	.885	114.953	114.807	-.7	-.1	.8	-.3	-.2
Women's and girls' apparel	1.590	113.402	112.166	-1.5	-1.1	-.1	-.4	1.2
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.177	117.149	117.339	-.2	.2	.8	1.7	1.0
Footwear .....	.749	124.675	125.005	.4	.3	-.4	.4	1.2
Transportation	17.249	184.952	190.677	9.6	3.1	.1	.4	2.9
Private transportation	16.188	180.919	186.839	9.9	3.3	.1	.4	2.9
New and used motor vehicles ²	7.581	94.201	94.562	-.4	.4	-.2	-.1	.0
New vehicles	4.982	135.344	136.250	-.4	.7	-.3	-.2	.1
Used cars and trucks ¹	1.716	136.950	136.616	-.5	-.2	.0	-.1	-.2
Motor fuel	4.347	239.048	262.282	37.0	9.7	.4	1.5	9.3
Gasoline (all types)	4.303	237.819	260.943	37.1	9.7	.4	1.4	9.3
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹ .....	.370	123.017	123.487	3.3	.4	.5	.6	.4
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	1.145	224.939	225.672	3.3	.3	.0	.1	.3
Public transportation	1.060	232.725	233.758	6.1	.4	.5	1.2	1.8
Medical care	6.281	355.653	357.041	5.0	.4	.3	.6	.4
Medical care commodities	1.446	292.161	293.201	2.3	.4	.0	.3	.6
Medical care services	4.834	374.750	376.250	5.8	.4	.4	.6	.3
Professional services	2.817	303.532	303.780	4.1	.1	.2	.4	.2
Hospital and related services ³	1.630	510.006	515.359	7.9	1.0	.8	1.1	.6

See footnotes at end of table.

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

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CPI-U Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 2006	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Nov. 2007 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Oct. 2007	Nov. 2007	Nov. 2006	Oct. 2007	Aug. to Sep.	Sep. to Oct.	Oct. to Nov.
Expenditure category								
Recreation ²	5.552	111.753	111.842	0.6	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.1
Video and audio ²	1.719	103.157	102.719	-9	-4	.5	.3	-3
Education and communication ²	6.034	121.557	121.409	2.8	-1	.1	.4	.1
Education ²	3.076	176.339	176.717	5.6	.2	.2	.7	.6
Educational books and supplies .....	.204	431.432	431.606	8.3	.0	.3	-.1	.6
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	2.872	508.449	509.605	5.4	.2	.1	.8	.6
Communication ²	2.958	83.659	83.250	-1	-5	.0	.0	-5
Information and information processing ^{1 2}	2.769	80.946	80.519	-3	-5	.0	.0	-5
Telephone services ^{1 2}	2.225	99.031	98.775	2.4	-3	.1	.2	-3
Information technology, hardware and services ^{1 5} .....	.543	10.385	10.204	-10.5	-1.7	-1	-.9	-1.7
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ^{1 2} .....	.203	9.324	8.946	-13.1	-4.1	-7	-1.4	-4.1
Other goods and services	3.476	335.680	336.379	3.7	.2	.4	.2	.3
Tobacco and smoking products ¹ .....	.712	560.626	561.967	8.2	.2	.8	.2	.2
Personal care	2.764	196.763	197.156	2.6	.2	.3	.2	.3
Personal care products ¹ .....	.708	158.381	158.561	1.6	.1	-1	.5	.1
Personal care services ¹ .....	.677	217.887	218.604	3.0	.3	.3	.1	.3
Miscellaneous personal services	1.188	328.056	328.610	3.3	.2	.7	.2	.2
Commodity and service group								
Commodities	40.305	168.664	171.043	5.7	1.4	.2	.3	1.5
Food and beverages	14.992	206.124	206.563	4.7	.2	.5	.3	.3
Commodities less food and beverages	25.313	147.924	151.067	6.3	2.1	.1	.3	2.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	14.191	184.091	190.560	12.3	3.5	.1	.4	6.7
Apparel	3.726	121.846	121.204	-4	-5	.3	.0	.8
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	10.465	227.026	238.067	17.0	4.9	.2	1.1	4.4
Durables	11.122	111.889	112.103	-1.2	.2	-2	-1	.1
Services	59.695	248.878	248.974	3.4	.0	.3	.3	.3
Rent of shelter ⁴	32.407	252.713	252.495	3.2	-1	.3	.1	.3
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.369	116.640	116.997	-1.1	.3	-1	-1	.3
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	4.029	185.337	184.753	4.4	-3	-1	1.3	.7
Water and sewer and trash collection services ² .....	.897	145.488	146.376	5.3	.6	.2	.2	.6
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.792	141.013	141.610	2.0	.4	-2	.2	.4
Transportation services	5.638	235.458	236.449	2.1	.4	.2	.3	.5
Medical care services	4.834	374.750	376.250	5.8	.4	.4	.6	.3
Other services	10.730	289.307	289.592	3.0	.1	.3	.4	.2
Special indexes								
All items less food	86.115	209.478	210.846	4.2	.7	.2	.3	.9
All items less shelter	67.224	198.171	199.998	4.9	.9	.2	.4	1.0
All items less medical care	93.719	201.544	202.770	4.3	.6	.3	.3	.8
Commodities less food	26.420	150.180	153.234	6.2	2.0	.1	.3	2.1
Nondurables less food	15.299	185.610	191.668	11.6	3.3	.2	.4	6.2
Nondurables less food and apparel	11.572	224.338	234.241	15.7	4.4	.2	1.0	4.0
Nondurables	29.183	195.646	199.253	8.4	1.8	.3	.4	3.4
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	27.288	263.109	263.599	3.5	.2	.2	.3	.2
Services less medical care services	54.861	238.657	238.671	3.1	.0	.2	.3	.2
Energy	8.715	207.588	219.009	21.4	5.5	.3	1.4	5.7
All items less energy	91.285	210.714	210.888	2.7	.1	.3	.2	.3
All items less food and energy	77.401	212.318	212.435	2.3	.1	.2	.2	.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities	21.735	140.501	140.547	.0	.0	.0	.0	.2
Energy commodities	4.685	241.642	265.420	36.4	9.8	.4	1.5	9.5
Services less energy services	55.666	255.385	255.549	3.3	.1	.3	.2	.3
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00)	-	\$. 479	\$. 476	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00)	-	\$. 160	\$. 159	-	-	-	-	-

