# Consumer Expenditures <br> in 2005 

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Consumer units ${ }^{1}$ spent $\$ 46,409$, on average, in 2005, a 6.9-percent increase over the previous year. This was slightly higher than the 6.3-percent growth in spending from 2003 to 2004. However, the introduction of income imputation in 2004 accounted for approximately 30 percent of that annual change due to increases in the pensions and Social Security component of expenditures. The release of the 2005 data marks the availability of 2 years of directly comparable data that include imputed incomes. Consumer expenditures rose more than the 3.4 -percent increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all items in 2005. This report shows the latest results from the Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Expenditure Survey (CE).

## Developments in 2005

The major components of spending-food, housing, apparel and services, transportation, healthcare, entertainment, and personal insurance and pensions-account for about 90 percent of total expenditures, and all of these showed increases in 2005. (See table A.) Increases for food (2.6 percent), housing ( 9.0 percent), transportation ( 7.0 percent), and personal insurance and pensions ( 7.9 percent) were statistically significant. Spending also increased for the remaining major categories-apparel and services (3.8 percent), healthcare ( 3.5 percent), and entertainment (7.7 percent)-but these changes were not statistically significant.

A 1.5-percent drop in spending on food at home was offset by an 8.2 -percent increase in spending on food away from home, resulting in the 2.6 -percent increase in total food expenditures in 2005. For comparison, overall spending on food increased 8.3 percent in 2004 after a slight decrease ( 0.7 percent) in 2003. The introduction of a new, more user-friendly diary questionnaire ${ }^{2}$ in 2005 may have had an effect on the amount of spending reported in 2005, as well as on how the expenditures were distributed among the components. As a

[^0]result, expenditures on, for example, food, that were collected in the Diary Survey in 2005 may not be strictly comparable to earlier years. The drop in food at home expenditures in 2005 was driven by a significant decrease (13.1 percent) in spending on meats, poultry, fish and eggs. Other components of food at home also decreased-cereals and bakery products fell 1.5 percent, and fruits and vegetables declined 1.7 per-cent-but those changes were not statistically significant. Expenditures for two components of food at home increased in 2005: Dairy products were up 2.0 percent and other food at home increased by a significant 7.7 percent.

Data classified by income quintile show that the greatest increases in food spending were in the highest income quintiles, 6.4 percent in the fourth income quintile and 4.1 percent in the fifth income quintile. Spending on food at home increased for these two quintiles ( 3.0 percent in the fourth quintile and 0.5 percent in the fifth quintile), while it decreased among the lower three quintiles (3.1 percent in the lowest quintile, 5.0 percent in the second quintile, and 6.0 percent in the third quintile.) Spending on food away from home, which includes such items as restaurant meals and carry-out, catered affairs, and food on out-of-town trips, rose across all income quintiles.

The 9.0-percent increase in housing expenditures in 2005 was the largest in several years. Spending on housing rose 3.6 percent in 2004, 1.1 percent in 2003, and 2.1 percent in 2002. Housing accounted for 32.7 percent of total spending in 2005, making it the largest among major expenditure categories. Increases in spending for all components of housing contributed to the overall growth, but only the changes in shelter expenditures ( 10.1 percent) and spending for utilities, fuels, and public services ( 8.8 percent) were statistically significant. Data classified by the race of the reference person ${ }^{3}$ show that the percent increases in spending on housing in 2005 were similar among the white and all other races ${ }^{4}$ class ( 9.3 percent) and the Asian class (9.2 percent). Consumer units with a black or AfricanAmerican reference person spent 5.5 percent more on

[^1]housing in 2005 than in the previous year. For the white and all other races group, spending for all components of housing increased with shelter expenditures rising most (11.0 percent). Shelter is the largest component of housing for all consumer units, accounting for 58.1 percent of total housing expenditures in 2005. Consumer units in the Asian group also spent more for shelter ( 7.9 percent) in 2005, but the greatest increase in spending for that group was the 25.9percent rise in expenditures for household furnishings and equipment. Spending on housekeeping supplies decreased 7.0 percent and 5.9 percent, respectively, among the Asian group and the black or African-American group. Spending on utilities, fuels, and public services (12.8 percent) and household operations (13.7 percent) increased more for consumer units with a black or African-American reference person than for other racial groups, while shelter spending rose just 1.8 percent for that group.

Spending on apparel and services increased for the second consecutive year, up 3.9 percent in 2005 after a 10.7percent rise in 2004. Increases in expenditures for men's and boys' apparel ( 8.4 percent), apparel for children under the age of 2 years ( 3.8 percent), women's and girls' apparel ( 2.0 percent), and other apparel products and services, which includes such items as jewelry, watches, laundry, and dry cleaning ( 9.8 percent), contributed to the growth in overall apparel spending. Expenditures for footwear declined 2.7 percent in 2005. Data classified by size of consumer unit show that spending on apparel and services increased more than the overall U.S. average for consumer units with at least three persons-7.7 percent, 9.6 percent, and 12.2 percent for three-, four-, and five-person consumer units, respectively. Single consumers spent 3.3 percent more on apparel in 2005 than in 2004, and 2-person consumer units spent 5.7 percent less over the same period.

After remaining essentially unchanged in 2003 and 2004, transportation expenditures rose significantly in 2005, up 7.0 percent over the previous year. The significant increase in spending on gasoline and motor oil ( 26.0 percent), largely fueled this change. Over the same period, average prices for gasoline and motor oil increased a comparable 22.0 percent as measured by the CPI. Spending on vehicle purchases increased 4.3 percent following a 9.0-percent decrease in 2004. Vehicle purchases are typically large and infrequent so it is common to see wide fluctuations from year to year because even small changes in the percentage of consumer units buying vehicles can affect the overall mean expenditure. Spending on public transportation, which includes both intracity and intercity mass transit and taxi fares, airline fares, and ship fares, rose 1.6 percent. Data classified by region of residence show increases in transportation spending in the South and West of 10.5 percent and 12.3 percent, respectively. Spending on transportation was relatively stable in the Midwest region (0.6 percent) and up slightly in the Northeast region (1.4 percent).

Healthcare spending rose 3.5 percent in 2005, continuing a trend of increasing expenditures over the past several years-6.5 percent in 2004, 2.8 percent in 2003, and 7.7 percent in 2002. Among the components of healthcare, spending on drugs, which includes prescription drugs, nonprescription drugs, and vitamins, increased the most ( 8.5 percent). This was the largest increase since 2002 in drug expenditures, which increased 2.8 percent in 2004 and decreased 4.1 percent in 2003. Spending on health insurance ( 2.2 percent) and medical services ( 4.5 percent) also increased in 2005. Expenditures for medical supplies declined 7.9 percent. Data classified by age of the reference person show similar increases in healthcare spending among those with reference person under age 25 ( 7.6 percent) and those with reference person age 65 and older ( 7.5 percent.) However, while consumer units with reference person under age 25 spent $\$ 704$, on average, for healthcare in 2005 ( 2.5 percent of their total annual expenditures), those with reference person age 65 and older spent more than five times that amount$\$ 4,193$, which accounted for 12.8 percent of their total spending.

The 7.7-percent increase in spending on entertainment in 2005 was not statistically significant. Spending on entertainment items is subject to large changes from year to year since, as is the case with vehicle purchases described above, the component includes expensive items such as recreational vehicles and boats that are purchased relatively infrequently. One component of entertainment, other entertainment supplies, equipment and services, which includes recreational vehicles, has a large standard error and is especially prone to fluctuation over time.

Spending on personal insurance and pensions increased 7.9 percent in 2005, following an 18.9-percent increase in 2004. However, as noted in the opening paragraph of this report, the change from 2003 to 2004 was attributed to the inclusion of consumer units with imputed incomes in 2004 resulting in an increase in the amount estimated for Social Security deductions. The 2005 change was also driven by an increase in the pensions and Social Security component ( 8.8 percent). Expenditures for life and other personal insurance decreased 2.3 percent. Data classified by region of residence show that spending on personal insurance and pensions increased most in the West (12.0 percent), followed by the South ( 7.8 percent), Midwest ( 6.5 percent), and Northeast (4.8 percent.) Spending on pensions and Social Security also increased most in the West (13.6 percent) and least in the Northeast (4.9 percent), and the percent changes in the South and Midwest were similar (8.0 percent and 8.4 percent, respectively.)

Among the remaining components of spending, significant changes in 2005 were shown for personal care products and services (-6.9 percent), tobacco products and smoking supplies (10.8 percent), cash contributions (18.1 percent), and miscellaneous expenditures (13.9 percent), which includes items such as legal and accounting fees,

Table A. Average annual expenditures of all consumer units and percent changes, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2003-2005

| Item | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | Percent Change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | 2003-2004 | 2004-2005 |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands). | 115,356 | 116,282 | 117,356 |  |  |
| Income before taxes ${ }^{1}$................................................. | \$51,128 | \$54,453 | \$58,712 |  |  |
| Averages: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Age of reference person ................................................... | 48.4 | 48.5 | 48.6 |  |  |
| Number of persons in consumer unit.......................... | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 |  |  |
| Number of earners | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 |  |  |
| Number of vehicles.. | 1.9 | 1.9 | 2.0 |  |  |
| Percent homeowner.................................................. | 67 | 68 | 67 |  |  |
| Average annual expenditures.. | \$40,817 | \$43,395 | \$46,409 | 6.3 | 6.9 |
| Food. | 5,340 | 5,781 | 5,931 | 8.3 | 2.6 |
| Food at home | 3,129 | 3,347 | 3,297 | 7.0 | -1.5 |
| Cereals and bakery products | 442 | 461 | 445 | 4.3 | -3.5 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ............................. | 825 | 880 | 764 | 6.7 | -13.1 |
| Dairy products. | 328 | 371 | 378 | 13.1 | 2.0 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 535 | 561 | 552 | 4.9 | -1.7 |
| Other food at home | 999 | 1,075 | 1,158 | 7.6 | 7.7 |
| Food away from home. | 2,211 | 2,434 | 2,634 | 10.1 | 8.2 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 391 | 459 | 426 | 17.4 | -7.1 |
| Housing | 13,432 | 13,918 | 15,167 | 3.6 | 9.0 |
| Shelter... | 7,887 | 7,998 | 8,805 | 1.4 | 10.1 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services | 2,811 | 2,927 | 3,183 | 4.1 | 8.8 |
| Household operations... | 707 | 753 | 801 | 6.5 | 6.3 |
| Housekeeping supplies | 529 | 594 | 611 | 12.3 | 2.9 |
| Housefurnishings and equipment | 1,497 | 1,646 | 1,767 | 10.0 | 7.4 |
| Apparel and services | 1,640 | 1,816 | 1,886 | 10.7 | 3.8 |
| Transportation.. | 7,781 | 7,801 | 8,344 | . 3 | 7.0 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) | 3,732 | 3,397 | 3,544 | -9.0 | 4.3 |
| Gasoline and motor oil. | 1,333 | 1,598 | 2,013 | 19.9 | 26.0 |
| Other vehicle expenses | 2,331 | 2,365 | 2,339 | 1.5 | -1.1 |
| Public transportation | 385 | 441 | 448 | 14.5 | 1.6 |
| Healthcare | 2,416 | 2,574 | 2,664 | 6.5 | 3.5 |
| Entertainment | 2,060 | 2,218 | 2,388 | 7.7 | 7.7 |
| Personal care products and services .......................... | 527 | 581 | 541 | 10.2 | -6.9 |
| Reading | 127 | 130 | 126 | 2.4 | -2.7 |
| Education. | 783 | 905 | 940 | 15.6 | 3.9 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies ..................... | 290 | 288 | 319 | -. 7 | 10.8 |
| Miscellaneous . | 606 | 690 | 808 | 13.9 | 17.1 |
| Cash contributions. | 1,370 | 1,408 | 1,663 | 2.8 | 18.1 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ............................... | 4,055 | 4,823 | 5,204 | 18.9 | 7.9 |
| Life and other personal insurance .............................. | 397 | 390 | 381 | -1.8 | -2.3 |
| Pensions and Social Security .................................... | 3,658 | 4,433 | 4,823 | 21.2 | 8.8 |

${ }^{1}$ Income values are derived from "complete income reporters" only in 2003 (see glossary). Starting in 2004, income imputation
was introduced and incomes are estimated for all consumer units.
funeral expenses, and finance charges excluding those on mortgages and vehicles. Education expenditures increased 3.9 percent, but this change was not statistically significant. This component includes spending on college tuition, which can fluctuate substantially from year to year. Spending on the remaining components, alcoholic beverages and reading, decreased in 2005 by 7.1 percent and 2.7 percent, respectively.

