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Item	All consumer units	One person	Two or more persons				
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Number of consumer units (in thousands)	108,465	31,550	76,915	33,798	17,200	15,039	10,878
Consumer unit characteristics:							
Income before taxes ¹	\$43,951	\$25,247	\$51,895	\$47,779	\$52,334	\$59,551	\$53,340
Income after taxes ¹	40,652	23,029	48,137	44,157	48,442	55,018	50,474
Age of reference person	47.9	51.2	46.5	52.8	42.9	40.5	41.3
Average number in consumer unit:							
Persons	2.5	1.0	3.1	2.0	3.0	4.0	5.6
Children under 18 .....	.7	n.a.	.9	.1	.8	1.6	2.8
Persons 65 and over .....	.3	.3	.3	.5	.1	.1	.1
Earners	1.3	.6	1.6	1.2	1.8	2.0	2.2
Vehicles	1.9	1.0	2.3	2.1	2.3	2.6	2.6
Percent distribution:							
Sex of reference person:							
Male	55	43	60	62	56	61	58
Female	45	57	40	38	44	39	42
Housing tenure:							
Homeowner	65	49	71	73	68	75	68
With mortgage	38	19	46	36	49	60	53
Without mortgage	27	31	25	37	19	15	15
Renter	35	51	29	27	32	25	32
Race of reference person:							
Black	12	11	12	10	15	12	16
White and other	88	89	88	90	85	88	84
Education of reference person:							
Elementary (1-8)	6	7	6	6	5	4	9
High school (9-12)	39	35	41	40	41	39	44
College	55	58	53	54	54	57	46
Never attended and other	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
At least one vehicle owned or leased	87	74	92	92	92	94	92
Average annual expenditures	\$36,995	\$22,373	\$42,961	\$38,856	\$42,848	\$49,096	\$47,564
Food							
Food at home	5,031	2,685	5,975	5,085	5,770	7,021	7,716
Cereals and bakery products	2,915	1,449	3,504	2,843	3,412	4,098	4,966
Cereals and cereal products	448	222	539	423	535	658	754
Bakery products	160	73	195	141	191	248	300
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	288	149	344	282	343	410	454
Beef	749	340	913	743	875	1,020	1,377
Pork	220	91	272	218	261	298	428
Other meats	157	67	193	158	182	204	306
Poultry	97	48	117	95	109	143	166
Fish and seafood	136	63	166	129	162	192	254
Eggs	106	55	127	110	126	140	163
Dairy products	32	16	39	32	34	43	61
Dairy products	322	155	389	307	377	469	567
Fresh milk and cream	122	58	148	104	145	188	238
Other dairy products	200	98	241	202	232	281	329
Fruits and vegetables	500	264	594	509	563	678	805
Fresh fruits	152	85	179	154	169	202	248
Fresh vegetables	149	76	177	158	171	196	226
Processed fruits	113	60	134	113	126	158	184
Processed vegetables	86	42	103	85	97	121	147

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Other food at home	\$896	\$468	\$1,068	\$861	\$1,063	\$1,273	\$1,462
Sugar and other sweets	112	57	133	111	124	153	194
Fats and oils	84	42	100	87	94	110	139
Miscellaneous foods	420	221	500	386	517	612	683
Nonalcoholic beverages	242	128	288	234	287	344	382
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips	39	20	48	43	40	54	63
Food away from home	2,116	1,236	2,471	2,243	2,357	2,923	2,750
Alcoholic beverages	318	286	331	378	314	291	259
Housing	12,057	8,206	13,632	12,171	13,620	15,953	14,991
Shelter	7,016	5,142	7,785	6,952	7,804	9,068	8,567
Owned dwellings	4,525	2,307	5,434	4,608	5,342	6,936	6,073
Mortgage interest and charges	2,547	1,004	3,180	2,264	3,247	4,558	4,014
Property taxes	1,123	731	1,284	1,238	1,184	1,505	1,282
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses	854	572	970	1,106	911	873	776
Rented dwellings	2,027	2,517	1,826	1,745	2,003	1,599	2,108
Other lodging	465	317	525	599	459	534	386
Utilities, fuels, and public services	2,377	1,551	2,716	2,432	2,732	3,017	3,160
Natural gas	270	184	306	268	305	326	397
Electricity	899	566	1,036	934	1,025	1,162	1,196
Fuel oil and other fuels	74	45	87	91	79	94	75
Telephone services	849	592	954	847	994	1,050	1,094
Water and other public services	285	165	334	292	330	385	398
Household operations	666	469	747	489	809	1,189	837
Personal services	323	193	376	108	478	760	518
Other household expenses	343	276	371	381	331	429	319
Housekeeping supplies	498	238	603	542	551	726	711
Laundry and cleaning supplies	121	55	148	126	131	173	210
Other household products	250	106	308	272	277	396	349
Postage and stationery	127	77	148	145	144	156	152
Household furnishings and equipment	1,499	807	1,782	1,756	1,723	1,953	1,717
Household textiles	114	69	132	127	135	131	147
Furniture	365	198	434	389	428	533	443
Floor coverings	44	21	53	61	50	49	39
Major appliances	183	109	213	215	190	239	210
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	102	69	115	137	94	104	92
Miscellaneous household equipment	692	340	834	826	826	898	786
Apparel and services	1,743	933	2,069	1,645	1,982	2,698	2,690
Men and boys	421	175	520	399	461	708	743
Men, 16 and over	328	165	394	366	362	447	458
Boys, 2 to 15	93	10	127	32	99	261	284
Women and girls	655	337	783	674	734	1,007	897
Women, 16 and over	548	328	636	629	599	724	593
Girls, 2 to 15	107	9	147	45	135	283	304
Children under 2	67	10	90	33	131	117	168
Footwear	303	135	370	262	352	491	582
Other apparel products and services	297	276	305	277	303	376	300
Transportation	7,011	3,536	8,437	7,427	8,726	9,486	9,665
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	3,305	1,507	4,043	3,525	4,172	4,584	4,702
Cars and trucks, new	1,628	753	1,987	2,004	2,006	1,916	2,001
Cars and trucks, used	1,641	728	2,016	1,493	2,113	2,605	2,672
Other vehicles	36	325	40	28	53	63	329
Gasoline and motor oil	1,055	565	1,256	1,065	1,280	1,440	1,556