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 were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

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)

CPI-U Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—			6 months ended—		
	Aug. 2007	Sep. 2007	Oct. 2007	Nov. 2007	Feb. 2007	May 2007	Aug. 2007	Nov. 2007	May 2007	Nov. 2007
All items	207.738	208.292	208.903	210.565	4.0	7.0	0.7	5.6	5.5	3.1
Food and beverages	204.528	205.513	206.085	206.605	5.9	4.2	4.6	4.1	5.1	4.4
Food	204.143	205.193	205.753	206.322	6.1	4.2	4.7	4.3	5.1	4.5
Food at home	202.573	203.629	204.259	204.823	7.0	5.4	4.5	4.5	6.2	4.5
Cereals and bakery products	223.047	223.974	224.826	226.499	7.2	2.4	4.9	6.3	4.8	5.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	197.030	198.081	198.477	198.235	5.2	13.7	.9	2.5	9.4	1.7
Dairy and related products	201.964	203.900	204.363	205.570	6.5	9.5	35.0	7.3	8.0	20.4
Fruits and vegetables	257.280	261.869	263.812	268.164	18.0	-6.0	-8.9	18.0	5.3	3.7
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	155.469	155.413	155.523	154.715	3.3	7.3	6.1	-1.9	5.3	2.0
Other food at home	174.576	174.222	174.691	174.307	4.2	3.1	4.8	-.6	3.6	2.0
Sugar and sweets	177.514	178.518	177.835	179.461	.6	3.4	5.3	4.5	2.0	4.9
Fats and oils	174.376	173.822	175.245	176.824	2.4	1.2	8.0	5.7	1.8	6.9
Other foods ¹	189.781	189.076	189.695	188.340	5.2	3.4	4.0	-3.0	4.3	.4
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	116.072	114.628	114.850	115.396	4.1	-9	4.9	-2.3	1.6	1.2
Food away from home ¹	207.756	208.805	209.275	209.854	4.7	2.6	5.0	4.1	3.6	4.6
Other food away from home ²	145.278	146.610	145.918	146.634	9.0	4.7	5.9	3.8	6.8	4.8
Alcoholic beverages ¹	208.264	208.408	209.126	209.018	5.6	4.4	3.3	1.5	5.0	2.4
Housing	209.933	210.470	210.926	211.817	4.2	2.5	2.0	3.6	3.3	2.8
Shelter	241.475	242.293	242.559	243.291	3.7	2.6	3.3	3.0	3.1	3.1
Rent of primary residence ³	235.349	236.058	237.127	238.081	5.1	3.5	2.9	4.7	4.3	3.8
Lodging away from home ²	145.314	146.722	144.570	144.286	6.0	4.9	11.0	-2.8	5.4	3.9
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	246.761	247.445	248.001	248.838	3.2	2.1	2.4	3.4	2.6	2.9
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	116.926	116.783	116.640	116.997	-3.3	-3.1	1.9	.2	-3.2	1.1
Fuels and utilities	199.053	199.338	201.661	204.624	11.5	4.9	-3.1	11.7	8.1	4.1
Household energy	179.698	179.939	182.407	185.408	12.2	5.2	-5.0	13.3	8.7	3.8
Fuel oil and other fuels	253.876	256.322	262.976	294.246	-9.7	33.9	24.7	80.4	10.0	50.0
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	183.827	183.937	186.259	187.587	14.3	3.2	-7.2	8.4	8.6	.3
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	144.972	145.246	145.488	146.376	6.9	3.4	7.0	3.9	5.2	5.4
Household furnishings and operations	126.735	126.464	126.312	126.383	-.2	-.4	-1.1	-1.1	-.3	-1.1
Household operations ^{1 2}	140.971	140.698	141.013	141.610	2.4	2.1	1.4	1.8	2.3	1.6
Apparel	117.936	118.232	118.247	119.134	4.1	-6.6	-2.8	4.1	-1.4	.6
Men's and boys' apparel	112.309	113.158	112.779	112.587	-3.8	-1.8	1.8	1.0	-2.8	1.4
Women's and girls' apparel	108.533	108.461	108.078	109.399	9.4	-9.1	-8.4	3.2	-.3	-2.8
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	112.203	113.091	115.027	116.202	-3.0	-11.4	.1	15.0	-7.3	7.3
Footwear	122.326	121.792	122.241	123.685	-.7	-4.3	2.2	4.5	-2.5	3.4
Transportation	184.702	184.899	185.713	191.035	3.8	30.6	-6.6	14.4	16.5	3.4
Private transportation	180.862	181.008	181.709	187.048	3.5	33.2	-7.3	14.4	17.4	3.0
New and used motor vehicles ²	94.626	94.422	94.330	94.363	-2.3	-.5	2.6	-1.1	-1.4	.7
New vehicles	136.457	136.113	135.823	135.968	-.9	.3	.5	-1.4	-.3	-.5
Used cars and trucks ¹	137.138	137.142	136.950	136.616	-7.6	-.3	8.1	-1.5	-4.1	3.2
Motor fuel	237.534	238.498	241.971	264.462	17.5	166.8	-26.8	53.7	77.0	6.1
Gasoline (all types)	236.522	237.409	240.824	263.212	17.4	168.2	-26.8	53.4	77.4	5.9
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹	121.730	122.292	123.017	123.487	2.4	2.7	2.5	5.9	2.5	4.2
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	224.432	224.473	224.748	225.370	3.7	3.5	4.3	1.7	3.6	3.0
Public transportation	228.803	229.945	232.798	236.940	8.4	-3.3	5.0	15.0	2.4	9.9
Medical care	353.209	354.396	356.360	357.740	6.0	3.3	5.6	5.2	4.6	5.4
Medical care commodities	290.911	290.962	291.886	293.709	1.0	.6	3.7	3.9	.8	3.8
Medical care services	371.893	373.489	375.814	377.012	7.5	4.0	6.1	5.6	5.8	5.9
Professional services	302.356	302.950	304.067	304.639	7.4	1.3	4.7	3.1	4.3	3.9
Hospital and related services ³	502.604	506.744	512.322	515.266	6.3	7.6	7.2	10.5	7.0	8.8