## Brief description of the Consumer Expenditure Survey

The current CE program was begun in 1980. Its principal objective is to collect information on the buying habits of American consumers. Consumer expenditure data are used in a variety of research endeavors by government, business, labor, and academic analysts. In addition, the data are required for regular revision of the CPI.

Table B. Percent distribution of total annual expenditures by major category, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2002-2005

| Item | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Average annual expenditures. | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Food | 13.2 | 13.1 | 13.3 | 12.8 |
| Food at home | 7.6 | 7.7 | 7.7 | 7.1 |
| Food away from home .......................................................... | 5.6 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 5.7 |
| Alcoholic beverages ................................................................... | . 9 | 1.0 | 1.1 | . 9 |
| Housing | 32.7 | 32.9 | 32.1 | 32.7 |
| Apparel and services ................................................................... | 4.3 | 4.0 | 4.2 | 4.1 |
| Transportation. | 19.1 | 19.1 | 18.0 | 18.0 |
| Vehicles. | 9.0 | 9.1 | 7.8 | 7.6 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 3.0 | 3.3 | 3.7 | 4.3 |
| Other transportation | 7.0 | 6.7 | 6.5 | 6.1 |
| Healthcare | 5.8 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 5.7 |
| Entertainment | 5.1 | 5.0 | 5.1 | 5.1 |
| Personal care products and services | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.2 |
| Reading | . 3 | . 3 | . 3 | . 3 |
| Education. | 1.8 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 2.0 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies ........................................ | . 8 | . 7 | . 7 | . 7 |
| Miscellaneous | 1.9 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.7 |
| Cash contributions ..................................................................... | 3.1 | 3.4 | 3.2 | 3.6 |
| Personal insurance and pensions .................................................. | 9.6 | 9.9 | 11.1 | 11.2 |
| Life and other personal insurance | 1.0 | 1.0 | . 9 | . 8 |
| Pensions and Social Security . | 8.6 | 9.0 | 10.2 | 10.4 |

The survey, which is conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau for the Bureau of Labor Statistics, consists of two components: a diary, or recordkeeping survey completed by participating consumer units for two consecutive 1 -week periods; and an interview survey, in which expenditures of consumer units are obtained in five interviews conducted at 3 -month intervals. Results in this report are based on integrated data from both surveys.

Survey participants record dollar amounts for goods and services purchased during the reporting period, whether payment is or is not made at the time of purchase. Expenditure amounts include all sales and excise taxes for all items purchased by the consumer unit for itself or for others. Excluded from both surveys are all business-related expenditures, as well as expenditures for which the consumer unit is reimbursed.

Each component of the survey queries an independent sample of consumer units that is representative of the U.S. population. For the Diary Survey, about 7,500 consumer units are sampled each year. Each consumer unit keeps a diary for two 1 -week periods, yielding approximately 15,000 diaries a year. The Interview sample, selected on a rotating panel basis, surveys about 7,500 consumer units each quarter. Each consumer unit is interviewed once per quarter, for 5 consecutive quarters. Data are collected on an ongoing basis in 102 areas of the United States.

The Interview Survey is designed to capture expenditure data that respondents can reasonably recall for a period of 3 months or longer. In general, these expenditures are relatively large, such as for real property, automobiles, and major appliances, as well as those that occur on a regular basis, like rent, utility payments, and insurance premiums. The Interview Survey also collects data on expenditures incurred on leisure trips. Including global estimates of spending for food, it is estimated that about 95 percent of expenditures are cov-
ered in the Interview Survey. Nonprescription drugs, household supplies, and personal care items are excluded.

The Diary Survey is designed to capture expenditures on small, frequently purchased items that are normally difficult for respondents to recall. Detailed records of expenses are kept for food and beverages-both at home and in eating places-and for tobacco, housekeeping supplies, nonprescription drugs, and personal care products and services. Expenditures incurred by members of the consumer unit while away from home overnight or longer are excluded from the Diary Survey. Although this survey was designed to collect information on expenditures that could not be recalled easily over an extended period, respondents are asked to report all expenses (except those for overnight travel) that the consumer unit incurs during the survey week.

Integrated data from the BLS Diary and Interview Surveys provide a complete accounting of consumer expenditures and income that neither survey alone is designed to do. Data on some expenditure items are collected in only one of the surveys. For example, the Diary Survey does not collect data on expenditures for overnight travel or information on reimbursements, whereas the Interview Survey does. Examples of expenditures for which reimbursements are excluded from the Diary Survey are medical care; automobile repair; and construction, repairs, alterations, and maintenance of property.

For items that are unique to one survey or the other, the choice of which survey to use as the source of data is obvious. However, there is considerable overlap in coverage between the surveys. Consequently, integrating the data presents the problem of determining the appropriate survey component from which to select expenditure items. When data are available from both surveys, the more reliable of the two (as determined by statistical methods) is selected. As a
result, some items are selected from the Interview Survey, others from the Diary Survey.

Population coverage and definitions of components of the CE differ from those of the CPI. Consumer expenditure data cover the total population, whereas the CPI covers only the population in urban and metropolitan areas. In addition, homeownership is treated differently in the two surveys. Actual expenditures of homeowners are reported in the CE, whereas the CPI uses a rental equivalence approach that estimates the change in the cost of obtaining, in the rental marketplace, services equivalent to those provided by owner-occupied homes.

## Interpreting the data

Expenditures are averages for consumer units with specified characteristics, regardless of whether a particular unit incurred an expense for a specific item during the recordkeeping period. The average expenditure for an item may be considerably lower than the expenditure by the CUs that purchased the item. The less frequently an item is purchased, the greater is the difference between the average for all consumer units and the average for those purchasing the item. Also, an individual CU may spend more or less than the average, depending on its particular characteristics. Factors such as income, age of family members, geographic location, and personal preference also influence expenditures. Furthermore, even within groups with similar characteristics, the distribution of expenditures varies substantially. These points should be considered in relating reported averages to individual circumstances.

Users of these survey data should also keep in mind that prices for many goods and services have risen since the survey was conducted. For example, rent, as measured by the CPI, rose 4.9 percent between 2005 (annual average index) and October 2006 (not seasonally adjusted).

In addition, sample surveys are subject to two types of error: sampling and nonsampling. Sampling errors occur because the data are collected from a sample representing the population, rather than from the entire population. Nonsampling errors result from the inability or unwillingness of respondents to provide correct information, differences in interviewers’ abilities, mistakes in recording or coding, and other processing errors.

## Tables and data

Tables in this report include integrated data from both the diary and interview components of the CE, enabling data users to associate the full range of expenditures with consumers' demographic characteristics. Tables show data classified by income quintile, income class, age of the reference person, size of the consumer unit, composition of the consumer unit, number of earners, housing tenure, type of area (urban-rural), race, Hispanic origin, region of residence, occupation, and education. These are the same classifications published in previous reports and bulletins.

Tables for the aforementioned classifications, but with more detail than is given in this report, can be accessed via
the BLS Web site (http://www.bls.gov/cex). Also available are tables showing average annual data over a 2-year period for (1) income before taxes, cross-tabulated by age, consumer unit size, or region; (2) single consumers by sex, cross-tabulated by either income or age; and (3) selected Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs). Data are available for 1984-2005. Other survey information available on the Web site includes answers to frequently asked questions, a glossary of terms, and order forms for survey products. Beginning with the 2000 data, estimates of standard errors for integrated Diary and Interview Survey data are also available. Many of the tables that are shown on the BLS Web site are published in biennial reports. The most recent is Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2002-2003, Report 990, March 2006.

## Other available data

The 2005 Diary and Interview Survey microdata-that is, data on individual consumer units-are available on CDROM. The Interview Survey files contain expenditure data in two different formats: MTAB files, which present monthly values in an item coding framework based on the CPI pricing scheme; and EXPN files, which organize expenditures by the section of the interview questionnaire in which they are collected. Expenditure values on EXPN files cover different periods, depending on the specific question asked; the files also contain relevant nonexpenditure information not found on the MTAB files. Currently available on CD-ROM are microdata files back to 1990 and for selected earlier years.

The Consumer Expenditure Survey has also begun publishing CE anthologies. These reports include analyses of expenditure data as they apply to various topics of interest, as well as methodological and research articles pertaining to a number of survey topics. The most recently published of these reports, is Consumer Expenditure Survey Anthology, 2005, Report 981, (Bureau of Labor Statistics, April 2005).

CE data also are available via the BLS fax-on-demand service, which provides information and data that may be accessed from a touch-tone phone 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, by dialing (202) 691-6325. Voice prompts explain how to obtain the information. Data available from the fax-ondemand service are for the most recent published year. Additional data also are presented in articles in the Monthly Labor Review.

For more detailed information on the availability of current and earlier data, contact the Division of Consumer Expenditure Surveys, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Room 3985, 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20212-0001. Telephone: (202) 691-6900. E-mail: (cexinfo@bls.gov). Internet: (http://www.bls.gov/cex).

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## Glossary

Consumer unit. Members of a household consisting of (a) occupants related by blood, marriage, adoption, or some other legal arrangement; (b) a single person living alone or sharing a household with others, but who is financially independent; or (c) two or more persons living together who share responsibility for at least 2 out of 3 major types of expenses-food, housing, and other expenses. Students living in university-sponsored housing are also included in the sample as separate consumer units.

Reference person. The first member mentioned by the respondent when asked to "Start with the name of the person or one of the persons who owns or rents the home." It is with respect to this person that the relationship of other consumer unit members is determined.

Total expenditures. The transaction costs, including excise and sales taxes, of goods and services acquired during the interview period. Estimates include expenditures for gifts and contributions and payments for pensions and personal insurance.

