

**Table 8. Region of residence: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2006-2007**

Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Number of consumer units (in thousands) .....	119,507	22,570	27,334	42,804	26,800
Consumer unit characteristics:					
Income before taxes .....	\$61,820	\$67,060	\$58,688	\$57,216	\$67,953
Income after taxes .....	59,487	64,579	56,712	55,166	64,931
Age of reference person .....	48.8	50.1	48.6	48.8	47.7
Average number in consumer unit:					
Persons .....	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.6
Children under 18 .....	.6	.6	.6	.7	.7
Persons 65 and over .....	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3
Earners .....	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.4
Vehicles .....	1.9	1.6	2.1	1.9	2.1
Percent distribution:					
Sex of reference person:					
Male .....	46	44	49	44	50
Female .....	54	56	51	56	50
Housing tenure:					
Homeowner .....	67	65	69	70	63
With mortgage .....	43	40	44	43	45
Without mortgage .....	24	24	25	26	18
Renter .....	33	35	31	30	37
Race of reference person:					
Black or African-American .....	12	10	9	20	5
White, Asian, and all other races .....	88	90	91	80	95
Hispanic or Latino origin of reference person:					
Hispanic or Latino .....	12	9	4	13	20
Not Hispanic or Latino .....	88	91	96	87	80
Education of reference person:					
Elementary (1-8) .....	5	4	4	6	5
High school (9-12) .....	35	38	36	38	29
College .....	59	58	60	56	65
Never attended and other .....	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
At least one vehicle owned or leased .....	88	80	90	90	90
Average annual expenditures .....	\$49,279	\$50,703	\$46,812	\$45,225	\$57,124
Food .....					
Food at home .....	3,441	3,529	3,256	3,223	3,918
Cereals and bakery products .....	453	486	438	423	489
Cereals and cereal products .....	143	156	133	132	160
Bakery products .....	310	331	306	291	330
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	787	825	715	767	864
Beef .....	226	212	212	225	254
Pork .....	153	145	148	162	153
Other meats .....	105	120	112	94	102
Poultry .....	141	159	113	143	152
Fish and seafood .....	122	147	99	106	151
Eggs .....	40	41	31	38	51
Dairy products .....	378	390	370	347	425
Fresh milk and cream .....	147	146	139	146	158
Other dairy products .....	231	244	231	202	267
Fruits and vegetables .....	596	641	538	532	725
Fresh fruits .....	199	212	186	167	253
Fresh vegetables .....	192	208	162	174	239
Processed fruits .....	111	128	103	96	129
Processed vegetables .....	95	93	87	96	104

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other food at home .....	\$1,227	\$1,187	\$1,195	\$1,154	\$1,414
Sugar and other sweets .....	125	125	129	115	135
Fats and oils .....	89	90	84	85	98
Miscellaneous foods .....	638	604	627	596	748
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	333	326	315	326	369
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips .....	43	43	40	32	64
Food away from home .....	2,681	2,791	2,522	2,492	3,063
Alcoholic beverages .....	477	513	512	374	576
Housing .....	16,684	18,408	15,067	14,719	20,024
Shelter .....	9,849	11,335	8,531	8,056	12,806
Owned dwellings .....	6,624	7,452	6,054	5,536	8,244
Mortgage interest and charges .....	3,822	3,662	3,210	3,256	5,485
Property taxes .....	1,679	2,584	1,756	1,224	1,565
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses .....	1,123	1,207	1,088	1,057	1,194
Rented dwellings .....	2,596	3,039	1,848	2,107	3,766
Other lodging .....	629	843	629	412	796
Utilities, fuels, and public services .....	3,437	3,707	3,303	3,550	3,166
Natural gas .....	494	656	732	298	430
Electricity .....	1,284	1,225	1,087	1,578	1,068
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	144	429	112	63	67
Telephone services .....	1,098	1,085	1,012	1,167	1,088
Water and other public services .....	416	312	361	444	513
Household operations .....	966	971	891	898	1,148
Personal services .....	404	420	431	369	419
Other household expenses .....	562	551	459	529	729
Housekeeping supplies .....	639	579	613	627	738
Laundry and cleaning supplies .....	146	123	138	160	149
Other household products .....	338	303	321	333	395
Postage and stationery .....	155	153	153	134	194
Household furnishings and equipment .....	1,793	1,815	1,730	1,588	2,167
Household textiles .....	143	135	128	131	182
Furniture .....	463	467	424	408	587
Floor coverings .....	47	70	44	38	46
Major appliances .....	229	237	212	215	263
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares .....	109	109	93	103	135
Miscellaneous household equipment .....	802	796	828	694	955
Apparel and services .....	1,893	2,069	1,828	1,720	2,091
Men and boys .....	441	467	387	429	494
Men, 16 and over .....	354	373	305	340	414
Boys, 2 to 15 .....	87	94	83	89	81
Women and girls .....	754	817	777	668	816
Women, 16 and over .....	628	685	657	540	693
Girls, 2 to 15 .....	126	132	119	128	123
Children under 2 .....	95	87	93	87	114
Footwear .....	316	354	295	288	350
Other apparel products and services .....	288	344	277	248	317
Transportation .....	8,737	8,107	8,159	8,578	10,116
Vehicle purchases (net outlay) .....	3,332	2,703	3,070	3,428	3,976
Cars and trucks, new .....	1,684	1,496	1,425	1,705	2,074
Cars and trucks, used .....	1,568	1,167	1,534	1,656	1,798
Other vehicles .....	80	39	111	67	104
Gasoline and motor oil .....	2,306	1,994	2,275	2,440	2,386