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)

CPI-U Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—			6 months ended—		
	Aug. 2007	Sep. 2007	Oct. 2007	Nov. 2007	Feb. 2007	May 2007	Aug. 2007	Nov. 2007	May 2007	Nov. 2007
Recreation ²	111.186	111.495	111.853	112.002	-0.9	0.9	-0.8	3.0	0.0	1.1
Video and audio ²	102.381	102.924	103.281	103.020	-3.5	.1	-2.7	2.5	-1.7	-1
Education and communication ²	120.182	120.304	120.731	120.823	1.5	5.3	2.3	2.2	3.4	2.2
Education ²	172.510	172.780	174.034	175.082	4.9	6.0	5.1	6.1	5.5	5.6
Educational books and supplies	428.565	429.676	429.396	432.043	6.6	10.5	13.2	3.3	8.5	8.1
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	496.848	497.589	501.493	504.509	4.8	5.7	4.6	6.3	5.3	5.4
Communication ²	83.658	83.693	83.661	83.251	-2.2	4.6	-5	-1.9	1.1	-1.2
Information and information processing ^{1 2}	80.944	80.976	80.946	80.519	-2.4	4.2	-1.0	-2.1	.9	-1.6
Telephone services ^{1 2}	98.813	98.882	99.031	98.775	2.5	5.9	1.3	-2	4.2	.6
Information technology, hardware and services ^{1 5}	10.487	10.477	10.385	10.204	-17.9	-2.4	-10.7	-10.4	-10.5	-10.5
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ^{1 2}	9.524	9.455	9.324	8.946	-4.8	-7.7	-16.8	-22.2	-6.3	-19.5
Other goods and services	333.712	335.133	335.868	336.778	6.8	3.0	1.5	3.7	4.9	2.6
Tobacco and smoking products ¹	555.217	559.636	560.626	561.967	24.7	.6	4.1	5.0	12.0	4.5
Personal care	195.809	196.450	196.903	197.452	2.5	3.6	.8	3.4	3.1	2.1
Personal care products ¹	157.788	157.643	158.381	158.561	5.1	1.4	-2.0	2.0	3.2	.0
Personal care services ¹	217.028	217.589	217.887	218.604	4.4	3.0	1.5	2.9	3.7	2.2
Miscellaneous personal services	325.752	327.885	328.555	329.103	2.1	4.7	2.1	4.2	3.4	3.2
Commodity and service group										
Commodities	167.657	168.022	168.531	170.990	4.0	13.6	-2.2	8.2	8.7	2.9
Food and beverages	204.528	205.513	206.085	206.605	5.9	4.2	4.6	4.1	5.1	4.4
Commodities less food and beverages	147.198	147.288	147.755	150.975	3.0	19.5	-5.9	10.7	11.0	2.0
Nondurables less food and beverages	180.059	180.329	181.133	193.273	3.2	31.2	-11.4	32.7	16.3	8.4
Apparel	117.936	118.232	118.247	119.134	4.1	-6.6	-2.8	4.1	-1.4	.6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	225.615	226.029	228.406	238.559	8.5	60.7	-14.0	25.0	32.0	3.7
Durables	112.528	112.252	112.102	112.174	-2.8	-1.3	.3	-1.3	-2.0	-5
Services	247.469	248.199	248.934	249.783	4.3	2.7	2.6	3.8	3.5	3.2
Rent of shelter ⁴	251.709	252.550	252.860	253.629	3.8	2.6	3.2	3.1	3.2	3.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	116.926	116.783	116.640	116.997	-3.3	-3.1	1.9	.2	-3.2	1.1
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	183.827	183.937	186.259	187.587	14.3	3.2	-7.2	8.4	8.6	.3
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	144.972	145.246	145.488	146.376	6.9	3.4	7.0	3.9	5.2	5.4
Household operations ^{1 2}	140.971	140.698	141.013	141.610	2.4	2.1	1.4	1.8	2.3	1.6
Transportation services	234.183	234.578	235.197	236.361	2.2	-2.1	4.9	3.8	.0	4.3
Medical care services	371.893	373.489	375.814	377.012	7.5	4.0	6.1	5.6	5.8	5.9
Other services	286.386	287.243	288.355	288.990	1.8	5.0	1.7	3.7	3.4	2.7
Special indexes										
All items less food	208.356	208.827	209.447	211.290	3.8	7.5	.0	5.8	5.6	2.9
All items less shelter	196.853	197.308	198.063	200.114	4.3	9.2	-.5	6.8	6.7	3.1
All items less medical care	200.405	200.929	201.483	203.142	4.1	7.3	.4	5.6	5.6	2.9
Commodities less food	149.448	149.540	150.016	153.145	3.1	18.8	-5.6	10.3	10.7	2.0
Nondurables less food	181.786	182.096	182.825	194.224	3.0	29.2	-10.5	30.3	15.3	8.0
Nondurables less food and apparel	222.999	223.358	225.628	234.687	8.0	54.6	-12.6	22.7	29.2	3.6
Nondurables	192.718	193.390	194.118	200.660	4.7	16.6	-3.8	17.5	10.5	6.4
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	261.644	262.272	263.159	263.649	4.4	4.2	2.5	3.1	4.3	2.8
Services less medical care services	237.685	238.208	238.805	239.235	3.9	3.2	2.8	2.6	3.5	2.7
Energy	205.920	206.496	209.422	221.450	14.9	71.0	-17.5	33.8	40.2	5.0
All items less energy	209.556	210.112	210.483	211.062	3.1	2.0	2.8	2.9	2.5	2.9
All items less food and energy	211.250	211.714	212.050	212.633	2.6	1.6	2.5	2.6	2.1	2.6
Commodities less food and energy commodities	139.963	139.929	139.903	140.144	.7	-1.3	.2	.5	-.3	.4
Energy commodities	239.722	240.784	244.473	267.624	15.3	155.3	-24.3	55.3	71.6	8.4
Services less energy services	253.985	254.778	255.354	256.155	3.5	2.7	3.4	3.5	3.1	3.4

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 were calculated using a geometric means

estimator.