Income. The combined income earned by all consumer unit members 14 years old or over during the 12 months preceding the interview. The components of income are wages and
salaries; self-employment income; Social Security and private and government retirement income; interest, dividends, and rental and other property income; unemployment and workers' compensation and veterans' benefits; public assistance, Supplemental Security Income, and Food Stamps; rent or meals or both as pay; and regular contributions for support, such as alimony and child-support payments.

Complete income reporters. In general, a consumer unit that provides values for at least one of the major sources of its income, such as wages and salaries, self-employment income, and Social Security income. Even complete income reporters may not provide a full accounting of all income from all sources. Beginning with the introduction of income imputation with the publication of the 2004 tables, income data are available for all consumer units and data are no longer shown for complete income reporters.

Quintiles of income before taxes. Categories of income reporters, ranked in ascending order of income, and divided into five equal groups. The lower limit shown in the quintiles of income before taxes indicates the amount of income before taxes of the lowest-ranked consumer unit in each income quintile.

Table 1. Quintiles of income before taxes: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2005

| Item | All consumer units | Lowest 20 percent | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Second } \\ & 20 \\ & \text { percent } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Third } \\ & 20 \\ & \text { percent } \end{aligned}$ | Fourth 20 percent | Highest 20 percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ....... | 117,356 | 23,441 | 23,477 | 23,448 | 23,497 | 23,494 |
| Lower limit ............................................... | n.a. | n.a. | \$17,579 | \$33,381 | \$53,358 | \$85,147 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income before taxes | \$58,712 | \$9,676 | \$25,546 | \$42,622 | \$67,813 | \$147,737 |
| Age of reference person .............................. | 48.6 | 52.2 | 51.1 | 46.9 | 45.7 | 47.2 |
| Average number in consumer unit: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons ..... | 2.5 | 1.7 | 2.2 | 2.5 | 2.9 | 3.2 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | . 4 | . 5 | . 7 | . 8 | . 8 |
| Persons 65 and over | . 3 | . 4 | . 4 | . 3 | . 2 | . 2 |
| Earners | 1.3 | . 5 | . 9 | 1.4 | 1.8 | 2.1 |
| Vehicles | 2.0 | . 9 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 2.9 |
| Percent homeowner | 67 | 42 | 57 | 67 | 80 | 92 |
| Average annual expenditures ........................ | \$46,409 | \$19,120 | \$28,921 | \$39,098 | \$54,354 | \$90,469 |
| Food | 5,931 | 3,047 | 4,064 | 5,295 | 7,194 | 10,051 |
| Food at home | 3,297 | 1,980 | 2,527 | 3,017 | 3,952 | 5,007 |
| Cereals and bakery products ................... | 445 | 280 | 336 | 414 | 532 | 663 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .................. | 764 | 471 | 602 | 688 | 930 | 1,130 |
| Dairy products | 378 | 228 | 294 | 351 | 458 | 561 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 552 | 333 | 425 | 493 | 629 | 878 |
| Other food at home | 1,158 | 668 | 871 | 1,071 | 1,403 | 1,774 |
| Food away from home ............................... | 2,634 | 1,067 | 1,538 | 2,277 | 3,242 | 5,044 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 426 | 174 | 258 | 364 | 528 | 807 |
| Housing | 15,167 | 7,529 | 10,192 | 13,234 | 16,850 | 28,006 |
| Shelter | 8,805 | 4,479 | 5,756 | 7,632 | 9,721 | 16,423 |
| Owned dwellings | 5,958 | 1,628 | 2,600 | 4,573 | 7,203 | 13,771 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,345 | 2,718 | 2,985 | 2,809 | 2,033 | 1,181 |
| Other lodging | 502 | 133 | 170 | 250 | 484 | 1,470 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services . | 3,183 | 1,908 | 2,656 | 3,081 | 3,588 | 4,679 |
| Household operations .............................. | 801 | 258 | 425 | 579 | 887 | 1,852 |
| Housekeeping supplies ............................. | 611 | 301 | 404 | 548 | 751 | 1,052 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ......... | 1,767 | 584 | 951 | 1,394 | 1,904 | 4,000 |
| Apparel and services ................................. | 1,886 | 857 | 1,198 | 1,509 | 2,159 | 3,704 |
| Transportation | 8,344 | 2,742 | 5,330 | 7,437 | 10,504 | 15,691 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) | 3,544 | 878 | 2,115 | 3,000 | 4,611 | 7,107 |
| Gasoline and motor oil ........... | 2,013 | 882 | 1,485 | 1,997 | 2,518 | 3,182 |
| Other vehicle expenses | 2,339 | 845 | 1,514 | 2,146 | 2,929 | 4,257 |
| Public transportation ................................. | 448 | 137 | 215 | 294 | 446 | 1,145 |
| Healthcare | 2,664 | 1,448 | 2,329 | 2,567 | 3,012 | 3,962 |
| Entertainment | 2,388 | 891 | 1,336 | 1,813 | 2,885 | 5,009 |
| Personal care products and services ............ | 541 | 253 | 353 | 472 | 621 | 1,005 |
| Reading | 126 | 52 | 85 | 105 | 143 | 247 |
| Education | 940 | 530 | 314 | 439 | 911 | 2,504 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies ....... | 319 | 260 | 339 | 377 | 342 | 278 |
| Miscellaneous . | 808 | 312 | 485 | 707 | 1,060 | 1,475 |
| Cash contributions ..................................... | 1,663 | 545 | 1,004 | 1,222 | 1,672 | 3,869 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ................. | 5,204 | 481 | 1,632 | 3,555 | 6,473 | 13,862 |
| Life and other personal insurance ............... | 381 | 112 | 170 | 261 | 404 | 957 |
| Pensions and Social Security ..................... | 4,823 | 369 | 1,463 | 3,295 | 6,069 | 12,904 |

[^2]Table 2. Income before taxes: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2005

| Item | All consumer units | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less } \\ & \text { than } \\ & \$ 5,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 5,000 \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 9,999 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 10,000 \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 14,999 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 15,000 \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 19,999 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 20,000 \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 29,999 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 30,000 \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 39,999 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 40,000 \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 49,999 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 50,000 \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 69,999 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 70,000 \\ \text { and } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ...... | 117,356 | 4,482 | 6,421 | 8,473 | 7,514 | 14,712 | 13,925 | 11,451 | 16,956 | 33,422 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: Income before taxes $\qquad$ | \$58,712 | \$796 | \$7,818 | \$12,574 | \$17,423 | \$24,920 | \$34,625 | \$44,659 | \$59,110 | \$126,761 |
| Age of reference person ............................ | 48.6 | 43.6 | 51.3 | 56.1 | 55.2 | 51.0 | 47.9 | 46.8 | 46.1 | 46.5 |
| Average number in consumer unit: Persons $\qquad$ | 2.5 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 2.4 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 3.1 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | . 4 | . 3 | . 4 | . 5 | . 5 | . 6 | . 7 | . 7 | . 8 |
| Persons 65 and over | . 3 | . 2 | . 3 | . 5 | . 5 | . 4 | . 3 | . 3 | . 2 | . 2 |
| Earners | 1.3 | . 5 | . 4 | . 5 | . 7 | . 9 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 2.0 |
| Vehicles | 2.0 | . 8 | . 8 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 2.4 | 2.8 |
| Percent homeowner | 67 | 36 | 33 | 48 | 53 | 56 | 61 | 68 | 76 | 89 |
| Average annual expenditures | \$46,409 | \$19,684 | \$16,111 | \$19,335 | \$22,988 | \$28,361 | \$34,223 | \$40,265 | \$49,029 | \$81,115 |
| Food | 5,931 | 3,078 | 2,753 | 3,206 | 3,228 | 3,949 | 4,540 | 5,238 | 6,563 | 9,251 |
| Food at home | 3,297 | 1,822 | 1,840 | 2,135 | 2,122 | 2,531 | 2,630 | 2,964 | 3,652 | 4,706 |
| Cereals and bakery products | 445 | 248 | 253 | 311 | 290 | 332 | 361 | 399 | 489 | 632 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | 764 | 437 | 475 | 497 | 489 | 611 | 604 | 669 | 882 | 1,060 |
| Dairy products | 378 | 208 | 198 | 248 | 254 | 290 | 306 | 348 | 421 | 534 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 552 | 299 | 293 | 362 | 375 | 434 | 419 | 495 | 573 | 808 |
| Other food at home. | 1,158 | 630 | 621 | 718 | 714 | 863 | 940 | 1,052 | 1,286 | 1,672 |
| Food away from home | 2,634 | 1,256 | 913 | 1,071 | 1,106 | 1,418 | 1,910 | 2,274 | 2,912 | 4,544 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 426 | 198 | 161 | 144 | 204 | 229 | 333 | 366 | 454 | 733 |
| Housing | 15,167 | 7,776 | 6,442 | 7,554 | 8,923 | 9,966 | 11,922 | 13,532 | 15,443 | 25,138 |
| Shelter | 8,805 | 4,844 | 3,878 | 4,415 | 5,062 | 5,698 | 6,787 | 7,771 | 8,956 | 14,723 |
| Owned dwellings | 5,958 | 2,126 | 1,020 | 1,638 | 2,060 | 2,533 | 3,607 | 4,702 | 6,320 | 12,126 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,345 | 2,453 | 2,761 | 2,677 | 2,893 | 2,984 | 2,971 | 2,800 | 2,272 | 1,382 |
| Other lodging | 502 | 264 | 97 | 100 | 109 | 180 | 209 | 269 | 363 | 1,215 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services ............. | 3,183 | 1,707 | 1,694 | 2,024 | 2,357 | 2,633 | 2,874 | 3,163 | 3,423 | 4,404 |
| Household operations. | 801 | 252 | 193 | 265 | 350 | 420 | 502 | 605 | 751 | 1,611 |
| Housekeeping supplies | 611 | 266 | 251 | 309 | 389 | 393 | 460 | 546 | 667 | 963 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ....... | 1,767 | 707 | 427 | 542 | 765 | 822 | 1,300 | 1,447 | 1,646 | 3,436 |
| Apparel and services ................................ | 1,886 | 1,006 | 766 | 918 | 819 | 1,112 | 1,473 | 1,440 | 1,978 | 3,233 |
| Transportation | 8,344 | 2,801 | 2,274 | 2,488 | 3,657 | 5,644 | 6,185 | 7,820 | 9,840 | 14,296 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) | 3,544 | 988 | 781 | 580 | 1,192 | 2,460 | 2,289 | 3,221 | 4,423 | 6,362 |
| Gasoline and motor oil. | 2,013 | 872 | 701 | 925 | 1,122 | 1,454 | 1,793 | 2,059 | 2,390 | 3,026 |
| Other vehicle expenses ........................... | 2,339 | 767 | 649 | 878 | 1,178 | 1,517 | 1,863 | 2,228 | 2,646 | 3,943 |
| Public transportation ............................... | 448 | 174 | 143 | 105 | 165 | 213 | 240 | 311 | 381 | 964 |
| Healthcare | 2,664 | 1,121 | 1,089 | 1,678 | 2,101 | 2,251 | 2,354 | 2,784 | 2,738 | 3,775 |
| Entertainment | 2,388 | 857 | 801 | 855 | 1,085 | 1,203 | 1,676 | 1,950 | 2,399 | 4,515 |
| Personal care products and services | 541 | 234 | 213 | 270 | 295 | 346 | 402 | 497 | 562 | 898 |
| Reading .. | 126 | 48 | 37 | 59 | 78 | 79 | 94 | 111 | 127 | 221 |
| Education | 940 | 1,189 | 465 | 381 | 215 | 301 | 366 | 494 | 644 | 2,123 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies ..... | 319 | 239 | 260 | 258 | 299 | 326 | 391 | 364 | 372 | 286 |
| Miscellaneous | 808 | 310 | 183 | 373 | 412 | 412 | 693 | 688 | 985 | 1,357 |
| Cash contributions | 1,663 | 482 | 373 | 626 | 795 | 1,002 | 1,124 | 1,235 | 1,502 | 3,272 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ............... | 5,204 | 346 | 295 | 523 | 876 | 1,542 | 2,671 | 3,745 | 5,420 | 12,016 |
| Life and other personal insurance ............. | 381 | 96 | 73 | 129 | 152 | 168 | 208 | 274 | 340 | 817 |
| Pensions and Social Security ................... | 4,823 | 250 | 222 | 394 | 723 | 1,374 | 2,463 | 3,471 | 5,080 | 11,199 |

