

Table 1501. Composition of consumer unit: Shares of annual aggregate expenditures and sources of income, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1997

(Aggregates in millions of dollars, unless otherwise indicated)

Item	Aggregate	Husband and wife consumer units						Other husband and wife consumer units	One parent, at least one child under 18	Single person and other consumer units
		Total husband and wife consumer units	Husband and wife only	Husband and wife with children						
				Oldest child under 6	Oldest child 6 to 17	Oldest child 18 or over				
Number of consumer units (in thousands).....	105,576	55,205	22,531	5,431	15,360	7,591	4,291	6,626	43,745	
Percent distribution of consumer units.....	100.0	52.3	21.3	5.1	14.5	7.2	4.1	6.3	41.4	
Consumer unit characteristics (mean values):										
Income before taxes 1/.....	\$39,926	\$52,981	\$47,475	\$57,063	\$56,673	\$59,938	\$51,038	\$24,185	\$25,811	
Income after taxes 1/.....	36,684	48,619	42,995	51,775	52,392	55,879	47,714	22,652	23,727	
Age of reference person.....	47.7	48.2	56.6	32.0	39.9	51.4	47.9	36.8	48.9	
Average number in consumer unit:										
Persons.....	2.5	3.2	2.0	3.5	4.2	3.9	4.8	3.0	1.6	
Children under 18.....	.7	.9	n.a.	1.5	2.2	.6	1.4	1.8	.2	
Persons 65 and over.....	.3	.3	.7	(2)	(2)	.2	.5	(2)	.3	
Earners.....	1.3	1.7	1.2	1.7	1.9	2.6	2.3	1.0	.9	
Vehicles.....	2.0	2.6	2.4	2.2	2.6	3.4	2.7	1.2	1.3	
Percent distribution:										
Sex of reference person:										
Male.....	59	78	81	73	77	81	75	14	41	
Female.....	41	22	19	27	23	19	25	86	59	
Housing tenure:										
Homeowner.....	64	80	83	66	77	88	75	37	47	
With mortgage.....	38	52	39	57	66	58	49	30	22	
Without mortgage.....	26	28	44	8	11	31	26	7	25	
Renter.....	36	20	17	34	23	12	25	63	53	
Race of reference person:										
Black.....	12	7	4	8	8	8	19	32	15	
White and other.....	88	93	96	92	92	92	81	68	85	
Education of reference person:										
Elementary (1-8).....	7	7	8	2	4	9	11	5	9	
High school (9-12).....	39	39	39	33	38	42	48	46	39	
College.....	53	54	53	65	58	49	40	49	52	
Never attended and other.....	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(4)	1	(3)	(3)	(3)	