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): Selected areas, all items index

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U	Pricing schedule 1	All items									
		Indexes				Percent change to Nov.2007 from—			Percent change to Oct.2007 from—		
		Aug. 2007	Sep. 2007	Oct. 2007	Nov. 2007	Nov. 2006	Sep. 2007	Oct. 2007	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sep. 2007
U.S. city average	M	207.917	208.490	208.936	210.177	4.3	0.8	0.6	3.5	0.5	0.2
Region and area size²											
Northeast urban	M	221.559	221.436	221.951	223.356	4.0	.9	.6	3.1	.2	.2
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	224.246	224.274	224.636	225.766	3.8	.7	.5	3.2	.2	.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	130.519	130.206	130.761	132.049	4.5	1.4	1.0	3.0	.2	.4
Midwest urban	M	198.551	199.714	199.455	200.762	4.1	.5	.7	3.7	.5	-.1
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	199.823	201.171	200.927	202.012	3.9	.4	.5	3.5	.6	-.1
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	126.886	127.504	127.349	128.392	4.3	.7	.8	3.9	.4	-.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	194.716	195.483	195.054	196.569	5.1	.6	.8	4.3	.2	-.2
South urban	M	201.041	201.697	202.155	203.437	4.7	.9	.6	3.8	.6	.2
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	203.579	204.302	204.779	205.698	4.6	.7	.4	3.8	.6	.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	127.833	128.263	128.600	129.556	5.0	1.0	.7	4.0	.6	.3
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	200.771	200.898	200.712	202.550	3.7	.8	.9	2.6	.0	-.1
West urban	M	212.406	212.920	213.917	214.904	4.2	.9	.5	3.3	.7	.5
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	215.825	216.429	217.314	218.196	4.1	.8	.4	3.2	.7	.4
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	128.939	129.064	129.866	130.581	4.4	1.2	.6	3.5	.7	.6
Size classes											
A ⁴	M	190.382	190.962	191.324	192.224	4.1	.7	.5	3.4	.5	.2
B/C ³	M	128.216	128.506	128.869	129.848	4.6	1.0	.8	3.8	.5	.3
D	M	200.311	200.903	200.941	202.525	4.3	.8	.8	3.4	.3	.0
Selected local areas⁵											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	M	205.813	206.454	206.696	207.821	5.0	.7	.5	4.7	.4	.1
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ...	M	217.330	217.697	218.696	219.943	4.2	1.0	.6	3.5	.6	.5
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	M	228.326	228.308	228.552	229.504	3.9	.5	.4	3.1	.1	.1
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1	-	227.850	-	230.689	3.4	1.2	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH	1	-	197.000	-	197.726	4.4	.4	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1	-	194.847	-	196.465	4.3	.8	-	-	-	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ⁶	1	-	134.678	-	135.151	4.5	.4	-	-	-	-
Atlanta, GA	2	201.258	-	201.938	-	-	-	-	4.8	.3	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	2	199.679	-	201.786	-	-	-	-	2.6	1.1	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	183.740	-	184.922	-	-	-	-	2.5	.6	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	213.127	-	215.159	-	-	-	-	5.1	1.0	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	2	218.692	-	218.929	-	-	-	-	3.5	.1	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2	216.240	-	217.949	-	-	-	-	3.3	.8	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2	215.978	-	218.427	-	-	-	-	4.1	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 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; Phoenix-Mesa, AZ; 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: Local area indexes are byproducts of the national CPI program. Each local index has a smaller sample size than the national index and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in their escalator clauses.

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

Table 4. 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)

CPI-W Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 2006	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Nov. 2007 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Oct. 2007	Nov. 2007	Nov. 2006	Oct. 2007	Aug. to Sep.	Sep. to Oct.	Oct. to Nov.
All items	100.000	204.338	205.891	4.6	0.8	0.3	0.3	0.9
All items (1967=100)	-	608.662	613.287	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	16.475	205.428	205.763	4.7	.2	.5	.3	.2
Food	15.457	205.082	205.451	4.8	.2	.5	.3	.2
Food at home	9.244	203.442	203.741	5.3	.1	.5	.3	.3
Cereals and bakery products	1.285	224.897	225.941	5.1	.5	.5	.3	.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.623	198.146	198.325	5.5	.1	.5	.2	-.1
Dairy and related products .....	.928	205.100	205.850	14.4	.4	1.0	.2	.6
Fruits and vegetables	1.332	261.774	265.736	4.2	1.5	1.6	.8	1.6
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	1.082	154.873	153.610	3.6	-.8	.0	.0	-.5
Other food at home	1.993	174.215	173.393	2.8	-.5	-.3	.4	-.2
Sugar and sweets .....	.337	176.248	176.845	3.2	.3	.4	.1	.7
Fats and oils .....	.283	176.683	176.101	4.3	-.3	-.1	.6	.9
Other foods ¹	1.373	189.987	188.657	2.4	-.7	-.4	.5	-.7
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2} .....	.368	115.378	115.803	1.5	.4	-1.5	.7	.4
Food away from home ¹	6.213	209.037	209.518	4.0	.2	.5	.2	.2
Other food away from home ² .....	.279	144.764	145.233	5.0	.3	.5	-.7	.4
Alcoholic beverages ¹	1.018	209.176	208.958	3.5	-.1	.0	.4	-.1
Housing	40.463	205.916	206.288	3.2	.2	.2	.3	.5
Shelter	30.570	234.812	235.069	3.2	.1	.3	.2	.3
Rent of primary residence ³	8.021	236.259	237.288	4.1	.4	.3	.4	.4
Lodging away from home ²	1.430	142.666	136.244	5.4	-4.5	.9	-1.2	.1
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	20.776	224.811	225.548	2.8	.3	.3	.2	.3
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.342	116.982	117.370	-1.0	.3	-.1	-.1	.3
Fuels and utilities	5.779	198.796	200.151	6.0	.7	.1	1.2	1.4
Household energy	4.842	178.539	179.777	6.1	.7	.1	1.4	1.6
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	.346	261.972	292.098	29.1	11.5	1.0	2.5	11.8
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	4.496	183.172	182.781	4.4	-.2	.0	1.3	.7
Water and sewer and trash collection services ² .....	.937	145.749	146.651	5.3	.6	.2	.2	.6
Household furnishings and operations	4.114	122.039	122.031	-.6	.0	-.2	.0	.0
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.368	143.886	144.275	2.4	.3	-.2	.4	.3
Apparel	4.041	121.536	120.920	-.7	-.5	.1	.1	.5
Men's and boys' apparel .....	.954	114.710	114.784	-.9	.1	1.0	-.3	-.1
Women's and girls' apparel	1.680	113.623	112.165	-1.8	-1.3	-.7	-.3	.6
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.235	119.670	119.897	-.5	.2	.6	1.7	.8
Footwear .....	.954	124.372	124.649	.4	.2	-.1	.5	.9
Transportation	19.515	184.639	190.761	10.5	3.3	.1	.4	3.0
Private transportation	18.793	181.717	187.951	10.6	3.4	.1	.4	3.1
New and used motor vehicles ²	8.626	93.268	93.529	-.4	.3	-.2	-.1	.0
New vehicles	5.210	136.509	137.372	-.4	.6	-.3	-.2	.1
Used cars and trucks ¹	2.675	137.798	137.457	-.5	-.2	.0	-.1	-.2
Motor fuel	5.441	240.040	263.248	37.1	9.7	.5	1.4	9.3
Gasoline (all types)	5.388	238.906	262.013	37.2	9.7	.5	1.4	9.3
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹ .....	.444	122.830	123.302	3.4	.4	.5	.6	.4
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	1.145	227.472	228.267	3.2	.3	.0	.1	.3
Public transportation .....	.723	231.182	231.999	5.6	.4	.5	1.3	1.5
Medical care	5.228	355.719	357.165	5.1	.4	.4	.6	.4
Medical care commodities	1.135	284.517	285.475	2.1	.3	.0	.4	.6
Medical care services	4.094	375.899	377.498	5.9	.4	.5	.7	.3
Professional services	2.338	306.072	306.300	4.1	.1	.2	.4	.2
Hospital and related services ³	1.378	505.077	510.836	7.8	1.1	.9	1.2	.6