Table 3. Higher income before taxes: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2005

| Item | All consumer units | $\begin{gathered} \text { Less } \\ \text { than } \\ \$ 70,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 70,000 \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 79,999 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 80,000 \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 99,999 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 100,000 \\ \text { and } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 100,000 \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 119,999 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 120,000 \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 149,999 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 150,000 \\ \text { and } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ....... | 117,356 | 83,934 | 6,725 | 9,448 | 17,248 | 6,065 | 4,719 | 6,464 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: Income before taxes | \$58,712 | \$31,616 | \$74,523 | \$88,931 | \$167,851 | \$108,670 | \$132,190 | \$249,411 |
| Age of reference person .......................... | 48.6 | 49.4 | 44.8 | 46.2 | 47.4 | 47.2 | 47.2 | 47.7 |
| Average number in consumer unit: Persons | 2.5 | 2.2 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | . 6 | . 8 | . 8 | . 8 | . 8 | . 8 | . 9 |
| Persons 65 and over | . 3 | . 4 | . 2 | . 2 | . 2 | . 2 | . 2 | . 1 |
| Earners | 1.3 | 1.1 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 2.0 |
| Vehicles | 2.0 | 1.6 | 2.5 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 3.0 |
| Percent homeowner | 67 | 59 | 82 | 88 | 93 | 91 | 93 | 95 |
| Average annual expenditures ........................ | \$46,409 | \$32,444 | \$57,697 | \$65,280 | \$99,128 | \$78,351 | \$88,974 | \$125,934 |
| Food | 5,931 | 4,535 | 7,421 | 8,060 | 10,702 | 9,349 | 10,171 | 12,324 |
| Food at home | 3,297 | 2,698 | 4,043 | 4,244 | 5,261 | 4,940 | 5,152 | 5,630 |
| Cereals and bakery products ... | 445 | 366 | 548 | 578 | 700 | 686 | 699 | 712 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | 764 | 639 | 894 | 998 | 1,168 | 1,131 | 1,153 | 1,213 |
| Dairy products | 378 | 312 | 472 | 484 | 590 | 553 | 572 | 636 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 552 | 443 | 661 | 704 | 932 | 785 | 941 | 1,058 |
| Other food at home | 1,158 | 940 | 1,467 | 1,481 | 1,871 | 1,785 | 1,787 | 2,011 |
| Food away from home | 2,634 | 1,836 | 3,378 | 3,816 | 5,442 | 4,409 | 5,020 | 6,693 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 426 | 297 | 514 | 610 | 896 | 665 | 718 | 1,235 |
| Housing | 15,167 | 11,172 | 17,849 | 20,505 | 30,563 | 23,641 | 27,393 | 39,358 |
| Shelter | 8,805 | 6,448 | 10,394 | 11,750 | 18,040 | 13,462 | 16,192 | 23,685 |
| Owned dwellings | 5,958 | 3,502 | 7,919 | 9,507 | 15,202 | 11,027 | 13,969 | 20,019 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,345 | 2,728 | 1,896 | 1,489 | 1,123 | 1,300 | 1,086 | 985 |
| Other lodging | 502 | 218 | 579 | 754 | 1,715 | 1,135 | 1,137 | 2,681 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services | 3,183 | 2,697 | 3,682 | 4,094 | 4,856 | 4,400 | 4,636 | 5,443 |
| Household operations | 801 | 478 | 975 | 1,289 | 2,036 | 1,434 | 1,593 | 2,924 |
| Housekeeping supplies | 611 | 461 | 718 | 811 | 1,158 | 1,105 | 1,144 | 1,216 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ......... | 1,767 | 1,088 | 2,081 | 2,561 | 4,473 | 3,240 | 3,828 | 6,090 |
| Apparel and services .................................. | 1,886 | 1,327 | 2,147 | 2,503 | 4,097 | 2,998 | 3,573 | 5,490 |
| Transportation | 8,344 | 5,973 | 10,761 | 12,137 | 16,859 | 15,108 | 15,685 | 19,357 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) | 3,544 | 2,422 | 4,517 | 5,093 | 7,777 | 7,388 | 6,940 | 8,753 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 2,013 | 1,610 | 2,603 | 2,935 | 3,242 | 3,168 | 3,214 | 3,332 |
| Other vehicle expenses | 2,339 | 1,699 | 3,126 | 3,456 | 4,529 | 3,756 | 4,443 | 5,316 |
| Public transportation ................................. | 448 | 242 | 515 | 654 | 1,311 | 796 | 1,087 | 1,956 |
| Healthcare | 2,664 | 2,220 | 3,278 | 3,533 | 4,104 | 3,782 | 3,908 | 4,549 |
| Entertainment | 2,388 | 1,534 | 3,438 | 3,225 | 5,656 | 3,853 | 5,613 | 7,369 |
| Personal care products and services . | 541 | 395 | 652 | 721 | 1,098 | 868 | 1,077 | 1,326 |
| Reading | 126 | 89 | 150 | 177 | 274 | 224 | 232 | 351 |
| Education | 940 | 468 | 1,247 | 1,247 | 2,947 | 2,040 | 2,100 | 4,414 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies . | 319 | 332 | 274 | 341 | 260 | 324 | 238 | 216 |
| Miscellaneous | 808 | 589 | 1,013 | 1,107 | 1,627 | 1,334 | 1,379 | 2,081 |
| Cash contributions ....................... | 1,663 | 1,023 | 1,689 | 2,211 | 4,471 | 2,781 | 3,473 | 6,785 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ........ | 5,204 | 2,492 | 7,265 | 8,904 | 15,573 | 11,384 | 13,414 | 21,079 |
| Life and other personal insurance ..... | 381 | 208 | 422 | 582 | 1,100 | 628 | 740 | 1,805 |
| Pensions and Social Security ...... | 4,823 | 2,284 | 6,843 | 8,322 | 14,473 | 10,756 | 12,675 | 19,274 |

Table 4. Age of reference person: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2005

| Item | All consumer units | Under 25 years | $\begin{aligned} & 25-34 \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ | 35-44 years | $45-54$ years | $\begin{aligned} & 55-64 \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ | 65 years and older | 65-74 years | 75 years and older |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ....... | 117,356 | 8,543 | 19,635 | 23,835 | 24,393 | 18,104 | 22,847 | 11,505 | 11,342 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: Income before taxes | \$58,712 | \$27,494 | \$55,066 | \$72,699 | \$75,266 | \$64,156 | \$36,936 | \$45,202 | \$28,552 |
| Age of reference person .............................. | 48.6 | 21.5 | 29.5 | 39.7 | 49.3 | 59.3 | 75.2 | 69.1 | 81.4 |
| Average number in consumer unit: Persons | 2.5 | 2.1 | 2.8 | 3.2 | 2.7 | 2.1 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.5 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | . 5 | 1.1 | 1.3 | . 6 | . 2 | . 1 | . 1 | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) |
| Persons 65 and over | . 3 | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | $\left({ }^{1}\right)$ | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | . 1 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.3 |
| Earners | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.3 | . 5 | . 7 | . 2 |
| Vehicles | 2.0 | 1.3 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 1.2 |
| Percent homeowner | 67 | 19 | 48 | 69 | 75 | 82 | 80 | 83 | 78 |
| Average annual expenditures | \$46,409 | \$27,776 | \$45,068 | \$55,190 | \$55,854 | \$49,592 | \$32,866 | \$38,573 | \$27,018 |
| Food | 5,931 | 3,933 | 5,639 | 7,359 | 6,980 | 6,202 | 4,163 | 4,899 | 3,388 |
| Food at home | 3,297 | 1,917 | 2,945 | 4,121 | 3,807 | 3,487 | 2,605 | 2,967 | 2,222 |
| Cereals and bakery products ................... | 445 | 273 | 387 | 564 | 499 | 465 | 366 | 405 | 326 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | 764 | 449 | 654 | 963 | 918 | 827 | 569 | 691 | 440 |
| Dairy products | 378 | 214 | 348 | 479 | 433 | 377 | 308 | 344 | 269 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 552 | 298 | 461 | 663 | 614 | 626 | 490 | 553 | 424 |
| Other food at home | 1,158 | 684 | 1,094 | 1,452 | 1,342 | 1,192 | 871 | 974 | 762 |
| Food away from home | 2,634 | 2,015 | 2,694 | 3,238 | 3,173 | 2,715 | 1,558 | 1,933 | 1,166 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 426 | 401 | 478 | 511 | 458 | 454 | 248 | 325 | 167 |
| Housing | 15,167 | 8,940 | 15,516 | 18,482 | 17,258 | 15,769 | 11,058 | 12,474 | 9,612 |
| Shelter | 8,805 | 5,538 | 9,491 | 10,835 | 10,281 | 8,686 | 5,836 | 6,423 | 5,240 |
| Owned dwellings | 5,958 | 1,263 | 5,206 | 7,936 | 7,686 | 6,650 | 3,903 | 4,664 | 3,132 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,345 | 4,085 | 4,043 | 2,473 | 1,826 | 1,290 | 1,492 | 1,140 | 1,850 |
| Other lodging ........................................ | 502 | 190 | 241 | 427 | 770 | 747 | 440 | 619 | 258 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services | 3,183 | 1,755 | 2,909 | 3,569 | 3,693 | 3,427 | 2,813 | 3,091 | 2,531 |
| Household operations | 801 | 387 | 1,004 | 1,145 | 668 | 689 | 650 | 677 | 623 |
| Housekeeping supplies ............................ | 611 | 242 | 504 | 716 | 717 | 736 | 534 | 644 | 418 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ........ | 1,767 | 1,018 | 1,608 | 2,216 | 1,899 | 2,231 | 1,225 | 1,640 | 800 |
| Apparel and services ................................. | 1,886 | 1,577 | 2,082 | 2,365 | 2,318 | 1,784 | 957 | 1,313 | 584 |
| Transportation | 8,344 | 5,987 | 8,798 | 9,945 | 9,795 | 8,908 | 5,171 | 6,568 | 3,754 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) | 3,544 | 2,721 | 3,949 | 4,407 | 3,945 | 3,756 | 2,007 | 2,608 | 1,398 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 2,013 | 1,538 | 2,123 | 2,379 | 2,424 | 2,101 | 1,208 | 1,567 | 843 |
| Other vehicle expenses | 2,339 | 1,536 | 2,361 | 2,669 | 2,850 | 2,513 | 1,594 | 1,926 | 1,257 |
| Public transportation .... | 448 | 191 | 366 | 490 | 576 | 537 | 362 | 467 | 256 |
| Healthcare | 2,664 | 704 | 1,522 | 2,272 | 2,672 | 3,410 | 4,193 | 4,176 | 4,210 |
| Entertainment | 2,388 | 1,393 | 2,455 | 2,765 | 3,034 | 2,429 | 1,593 | 2,143 | 1,032 |
| Personal care products and services ............ | 541 | 337 | 504 | 627 | 627 | 550 | 462 | 495 | 427 |
| Reading | 126 | 49 | 89 | 121 | 143 | 167 | 143 | 154 | 132 |
| Education ................................................ | 940 | 1,359 | 779 | 931 | 1,769 | 733 | 211 | 256 | 165 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies ....... | 319 | 308 | 307 | 357 | 427 | 336 | 165 | 228 | 102 |
| Miscellaneous | 808 | 263 | 697 | 791 | 949 | 981 | 839 | 1,037 | 635 |
| Cash contributions | 1,663 | 393 | 1,080 | 1,735 | 2,076 | 1,960 | 1,889 | 1,925 | 1,852 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ................ | 5,204 | 2,133 | 5,123 | 6,929 | 7,348 | 5,909 | 1,775 | 2,580 | 959 |
| Life and other personal insurance ............... | 381 | 45 | 219 | 397 | 474 | 541 | 403 | 449 | 357 |
| Pensions and Social Security ...... | 4,823 | 2,088 | 4,903 | 6,532 | 6,874 | 5,368 | 1,372 | 2,132 | 601 |