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Other vehicle expenses	\$2,254	\$1,215	\$2,680	\$2,333	\$2,869	\$3,046	\$2,952
Vehicle finance charges	320	120	403	301	468	483	505
Maintenance and repairs	664	382	779	693	807	883	862
Vehicle insurance	756	429	891	784	952	1,009	963
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges	513	283	607	556	643	671	623
Public transportation	397	250	458	505	405	415	455
Health care	1,959	1,336	2,214	2,475	1,946	2,070	2,024
Health insurance	923	614	1,049	1,177	903	996	958
Medical services	558	346	644	648	607	677	647
Drugs	370	304	397	514	333	274	304
Medical supplies	109	72	124	136	104	123	115
Entertainment	1,891	1,040	2,238	2,037	2,291	2,638	2,236
Fees and admissions	459	277	533	515	487	630	529
Television, radios, sound equipment	608	415	687	583	688	839	802
Pets, toys, and playground equipment	346	185	411	357	409	521	433
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services	478	163	607	582	707	648	472
Personal care products and services	408	254	470	434	474	519	516
Reading	159	122	175	185	171	182	136
Education	635	421	722	507	795	1,013	874
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	300	189	346	301	372	387	385
Miscellaneous	867	663	950	890	1,054	979	937
Cash contributions	1,181	1,013	1,250	1,521	1,070	919	1,147
Personal insurance and pensions	3,436	1,689	4,153	3,798	4,264	4,941	3,988
Life and other personal insurance	394	133	502	454	475	643	497
Pensions and Social Security	3,042	1,556	3,651	3,345	3,790	4,298	3,491
Sources of income and personal taxes: ¹							
Money income before taxes	43,951	25,247	51,894	47,776	52,334	59,551	53,340
Wages and salaries	34,456	16,790	41,959	33,551	45,263	53,076	47,491
Self-employment income	2,603	1,050	3,263	3,857	2,762	3,265	2,178
Social Security, private and government retirement	4,798	4,838	4,781	8,352	2,486	1,567	1,712
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	1,104	1,786	815	1,273	570	470	248
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits	177	132	195	168	177	252	230
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps	320	159	389	262	372	380	832
Regular contributions for support	262	215	282	164	472	269	368
Other income	230	276	211	150	232	272	283
Personal taxes	3,299	2,218	3,758	3,622	3,892	4,533	2,866
Federal income taxes	2,513	1,679	2,867	2,749	3,001	3,530	2,078
State and local income taxes	616	419	700	659	716	791	671
Other taxes	170	121	191	213	175	213	118
Income after taxes	40,652	23,029	48,137	44,157	48,442	55,018	50,474

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Addenda:							
Net change in total assets and liabilities	\$142	\$1,031	- \$223	- \$490	\$992	- \$1,409	\$329
Net change in total assets	6,478	3,906	7,533	6,062	8,694	9,269	7,869
Net change in total liabilities	6,336	2,876	7,756	6,552	7,703	10,678	7,540
Other financial information:							
Other money receipts	651	1,007	506	555	635	489	172
Mortgage principal paid on owned property	-1,366	-533	-1,709	-1,776	-1,444	-1,887	-1,669
Estimated market value of owned home	87,582	53,099	101,727	103,023	93,339	108,810	101,171
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home	592	393	674	663	643	732	675
Gifts of goods and services	1,083	801	1,198	1,427	1,186	991	783
Food	83	40	100	130	103	62	58
Housing	292	200	329	368	335	316	213
Housekeeping supplies	41	25	47	48	48	55	29
Household textiles	17	20	16	16	27	8	6
Appliances and miscellaneous							
housewares	32	19	38	55	28	26	13
Major appliances	9	10	8	11	6	5	5
Small appliances and miscellaneous							
housewares	24	9	30	44	22	21	8
Miscellaneous household equipment	66	47	74	95	59	63	46
Other housing	136	90	155	153	173	164	118
Apparel and services	210	156	231	260	218	213	185
Males, 2 and over	54	26	65	84	51	65	31
Females, 2 and over	71	51	79	99	69	69	42
Children under 2	33	10	42	29	54	42	67
Other apparel products and services	52	69	44	48	44	37	45
Jewelry and watches	27	53	16	18	13	16	13
All other apparel products and services	25	16	29	30	32	20	32
Transportation	63	46	70	82	63	40	88
Health care	40	61	32	43	37	15	11
Entertainment	98	80	106	132	93	89	66
Toys, games, hobbies, and tricycles	32	22	36	46	29	31	25
Other entertainment	66	58	70	86	64	59	41
Education	166	84	200	250	231	143	73
All other gifts	131	133	130	164	105	112	89

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

² Value less than 0.5.

³ Data are likely to have large sampling errors.
n.a. Not applicable.