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 4. 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)

CPI-W Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 2006	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Nov. 2007 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Oct. 2007	Nov. 2007	Nov. 2006	Oct. 2007	Aug. to Sep.	Sep. to Oct.	Oct. to Nov.
Expenditure category								
Recreation ²	5.022	108.793	108.805	0.3	0.0	0.4	0.3	0.0
Video and audio ²	1.867	102.833	102.465	-.8	-.4	.6	.4	-.3
Education and communication ²	5.605	117.891	117.686	2.4	-.2	.0	.3	.0
Education ²	2.329	173.700	174.016	5.2	.2	.0	.6	.6
Educational books and supplies .....	.208	434.800	434.979	8.5	.0	.2	-.1	.6
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	2.121	490.061	491.022	4.9	.2	.0	.7	.6
Communication ²	3.276	86.182	85.807	.5	-.4	.0	.0	-.4
Information and information processing ^{1 2}	3.124	84.282	83.894	.2	-.5	.0	.0	-.5
Telephone services ^{1 2}	2.633	99.149	98.874	2.2	-.3	.1	.1	-.3
Information technology, hardware and services ^{1 5} .....	.492	10.877	10.710	-10.0	-1.5	-1	-.7	-1.5
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ^{1 2} .....	.178	9.229	8.866	-13.1	-3.9	-8	-1.3	-3.9
Other goods and services	3.652	346.742	347.427	4.4	.2	.4	.2	.2
Tobacco and smoking products ¹	1.139	562.134	563.435	8.1	.2	.8	.2	.2
Personal care	2.513	194.769	195.122	2.7	.2	.2	.3	.2
Personal care products ¹ .....	.771	158.408	158.579	1.7	.1	-1	.5	.1
Personal care services ¹ .....	.618	218.149	218.897	3.0	.3	.2	.2	.3
Miscellaneous personal services .....	.962	329.706	330.258	3.7	.2	.6	.2	.2
Commodity and service group								
Commodities	44.175	170.865	173.489	6.4	1.5	.2	.3	1.6
Food and beverages	16.475	205.428	205.763	4.7	.2	.5	.3	.2
Commodities less food and beverages	27.700	151.448	155.011	7.3	2.4	.1	.4	2.3
Nondurables less food and beverages	15.699	191.230	198.661	13.8	3.9	.1	.6	7.2
Apparel	4.041	121.536	120.920	-.7	-.5	.1	.1	.5
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	11.658	238.798	251.442	19.1	5.3	.2	1.2	4.8
Durables	12.001	112.241	112.413	-1.0	.2	-.3	-.1	.1
Services	55.825	243.572	243.906	3.3	.1	.3	.3	.3
Rent of shelter ⁴	30.227	226.393	226.636	3.3	.1	.3	.2	.4
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.342	116.982	117.370	-1.0	.3	-1	-.1	.3
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	4.496	183.172	182.781	4.4	-.2	.0	1.3	.7
Water and sewer and trash collection services ² .....	.937	145.749	146.651	5.3	.6	.2	.2	.6
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.368	143.886	144.275	2.4	.3	-.2	.4	.3
Transportation services	5.600	234.848	235.874	1.7	.4	.1	.1	.4
Medical care services	4.094	375.899	377.498	5.9	.4	.5	.7	.3
Other services	9.761	278.404	278.513	2.7	.0	.3	.3	.1
Special indexes								
All items less food	84.543	204.015	205.783	4.6	.9	.2	.3	1.0
All items less shelter	69.430	195.440	197.479	5.3	1.0	.2	.4	1.1
All items less medical care	94.772	198.022	199.565	4.6	.8	.2	.3	.9
Commodities less food	28.718	153.499	156.977	7.2	2.3	.1	.4	2.3
Nondurables less food	16.717	192.442	199.471	13.1	3.7	.2	.5	6.8
Nondurables less food and apparel	12.676	235.233	246.726	17.8	4.9	.2	1.1	4.4
Nondurables	32.174	199.075	203.087	9.1	2.0	.3	.5	3.6
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	25.598	232.628	233.029	3.3	.2	.2	.3	.1
Services less medical care services	51.732	233.850	234.115	3.1	.1	.2	.2	.2
Energy	10.282	207.885	219.861	22.3	5.8	.3	1.4	5.9
All items less energy	89.718	204.797	205.066	2.7	.1	.2	.2	.2
All items less food and energy	74.261	205.107	205.355	2.2	.1	.2	.2	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities	22.932	141.236	141.254	.1	.0	.0	.0	.1
Energy commodities	5.786	241.955	265.598	36.6	9.8	.5	1.5	9.4
Services less energy services	51.329	250.127	250.546	3.2	.2	.3	.2	.3
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00)	-	\$.489	\$.486	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00)	-	\$.164	\$.163	-	-	-	-	-