[^3]Table 5. Size of consumer unit: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2005

| Item | All consumer units | One person | Two or more persons |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Total | Two persons | Three persons | Four persons | Five or more persons |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ................ | 117,356 | 34,339 | 83,017 | 37,489 | 18,451 | 15,807 | 11,270 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income before taxes ...................................... | \$58,712 | \$30,290 | \$70,468 | \$62,195 | \$74,069 | \$78,183 | \$81,275 |
| Age of reference person ...................................... | 48.6 | 52.8 | 46.9 | 52.8 | 43.6 | 40.9 | 40.9 |
| Average number in consumer unit: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons | 2.5 | 1.0 | 3.1 | 2.0 | 3.0 | 4.0 | 5.7 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | n.a. | . 9 | . 1 | . 8 | 1.6 | 2.8 |
| Persons 65 and over | . 3 | . 3 | . 3 | . 5 | . 2 | . 1 | . 1 |
| Earners | 1.3 | . 6 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 2.2 |
| Vehicles | 2.0 | 1.1 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.5 |
| Percent homeowner ........................................... | 67 | 53 | 73 | 75 | 70 | 74 | 73 |
| Average annual expenditures ................................ | \$46,409 | \$26,773 | \$54,483 | \$48,492 | \$55,096 | \$62,215 | \$62,618 |
| Food .............................................................. | 5,931 | 3,073 | 7,085 | 5,851 | 7,088 | 8,622 | 9,078 |
| Food at home | 3,297 | 1,638 | 3,965 | 3,142 | 3,925 | 4,846 | 5,583 |
| Cereals and bakery products | 445 | 227 | 533 | 411 | 513 | 666 | 793 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | 764 | 332 | 938 | 738 | 941 | 1,140 | 1,332 |
| Dairy products | 378 | 193 | 453 | 350 | 448 | 556 | 668 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 552 | 290 | 657 | 543 | 645 | 780 | 889 |
| Other food at home ... | 1,158 | 597 | 1,384 | 1,100 | 1,378 | 1,704 | 1,901 |
| Food away from home | 2,634 | 1,435 | 3,120 | 2,709 | 3,163 | 3,776 | 3,495 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 426 | 327 | 466 | 507 | 485 | 412 | 377 |
| Housing | 15,167 | 9,835 | 17,366 | 15,273 | 17,466 | 20,076 | 20,342 |
| Shelter | 8,805 | 6,179 | 9,891 | 8,704 | 10,006 | 11,333 | 11,626 |
| Owned dwellings | 5,958 | 3,055 | 7,159 | 6,052 | 7,086 | 8,702 | 8,795 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,345 | 2,889 | 2,120 | 1,966 | 2,341 | 2,066 | 2,344 |
| Other lodging | 502 | 235 | 612 | 686 | 579 | 566 | 487 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services | 3,183 | 2,024 | 3,663 | 3,270 | 3,725 | 4,059 | 4,313 |
| Household operations .. | 801 | 383 | 973 | 675 | 1,064 | 1,434 | 1,169 |
| Housekeeping supplies | 611 | 321 | 728 | 673 | 682 | 843 | 824 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ................ | 1,767 | 928 | 2,111 | 1,951 | 1,988 | 2,406 | 2,410 |
| Apparel and services ......................................... | 1,886 | 980 | 2,253 | 1,657 | 2,441 | 2,850 | 3,123 |
| Transportation | 8,344 | 4,030 | 10,128 | 9,124 | 10,438 | 11,553 | 10,963 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) ........................... | 3,544 | 1,395 | 4,433 | 4,043 | 4,639 | 5,044 | 4,536 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 2,013 | 1,032 | 2,419 | 2,043 | 2,524 | 2,802 | 2,964 |
| Other vehicle expenses | 2,339 | 1,336 | 2,753 | 2,489 | 2,796 | 3,160 | 2,992 |
| Public transportation ........................................ | 448 | 267 | 523 | 549 | 479 | 548 | 471 |
| Healthcare | 2,664 | 1,750 | 3,042 | 3,359 | 2,815 | 2,786 | 2,718 |
| Entertainment | 2,388 | 1,335 | 2,822 | 2,622 | 2,615 | 3,152 | 3,364 |
| Personal care products and services .................... | 541 | 328 | 628 | 583 | 626 | 732 | 631 |
| Reading .......................................................... | 126 | 103 | 136 | 149 | 123 | 136 | 117 |
| Education | 940 | 500 | 1,122 | 766 | 1,265 | 1,491 | 1,559 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies ............... | 319 | 227 | 357 | 338 | 391 | 361 | 361 |
| Miscellaneous . | 808 | 563 | 909 | 947 | 852 | 887 | 908 |
| Cash contributions ....................... | 1,663 | 1,313 | 1,808 | 1,900 | 1,683 | 1,648 | 1,932 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ......................... | 5,204 | 2,409 | 6,360 | 5,418 | 6,809 | 7,510 | 7,145 |
| Life and other personal insurance ...................... | 381 | 162 | 472 | 407 | 452 | 515 | 657 |
| Pensions and Social Security ............................ | 4,823 | 2,247 | 5,888 | 5,010 | 6,358 | 6,995 | 6,488 |

n.a. Not applicable.

Table 6. Composition of consumer unit: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2005

| Item | Husband and wife consumer units |  |  |  |  |  |  | One parent, at least one child under 18 | Single person and other consumer units |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | Husband and wife only | Husband and wife with children |  |  |  | Other husband and wife consumer units |  |  |
|  |  |  | Total | Oldest child under 6 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Oldest } \\ & \text { child } \\ & 6 \text { to } 17 \end{aligned}$ | Oldest child 18 or older |  |  |  |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ............ | 59,337 | 25,293 | 29,528 | 5,659 | 15,477 | 8,393 | 4,516 | 6,902 | 51,117 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: Income before taxes | \$79,679 | \$69,453 | \$87,527 | \$76,205 | \$89,981 | \$90,635 | \$85,635 | \$33,286 | \$37,806 |
| Age of reference person ................................................................. | +79,679 48.6 | 69, 56.7 | $\$ 87,527$ 41.8 | \$76,205 31.6 | 889,981 40.4 | ¢90,635 51.3 | 885,635 47.6 | \$33,286 37.8 | 37,806 50.0 |
| Average number in consumer unit: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons $\qquad$ Children under 18 | 3.2 .9 | n.a. 2.0 | 3.9 1.6 | 3.5 1.5 | 4.1 2.1 | 3.9 .6 | 5.0 1.5 | 2.8 1.7 | 1.6 .2 |
| Children under 18 ...................................................................... | .9 .3 | n.a. 6 | 1.6 .1 | $(1)^{1.5}$ | $(1)^{2.1}$ | . 6 | 1.5 .5 | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) ${ }^{1.7}$ | . 2 |
| Earners | 1.7 | 1.2 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 2.5 | 2.3 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Vehicles | 2.6 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 2.2 | 2.6 | 3.2 | 2.7 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| Percent homeowner | 83 | 86 | 81 | 70 | 82 | 87 | 76 | 41 | 53 |
| Average annual expenditures | \$60,401 | \$53,486 | \$66,441 | \$58,538 | \$68,421 | \$68,211 | \$60,012 | \$35,365 | \$31,546 |
| Food | 7,698 | 6,351 | 8,764 | 6,943 | 9,156 | 9,308 | 8,508 | 5,283 | 3,901 |
| Food at home | 4,269 | 3,413 | 4,878 | 4,070 | 5,031 | 5,161 | 5,280 | 3,099 | 2,154 |
| Cereals and bakery products | 578 | 452 | 673 | 547 | 705 | 701 | 684 | 423 | 288 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | 997 | 806 | 1,108 | 761 | 1,162 | 1,252 | 1,407 | 769 | 484 |
| Dairy products | 493 | 376 | 582 | 509 | 613 | 573 | 583 | 347 | 245 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 718 | 604 | 794 | 723 | 796 | 842 | 894 | 461 | 363 |
| Other food at home | 1,483 | 1,175 | 1,721 | 1,529 | 1,755 | 1,794 | 1,713 | 1,099 | 774 |
| Food away from home .................................. | 3,429 | 2,938 | 3,886 | 2,873 | 4,125 | 4,147 | 3,228 | 2,185 | 1,748 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 488 | 505 | 476 | 496 | 446 | 521 | 464 | 221 | 381 |
| Housing | 18,902 | 16,359 | 21,057 | 21,734 | 21,887 | 19,084 | 19,080 | 12,905 | 11,119 |
| Shelter . | 10,732 | 9,239 | 12,043 | 12,285 | 12,760 | 10,558 | 10,525 | 7,521 | 6,741 |
| Owned dwellings | 8,453 | 7,094 | 9,691 | 9,418 | 10,461 | 8,456 | 7,968 | 3,548 | 3,387 |
| Rented dwellings | 1,523 | 1,264 | 1,643 | 2,528 | 1,567 | 1,185 | 2,195 | 3,802 | 3,102 |
| Other lodging ..... | 756 | 881 | 709 | 338 | 732 | 917 | 362 | 170 | 251 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services | 3,866 | 3,481 | 4,114 | 3,364 | 4,190 | 4,480 | 4,400 | 2,994 | 2,417 |
| Household operations | 1,094 | 713 | 1,422 | 2,863 | 1,343 | 597 | 1,087 | 857 | 452 |
| Housekeeping supplies .................................. | 815 | 754 | 871 | 879 | 876 | 857 | 801 | 445 | 388 |
| Household furnishings and equipment .............. | 2,394 | 2,172 | 2,607 | 2,343 | 2,719 | 2,593 | 2,267 | 1,089 | 1,123 |
| Apparel and services ....................................... | 2,377 | 1,694 | 2,953 | 2,574 | 2,978 | 3,191 | 2,503 | 2,167 | 1,263 |
| Transportation ............................................... | 11,333 | 10,192 | 12,319 | 10,647 | 12,267 | 13,543 | 11,270 | 5,910 | 5,203 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) ........................ | 5,045 | 4,642 | 5,415 | 4,913 | 5,495 | 5,605 | 4,890 | 2,622 | 1,925 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 2,649 | 2,215 | 2,973 | 2,527 | 2,902 | 3,405 | 2,960 | 1,444 | 1,353 |
| Other vehicle expenses | 3,035 | 2,683 | 3,357 | 2,807 | 3,289 | 3,854 | 2,900 | 1,634 | 1,626 |
| Public transportation ...................................... | 604 | 652 | 574 | 400 | 582 | 679 | 520 | 211 | 299 |
| Healthcare | 3,525 | 4,043 | 3,081 | 2,381 | 3,004 | 3,695 | 3,530 | 1,376 | 1,837 |
| Entertainment | 3,190 | 2,946 | 3,486 | 2,685 | 4,069 | 2,958 | 2,640 | 1,823 | 1,529 |
| Personal care products and services | 683 | 632 | 735 | 586 | 763 | 788 | 627 | 463 | 384 |
| Reading. | 158 | 174 | 152 | 106 | 170 | 149 | 113 | 57 | 99 |
| Education | 1,294 | 810 | 1,760 | 529 | 1,702 | 2,696 | 966 | 713 | 559 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies ............ | 322 | 294 | 328 | 246 | 308 | 418 | 439 | 274 | 322 |
| Miscellaneous | 999 | 1,069 | 922 | 797 | 902 | 1,044 | 1,130 | 541 | 621 |
| Cash contributions | 2,152 | 2,315 | 2,094 | 1,549 | 2,226 | 2,220 | 1,617 | 677 | 1,229 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ..................... | 7,280 | 6,102 | 8,313 | 7,267 | 8,543 | 8,595 | 7,125 | 2,955 | 3,097 |
| Life and other personal insurance .................... | 557 | 516 | 575 | 390 | 611 | 632 | 672 | 158 | 207 |
| Pensions and Social Security ......................... | 6,723 | 5,586 | 7,738 | 6,877 | 7,932 | 7,962 | 6,453 | 2,796 | 2,890 |

