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## Consumer Price Index October 2008

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Consumer Price Index October 2008		United States City Average			Midwest Region		
Group (1982-84-100 unless otherwise noted)	Index	Percent change to Oct. 2008 from		Index	Percent change to Oct. 2008 from		
	Oct. 2008	Oct. 2007	Sep. 2008	Oct. 2008	Oct. 2007	Sep. 2008	
	CPI-U					CPI-U	
All Urban Consumers							
<b>All Items</b>	216.573	3.7	-1.0	206.019	3.3	-1.5	
All items (other base) (5)	648.758	-	-	335.204	-	-	
<b>Food and beverages</b>	218.705	6.1	.5	211.748	6.3	.3	
Food	218.738	6.3	.5	211.652	6.6	.3	
Food at home	219.660	7.5	.5	209.051	7.5	.2	
Food away from home	219.290	4.8	.5	216.206	5.4	.5	
Alcoholic beverages	216.972	3.8	.4	212.440	3.3	.1	
<b>Housing</b>	217.383	3.2	-.4	197.420	2.4	-.8	
Shelter	247.844	2.2	.0	224.875	.9	.1	
Rent of primary residence (3)	245.855	3.7	.4	217.053	2.3	.4	
Owners'equiv. rent (1) (3)	253.902	2.3	.2	227.068	1.2	.2	
Fuels and utilities	221.199	10.1	-3.2	209.515	10.7	-6.1	
Household energy	201.176	10.8	-4.0	186.502	11.2	-7.4	
Gas (piped) and electricity (3)	203.503	9.8	-3.5	192.263	11.3	-7.3	
Electricity (3)	191.513	8.1	-3.6	162.769	5.4	-8.2	
Utility (piped) gas service (3)	239.218	13.9	-3.5	242.713	19.7	-6.1	
Furnishings and operations	128.789	2.0	.2	122.925	2.5	.7	
<b>Apparel</b>	122.243	.3	.9	114.661	1.4	-.8	
<b>Transportation</b>	192.709	4.2	-5.5	192.796	3.6	-7.2	
Private transportation	187.976	3.9	-5.6	187.425	3.3	-7.5	
Motor fuel	268.537	12.3	-14.8	268.270	8.8	-18.6	
Gasoline (all types)	266.382	12.0	-15.0	265.908	8.4	-19.1	
Unleaded regular (2)	266.536	12.1	-15.2	265.004	8.4	-19.3	
Unleaded midgrade (2) (6)	271.657	11.8	-15.1	289.486	8.0	-19.3	
Unleaded premium (2)	256.535	11.7	-14.2	262.710	9.0	-17.7	
<b>Medical care</b>	365.746	2.8	.2	365.058	2.3	.6	
<b>Recreation (4)</b>	114.169	2.2	.1	115.690	2.4	-.1	
<b>Education and communication (4)</b>	125.686	3.4	.1	127.251	3.2	.1	
<b>Other goods and services</b>	349.276	4.1	.3	337.109	3.8	.6	
<b>Commodity and service group</b>							
Commodities	175.257	3.9	-2.2	170.659	3.8	-3.0	
Commodities less food & bev	151.874	2.7	-3.6	149.507	2.3	-4.8	
Nondurables less food & bev	195.127	6.0	-5.7	190.910	4.7	-7.4	
Durables	109.677	-2.0	-.4	108.227	-1.3	-.4	
Services	257.559	3.5	-.2	242.913	2.9	-.5	
<b>Special Indexes:</b>							
All items less medical care	209.021	3.7	-1.1	198.268	3.4	-1.7	
All items less shelter	206.776	4.3	-1.5	201.361	4.3	-2.2	
Energy	231.561	11.5	-10.3	221.927	9.9	-13.8	
All items less energy	216.695	2.8	.1	206.532	2.6	.1	
All items less food and energy	217.023	2.2	.1	206.181	1.8	.1	
Commodities less food	154.250	2.7	-3.5	151.655	2.3	-4.6	
Nondurables	207.435	6.0	-2.7	201.676	5.5	-3.7	
Nondurables less food	196.442	5.8	-5.3	192.022	4.6	-6.9	
Services less rent of shelter (1)	276.297	5.0	-.5	269.613	5.1	-1.1	
Services less medical care serv	246.997	3.5	-.2	231.416	2.9	-.6	
Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers				CPI-W		CPI-W	
<b>All items</b>	212.182	3.8	-1.3	201.236	3.5	-1.8	
All items (other base) (5)	632.025	-	-	325.444	-	-	

(1) Index is on a December 1982=100 base.

(2) Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

(3) This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

(4) Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

(5) Other base: United States City Average, 1967=100; Midwest Region, December 1977=100.