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 were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

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 5. 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)

CPI-W	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—			6 months ended—		
	Aug. 2007	Sep. 2007	Oct. 2007	Nov. 2007	Feb. 2007	May 2007	Aug. 2007	Nov. 2007	May 2007	Nov. 2007
Expenditure category										
All items	203.153	203.665	204.338	206.142	4.1	8.5	0.2	6.0	6.3	3.0
Food and beverages	203.829	204.778	205.386	205.850	5.7	4.6	4.7	4.0	5.2	4.3
Food	203.440	204.447	205.037	205.544	5.6	4.7	4.8	4.2	5.2	4.5
Food at home	201.705	202.691	203.368	203.894	6.2	6.0	4.6	4.4	6.1	4.5
Cereals and bakery products	223.401	224.454	225.152	226.878	6.2	3.0	5.0	6.4	4.6	5.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	196.683	197.743	198.217	197.996	4.7	13.8	1.2	2.7	9.2	1.9
Dairy and related products	201.842	203.765	204.131	205.427	6.9	10.5	35.4	7.3	8.7	20.5
Fruits and vegetables	255.386	259.432	261.596	265.787	16.2	-5.0	-9.1	17.3	5.1	3.2
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	154.886	154.914	154.861	154.074	2.9	7.6	6.4	-2.1	5.2	2.1
Other food at home	173.908	173.473	174.214	173.799	3.5	3.2	4.8	-3	3.3	2.2
Sugar and sweets	175.909	176.589	176.757	177.909	.4	3.0	5.1	4.6	1.7	4.9
Fats and oils	175.126	174.955	176.081	177.705	1.5	2.1	7.7	6.0	1.8	6.8
Other foods ¹	189.941	189.110	189.987	188.657	4.8	3.4	4.1	-2.7	4.1	.6
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	116.348	114.584	115.378	115.803	3.7	-4	4.6	-1.9	1.6	1.3
Food away from home ¹	207.533	208.578	209.037	209.518	4.6	2.7	4.9	3.9	3.7	4.4
Other food away from home ²	144.899	145.613	144.534	145.072	9.7	5.1	5.1	.5	7.4	2.7
Alcoholic beverages ¹	208.253	208.286	209.176	208.958	5.5	4.0	3.2	1.4	4.7	2.3
Housing	205.005	205.466	206.110	207.064	4.5	2.8	1.5	4.1	3.7	2.8
Shelter	233.721	234.435	234.866	235.658	3.7	2.8	2.8	3.4	3.3	3.1
Rent of primary residence ³	234.536	235.196	236.254	237.210	5.0	3.7	3.0	4.6	4.4	3.8
Lodging away from home ²	144.594	145.861	144.080	144.197	5.2	9.4	8.2	-1.1	7.3	3.4
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	223.664	224.285	224.721	225.464	3.3	2.1	2.4	3.3	2.7	2.8
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	117.287	117.142	116.982	117.370	-3.3	-2.7	1.6	.3	-3.0	.9
Fuels and utilities	197.133	197.372	199.757	202.598	12.0	5.0	-3.9	11.6	8.4	3.6
Household energy	176.872	177.067	179.569	182.402	13.1	5.3	-5.8	13.1	9.1	3.2
Fuel oil and other fuels	253.970	256.475	262.852	293.893	-7.4	33.1	25.6	79.3	11.0	50.1
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	181.788	181.858	184.267	185.595	14.7	3.5	-8.0	8.6	9.0	.0
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	145.259	145.513	145.749	146.651	6.9	3.3	7.1	3.9	5.1	5.5
Household furnishings and operations	122.415	122.125	122.126	122.140	-6	-6	-4	-9	-6	-7
Household operations ^{1 2}	143.526	143.250	143.886	144.275	2.8	2.5	2.1	2.1	2.7	2.1
Apparel	117.843	117.914	117.996	118.593	2.2	-5.9	-1.4	2.6	-1.9	.6
Men's and boys' apparel	111.897	113.057	112.713	112.558	-5.9	-1.8	1.8	2.4	-3.9	2.1
Women's and girls' apparel	109.399	108.672	108.321	108.996	8.4	-8.3	-4.7	-1.5	-3	-3.1
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	114.924	115.628	117.566	118.562	-2.9	-13.2	2.5	13.3	-8.2	7.8
Footwear	121.695	121.591	122.187	123.286	.1	-3.9	.2	5.3	-1.9	2.8
Transportation	184.468	184.715	185.489	191.143	3.7	34.7	-7.3	15.3	18.2	3.4
Private transportation	181.660	181.876	182.579	188.256	3.5	36.5	-7.7	15.3	18.9	3.2
New and used motor vehicles ²	93.724	93.522	93.408	93.367	-2.8	-1	3.1	-1.5	-1.5	.8
New vehicles	137.732	137.339	137.011	137.106	-9	.6	.7	-1.8	-1	-6
Used cars and trucks ¹	137.999	137.996	137.798	137.457	-7.6	-3	8.2	-1.6	-4.0	3.2
Motor fuel	238.460	239.667	243.032	265.558	16.9	167.8	-26.6	53.8	76.9	6.2
Gasoline (all types)	237.435	238.626	241.933	264.381	17.0	169.4	-26.9	53.7	77.6	6.0
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹	121.584	122.144	122.830	123.302	2.4	2.7	2.9	5.8	2.5	4.3
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	227.106	227.084	227.206	227.910	3.5	3.7	4.3	1.4	3.6	2.9
Public transportation	227.314	228.531	231.423	234.805	7.9	-3.0	4.3	13.8	2.3	9.0
Medical care	353.036	354.323	356.448	357.772	6.0	3.3	5.7	5.5	4.6	5.6
Medical care commodities	283.195	283.310	284.392	286.018	.7	.5	3.1	4.0	.6	3.5
Medical care services	372.772	374.455	376.920	378.118	7.5	4.0	6.4	5.9	5.8	6.1
Professional services	304.885	305.437	306.642	307.129	7.3	1.2	5.0	3.0	4.2	4.0
Hospital and related services ³	496.677	501.200	507.309	510.254	5.9	7.1	6.8	11.4	6.5	9.1

