

Table 1400. Size of consumer unit: Shares of average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1991

Item	All consumer units	One person	Two or more persons	Two persons	Three persons	Four persons	Five or more persons
Number of consumer units (in thousands).....	97,918	27,166	70,752	30,219	16,233	14,036	10,264
Consumer unit characteristics:							
Income before taxes 1/.....	\$33,901	\$18,057	\$40,119	\$36,955	\$40,124	\$46,196	\$40,985
Income after taxes 1/.....	30,729	16,318	36,385	33,106	36,696	41,745	38,077
Age of reference person.....	47.5	50.4	46.4	52.4	44.1	40.1	41.2
Average number in consumer unit:							
Persons.....	2.6	1.0	3.2	2.0	3.0	4.0	5.7
Children under 18.....	.7	n.a.	1.0	.1	.7	1.7	2.9
Persons 65 and over.....	.3	.3	.3	.5	.2	.1	.1
Earners.....	1.4	.6	1.7	1.2	1.8	2.0	2.2
Vehicles.....	2.0	1.0	2.3	2.1	2.3	2.6	2.7
Percent distribution:							
Sex of reference person:							
Male.....	65	45	73	73	70	78	75
Female.....	35	55	27	27	30	22	25

Housing tenure:								
Percent homeowner.....	63	42	71	72	69	75	67	
With mortgage.....	39	16	47	37	49	63	54	
Without mortgage.....	25	26	24	35	20	12	14	
Renter.....	37	58	29	28	31	25	33	
Race of reference person:								
Black.....	11	11	11	8	13	11	17	
White and other.....	89	89	89	92	87	89	83	
Education of reference person:								
Elementary (1-8).....	10	13	9	10	9	5	11	
High school (9-12).....	43	37	46	45	47	44	49	
College.....	46	49	45	45	44	51	39	
Never attended and other.....	1	1	(2)	1	(2)	(2)	1	
At least one vehicle owned.....	86	71	92	92	92	94	91	
Average annual expenditures.....	\$29,614	\$17,569	\$34,234	\$30,648	\$34,389	\$38,806	\$38,269	
Food.....	14.4	13.0	14.7	13.7	14.2	15.1	17.2	
Food at home.....	9.0	7.2	9.3	8.3	8.7	9.7	11.9	
Cereals and bakery products.....	1.4	1.1	1.4	1.2	1.4	1.5	1.9	
Cereals and cereal products.....	.5	.4	.5	.4	.5	.6	.7	
Bakery products.....	.9	.7	.9	.8	.9	.9	1.2	
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs.....	2.4	1.8	2.5	2.2	2.4	2.7	3.2	
Beef.....	.8	.5	.8	.7	.7	.9	1.0	
Pork.....	.5	.3	.5	.5	.5	.5	.6	
Other meats.....	.3	.3	.4	.3	.4	.4	.5	
Poultry.....	.4	.4	.4	.4	.4	.4	.5	
Fish and seafood.....	.3	.2	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3	
Eggs.....	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1	.2	

Dairy products.....	1.0	.8	1.0	.9	.9	1.1	1.4
Fresh milk and cream.....	.4	.4	.4	.4	.4	.5	.7
Other dairy products.....	.6	.5	.6	.5	.5	.6	.7
Fruits and vegetables.....	1.4	1.2	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.5	1.8
Fresh fruits.....	.5	.4	.5	.4	.4	.5	.6
Fresh vegetables.....	.4	.4	.4	.5	.4	.4	.5
Processed fruits.....	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3	.4
Processed vegetables.....	.2	.2	.3	.2	.2	.3	.3
Other food at home.....	2.8	2.3	2.8	2.6	2.7	3.0	3.6
Sugar and other sweets.....	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3	.4	.4
Fats and oils.....	.2	.2	.3	.2	.2	.3	.3
Miscellaneous foods.....	1.3	1.0	1.3	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.7
Nonalcoholic beverages.....	.8	.6	.8	.7	.8	.8	1.0
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips.....	.1	.1	.2	.2	.1	.1	.2
Food away from home.....	5.5	5.8	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.3
Alcoholic beverages.....	1.0	1.5	.9	1.1	.8	.8	.7
Housing.....	31.2	35.0	30.5	30.2	30.8	31.4	29.6
Shelter.....	17.5	21.9	16.7	16.3	17.1	17.3	16.1
Owned dwellings.....	11.1	8.9	11.5	10.6	11.6	13.0	11.4
Mortgage interest and charges.....	6.5	4.3	7.0	5.5	7.2	8.8	7.6
Property taxes.....	2.7	2.6	2.7	2.9	2.6	2.6	2.4
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses.....	1.9	2.1	1.9	2.2	1.8	1.6	1.5
Rented dwellings.....	5.4	12.1	4.0	4.3	4.4	3.2	4.0
Other lodging.....	1.1	.9	1.1	1.4	1.2	1.0	.7
Utilities, fuels, and public services.....	6.7	7.1	6.6	6.7	6.6	6.4	6.9
Natural gas.....	.8	.9	.8	.8	.9	.8	.9