At least one vehicle owned or leased.....	87	96	96	95	97	96	94	76	77
Annual aggregate expenditures.....	\$3,674,032	66.8	24.5	7.0	19.8	10.5	5.1	4.6	28.5
Food.....	505,791	68.9	24.3	7.1	20.8	10.9	5.8	4.8	26.3
Food at home.....	303,340	69.6	23.1	7.8	21.3	11.1	6.4	5.4	24.9
Cereals and bakery products.....	47,710	70.0	22.3	7.3	22.2	11.6	6.6	5.1	24.8
Cereals and cereal products.....	16,998	69.0	19.8	7.8	22.7	11.5	7.1	6.1	24.9
Bakery products.....	30,712	70.6	23.6	7.1	21.9	11.6	6.4	4.6	24.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs.....	78,267	69.2	22.6	7.1	20.8	11.5	7.2	5.9	24.9
Beef.....	23,545	69.6	22.1	6.6	22.4	11.4	7.1	6.0	24.4
Pork.....	16,549	69.8	23.7	7.6	19.2	11.2	8.1	5.4	24.8
Other meats.....	10,142	68.9	21.1	7.9	20.3	12.4	7.1	5.4	25.7
Poultry.....	15,272	68.2	21.5	7.4	21.2	11.8	6.3	6.7	25.1
Fish and seafood.....	9,326	70.2	25.1	6.6	20.1	11.4	7.1	5.4	24.4
Eggs.....	3,433	66.7	23.2	6.7	18.3	10.7	7.7	6.3	27.0
Dairy products.....	33,038	70.0	22.3	8.3	22.5	11.1	5.9	5.4	24.6
Fresh milk and cream.....	13,494	69.5	20.9	8.3	22.9	10.8	6.6	5.8	24.7
Other dairy products.....	19,544	70.4	23.2	8.3	22.2	11.2	5.4	5.1	24.5
Fruits and vegetables.....	50,093	68.7	24.9	7.3	19.6	10.5	6.3	5.4	25.9
Fresh fruits.....	15,847	68.4	26.4	6.9	19.0	10.6	5.6	4.9	26.7
Fresh vegetables.....	15,035	68.2	25.7	7.0	17.6	11.1	6.9	6.5	25.4
Processed fruits.....	10,772	68.9	22.7	8.6	21.4	9.9	6.3	5.0	26.1
Processed vegetables.....	8,439	69.8	23.5	7.1	22.1	10.3	6.7	5.1	25.1
Other food at home.....	94,232	70.2	23.3	8.5	21.7	10.7	6.0	5.2	24.6
Sugar and other sweets.....	12,039	72.2	25.9	7.0	23.0	10.4	5.9	5.1	22.8
Fats and oils.....	8,537	69.0	24.9	6.5	19.6	11.0	6.8	5.2	25.8
Miscellaneous foods.....	42,452	70.6	21.6	10.7	22.1	10.3	5.9	5.2	24.2
Nonalcoholic beverages.....	25,752	68.8	23.0	6.9	21.5	11.2	6.2	5.7	25.5
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips.....	5,453	71.5	28.8	5.7	20.7	11.8	4.6	3.4	25.2
Food away from home.....	202,451	67.7	26.1	6.1	20.0	10.8	4.8	3.9	28.4
Alcoholic beverages.....	32,576	60.0	29.1	5.3	14.4	7.2	4.1	2.4	37.6
Housing.....	1,189,819	63.9	23.3	7.4	19.5	8.8	4.9	5.4	30.7
Shelter.....	669,759	61.7	21.9	7.1	19.9	8.4	4.5	5.5	32.8
Owned dwellings.....	415,427	73.2	25.4	8.2	24.4	10.4	4.7	3.7	23.1
Mortgage interest and charges.....	234,934	75.7	22.2	10.1	27.8	10.3	5.2	4.3	20.0
Property taxes.....	102,530	71.8	29.1	6.5	20.8	11.0	4.4	3.3	24.9
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses.....	77,964	67.4	30.5	4.8	18.6	9.8	3.7	2.6	30.0
Rented dwellings.....	209,376	36.0	12.3	5.7	11.0	3.0	3.9	9.4	54.6
Other lodging.....	44,956	75.7	33.7	3.1	20.0	14.5	4.3	2.8	21.5
Utilities, fuels, and public services.....	254,681	62.6	22.8	5.5	18.6	10.1	5.6	5.9	31.5
Natural gas.....	31,774	61.7	23.5	5.4	18.3	9.8	4.7	5.8	32.5
Electricity.....	95,934	63.6	23.5	5.2	19.0	10.2	5.8	6.1	30.2
Fuel oil and other fuels.....	11,373	67.6	26.5	4.8	19.4	12.2	4.7	3.5	28.9
Telephone services.....	85,416	59.4	20.6	6.0	17.6	9.6	5.7	6.3	34.3
Water and other public services.....	30,184	67.2	24.5	5.5	20.3	10.9	6.0	4.8	28.0
Household operations.....	57,905	68.9	17.1	20.2	22.0	4.4	5.2	7.6	23.5
Personal services.....	27,777	73.2	3.2	35.5	27.1	.7	6.7	11.8	15.1
Other household expenses.....	30,128	65.0	29.9	6.1	17.3	7.8	3.9	3.8	31.2

