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## CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (1982-84=100) March 2009

Group	All urban consumers			Wage earners & clerical workers		
	Index	Percent change	Percent change	Index	Percent change	Percent change
		Mar 08	Feb 09		Mar 08	Feb 09
		Mar 09	Mar 09		Mar 09	Mar 09
<b>U.S. City Average</b>						
All items (1982-84=100)	212.709	-0.4	0.2	207.218	-0.9	0.2
All items (1967=100)	637.182	-	-	617.239	-	-
Food and beverages	218.794	4.3	-0.2	218.119	4.4	-0.2
Housing	217.374	1.4	0.1	213.213	1.8	0.0
Apparel	122.545	1.4	3.1	122.162	1.1	2.9
Transportation	169.647	-13.1	0.1	165.978	-15.2	0.0
Medical care	373.189	2.8	0.2	373.541	2.9	0.2
Recreation 1/	114.625	1.7	0.1	111.436	1.5	0.2
Education & communication 1/	126.187	3.6	0.0	122.087	3.3	0.0
Other goods and services	361.156	5.7	2.8	380.208	7.6	4.0
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<b>South</b>						
All items (1982-84=100)	206.001	-0.3	0.3	201.737	-1.1	0.3
All items (Dec 1977=100)	334.163	-	-	326.736	-	-
Food and beverages	216.662	4.7	-0.2	215.425	4.7	-0.2
Housing	202.653	2.5	0.1	201.607	2.8	-0.1
Apparel	134.464	1.7	3.3	134.389	1.3	3.0
Transportation	165.612	-14.9	0.3	160.813	-16.9	0.2
Medical care	354.392	2.3	0.1	357.299	2.4	0.1
Recreation 1/	115.514	1.4	0.3	112.146	1.2	0.5
Education & communication 1/	121.773	3.3	0.0	117.459	2.9	-0.1
Other goods and services	349.784	5.9	3.5	364.982	7.4	4.8

1/ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

- Not available.

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