(6) Indexes on a December 1993=100 base. - Data not available

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date. Data not seasonally adjusted.

Consumer Price Index October 2008		Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI			Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI		
Group (1982-84-100 unless otherwise noted)	Index	Percent change to Oct. 2008 from		Index	Percent change to Oct. 2008 from		
	Oct. 2008	Oct. 2007	Sep. 2008	Oct. 2008	Oct. 2007	Aug. 2008	
All Urban Consumers	CPI-U			CPI-U			
<b>All Items</b> .....	213.363	3.2	-1.0	205.238	1.7	-2.0	
All items (1967=100).....	637.439	-	-	610.052	-	-	
<b>Food and beverages</b> .....	214.159	4.9	.1	198.846	4.4	1.5	
Food .....	213.409	4.9	.1	198.863	4.7	1.6	
Food at home .....	219.206	4.2	.0	196.707	5.4	1.6	
Food away from home .....	200.875	5.9	.2	202.452	3.7	1.5	
Alcoholic beverages .....	224.920	5.0	.1	192.389	1.2	.9	
<b>Housing</b> .....	217.026	1.6	-.9	193.419	1.3	-.1	
Shelter .....	260.090	-.4	-.3	214.361	-1.0	.0	
Rent of primary residence (1).....	266.778	2.6	.2	204.530	-.9	.6	
Owners'equiv. rent (1,2).....	261.355	-.3	.4	215.028	.7	-.1	
Fuels and utilities .....	197.806	14.2	-4.7	236.747	12.6	-1.6	
Household energy.....	182.764	14.8	-5.4	200.382	14.1	-2.1	
Gas (piped) and electricity (1).....	186.466	14.8	-5.3	202.788	14.4	-1.8	
Electricity (1).....	146.618	8.2	-1.0	162.202	5.1	-1.3	
Utility (piped) gas service (1).....	232.592	22.8	-9.5	247.305	24.3	-2.2	
Furnishings and operations .....	108.590	2.3	-.5	123.258	4.4	.9	
<b>Apparel</b> .....	96.007	1.9	-.4	111.416	6.1	-7.8	
<b>Transportation</b> .....	186.329	5.6	-4.8	211.133	1.7	-9.2	
Private transportation .....	183.473	5.7	-5.1	209.203	1.3	-9.3	
Motor fuel .....	299.679	19.3	-13.4	250.871	-.6	-23.9	
Gasoline (all types) .....	297.063	19.3	-13.5	248.449	-1.1	-24.3	
Unleaded regular (3).....	293.880	19.6	-13.5	254.754	-1.4	-24.8	
Unleaded midgrade (3,4).....	306.969	18.2	-13.8	277.812	.1	-23.5	
Unleaded premium (3).....	281.895	18.7	-12.7	237.631	.1	-21.6	
<b>Medical care</b> .....	371.944	3.3	2.6	351.649	-.7	.2	
<b>Recreation (5)</b> .....	112.426	2.2	-.1	117.743	-2.6	-3.2	
<b>Education and communication (5)</b> .....	134.786	4.5	.6	132.792	1.8	1.0	
<b>Other goods and services</b> .....	333.209	2.6	-.4	350.099	-.1	.2	
<b>Commodity and service group:</b>							
Commodities.....	167.421	4.3	-1.9	165.468	2.3	-4.4	
Commodities less food & bev .....	141.559	3.7	-3.3	147.464	.9	-8.0	
Nondurables less food & bev .....	185.429	8.0	-5.0	178.148	2.7	-11.5	
Durables .....	99.145	-3.0	.0	111.696	-1.7	-.9	
Services.....	256.556	2.5	-.3	247.068	1.3	-.3	
<b>Special Indexes:</b>							
All items less medical care .....	206.264	3.2	-1.2	199.362	1.9	-2.1	
All items less shelter .....	197.892	5.0	-1.3	204.602	3.0	-2.9	
Energy .....	226.822	17.0	-9.9	225.154	5.9	-14.9	
All items less energy.....	213.442	1.9	.1	205.596	1.3	-.2	
All items less food and energy.....	214.181	1.3	.1	207.549	.6	-.6	
Commodities less food.....	144.828	3.8	-3.0	149.293	.9	-7.6	
Nondurables.....	201.327	6.4	-2.4	188.762	3.5	-5.4	
Nondurables less food.....	188.088	7.7	-4.5	179.110	2.6	-10.8	
Services less rent of shelter (2) .....	266.038	6.1	-.3	292.577	3.9	-.7	
Services less medical care serv .....	247.535	2.4	-.6	239.074	1.5	-.3	
Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers			CPI-W		CPI-W		
<b>All items</b> .....	206.772	3.6	-1.1	200.570	2.2	-2.4	
All items (1967=100).....	607.260	-	-	590.718	-	-	

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