Housekeeping supplies.....	47,914	72.0	27.4	8.5	19.8	11.4	5.0	4.1	23.8
Laundry and cleaning supplies.....	12,202	71.1	24.0	7.5	22.7	10.5	6.3	5.9	23.0
Other household products.....	22,125	74.8	28.4	8.9	20.6	12.3	4.6	3.7	21.5
Postage and stationery.....	13,588	68.3	28.8	8.8	15.8	10.5	4.4	3.2	28.5
Household furnishings and equipment.....	159,560	70.8	30.8	6.6	18.3	9.2	5.8	4.3	25.0
Household textiles.....	8,353	69.5	31.3	6.0	16.8	9.9	5.5	4.4	26.1
Furniture.....	40,894	69.5	29.7	6.9	18.9	7.5	6.5	4.7	25.8
Floor coverings.....	8,198	81.9	54.0	6.9	10.3	6.1	4.6	3.8	14.3
Major appliances.....	17,861	67.6	30.3	6.9	16.7	8.5	5.1	3.6	28.8
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	9,689	68.5	25.6	6.7	21.0	9.7	5.4	4.1	27.4
Miscellaneous household equipment.....	74,566	71.4	29.7	6.4	19.0	10.5	5.9	4.2	24.4
Apparel and services.....	182,168	69.6	23.1	7.7	22.8	10.8	5.2	5.1	25.3
Men and boys.....	42,883	71.4	20.6	7.2	26.9	11.0	5.6	4.3	24.3
Men, 16 and over.....	34,034	70.9	24.4	7.5	21.9	12.3	4.9	1.7	27.4
Boys, 2 to 15.....	8,848	73.0	6.1	6.1	46.3	6.2	8.4	14.5	12.5
Women and girls.....	71,671	68.1	24.4	5.7	22.1	10.8	5.1	5.4	26.5
Women, 16 and over.....	60,493	66.4	27.7	5.3	16.8	11.6	5.0	4.3	29.2
Girls, 2 to 15.....	11,178	76.8	6.4	7.6	50.8	6.8	5.2	11.5	11.7
Children under 2.....	8,117	78.4	11.7	40.6	14.7	3.5	8.0	8.7	12.9
Footwear.....	33,126	68.0	22.2	6.4	24.7	10.4	4.3	5.8	26.2
Other apparel products and services.....	26,372	69.9	28.0	5.7	18.1	13.0	5.2	3.4	26.7
Transportation.....	681,669	68.6	24.3	7.5	19.0	12.3	5.4	4.1	27.4
Vehicle purchases (net outlay).....	288,830	68.7	24.7	8.7	18.2	11.9	5.2	4.0	27.3
Cars and trucks, new.....	129,741	70.7	29.7	9.2	18.2	9.9	3.8	3.6	25.7
Cars and trucks, used.....	154,513	67.4	20.5	8.6	18.3	13.8	6.3	4.3	28.3
Other vehicles.....	4,576	52.9	5/27.8	5/2.9	5/11.9	5/3.4	5/6.9	5/7.6	39.6
Gasoline and motor oil.....	115,872	68.2	23.0	6.2	20.2	12.7	6.1	4.3	27.5
Other vehicle expenses.....	235,459	69.1	23.6	7.0	20.0	12.9	5.6	4.1	26.8
Vehicle finance charges.....	30,914	71.7	22.3	8.5	21.7	13.1	6.1	4.3	24.0
Maintenance and repairs.....	71,947	67.8	23.3	6.3	21.3	11.3	5.6	4.6	27.6
Vehicle insurance.....	79,709	67.4	23.6	6.1	17.9	13.9	5.8	4.0	28.6
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges.....	52,889	71.8	24.8	8.5	20.2	13.3	4.9	3.5	24.7
Public transportation.....	41,508	65.8	28.8	5.5	15.9	11.1	4.4	3.7	30.6
Health care.....	194,300	67.2	31.2	4.8	16.0	9.9	5.3	3.7	29.1
Health insurance.....	93,042	68.2	33.1	5.0	15.7	9.0	5.3	3.3	28.5
Medical services.....	56,065	66.3	24.9	5.1	19.2	12.1	5.0	4.3	29.3
Drugs.....	33,804	65.1	36.8	3.3	10.8	8.3	5.8	3.3	31.6
Medical supplies.....	11,389	69.2	30.7	5.3	17.0	11.5	4.7	4.9	25.9
Entertainment.....	191,334	70.0	26.4	6.1	21.5	11.4	4.6	4.2	25.8
Fees and admissions.....	49,699	69.1	23.9	5.8	24.9	10.5	4.0	4.1	26.7
Television, radios, sound equipment.....	60,946	62.4	21.6	5.7	19.5	10.2	5.5	6.0	31.6
Pets, toys, and playground equipment.....	34,409	72.5	26.3	8.8	21.0	10.6	5.8	3.5	23.9
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services.....	46,281	78.9	35.6	4.7	20.9	14.4	3.3	2.5	18.6
Personal care products and services.....	55,644	65.9	24.9	6.5	18.9	10.1	5.4	5.4	28.7
Reading.....	17,270	65.3	29.7	5.2	17.3	9.3	3.7	3.2	31.5
Education.....	60,241	62.9	14.9	2.7	21.9	19.4	3.9	6.4	30.7
Tobacco products and smoking supplies.....	27,839	58.2	20.1	4.8	16.3	10.0	7.0	4.5	37.4