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Table 5. 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

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	Aug. 2007	Sep. 2007	Oct. 2007	Nov. 2007	Feb. 2007	May 2007	Aug. 2007	Nov. 2007	May 2007	Nov. 2007
Expenditure category										
Recreation ²	108.201	108.602	108.916	108.962	-0.8	0.5	-1.6	2.8	-0.1	0.6
Video and audio ²	101.959	102.576	102.942	102.684	-3.2	.1	-2.8	2.9	-1.6	.0
Education and communication ²	116.935	116.988	117.294	117.281	1.1	5.3	2.1	1.2	3.2	1.6
Education ²	170.468	170.551	171.623	172.604	5.0	5.9	5.0	5.1	5.4	5.1
Educational books and supplies	432.277	433.081	432.774	435.532	7.3	10.2	13.7	3.0	8.7	8.2
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	480.306	480.473	483.839	486.570	4.7	5.5	4.2	5.3	5.1	4.7
Communication ²	86.151	86.188	86.184	85.808	-1.4	4.9	.1	-1.6	1.7	-8
Information and information processing ^{1 2}	84.248	84.283	84.282	83.894	-1.7	4.7	-.3	-1.7	1.4	-1.0
Telephone services ^{1 2}	98.964	99.024	99.149	98.874	2.2	5.8	1.4	-.4	4.0	.5
Information technology, hardware and services ^{1 5}	10.965	10.958	10.877	10.710	-19.5	-1.0	-9.5	-9.0	-10.7	-9.3
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ^{1 2}	9.421	9.348	9.229	8.866	-7.7	-6.0	-16.1	-21.6	-6.9	-18.9
Other goods and services	344.608	346.082	346.886	347.720	9.3	2.8	2.0	3.7	6.0	2.8
Tobacco and smoking products ¹	556.517	561.092	562.134	563.435	24.2	.6	4.2	5.1	11.8	4.6
Personal care	193.923	194.393	194.888	195.364	3.0	3.8	1.0	3.0	3.4	2.0
Personal care products ¹	157.813	157.654	158.408	158.579	5.2	1.5	-1.9	2.0	3.3	.0
Personal care services ¹	217.354	217.822	218.149	218.897	4.3	3.2	1.6	2.9	3.8	2.2
Miscellaneous personal services	327.281	329.372	330.029	330.698	2.7	5.3	2.5	4.2	4.0	3.4
Commodity and service group										
Commodities	169.834	170.221	170.800	173.457	4.1	15.9	-2.3	8.8	9.8	3.1
Food and beverages	203.829	204.778	205.386	205.850	5.7	4.6	4.7	4.0	5.2	4.3
Commodities less food and beverages	150.691	150.823	151.373	154.928	3.3	23.1	-6.2	11.7	12.7	2.4
Nondurables less food and beverages	186.841	187.085	188.242	201.881	2.8	36.9	-12.6	36.3	18.6	9.2
Apparel	117.843	117.914	117.996	118.593	2.2	-5.9	-1.4	2.6	-1.9	.6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	237.400	237.881	240.709	252.143	10.2	68.7	-15.1	27.3	36.4	3.9
Durables	112.718	112.432	112.359	112.479	-2.7	-1.6	.9	-.8	-2.2	.0
Services	242.178	242.833	243.646	244.474	4.3	2.9	2.1	3.8	3.6	3.0
Rent of shelter ⁴	225.280	226.032	226.420	227.249	3.7	2.9	2.8	3.5	3.3	3.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	117.287	117.142	116.982	117.370	-3.3	-2.7	1.6	.3	-3.0	.9
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	181.788	181.858	184.267	185.595	14.7	3.5	-8.0	8.6	9.0	.0
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	145.259	145.513	145.749	146.651	6.9	3.3	7.1	3.9	5.1	5.5
Household operations ^{1 2}	143.526	143.250	143.886	144.275	2.8	2.5	2.1	2.1	2.7	2.1
Transportation services	233.978	234.298	234.633	235.455	1.7	-2.0	4.7	2.5	-.2	3.6
Medical care services	372.772	374.455	376.920	378.118	7.5	4.0	6.4	5.9	5.8	6.1
Other services	275.999	276.810	277.734	278.150	1.4	5.1	1.3	3.2	3.2	2.2
Special indexes										
All items less food	202.914	203.334	204.022	206.063	4.0	9.2	-.7	6.4	6.6	2.8
All items less shelter	194.208	194.652	195.420	197.610	4.5	11.0	-1.0	7.2	7.7	3.0
All items less medical care	196.892	197.376	197.998	199.803	4.2	8.8	-.1	6.0	6.4	2.9
Commodities less food	152.735	152.865	153.426	156.896	3.1	22.3	-5.8	11.4	12.3	2.4
Nondurables less food	188.244	188.582	189.585	202.433	3.2	34.6	-11.7	33.7	17.9	8.6
Nondurables less food and apparel	233.632	234.206	236.858	247.381	9.1	63.5	-14.3	25.7	33.6	3.8
Nondurables	196.000	196.651	197.625	204.692	4.4	19.7	-4.6	19.0	11.8	6.5
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	231.619	232.142	232.728	233.045	4.5	4.3	2.1	2.5	4.4	2.3
Services less medical care services	232.933	233.393	233.960	234.540	3.7	3.4	2.4	2.8	3.6	2.6
Energy	206.267	206.957	209.870	222.321	15.0	76.2	-18.4	35.0	42.3	4.9
All items less energy	203.660	204.152	204.551	205.044	3.0	2.1	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.8
All items less food and energy	204.075	204.459	204.817	205.309	2.5	1.6	2.4	2.4	2.0	2.4
Commodities less food and energy commodities	140.697	140.630	140.642	140.766	.4	-1.1	1.0	.2	-.4	.6
Energy commodities	240.036	241.314	244.847	267.889	15.3	158.1	-24.6	55.1	72.5	8.2
Services less energy services	248.736	249.459	250.078	250.844	3.4	2.8	3.1	3.4	3.1	3.3

