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## Consumer Price Index July 2008

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Consumer Price Index July 2008	United States City Average			Midwest Region				
	Group	Index	Percent change to Jul. 2008 from		Index	Percent change to Jul. 2008 from		
		(1982-84-100 unless otherwise noted)	Jul. 2008	Jul. 2007	Jun. 2008	Jul. 2008	Jul. 2007	Jun. 2008
All Urban Consumers			CPI-U			CPI-U		
<b>All Items</b> .....	219.964	5.6		0.5	210.071	5.6		0.5
All items (other base) (5).....	658.915	-		-	341.797	-		-
<b>Food and beverages</b> .....	215.326	5.8		.9	208.290	5.9		1.0
Food .....	215.299	6.0		1.0	208.043	6.2		1.1
Food at home .....	215.785	7.1		1.2	204.951	6.9		1.2
Food away from home .....	216.376	4.6		.6	213.251	5.3		.9
Alcoholic beverages .....	214.394	3.3		.2	210.747	3.0		.3
<b>Housing</b> .....	219.610	3.9		.8	201.325	4.0		.7
Shelter .....	248.075	2.5		.4	225.325	1.6		.0
Rent of primary residence (3) .....	243.367	3.7		.3	215.119	2.0		.1
Owners'equiv. rent (1) (3) .....	252.504	2.6		.1	226.398	1.5		.0
Fuels and utilities .....	239.039	16.0		3.3	237.361	18.4		3.9
Household energy.....	221.742	18.2		3.7	216.521	20.5		4.4
Gas (piped) and electricity (3) .....	221.805	14.8		4.0	223.044	19.7		4.7
Electricity (3) .....	199.068	7.9		2.4	176.399	6.0		1.4
Utility (piped) gas service (3) .....	291.713	32.7		7.6	306.581	40.0		8.8
Furnishings and operations .....	127.884	.8		.2	122.035	2.0		.5
<b>Apparel</b> .....	114.357	.8		-2.3	106.538	1.6		-2.1
<b>Transportation</b> .....	212.806	13.4		.5	214.830	12.9		.6
Private transportation .....	208.038	13.3		.4	209.241	12.7		.5
Motor fuel .....	349.731	38.3		.7	356.561	33.6		.9
Gasoline (all types) .....	347.357	37.9		.7	354.832	33.6		.9
Unleaded regular (2) .....	348.665	38.3		.7	354.478	34.2		.9
Unleaded midgrade (2) (6) .....	352.798	37.3		.8	387.033	33.1		1.3
Unleaded premium (2) .....	329.952	36.3		.8	342.794	31.4		.8
<b>Medical care</b> .....	363.963	3.5		.1	360.652	2.3		.0
<b>Recreation (4)</b> .....	113.277	1.7		.3	114.669	3.0		.4
<b>Education and communication (4)</b> .....	123.445	3.7		.5	124.922	3.3		.3
<b>Other goods and services</b> .....	346.810	4.0		.3	336.042	4.2		.4
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
Commodities.....	181.087	7.8		.3	176.363	7.5		.4
Commodities less food & bev .....	161.301	9.0		.0	159.028	8.5		.1
Nondurables less food & bev .....	213.363	16.0		-.1	209.180	13.9		.1
Durables .....	111.275	-.8		.0	109.619	.3		.0
Services.....	258.422	4.1		.7	245.216	4.1		.6
<b>Special Indexes:</b>								
All items less medical care .....	212.576	5.7		.6	202.637	5.8		.6
All items less shelter .....	211.468	7.1		.6	206.778	7.2		.7
Energy .....	280.833	29.3		1.9	277.788	27.7		2.4
All items less energy.....	215.335	3.0		.3	204.980	2.9		.3
All items less food and energy.....	216.045	2.5		.2	205.022	2.3		.1
Commodities less food.....	163.364	8.7		.0	160.813	8.2		.1
Nondurables.....	215.628	11.0		.4	209.727	10.0		.5
Nondurables less food.....	213.447	15.1		.0	208.948	13.1		.1
Services less rent of shelter (1) .....	277.982	6.0		1.0	274.186	6.7		1.2
Services less medical care serv .....	248.007	4.0		.7	234.102	4.2		.7
Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers			CPI-W			CPI-W		
<b>All items</b> .....	216.304	6.2		0.5	206.038	6.1		0.6
All items (other base) (5) .....	644.303	-		-	333.210	-		-

(1) Index is on a December 1982=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 were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

(4) Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

(5) Other base: United States City Average, 1967=100; Midwest Region, December 1977=100.