1 Value less than 0.05.
n.a. Not applicable.

Table 7. Number of earners in consumer unit: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2005

| Item | All consumer units | Single consumers |  | Consumer units of two or more persons |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | No earner | One earner | No earner | One earner | Two earners | Three or more earners |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ....... | 117,356 | 13,087 | 21,252 | 10,051 | 23,925 | 39,014 | 10,027 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: Income before taxes $\qquad$ | \$58,712 | \$16,261 | \$38,929 | \$27,954 | \$56,331 | \$82,521 | \$99,921 |
| Age of reference person .............................. | 48.6 | 69.0 | 42.9 | 65.4 | 46.5 | 42.5 | 46.1 |
| Average number in consumer unit: Persons | 2.5 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 2.3 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 4.4 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | n.a. | n.a. | . 4 | 1.1 | . 9 | 1.1 |
| Persons 65 and over | . 3 | . 7 | . 1 | 1.2 | . 3 | . 1 | . 1 |
| Earners | 1.3 | n.a. | 1.0 | n.a. | 1.0 | 2.0 | 3.3 |
| Vehicles | 2.0 | . 9 | 1.2 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 2.5 | 3.2 |
| Percent homeowner ................................... | 67 | 59 | 49 | 76 | 67 | 75 | 80 |
| Average annual expenditures ........................ | \$46,409 | \$19,865 | \$31,017 | \$33,796 | \$47,594 | \$60,197 | \$69,805 |
| Food ....................................................... | 5,931 | 2,304 | 3,543 | 5,180 | 6,296 | 7,471 | 9,577 |
| Food at home | 3,297 | 1,542 | 1,697 | 3,328 | 3,714 | 3,956 | 5,361 |
| Cereals and bakery products ................... | 445 | 230 | 225 | 471 | 494 | 534 | 699 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ................... | 764 | 321 | 339 | 808 | 869 | 912 | 1,380 |
| Dairy products | 378 | 192 | 193 | 385 | 416 | 461 | 592 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 552 | 283 | 294 | 588 | 640 | 637 | 863 |
| Other food at home ... | 1,158 | 516 | 646 | 1,077 | 1,296 | 1,412 | 1,828 |
| Food away from home .............................. | 2,634 | 762 | 1,845 | 1,852 | 2,581 | 3,516 | 4,216 |
| Alcoholic beverages ................................... | 426 | 125 | 450 | 318 | 342 | 541 | 638 |
| Housing | 15,167 | 8,156 | 10,868 | 11,342 | 16,037 | 19,076 | 19,945 |
| Shelter | 8,805 | 4,872 | 6,985 | 5,724 | 9,093 | 11,073 | 11,370 |
| Owned dwellings | 5,958 | 2,271 | 3,538 | 3,679 | 6,133 | 8,270 | 8,772 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,345 | 2,427 | 3,173 | 1,564 | 2,434 | 2,120 | 1,926 |
| Other lodging | 502 | 173 | 273 | 482 | 526 | 683 | 672 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services ............... | 3,183 | 1,952 | 2,068 | 3,038 | 3,462 | 3,743 | 4,459 |
| Household operations ........ | 801 | 423 | 358 | 609 | 826 | 1,204 | 791 |
| Housekeeping supplies ..... | 611 | 295 | 336 | 615 | 662 | 782 | 793 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ......... | 1,767 | 614 | 1,121 | 1,357 | 1,992 | 2,274 | 2,533 |
| Apparel and services .................................. | 1,886 | 566 | 1,233 | 1,318 | 2,012 | 2,421 | 3,191 |
| Transportation .......................................... | 8,344 | 2,639 | 4,886 | 6,001 | 8,662 | 11,228 | 13,491 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) ................... | 3,544 | 925 | 1,684 | 2,603 | 3,945 | 4,891 | 5,650 |
| Gasoline and motor oil ........ | 2,013 | 633 | 1,277 | 1,373 | 2,050 | 2,660 | 3,413 |
| Other vehicle expenses ............................ | 2,339 | 881 | 1,617 | 1,640 | 2,269 | 3,069 | 3,801 |
| Public transportation ................................. | 448 | 200 | 308 | 385 | 398 | 608 | 627 |
| Healthcare | 2,664 | 2,397 | 1,351 | 4,087 | 2,911 | 2,810 | 3,212 |
| Entertainment | 2,388 | 883 | 1,612 | 1,722 | 2,423 | 3,234 | 3,289 |
| Personal care products and services ............ | 541 | 285 | 355 | 447 | 543 | 673 | 851 |
| Reading ................................................... | 126 | 94 | 108 | 122 | 115 | 150 | 146 |
| Education | 940 | 332 | 602 | 214 | 887 | 1,266 | 2,035 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies ....... | 319 | 180 | 255 | 256 | 318 | 380 | 464 |
| Miscellaneous .. | 808 | 399 | 664 | 942 | 799 | 883 | 1,256 |
| Cash contributions ..................................... | 1,663 | 1,289 | 1,328 | 1,467 | 1,659 | 1,896 | 2,164 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ................. | 5,204 | 214 | 3,762 | 378 | 4,591 | 8,167 | 9,544 |
| Life and other personal insurance ............... | 381 | 136 | 178 | 275 | 477 | 498 | 552 |
| Pensions and Social Security ..................... | 4,823 | ${ }^{1} 77$ | 3,584 | 103 | 4,114 | 7,669 | 8,993 |

1 Data are likely to have large sampling errors.
n.a. Not applicable.

Table 8. Housing tenure and type of area: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2005