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 were calculated using a geometric means

estimator.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W	Pricing schedule 1	All items									
		Indexes				Percent change to Nov.2007 from—			Percent change to Oct.2007 from—		
		Aug. 2007	Sep. 2007	Oct. 2007	Nov. 2007	Nov. 2006	Sep. 2007	Oct. 2007	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sep. 2007
U.S. city average	M	203.199	203.889	204.338	205.891	4.6	1.0	0.8	3.7	0.6	0.2
Region and area size²											
Northeast urban	M	217.379	217.486	218.151	219.871	4.3	1.1	.8	3.3	.4	.3
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	218.445	218.791	219.275	220.710	4.0	.9	.7	3.4	.4	.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	130.684	130.447	131.080	132.485	4.7	1.6	1.1	3.2	.3	.5
Midwest urban	M	193.663	194.828	194.384	196.056	4.6	.6	.9	3.9	.4	-.2
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	194.084	195.306	194.843	196.343	4.3	.5	.8	3.7	.4	-.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	126.435	127.139	126.879	128.129	4.9	.8	1.0	4.3	.4	-.2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	192.437	193.586	193.074	194.907	5.2	.7	.9	4.3	.3	-.3
South urban	M	198.063	198.873	199.319	200.849	5.1	1.0	.8	4.1	.6	.2
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	201.384	202.354	202.906	203.991	4.9	.8	.5	4.1	.8	.3
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	126.445	126.953	127.265	128.407	5.4	1.1	.9	4.2	.6	.2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	201.006	201.250	200.942	202.913	4.0	.8	1.0	2.9	.0	-.2
West urban	M	206.624	207.164	208.304	209.629	4.5	1.2	.6	3.5	.8	.6
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	208.225	208.921	210.025	211.268	4.5	1.1	.6	3.5	.9	.5
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	128.546	128.642	129.419	130.356	4.7	1.3	.7	3.5	.7	.6
Size classes											
A ⁴	M	188.338	189.072	189.471	190.680	4.4	.9	.6	3.6	.6	.2
B/C ³	M	127.419	127.759	128.103	129.268	5.0	1.2	.9	3.9	.5	.3
D	M	198.559	199.289	199.275	201.016	4.4	.9	.9	3.5	.4	.0
Selected local areas⁵											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	M	198.630	199.419	199.558	200.887	5.3	.7	.7	4.9	.5	.1
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ...	M	209.240	209.849	211.259	212.844	4.7	1.4	.8	3.8	1.0	.7
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	M	221.905	222.174	222.624	223.716	4.2	.7	.5	3.4	.3	.2
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1	-	227.429	-	230.440	3.2	1.3	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH	1	-	187.784	-	188.488	5.0	.4	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1	-	197.027	-	198.521	4.7	.8	-	-	-	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ⁶	1	-	134.277	-	134.844	4.8	.4	-	-	-	-
Atlanta, GA	2	200.162	-	200.714	-	-	-	-	5.1	.3	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	2	194.798	-	196.237	-	-	-	-	2.6	.7	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	182.425	-	183.426	-	-	-	-	2.5	.5	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	211.041	-	213.454	-	-	-	-	5.1	1.1	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	2	217.331	-	218.061	-	-	-	-	3.3	.3	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2	211.620	-	213.133	-	-	-	-	3.4	.7	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2	210.220	-	213.107	-	-	-	-	4.5	1.4	-

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

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

Table 7. Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(December 1999=100, unless otherwise noted)

C-CPI-U	Relative importance, 2003-2004	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Nov. 2007 from—	
		Oct. 2007	Nov. 2007	Nov. 2006	Oct. 2007
		Expenditure category			
All items	100.000	R120.699	121.178	3.6	0.4
Food and beverages	15.072	121.361	121.602	4.6	.2
Food	13.943	121.440	121.709	4.7	.2
Food at home	8.029	118.495	118.711	5.1	.2
Food away from home	5.914	125.407	125.752	4.1	.3
Alcoholic beverages	1.130	120.656	120.551	3.6	-.1
Housing	42.173	R125.883	125.860	2.8	.0
Shelter	32.495	128.100	127.989	3.1	-.1
Fuels and utilities	4.702	R150.880	151.640	5.7	.5
Household furnishings and operations	4.977	95.274	95.217	-1.2	-.1
Apparel	4.076	91.416	90.971	-.9	-.5
Transportation	17.095	120.756	123.476	7.2	2.3
Private transportation	15.988	121.371	124.257	7.3	2.4
Public transportation	1.107	114.404	114.935	6.0	.5
Medical care	6.055	138.435	138.963	4.7	.4
Medical care commodities	1.458	123.448	123.913	2.1	.4
Medical care services	4.597	143.683	144.235	5.6	.4
Recreation	5.863	105.150	105.156	-.4	.0
Education and communication	6.190	106.709	106.416	1.8	-.3
Education	2.751	163.793	164.117	5.5	.2
Communication	3.439	74.561	74.075	-1.1	-.7
Other goods and services	3.475	124.777	125.033	3.5	.2
Commodity and service group					
Services	58.763	R129.430	129.479	3.2	.0
Commodities	41.237	109.912	110.914	4.1	.9
Durables	12.340	84.371	84.449	-1.7	.1
Nondurables	28.897	123.326	124.884	6.7	1.3
All items less food and energy	78.707	115.953	115.989	2.0	.0
Energy	7.351	R177.648	186.102	19.6	4.8

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Indexes for 2007 are initial estimates. Indexes for 2006 are interim adjustments.

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