(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. Data not seasonally adjusted.

Consumer Price Index July 2008	Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI			Cleveland-Akron, OH			
	Group  (1982-84=100 unless otherwise noted)	Index	Percent change to Jul. 2008 from		Index	Percent change to Jul. 2008 from	
		Jul. 2008	Jul. 2007	Jun. 2008	Jul. 2008	Jul. 2007	May 2008
All Urban Consumers				CPI-U			
<b>All Items</b> .....	217.459	5.8	0.8	206.941	5.0	1.0	
All items (1967=100).....	649.677	-	-	663.137	-	-	
<b>Food and beverages</b> .....	211.987	5.0	1.6	212.971	4.0	-.1	
Food .....	210.910	4.8	1.7	216.670	4.2	.0	
Food at home .....	217.123	4.6	2.3	208.735	4.4	-.4	
Food away from home .....	197.987	5.0	.9	232.643	4.1	.4	
Alcoholic beverages .....	225.839	7.7	.8	172.371	1.3	-.5	
<b>Housing</b> .....	224.164	4.9	.9	196.356	2.8	1.7	
Shelter .....	262.624	1.3	-.4	212.199	-.7	-1.0	
Rent of primary residence (3) .....	263.668	3.2	-.1	207.058	-.7	-.7	
Owners'equiv. rent (1) (3) .....	259.867	.6	-.5	209.235	-.7	-.4	
Fuels and utilities .....	236.997	31.6	8.1	244.137	20.9	14.7	
Household energy .....	224.915	34.9	9.3	244.841	23.8	17.8	
Gas (piped) and electricity (3) .....	229.405	34.8	9.5	245.309	23.1	18.3	
Electricity (3) .....	143.292	8.6	.7	170.642	6.0	21.5	
Utility (piped) gas service (3) .....	347.739	61.4	16.5	325.804	38.1	16.1	
Furnishings and operations .....	108.916	2.4	1.0	120.120	1.0	.7	
<b>Apparel</b> .....	87.323	-4.2	-1.5	107.477	17.9	-8.3	
<b>Transportation</b> .....	204.848	14.0	1.0	217.028	12.9	2.2	
Private transportation .....	201.223	13.7	.8	218.288	13.2	2.1	
Motor fuel .....	370.491	34.3	1.7	396.769	33.4	3.9	
Gasoline (all types) .....	367.527	34.3	1.7	393.665	33.4	4.1	
Unleaded regular (2) .....	364.979	35.1	1.9	382.675	34.0	3.4	
Unleaded midgrade (2) (5) .....	378.210	33.0	1.2	401.942	32.0	5.9	
Unleaded premium (2) .....	343.316	31.7	1.5	377.080	32.4	5.1	
<b>Medical care</b> .....	361.668	4.9	.3	341.171	3.6	.1	
<b>Recreation (4)</b> .....	112.306	4.3	.2	110.879	2.9	2.0	
<b>Education and communication (4)</b> .....	130.482	4.2	.2	112.028	2.0	.5	
<b>Other goods and services</b> .....	331.710	2.3	.4	334.071	1.6	1.6	
<b>Commodity and service group</b>							
Commodities.....	170.777	6.2	.9	183.320	8.0	.3	
Commodities less food & bev .....	147.336	7.1	.5	165.329	10.4	.4	
Nondurables less food & bev .....	195.343	11.2	.7	214.782	17.7	.3	
Durables .....	101.009	.0	.0	113.162	.4	.6	
Services.....	261.330	5.4	.7	232.019	3.1	1.5	
<b>Special Indexes:</b>							
All items less medical care .....	210.856	5.8	.8	200.911	5.2	1.1	
All items less shelter .....	202.559	8.0	1.3	206.896	7.7	1.9	
Energy .....	279.819	34.6	5.1	300.210	28.4	10.2	
All items less energy.....	212.626	2.9	.2	199.006	2.1	-.3	
All items less food and energy.....	213.700	2.5	.0	195.856	1.8	-.4	
Commodities less food.....	150.399	7.0	.5	165.631	10.0	.4	
Nondurables.....	205.432	7.9	1.2	215.797	10.9	.1	
Nondurables less food.....	197.243	10.7	.7	211.079	16.4	.3	
Services less rent of shelter (1) .....	273.714	10.6	2.0	258.295	7.2	4.2	
Services less medical care serv .....	253.343	5.4	.8	223.751	3.1	1.7	
Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers				CPI-W			
<b>All items</b> .....	211.020	6.2	1.0	198.063	5.7	1.1	
All items (1967=100).....	619.737	-	-	618.886	-	-	