Electricity.....	2.7	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.8
Fuel oil and other fuels.....	.3	.4	.3	.4	.3	.3	.3
Telephone services.....	2.1	2.6	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.9	2.1
Water and other public services.....	.7	.7	.7	.7	.7	.8	.8
Household operations.....	1.5	1.1	1.6	1.3	1.8	2.0	1.4
Personal services.....	.7	.2	.8	.3	1.1	1.4	.8
Other household expenses.....	.8	.9	.8	1.0	.7	.7	.6
Housekeeping supplies.....	1.4	1.2	1.5	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.5
Laundry and cleaning supplies.....	.4	.3	.4	.4	.4	.4	.5
Other household products.....	.6	.4	.7	.7	.6	.7	.6
Postage and stationery.....	.4	.5	.4	.5	.4	.3	.3
Household furnishings and equipment.....	4.1	3.6	4.1	4.4	3.9	4.2	3.8
Household textiles.....	.3	.3	.4	.4	.4	.3	.3
Furniture.....	1.0	.7	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0
Floor coverings.....	.4	.5	.4	.5	.2	.5	.2
Major appliances.....	.4	.3	.5	.5	.4	.5	.5
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	.3	.2	.3	.3	.2	.3	.2
Miscellaneous household equipment.....	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.6
Apparel and services.....	5.9	5.6	5.9	5.2	6.3	6.1	6.9
Men and boys.....	1.4	1.3	1.5	1.2	1.6	1.6	1.7
Men, 16 and over.....	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.3	1.1	1.0
Boys, 2 to 15.....	.3	.1	.3	.1	.3	.4	.7
Women and girls.....	2.4	2.5	2.4	2.1	2.4	2.4	2.7
Women, 16 and over.....	2.1	2.4	2.0	2.0	2.1	1.8	1.9
Girls, 2 to 15.....	.3	(3)	.4	.1	.3	.6	.8
Children under 2.....	.3	.1	.3	.1	.4	.4	.5
Footwear.....	.8	.8	.8	.7	.9	.8	1.1
Other apparel products and services.....	.9	1.0	.9	1.0	.9	.9	.8
Transportation.....	17.4	14.9	17.9	18.6	17.5	17.3	17.5
Vehicle purchases (net outlay).....	7.1	5.5	7.4	8.1	7.1	6.6	7.5

Cars and trucks, new.....	3.6	2.7	3.8	4.6	4.1	2.6	3.5
Cars and trucks, used.....	3.4	2.7	3.6	3.5	3.0	4.0	4.0
Other vehicles.....	.1	.1	.1	.1	(3)	(3)	(3)
Gasoline and motor oil.....	3.4	2.8	3.5	3.3	3.5	3.6	3.7
Other vehicle expenses.....	5.9	5.3	6.0	6.0	6.1	6.3	5.4
Vehicle finance charges.....	1.0	.6	1.0	.9	1.1	1.1	1.0
Maintenance and repairs.....	2.1	1.9	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.4	1.9
Vehicle insurance.....	2.1	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.0
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges.....	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.6
Public transportation.....	1.0	1.3	1.0	1.2	.8	.7	.9
Health care.....	5.2	5.8	5.1	6.1	5.1	4.4	4.0
Health insurance.....	2.2	2.6	2.1	2.6	2.2	1.7	1.5
Medical services.....	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7
Drugs.....	.8	1.0	.8	1.1	.7	.6	.5
Medical supplies.....	.3	.3	.3	.4	.3	.3	.3
Entertainment.....	5.0	4.9	5.0	5.1	4.7	5.0	4.9
Fees and admissions.....	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.1	1.4	1.3
Television, radios, sound equipment.....	1.6	1.8	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.5
Pets, toys, and playground equipment.....	.9	.7	.9	.8	1.0	1.0	1.1
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services.....	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.5	1.0	1.1	1.0
Personal care products and services.....	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.4
Reading.....	.6	.6	.5	.6	.5	.5	.5
Education.....	1.5	1.8	1.4	1.0	1.8	1.5	2.0
Tobacco products and smoking supplies.....	.9	.9	.9	.9	1.1	.9	1.0

Miscellaneous.....	2.9	3.3	2.8	2.9	3.1	2.8	2.4
Cash contributions.....	3.2	4.4	3.0	3.4	2.8	2.3	3.0
Personal insurance and pensions.....	9.4	7.0	9.9	9.8	9.8	10.7	8.9
Life and other personal insurance.....	1.2	.7	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.2
Pensions and Social Security.....	8.2	6.4	8.6	8.5	8.5	9.4	7.7
Sources of income and personal taxes: 1/							
Money income before taxes.....	\$33,901	\$18,057	\$40,119	\$36,955	\$40,124	\$46,196	\$40,985
Wages and salaries.....	75.4	67.4	76.8	69.6	79.5	83.9	80.3
Self-employment income.....	7.5	3.6	8.2	6.2	8.5	10.2	9.9
Social Security, private and government retirement.....	10.6	18.9	9.1	17.0	6.4	2.1	3.5
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income.....	3.4	5.9	3.0	5.1	2.2	1.4	1.2
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits.....	.7	.6	.7	.7	.9	.6	.9
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps.....	1.1	1.0	1.2	0.6	1.2	0.9	3.0
Regular contributions for support.....	.8	1.8	.7	.5	.9	.7	.8
Other income.....	.4	.9	.3	.3	.3	.2	.3
Personal taxes.....	9.4	9.6	9.3	10.4	8.5	9.6	7.1
Federal income taxes.....	7.2	7.5	7.1	8.1	6.6	7.2	5.3
State and local income taxes.....	1.8	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.6	2.1	1.5
Other taxes.....	.4	.4	.4	.4	.3	.4	.3
Income after taxes.....	90.6	90.4	90.7	89.6	91.5	90.4	92.9

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

2/ Value less than 0.5.

3/ Value less than 0.05.

n.a. Not applicable.