| Item | All consumer units | Housing tenure |  |  |  | Type of area |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Homeowner |  |  | Renter | Urban |  |  | Rural |
|  |  | Total | Homeowner with mortgage | Homeowner without mortgage |  | Total | Central City | Other Urban |  |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ....... | 117,356 | 79,072 | 50,172 | 28,900 | 38,284 | 107,087 | 34,382 | 72,705 | 10,269 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: <br> Income before taxes $\qquad$ | \$58,712 | \$70,791 | \$82,432 | \$50,580 | \$33,765 | \$59,878 | \$51,666 | \$63,761 | $\$ 46,554$ |
| Age of reference person ............................. | 48.6 | $52.3$ | $46.5$ | $62.5$ | $40.9$ | $48.4$ | 46.6 | $49.2$ | $51.0$ |
| Average number in consumer unit: Persons $\qquad$ | 2.5 | 2.6 | 2.9 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.5 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | . 6 | . 9 | . 3 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 | . 7 | . 6 |
| Persons 65 and over | . 3 | . 4 | . 2 | . 7 | . 2 | . 3 | . 3 | . 3 | . 3 |
| Earners ................. | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.7 | . 9 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.3 |
| Vehicles | 2.0 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 2.0 | 1.2 | 1.9 | 1.5 | 2.1 | 2.6 |
| Percent homeowner .................................. | 67 | 100 | 100 | 100 | n.a. | 66 | 52 | 73 | 82 |
| Average annual expenditures | \$46,409 | \$54,126 | \$62,259 | \$39,675 | \$30,462 | \$47,177 | \$41,688 | \$49,748 | \$38,486 |
| Food | 5,931 | 6,712 | 7,235 | 5,629 | 4,314 | 6,016 | 5,494 | 6,248 | 5,100 |
| Food at home | 3,297 | 3,693 | 3,872 | 3,316 | 2,475 | 3,327 | 3,091 | 3,430 | 3,007 |
| Cereals and bakery products | 445 | 500 | 518 | 464 | 330 | 448 | 404 | 467 | 417 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .. | 764 | 845 | 887 | 755 | 597 | 771 | 735 | 786 | 704 |
| Dairy products ....................................... | 378 | 428 | 446 | 392 | 274 | 379 | 339 | 397 | 367 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 552 | 617 | 636 | 578 | 416 | 563 | 543 | 572 | 441 |
| Other food at home | 1,158 | 1,302 | 1,385 | 1,128 | 858 | 1,166 | 1,070 | 1,208 | 1,079 |
| Food away from home ............................... | 2,634 | 3,019 | 3,364 | 2,313 | 1,839 | 2,689 | 2,403 | 2,818 | 2,093 |
| Alcoholic beverages .................................. | 426 | 463 | 530 | 323 | 351 | 444 | 447 | 442 | 258 |
| Housing ................................................... | 15,167 | 17,262 | 20,956 | 10,815 | 10,838 | 15,586 | 14,202 | 16,233 | 10,799 |
| Shelter | 8,805 | 9,535 | 12,495 | 4,397 | 7,296 | 9,155 | 8,555 | 9,440 | 5,147 |
| Owned dwellings | 5,958 | 8,800 | 11,741 | 3,692 | 89 | 6,143 | 4,608 | 6,869 | 4,026 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,345 | 60 | 55 | 67 | 7,065 | 2,490 | 3,546 | 1,990 | 836 |
| Other lodging | 502 | 676 | 699 | 637 | 142 | 523 | 401 | 580 | 285 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services ............... | 3,183 | 3,751 | 4,026 | 3,273 | 2,011 | 3,183 | 2,843 | 3,343 | 3,191 |
| Household operations .............................. | 801 | 996 | 1,162 | 708 | 397 | 829 | 782 | 852 | 498 |
| Housekeeping supplies .... | 611 | 746 | 782 | 670 | 331 | 603 | 516 | 642 | 686 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ......... | 1,767 | 2,234 | 2,491 | 1,766 | 803 | 1,815 | 1,506 | 1,956 | 1,277 |
| Apparel and services .................................. | 1,886 | 2,065 | 2,347 | 1,510 | 1,516 | 1,936 | 1,957 | 1,927 | 1,387 |
| Transportation .......................................... | 8,344 | 9,778 | 11,158 | 7,380 | 5,382 | 8,363 | 6,935 | 9,038 | 8,150 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) ................... | 3,544 | 4,188 | 4,795 | 3,135 | 2,213 | 3,555 | 2,861 | 3,884 | 3,427 |
| Gasoline and motor oil. | 2,013 | 2,316 | 2,624 | 1,782 | 1,388 | 1,979 | 1,606 | 2,155 | 2,372 |
| Other vehicle expenses | 2,339 | 2,748 | 3,159 | 2,032 | 1,493 | 2,359 | 1,964 | 2,545 | 2,131 |
| Public transportation ................................. | 448 | 525 | 580 | 430 | 288 | 470 | 504 | 454 | 220 |
| Healthcare | 2,664 | 3,318 | 3,060 | 3,773 | 1,314 | 2,660 | 2,230 | 2,863 | 2,702 |
| Entertainment | 2,388 | 2,921 | 3,381 | 2,101 | 1,286 | 2,383 | 1,873 | 2,620 | 2,437 |
| Personal care products and services ............ | 541 | 625 | 685 | 512 | 367 | 555 | 526 | 569 | 396 |
| Reading | 126 | 152 | 157 | 144 | 73 | 129 | 111 | 138 | 101 |
| Education | 940 | 1,078 | 1,304 | 686 | 654 | 990 | 914 | 1,026 | 418 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies ....... | 319 | 292 | 317 | 249 | 375 | 306 | 280 | 319 | 453 |
| Miscellaneous ........................................... | 808 | 957 | 1,026 | 834 | 501 | 814 | 778 | 833 | 742 |
| Cash contributions ..................................... | 1,663 | 2,061 | 2,090 | 2,011 | 841 | 1,694 | 1,489 | 1,790 | 1,347 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ................. | 5,204 | 6,441 | 8,014 | 3,710 | 2,649 | 5,301 | 4,454 | 5,701 | 4,194 |
| Life and other personal insurance ............... | 381 | 511 | 598 | 361 | 112 | 386 | 275 | 439 | 330 |
| Pensions and Social Security ..................... | 4,823 | 5,930 | 7,416 | 3,349 | 2,537 | 4,915 | 4,179 | 5,263 | 3,865 |

n.a. Not applicable.

Table 9. Race of reference person: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2005

| Item | All consumer units | White and all other races, and Asian |  |  | Black or AfricanAmerican |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total | White and all other races ${ }^{1}$ | Asian |  |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ....... | 117,356 | 103,314 | 99,031 | 4,283 | 14,042 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income before taxes | \$58,712 | \$61,339 | \$60,791 | \$73,995 | \$39,385 |
| Age of reference person ............................... | 48.6 | 48.9 | 49.2 | 43.4 | 46.3 |
| Average number in consumer unit: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.9 | 2.6 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 | . 7 | . 8 |
| Persons 65 and over | . 3 | . 3 | . 3 | . 3 | . 2 |
| Earners | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 1.2 |
| Vehicles | 2.0 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 1.7 | 1.3 |
| Percent homeowner | 67 | 70 | 70 | 62 | 49 |
| Average annual expenditures ......................... | \$46,409 | \$48,241 | \$48,077 | \$52,054 | \$32,849 |
| Food ....................................................... | 5,931 | 6,145 | 6,127 | 6,632 | 4,319 |
| Food at home | 3,297 | 3,380 | 3,373 | 3,580 | 2,663 |
| Cereals and bakery products ................... | 445 | 456 | 455 | 492 | 363 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .................. | 764 | 762 | 757 | 892 | 787 |
| Dairy products | 378 | 396 | 399 | 303 | 245 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 552 | 568 | 559 | 814 | 428 |
| Other food at home ... | 1,158 | 1,199 | 1,204 | 1,078 | 840 |
| Food away from home | 2,634 | 2,764 | 2,754 | 3,052 | 1,657 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 426 | 460 | 465 | 319 | 173 |
| Housing | 15,167 | 15,643 | 15,496 | 19,017 | 11,650 |
| Shelter | 8,805 | 9,115 | 8,961 | 12,659 | 6,524 |
| Owned dwellings | 5,958 | 6,335 | 6,236 | 8,623 | 3,188 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,345 | 2,236 | 2,182 | 3,479 | 3,148 |
| Other lodging | 502 | 544 | 544 | 556 | 189 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services | 3,183 | 3,174 | 3,181 | 3,018 | 3,253 |
| Household operations ........ | 801 | 837 | 833 | 948 | 530 |
| Housekeeping supplies ...... | 611 | 645 | 653 | 439 | 352 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ......... | 1,767 | 1,871 | 1,868 | 1,954 | 991 |
| Apparel and services | 1,886 | 1,874 | 1,868 | 2,035 | 1,981 |
| Transportation | 8,344 | 8,683 | 8,674 | 8,899 | 5,850 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) ................... | 3,544 | 3,706 | 3,715 | 3,516 | 2,350 |
| Gasoline and motor oil ........ | 2,013 | 2,077 | 2,080 | 2,011 | 1,546 |
| Other vehicle expenses ............................. | 2,339 | 2,424 | 2,426 | 2,395 | 1,710 |
| Public transportation ................................. | 448 | 476 | 454 | 978 | 245 |
| Healthcare | 2,664 | 2,829 | 2,853 | 2,262 | 1,448 |
| Entertainment | 2,388 | 2,543 | 2,573 | 1,804 | 1,242 |
| Personal care products and services ............ | 541 | 550 | 551 | 519 | 472 |
| Reading .......................................... | 126 | 137 | 137 | 117 | 52 |
| Education | 940 | 1,000 | 967 | 1,759 | 500 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies ....... | 319 | 333 | 342 | 124 | 216 |
| Miscellaneous . | 808 | 861 | 864 | 794 | 416 |
| Cash contributions ..................................... | 1,663 | 1,726 | 1,749 | 1,188 | 1,204 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ................. | 5,204 | 5,459 | 5,411 | 6,584 | 3,325 |
| Life and other personal insurance ............... | 381 | 393 | 390 | 465 | 292 |
| Pensions and Social Security ..................... | 4,823 | 5,066 | 5,021 | 6,119 | 3,033 |

1 All other races includes Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, American Indian or Alaska Native, and approximately 1.3 percent reporting more than one race.

Table 10. Hispanic or Latino origin of reference person: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2005

| Item | All consumer units | Hispanic or Latino | Not Hispanic or Latino |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Total | White and all other races | Black or AfricanAmerican |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ....... | 117,356 | 12,462 | 104,894 | 90,995 | 13,899 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income before taxes | \$58,712 | \$47,509 | \$60,043 | \$63,203 | \$39,352 |
| Age of reference person .............................. | 48.6 | 41.7 | 49.4 | 49.9 | 46.3 |
| Average number in consumer unit: Persons | 2.5 | 3.4 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 2.6 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | 1.2 | . 6 | . 5 | . 8 |
| Persons 65 and over | . 3 | . 2 | . 3 | . 3 | . 2 |
| Earners | 1.3 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.2 |
| Vehicles | 2.0 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 1.3 |
| Percent homeowner | 67 | 50 | 69 | 73 | 49 |
| Average annual expenditures | \$46,409 | \$40,123 | \$47,154 | \$49,331 | \$32,814 |
| Food | 5,931 | 5,551 | 5,976 | 6,223 | 4,313 |
| Food at home | 3,297 | 3,344 | 3,291 | 3,384 | 2,662 |
| Cereals and bakery products | 445 | 400 | 450 | 463 | 362 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | 764 | 876 | 752 | 746 | 786 |
| Dairy products | 378 | 364 | 380 | 400 | 246 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 552 | 640 | 541 | 558 | 428 |
| Other food at home | 1,158 | 1,064 | 1,168 | 1,217 | 839 |
| Food away from home ............................... | 2,634 | 2,207 | 2,685 | 2,838 | 1,651 |
| Alcoholic beverages ................................... | 426 | 286 | 443 | 483 | 170 |
| Housing | 15,167 | 14,338 | 15,265 | 15,813 | 11,650 |
| Shelter | 8,805 | 8,937 | 8,789 | 9,134 | 6,530 |
| Owned dwellings | 5,958 | 4,886 | 6,085 | 6,527 | 3,197 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,345 | 3,876 | 2,163 | 2,013 | 3,143 |
| Other lodging ........................................ | 502 | 175 | 541 | 594 | 190 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services ............... | 3,183 | 2,986 | 3,207 | 3,201 | 3,246 |
| Household operations | 801 | 605 | 824 | 868 | 531 |
| Housekeeping supplies ............................ | 611 | 508 | 623 | 663 | 353 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ......... | 1,767 | 1,303 | 1,822 | 1,947 | 989 |
| Apparel and services ................................. | 1,886 | 2,195 | 1,850 | 1,830 | 1,982 |
| Transportation .... | 8,344 | 7,900 | 8,397 | 8,791 | 5,819 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) | 3,544 | 3,280 | 3,575 | 3,765 | 2,336 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 2,013 | 2,171 | 1,995 | 2,063 | 1,546 |
| Other vehicle expenses ............................. | 2,339 | 2,068 | 2,371 | 2,474 | 1,698 |
| Public transportation ................................. | 448 | 380 | 456 | 489 | 239 |
| Healthcare | 2,664 | 1,520 | 2,800 | 3,005 | 1,455 |
| Entertainment | 2,388 | 1,494 | 2,494 | 2,683 | 1,242 |
| Personal care products and services ............ | 541 | 501 | 546 | 557 | 470 |
| Reading .. | 126 | 55 | 135 | 148 | 52 |
| Education | 940 | 558 | 986 | 1,061 | 491 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies ....... | 319 | 158 | 338 | 357 | 216 |
| Miscellaneous .......................................... | 808 | 665 | 825 | 887 | 419 |
| Cash contributions ..................................... | 1,663 | 927 | 1,751 | 1,834 | 1,207 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ................ | 5,204 | 3,974 | 5,350 | 5,659 | 3,325 |
| Life and other personal insurance ............... | 381 | 140 | 410 | 428 | 292 |
| Pensions and Social Security ...................... | 4,823 | 3,834 | 4,940 | 5,232 | 3,033 |