Miscellaneous.....	89,432	60.0	23.2	6.4	15.5	10.4	4.6	6.0	34.1
Cash contributions.....	105,671	63.5	29.6	5.5	16.1	8.3	4.0	2.6	33.9
Personal insurance and pensions.....	340,278	72.5	24.9	8.1	23.2	11.3	5.1	3.3	24.1
Life and other personal insurance.....	39,975	75.2	29.3	6.2	22.7	11.4	5.6	2.9	21.9
Pensions and Social Security.....	300,303	72.2	24.3	8.4	23.3	11.3	5.0	3.4	24.4
Sources of income and personal taxes: 1/									
Money income before taxes.....	3,393,329	69.4	25.3	7.7	20.8	10.5	5.1	3.8	26.8
Wages and salaries.....	2,677,703	71.5	22.2	9.2	23.7	11.2	5.2	3.7	24.7
Self-employment income.....	167,347	77.1	28.7	5.1	27.4	13.3	2.6	2.0	20.9
Social Security, private and government retirement.....	385,053	61.0	46.6	5/.2	2.2	6.6	5.4	1.1	38.0
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income.....	69,871	59.6	37.2	1.9	9.3	5.7	5.4	3.2	37.2
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits.....	17,511	59.0	19.1	4.8	13.8	14.4	7.0	6.1	34.9
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps.....	32,480	31.0	8.9	2.2	8.8	3.7	7.3	27.4	41.6
Regular contributions for support.....	24,922	25.0	4.0	5/1.9	14.9	1.8	2.2	30.1	44.9
Other income.....	18,442	49.8	20.6	3.6	13.4	7.1	5.2	6.3	43.9
Personal taxes.....	275,498	70.4	29.4	8.7	19.4	8.8	4.1	3.0	26.6
Federal income taxes.....	209,750	70.5	30.3	8.7	18.9	8.5	4.0	2.9	26.6
State and local income taxes.....	54,803	69.7	25.1	9.6	20.7	10.0	4.3	3.1	27.2
Other taxes.....	10,945	72.5	32.9	4.8	21.2	9.0	4.6	3.3	24.2
Income after taxes.....	3,117,831	69.3	24.9	7.6	21.0	10.7	5.2	3.9	26.8

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

2/ Value less than 0.05.

3/ Value less than 0.5.

4/ No data reported.

5/ Data are likely to have large sampling errors.

n.a. Not applicable.