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Consumer Price Index  
Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN  
1st half 2008

Group  (1982-84-100 unless otherwise noted)	Index 1st half 2008	Percent change to 1st half 2008 from -	
		1st half 2007	2nd half 2007
All Urban Consumers		CPI-U	
<b>All Items</b> .....	200.054	4.1	2.2
All items (1967=100).....	619.011	-	-
<b>Food and beverages</b> .....	188.212	4.9	3.1
Food .....	185.728	5.0	3.2
Food at home .....	183.914	5.6	3.8
Food away from home .....	190.604	4.7	2.7
Alcoholic beverages .....	214.977	4.3	1.6
<b>Housing</b> .....	183.810	1.6	.5
Shelter .....	207.016	.3	1.0
Rent of primary residence.....	206.755	1.4	.9
Owners'equiv. rent (1).....	208.843	1.1	1.7
Fuels and utilities .....	197.669	9.4	-.8
Household energy .....	171.912	9.5	.0
Gas (piped) and electricity.....	175.308	8.2	-1.1
Electricity.....	162.222	8.0	-4.0
Utility (piped) gas service.....	251.472	10.1	10.7
Furnishings and operations .....	118.318	1.5	1.5
<b>Apparel</b> .....	132.694	14.4	3.1
<b>Transportation</b> .....	195.386	8.8	5.7
Private transportation .....	194.417	9.2	5.8
Motor fuel .....	305.285	26.1	17.8
Gasoline (all types) .....	304.016	25.7	17.6
Unleaded regular (2).....	314.203	26.2	17.7
Unleaded midgrade (2,3).....	293.851	24.7	17.5
Unleaded premium (2).....	259.647	24.6	16.7
<b>Medical care</b> .....	376.975	3.4	1.5
<b>Recreation (4)</b> .....	120.736	1.7	2.8
<b>Education and communication (4)</b> .....	119.706	3.0	1.1
<b>Other goods and services</b> .....	378.718	4.3	2.2
<b>Commodity and service group:</b>			
Commodities.....	168.941	6.7	3.9
Commodities less food & bev .....	157.346	7.7	4.4
Nondurables less food & bev .....	196.737	14.3	7.9
Durables .....	120.894	-.9	-.5
Services.....	233.697	2.3	1.0
<b>Special Indexes:</b>			
All items less medical care .....	191.775	4.2	2.3
All items less shelter .....	199.347	5.9	2.9
Energy .....	233.363	18.7	9.8
All items less energy.....	198.700	2.5	1.5
All items less food and energy.....	202.365	2.1	1.2
Commodities less food.....	159.419	7.6	4.3
Nondurables.....	193.983	9.7	5.5
Nondurables less food.....	198.036	13.5	7.3
Services less rent of shelter (1) .....	270.726	4.7	1.4
Services less medical care serv .....	220.341	2.2	1.1
Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers		CPI-W	
<b>All items</b> .....	193.856	4.1	2.2
All items (1967=100) .....	595.742	-	-

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Consumer Price Index  
 Milwaukee - Racine, WI  
 1st half 2008