Table 11. Region of residence: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2005

| Item | All consumer units | Northeast | Midwest | South | West |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ...................... | 117,356 | 22,356 | 27,005 | 42,120 | 25,875 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income before taxes ............................................ | \$58,712 | \$63,068 | \$56,606 | \$53,311 | \$65,938 |
| Age of reference person ............................................ | 48.6 | 50.1 | 48.5 | 48.7 | 47.3 |
| Average number in consumer unit: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons .................................. | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.6 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 | . 7 |
| Persons 65 and over | . 3 | . 3 | . 3 | . 3 | . 3 |
| Earners ...... | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.4 |
| Vehicles | 2.0 | 1.7 | 2.1 | 1.9 | 2.1 |
| Percent homeowner | 67 | 65 | 71 | 69 | 62 |
| Average annual expenditures | \$46,409 | \$47,921 | \$45,027 | \$42,504 | \$52,891 |
| Food | 5,931 | 6,495 | 5,754 | 5,491 | 6,339 |
| Food at home | 3,297 | 3,645 | 3,232 | 3,011 | 3,527 |
| Cereals and bakery products | 445 | 508 | 454 | 400 | 456 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | 764 | 885 | 712 | 732 | 767 |
| Dairy products | 378 | 424 | 391 | 332 | 401 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 552 | 652 | 517 | 475 | 624 |
| Other food at home | 1,158 | 1,176 | 1,158 | 1,072 | 1,279 |
| Food away from home .. | 2,634 | 2,850 | 2,522 | 2,480 | 2,813 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 426 | 441 | 460 | 350 | 503 |
| Housing ................. | 15,167 | 16,421 | 14,151 | 13,402 | 18,016 |
| Shelter | 8,805 | 10,071 | 7,886 | 7,167 | 11,337 |
| Owned dwellings | 5,958 | 6,681 | 5,688 | 4,900 | 7,337 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,345 | 2,765 | 1,664 | 1,911 | 3,398 |
| Other lodging | 502 | 624 | 534 | 355 | 601 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services | 3,183 | 3,409 | 3,158 | 3,240 | 2,923 |
| Household operations. | 801 | 765 | 759 | 777 | 913 |
| Housekeeping supplies | 611 | 654 | 618 | 573 | 629 |
| Household furnishings and equipment | 1,767 | 1,522 | 1,730 | 1,646 | 2,214 |
| Apparel and services .............. | 1,886 | 2,036 | 1,750 | 1,836 | 1,975 |
| Transportation | 8,344 | 7,732 | 7,753 | 7,990 | 10,068 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) | 3,544 | 2,911 | 3,085 | 3,543 | 4,572 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 2,013 | 1,761 | 1,975 | 2,069 | 2,180 |
| Other vehicle expenses | 2,339 | 2,424 | 2,313 | 2,085 | 2,708 |
| Public transportation ... | 448 | 637 | 380 | 293 | 608 |
| Healthcare | 2,664 | 2,581 | 2,841 | 2,606 | 2,647 |
| Entertainment | 2,388 | 2,263 | 2,384 | 2,112 | 2,950 |
| Personal care products and services | 541 | 540 | 514 | 508 | 623 |
| Reading | 126 | 148 | 132 | 94 | 155 |
| Education | 940 | 1,387 | 998 | 674 | 926 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies | 319 | 330 | 374 | 318 | 254 |
| Miscellaneous | 808 | 822 | 837 | 654 | 1,016 |
| Cash contributions | 1,663 | 1,370 | 1,868 | 1,710 | 1,627 |
| Personal insurance and pensions | 5,204 | 5,353 | 5,212 | 4,760 | 5,789 |
| Life and other personal insurance | 381 | 374 | 380 | 419 | 326 |
| Pensions and Social Security .................................. | 4,823 | 4,980 | 4,832 | 4,341 | 5,462 |

Table 12. Occupation of reference person: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2005

| Item | Selfemployed workers | Wage and salary earners |  |  |  |  |  | Retired | All other, including not reporting |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total wage and salary earners | Managers and professionals | Technical, sales and clerical workers | Service workers | Construction workers and mechanics | Operators, fabricators and laborers |  |  |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) | 5,759 | 76,718 | 27,894 | 22,305 | 12,424 | 4,392 | 9,703 | 20,514 | 14,364 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: Income before taxes $\qquad$ | \$80,272 | \$67,478 | \$94,060 | \$59,200 | \$43,165 | \$56,697 | \$46,104 | \$31,353 | \$42,318 |
| Age of reference person ....................... | 48.4 | 42.6 | 44.0 | 41.6 | 41.8 | 40.4 | 42.9 | 73.5 | 45.3 |
| Average number in consumer unit: Persons $\qquad$ | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 1.7 | 2.9 |
| Children under 18 ....... | . 7 | . 7 | . 7 | . 7 | . 8 | . 7 | . 8 | . 1 | 1.0 |
| Persons 65 and over | . 2 | . 1 | . 1 | . 1 | . 1 | . 1 | . 1 | 1.2 | . 2 |
| Earners ........... | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.7 | . 2 | . 7 |
| Vehicles | 2.2 | 2.1 | 2.3 | 2.1 | 1.8 | 2.4 | 2.1 | 1.6 | 1.6 |
| Percent homeowner ............................. | 76 | 66 | 76 | 64 | 51 | 63 | 60 | 81 | 55 |
| Average annual expenditures | \$56,215 | \$50,759 | \$64,559 | \$48,103 | \$36,932 | \$44,952 | \$37,221 | \$32,903 | \$38,558 |
| Food | 6,796 | 6,393 | 7,581 | 6,037 | 5,117 | 6,573 | 5,196 | 4,335 | 5,401 |
| Food at home | 3,816 | 3,406 | 3,817 | 3,219 | 3,073 | 3,327 | 3,041 | 2,689 | 3,363 |
| Cereals and bakery products ............. | 502 | 456 | 528 | 421 | 409 | 417 | 391 | 379 | 458 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ............ | 864 | 793 | 825 | 763 | 774 | 812 | 779 | 606 | 792 |
| Dairy products ................................ | 443 | 388 | 443 | 367 | 331 | 367 | 346 | 311 | 397 |
| Fruits and vegetables ....................... | 667 | 560 | 648 | 505 | 511 | 515 | 499 | 495 | 541 |
| Other food at home | 1,339 | 1,209 | 1,373 | 1,163 | 1,048 | 1,214 | 1,026 | 898 | 1,174 |
| Food away from home ........................ | 2,981 | 2,987 | 3,764 | 2,818 | 2,044 | 3,246 | 2,155 | 1,646 | 2,038 |
| Alcoholic beverages ............................. | 553 | 495 | 622 | 429 | 323 | 568 | 439 | 257 | 258 |
| Housing ............................................ | 17,341 | 16,398 | 20,790 | 15,413 | 12,865 | 13,853 | 11,668 | 11,334 | 13,212 |
| Shelter . | 10,156 | 9,686 | 12,538 | 8,946 | 7,536 | 8,346 | 6,547 | 5,857 | 7,767 |
| Owned dwellings | 7,333 | 6,639 | 9,437 | 5,967 | 4,131 | 5,491 | 3,874 | 3,915 | 4,685 |
| Rented dwellings ............................. | 2,043 | 2,533 | 2,197 | 2,586 | 3,206 | 2,578 | 2,497 | 1,478 | 2,699 |
| Other lodging ................................. | 779 | 513 | 904 | 393 | 199 | 277 | 176 | 464 | 383 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services ........ | 3,494 | 3,292 | 3,678 | 3,211 | 2,897 | 3,108 | 2,956 | 2,812 | 3,009 |
| Household operations ........................ | 829 | 893 | 1,313 | 843 | 538 | 476 | 439 | 639 | 528 |
| Housekeeping supplies | 629 | 642 | 781 | 609 | 509 | 516 | 518 | 548 | 535 |
| Household furnishings and equipment .. | 2,235 | 1,886 | 2,479 | 1,804 | 1,386 | 1,407 | 1,207 | 1,477 | 1,374 |
| Apparel and services ........................... | 2,001 | 2,143 | 2,703 | 2,003 | 1,768 | 1,608 | 1,536 | 1,047 | 1,663 |
| Transportation .................................... | 8,449 | 9,294 | 10,963 | 9,572 | 6,758 | 9,105 | 7,184 | 5,527 | 7,255 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) ............. | 3,010 | 3,958 | 4,584 | 4,495 | 2,643 | 3,777 | 2,695 | 2,255 | 3,386 |
| Gasoline and motor oil. | 2,286 | 2,247 | 2,452 | 2,195 | 1,900 | 2,493 | 2,109 | 1,269 | 1,720 |
| Other vehicle expenses ...................... | 2,676 | 2,607 | 3,142 | 2,536 | 1,950 | 2,444 | 2,145 | 1,642 | 1,769 |
| Public transportation .......................... | 477 | 482 | 786 | 347 | 265 | 391 | 234 | 361 | 380 |
| Healthcare | 3,209 | 2,347 | 2,880 | 2,341 | 1,672 | 1,900 | 1,893 | 4,057 | 2,151 |
| Entertainment ..................................... | 2,989 | 2,621 | 3,402 | 2,515 | 1,626 | 2,401 | 1,952 | 1,637 | 1,973 |
| Personal care products and services ...... | 614 | 586 | 753 | 562 | 453 | 433 | 391 | 451 | 402 |
| Reading ........................................... | 149 | 129 | 198 | 113 | 69 | 76 | 73 | 141 | 81 |
| Education ...... | 1,035 | 1,095 | 1,724 | 944 | 563 | 625 | 525 | 236 | 1,083 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies | 384 | 339 | 233 | 358 | 371 | 526 | 471 | 187 | 377 |
| Miscellaneous .................................... | 1,123 | 845 | 1,076 | 816 | 576 | 802 | 623 | 796 | 503 |
| Cash contributions .............................. | 2,263 | 1,664 | 2,475 | 1,425 | 923 | 1,271 | 1,007 | 1,801 | 1,223 |
| Personal insurance and pensions .......... | 9,309 | 6,412 | 9,159 | 5,575 | 3,848 | 5,212 | 4,263 | 1,094 | 2,976 |
| Life and other personal insurance ......... | 504 | 403 | 580 | 384 | 239 | 201 | 237 | 344 | 269 |
| Pensions and Social Security .............. | 8,805 | 6,009 | 8,580 | 5,191 | 3,608 | 5,010 | 4,027 | 750 | 2,707 |

Table 13. Education of reference person: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2005



[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ See the glossary at the end of this report for a definition of consumer unit
    ${ }^{2}$ The addition of check boxes, changes to section headings, and new cues for diary respondents were among the new features in 2005. See Figueroa, Eric, et al., "Is a user-friendly diary more effective? Findings from a field test" and To, Nhien, et al., "The efficacy of cues in an expenditure diary," Consumer Expenditure Survey Anthology, (Bureau of Labor Statistics, Report 981, April 2005), pp. 2-17.

[^1]:    ${ }^{3}$ See the glossary at the end of this report for a definition of reference person.
    ${ }^{4}$ All other races includes Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, American Indian or Alaskan Native; approximately 1.3 percent reported more than one race.

[^2]:    n.a. Not applicable.

[^3]:    1 Value less than 0.05.

