

Table 8. Region of residence: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1998-1999

Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Number of consumer units (in thousands)	107,824	20,933	25,556	37,577	23,758
Consumer unit characteristics:					
Income before taxes ¹	\$42,770	\$46,809	\$41,447	\$39,371	\$45,736
Income after taxes ¹	39,489	43,242	38,224	36,817	41,583
Age of reference person	47.8	49.0	48.2	47.6	46.5
Average number in consumer unit:					
Persons	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.6
Children under 187	.6	.7	.7	.7
Persons 65 and over3	.3	.3	.3	.3
Earners	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.4
Vehicles	1.9	1.7	2.1	1.9	2.0
Percent distribution:					
Sex of reference person:					
Male	56	57	57	54	58
Female	44	43	43	46	42
Housing tenure:					
Homeowner	65	62	69	67	59
With mortgage	38	35	40	38	40
Without mortgage	26	27	29	29	19
Renter	35	38	31	33	41
Race of reference person:					
Black	12	11	9	19	5
White and other	88	89	91	81	95
Education of reference person:					
Elementary (1-8)	6	6	5	8	6
High school (9-12)	39	41	43	40	31
College	54	53	53	51	63
Never attended and other	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
At least one vehicle owned or leased	87	80	89	89	88
Average annual expenditures	\$36,251	\$37,950	\$35,352	\$33,135	\$40,647
Food	4,921	5,314	4,802	4,533	5,312
Food at home	2,848	3,001	2,733	2,660	3,132
Cereals and bakery products	437	474	430	401	466
Cereals and cereal products	153	164	149	140	168
Bakery products	283	310	281	261	299
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	736	808	671	725	761
Beef	219	236	217	210	222
Pork	151	146	150	162	141
Other meats	95	110	97	86	91
Poultry	136	158	108	137	146
Fish and seafood	102	123	72	99	121
Eggs	32	34	26	32	39
Dairy products	312	342	304	282	341
Fresh milk and cream	121	128	120	112	130
Other dairy products	191	214	183	170	211
Fruits and vegetables	486	539	442	438	562
Fresh fruits	151	169	138	128	186
Fresh vegetables	147	164	126	131	177
Processed fruits	107	124	98	97	118
Processed vegetables	81	82	80	82	81

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other food at home	\$877	\$838	\$887	\$815	\$1,001
Sugar and other sweets	110	110	114	99	124
Fats and oils	80	80	75	79	88
Miscellaneous foods	404	374	415	373	468
Nonalcoholic beverages	236	225	239	228	258
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips	46	48	44	36	64
Food away from home	2,073	2,313	2,069	1,873	2,180
Alcoholic beverages	313	368	304	253	372
Housing	11,843	13,229	11,195	10,303	13,756
Shelter	6,849	8,150	6,269	5,467	8,515
Owned dwellings	4,386	5,209	4,282	3,465	5,230
Mortgage interest and charges	2,501	2,622	2,277	2,039	3,368
Property taxes	1,070	1,752	1,152	726	923
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses	815	835	853	699	939
Rented dwellings	2,002	2,390	1,558	1,641	2,709
Other lodging	461	550	429	361	575
Utilities, fuels, and public services	2,391	2,457	2,401	2,482	2,179
Natural gas	277	368	389	164	255
Electricity	910	837	841	1,115	725
Fuel oil and other fuels	80	207	68	45	35
Telephone services	839	830	830	860	825
Water and other public services	285	215	273	298	339
Household operations	606	581	542	553	781
Personal services	291	271	300	258	353
Other household expenses	315	310	242	295	428
Housekeeping supplies	490	474	508	473	513
Laundry and cleaning supplies	119	104	134	113	128
Other household products	241	232	233	256	235
Postage and stationery	130	138	140	104	150
Household furnishings and equipment	1,506	1,567	1,475	1,328	1,768
Household textiles	110	112	109	89	141
Furniture	371	388	344	335	444
Floor coverings	50	59	52	44	49
Major appliances	174	194	165	172	167
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	91	93	90	81	105
Miscellaneous household equipment	710	721	714	607	862
Apparel and services	1,708	1,831	1,607	1,610	1,863
Men and boys	409	446	433	351	443
Men, 16 and over	321	354	341	262	363
Boys, 2 to 15	88	92	91	89	80
Women and girls	653	685	606	641	695
Women, 16 and over	548	584	490	538	594
Girls, 2 to 15	105	101	116	103	101
Children under 2	70	63	59	79	74
Footwear	292	300	285	283	307
Other apparel products and services	283	337	224	256	344
Transportation	6,815	6,503	6,617	6,738	7,423
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	3,136	2,761	3,081	3,354	3,180
Cars and trucks, new	1,506	1,496	1,280	1,648	1,534
Cars and trucks, used	1,587	1,251	1,763	1,651	1,593
Other vehicles	42	³ 15	38	55	52
Gasoline and motor oil	1,036	901	1,036	1,052	1,129