Group  (1982-84-100 unless otherwise noted)	Index 1st half 2008	Percent change to 1st half 2008 from -	
		1st half 2007	2nd half 2007
All Urban Consumers		CPI-U	
<b>All Items</b> .....	201.955	4.8	3.3
All items (1967=100).....	623.762	-	-
<b>Food and beverages</b> .....	211.137	4.4	1.8
Food .....	213.691	4.6	1.8
Food at home .....	215.256	5.1	1.6
Food away from home .....	213.626	4.8	2.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	190.111	2.3	1.3
<b>Housing</b> .....	196.914	3.5	3.0
Shelter .....	233.705	3.0	2.4
Rent of primary residence.....	210.694	2.5	1.7
Owners'equiv. rent (1).....	244.519	2.7	2.0
Fuels and utilities .....	201.602	9.1	11.3
Household energy .....	177.432	10.3	12.9
Gas (piped) and electricity.....	182.374	9.7	12.8
Electricity.....	164.212	7.1	4.5
Utility (piped) gas service.....	202.386	12.7	23.3
Furnishings and operations .....	104.160	.9	-.3
<b>Apparel</b> .....	118.205	5.0	1.9
<b>Transportation</b> .....	192.511	10.4	6.0
Private transportation .....	184.953	10.4	5.9
Motor fuel .....	303.578	24.4	14.4
Gasoline (all types) .....	299.787	24.6	14.6
Unleaded regular (2).....	306.639	24.7	14.6
Unleaded midgrade (2,3).....	308.541	24.6	14.8
Unleaded premium (2).....	255.325	23.2	13.9
<b>Medical care</b> .....	344.192	4.3	3.7
<b>Recreation (4)</b> .....	106.414	2.5	1.9
<b>Education and communication (4)</b> .....	122.748	1.7	1.6
<b>Other goods and services</b> .....	324.115	9.5	8.3
<b>Commodity and service group:</b>			
Commodities.....	166.115	5.7	3.1
Commodities less food & bev .....	144.423	6.6	3.9
Nondurables less food & bev .....	189.993	11.8	5.8
Durables .....	103.326	-.4	.9
Services.....	236.023	4.2	3.4
<b>Special Indexes:</b>			
All items less medical care .....	195.589	4.9	3.2
All items less shelter .....	192.135	5.7	3.7
Energy .....	234.222	17.8	13.8
All items less energy.....	200.792	3.6	2.4
All items less food and energy.....	199.380	3.4	2.5
Commodities less food.....	146.142	6.4	3.7
Nondurables.....	202.228	8.1	3.8
Nondurables less food.....	189.400	11.0	5.4
Services less rent of shelter (1) .....	248.972	5.7	4.7
Services less medical care serv .....	226.029	4.1	3.3
Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers		CPI-W	
<b>All items</b> .....	205.845	5.0	3.3
All items (1967=100) .....	658.058	-	-

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Consumer Price Index  
 Minneapolis - St. Paul, MN-WI  
 1st half 2008

Group (1982-84-100 unless otherwise noted)	Index 1st half 2008	Percent change to 1st half 2008 from -	
		1st half 2007	2nd half 2007
All Urban Consumers		CPI-U	
<b>All Items</b> .....	208.284	3.8	3.2
All items (1967=100).....	654.540	-	-
<b>Food and beverages</b> .....	230.544	7.3	3.8
Food .....	226.858	7.7	4.1
Food at home .....	218.097	7.6	5.0
Food away from home .....	240.665	7.7	3.0
Alcoholic beverages .....	261.330	3.5	1.3
<b>Housing</b> .....	188.976	2.3	3.5
Shelter .....	211.284	1.6	2.0
Rent of primary residence.....	204.499	2.8	2.1
Owners'equiv. rent (1).....	216.759	1.5	.4
Fuels and utilities .....	198.935	7.8	11.1
Household energy .....	192.314	6.8	11.5
Gas (piped) and electricity.....	194.054	5.9	11.1
Electricity.....	186.762	3.8	1.3
Utility (piped) gas service.....	218.269	8.2	22.3
Furnishings and operations .....	124.740	1.9	2.5
<b>Apparel</b> .....	127.451	-2.5	-.1
<b>Transportation</b> .....	198.659	7.2	4.8
Private transportation .....	186.247	6.6	3.9
Motor fuel .....	272.883	23.0	13.8
Gasoline (all types) .....	274.575	23.3	14.1
Unleaded regular (2).....	280.494	25.2	14.6
Unleaded midgrade (2,3).....	272.658	20.4	13.0
Unleaded premium (2).....	310.935	19.4	12.6
<b>Medical care</b> .....	379.225	4.5	2.3
<b>Recreation (4)</b> .....	117.464	2.5	1.3
<b>Education and communication (4)</b> .....	125.630	3.0	1.4
<b>Other goods and services</b> .....	327.018	3.5	1.9
<b>Commodity and service group:</b>			
Commodities.....	177.018	5.2	3.5
Commodities less food & bev .....	149.904	4.1	3.2
Nondurables less food & bev .....	196.005	7.1	4.9
Durables .....	108.837	.3	1.0
Services.....	236.317	2.9	3.0
<b>Special Indexes:</b>			
All items less medical care .....	200.540	3.8	3.2
All items less shelter .....	207.992	4.9	3.4
Energy .....	236.384	15.7	12.7
All items less energy.....	209.171	2.8	2.4
All items less food and energy.....	206.618	2.0	2.1
Commodities less food.....	154.620	4.1	3.1
Nondurables.....	214.019	7.2	4.4
Nondurables less food.....	201.088	6.8	4.6
Services less rent of shelter (1) .....	276.445	4.3	3.3
Services less medical care serv .....	223.787	2.7	3.1
Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers		CPI-W	
<b>All items</b> .....	202.004	4.1	3.0
All items (1967=100) .....	634.011	-	-

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