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other vehicle expenses .....	\$2,577	\$2,722	\$2,386	\$2,368	\$2,992
Vehicle finance charges .....	302	243	265	340	327
Maintenance and repairs .....	713	684	660	670	862
Vehicle insurance .....	1,083	1,154	930	1,046	1,242
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, and other charges .....	480	640	531	313	561
Public transportation .....	521	688	428	342	762
Healthcare .....	2,810	2,618	2,957	2,788	2,857
Health insurance .....	1,505	1,498	1,569	1,499	1,456
Medical services .....	690	586	754	627	814
Drugs .....	497	416	507	560	456
Medical supplies .....	117	118	128	103	130
Entertainment .....	2,637	2,666	2,525	2,322	3,234
Fees and admissions .....	641	755	636	458	842
Audio and visual equipment and services .....	948	960	875	934	1,035
Pets, toys, hobbies, and playground equipment .....	570	547	527	561	651
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services .....	478	404	487	368	707
Personal care products and services .....	586	583	541	568	665
Reading .....	117	134	127	87	142
Education .....	917	1,121	1,069	726	894
Tobacco products and smoking supplies .....	325	346	360	334	256
Miscellaneous .....	827	855	792	689	1,061
Cash contributions .....	1,845	1,445	1,847	1,762	2,312
Personal insurance and pensions .....	5,303	5,517	5,247	4,843	5,915
Life and other personal insurance .....	316	338	346	305	283
Pensions and Social Security .....	4,987	5,179	4,902	4,537	5,632
Sources of income and personal taxes:					
Money income before taxes .....	61,820	67,060	58,688	57,216	67,953
Wages and salaries .....	49,227	54,532	46,115	45,604	53,719
Self-employment income .....	3,526	3,539	3,199	2,931	4,796
Social Security, private and government retirement .....	6,260	6,029	6,420	6,291	6,242
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income .....	1,617	1,606	1,913	1,292	1,842
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits .....	212	270	204	193	201
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps .....	336	365	293	325	373
Regular contributions for support .....	436	445	351	416	548
Other income .....	206	274	193	163	233
Personal taxes .....	2,332	2,481	1,976	2,049	3,022
Federal income taxes .....	1,640	1,608	1,241	1,561	2,199
State and local income taxes .....	493	605	483	334	664
Other taxes .....	199	268	252	155	158
Income after taxes .....	59,487	64,579	56,712	55,166	64,931

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Addenda:					
Net change in total assets and liabilities .....	- \$4,774	- \$3,563	- \$3,935	- \$3,069	- \$9,373
Net change in total assets .....	10,882	10,085	8,128	8,165	18,702
Net change in total liabilities .....	15,656	13,648	12,063	11,234	28,075
Other financial information:					
Other money receipts .....	620	406	572	631	830
Mortgage principal paid on owned property .....	-2,180	-2,120	-2,125	-1,879	-2,766
Estimated market value of owned home .....	182,772	207,875	137,558	138,100	279,094
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home ....	886	996	766	807	1,040
Gifts of goods and services .....	1,190	1,204	1,301	1,003	1,363
Food .....	105	110	113	94	109
Alcoholic beverages .....	14	13	22	10	13
Housing .....	246	236	267	192	320
Housekeeping supplies .....	29	23	34	25	35
Household textiles .....	12	16	13	12	9
Appliances and miscellaneous housewares .....	23	27	24	19	26
Major appliances .....	8	11	8	5	12
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares .....	14	16	16	13	14
Miscellaneous household equipment .....	54	57	78	35	57
Other housing .....	128	113	118	102	194
Apparel and services .....	247	263	251	234	248
Males, 2 and over .....	59	60	55	62	57
Females, 2 and over .....	87	93	103	77	82
Children under 2 .....	49	48	47	43	59
Other apparel products and services .....	53	63	47	52	50
Jewelry and watches .....	24	30	24	22	24
All other apparel products and services .....	28	33	23	31	26
Transportation .....	90	65	73	86	133
Health care .....	32	36	30	14	58
Entertainment .....	98	82	115	77	129
Toys, games, arts and crafts, and tricycles .....	37	32	45	33	39
Other entertainment .....	61	51	70	44	90
Personal care products and services .....	17	15	19	16	18
Reading .....	1	1	1	1	1
Education .....	247	298	326	202	194
All other gifts .....	94	84	84	76	140

<sup>1</sup> Value is less than or equal to 0.5.