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other vehicle expenses	\$2,230	\$2,266	\$2,159	\$2,033	\$2,585
Vehicle finance charges	320	240	328	365	311
Maintenance and repairs	653	618	594	621	797
Vehicle insurance	748	824	701	696	811
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges	510	584	536	352	666
Public transportation	413	575	341	298	530
Health care	1,931	1,788	2,048	1,971	1,869
Health insurance	918	875	978	933	868
Medical services	550	516	554	547	580
Drugs	358	296	394	399	309
Medical supplies	105	102	122	91	112
Entertainment	1,844	1,821	1,984	1,574	2,139
Fees and admissions	454	511	444	371	545
Television, radios, sound equipment	597	650	580	561	624
Pets, toys, and playground equipment	338	325	375	306	358
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services	456	335	585	336	613
Personal care products and services	405	399	385	393	449
Reading	160	198	168	121	181
Education	607	877	583	431	676
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	287	309	331	288	217
Miscellaneous	864	857	855	750	1,058
Cash contributions	1,145	994	1,120	1,122	1,342
Personal insurance and pensions	3,409	3,461	3,355	3,048	3,990
Life and other personal insurance	396	424	387	414	355
Pensions and Social Security	3,012	3,037	2,968	2,635	3,636
Sources of income and personal taxes: ¹					
Money income before taxes	42,769	46,809	41,447	39,371	45,735
Wages and salaries	33,661	37,715	33,018	30,791	35,199
Self-employment income	2,419	2,437	2,109	2,013	3,286
Social Security, private and government retirement	4,707	4,790	4,686	4,955	4,306
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	986	877	735	753	1,650
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits	185	222	163	152	224
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps	325	346	304	261	422
Regular contributions for support	261	215	219	286	301
Other income	226	208	213	159	346
Personal taxes	3,281	3,567	3,223	2,554	4,153
Federal income taxes	2,492	2,606	2,326	2,047	3,200
State and local income taxes	623	694	753	363	812
Other taxes	166	267	144	143	141
Income after taxes	39,489	43,242	38,224	36,817	41,583

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Addenda:					
Net change in total assets and liabilities	- \$882	- \$1,467	- \$1,565	\$478	- \$1,782
Net change in total assets	6,298	6,011	4,472	5,208	10,240
Net change in total liabilities	7,180	7,477	6,036	4,730	12,022
Other financial information:					
Other money receipts	558	485	474	483	830
Mortgage principal paid on owned property	-1,264	-1,262	-1,230	-1,026	-1,677
Estimated market value of owned home	84,071	94,312	76,338	67,711	109,245
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home	580	663	547	505	662
Gifts of goods and services	1,072	1,253	1,034	901	1,224
Food	84	116	78	56	104
Housing	298	339	281	264	336
Housekeeping supplies	41	41	42	33	52
Household textiles	16	17	16	14	20
Appliances and miscellaneous					
housewares	31	42	35	23	29
Major appliances	8	14	9	4	7
Small appliances and miscellaneous					
housewares	23	28	26	19	23
Miscellaneous household equipment	68	76	69	56	81
Other housing	142	164	119	137	154
Apparel and services	217	242	200	212	220
Males, 2 and over	57	59	63	48	62
Females, 2 and over	75	93	63	75	73
Children under 2	33	30	28	38	32
Other apparel products and services	52	60	46	51	54
Jewelry and watches	26	32	17	26	30
All other apparel products and services	26	28	28	25	24
Transportation	56	50	49	46	86
Health care	39	23	47	35	50
Entertainment	93	104	92	77	108
Toys, games, hobbies, and tricycles	31	37	34	27	28
Other entertainment	62	67	58	51	80
Education	160	252	166	108	156
All other gifts	125	128	121	102	164

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

² Value less than 0.5.

³ Data are likely to have large sampling errors.