

**Table 3800. Consumer units with reference person under age 25 by region of residence:
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2002-2003**

Item	Total under 25	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Number of consumer units (in thousands)	8,660	1,412	1,887	3,162	2,200
Consumer unit characteristics:					
Income before taxes ¹	\$20,726	\$17,489	\$20,855	\$22,497	\$20,164
Income after taxes ¹	20,233	17,089	20,402	22,004	19,577
Age of reference person	21.3	21.1	21.5	21.4	21.1
Average number in consumer unit:					
Persons	1.9	1.5	1.8	2.0	1.9
Children under 184	.2	.4	.4	.4
Persons 65 and over	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
Earners	1.2	1.1	1.3	1.3	1.2
Vehicles	1.1	.7	1.2	1.2	1.1
Percent distribution:					
Sex of reference person:					
Male	48	47	49	45	51
Female	52	53	51	55	49
Housing tenure:					
Homeowner	15	10	16	19	11
With mortgage	8	5	9	10	7
Without mortgage	7	5	7	9	4
Renter	85	90	84	81	89
Race of reference person:					
Black or African American	11	8	11	18	4
White, Asian, and All Other Races	89	92	89	82	96
Education of reference person:					
Elementary (1-8)	2	2	1	3	3
High school (9-12)	30	29	38	31	24
College	68	70	61	66	73
Never attended and other	(³)	(⁴)	(³)	(³)	(³)
At least one vehicle owned or leased	71	54	74	73	76
Average annual expenditures	\$23,317	\$20,667	\$22,493	\$23,387	\$25,732
Food	3,511	3,363	3,028	3,709	3,826
Food at home	1,845	1,668	1,376	1,998	2,222
Cereals and bakery products	271	269	205	283	325
Cereals and cereal products	104	104	74	107	132
Bakery products	167	165	132	175	193
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	449	342	291	535	557
Beef	131	92	86	150	175
Pork	92	62	69	114	103
Other meats	53	52	43	58	56
Poultry	91	72	56	104	119
Fish and seafood	59	47	24	83	70
Eggs	24	18	12	27	34
Dairy products	196	178	155	202	242
Fresh milk and cream	81	70	73	81	97
Other dairy products	115	108	82	121	144
Fruits and vegetables	305	295	199	310	413
Fresh fruits	90	90	66	87	118
Fresh vegetables	93	84	59	93	135
Processed fruits	73	80	45	75	95
Processed vegetables	48	42	28	54	65

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Item	Total under 25	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other food at home	\$624	\$583	\$526	\$669	\$685
Sugar and other sweets	63	60	46	65	78
Fats and oils	46	41	34	51	54
Miscellaneous foods	338	304	292	369	362
Nonalcoholic beverages	159	166	141	164	167
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips	18	13	13	19	25
Food away from home	1,666	1,695	1,652	1,711	1,604
Alcoholic beverages	452	407	543	452	388
Housing	7,266	6,960	6,583	7,427	7,841
Shelter	4,714	4,729	4,074	4,636	5,366
Owned dwellings	798	642	748	924	761
Mortgage interest and charges	446	202	431	521	507
Property taxes	255	371	251	282	146
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses	97	69	66	120	108
Rented dwellings	3,619	3,788	3,023	3,547	4,124
Other lodging	297	299	303	165	481
Utilities, fuels, and public services	1,339	1,108	1,319	1,555	1,193
Natural gas	113	168	176	68	89
Electricity	470	313	424	626	386
Fuel oil and other fuels	22	58	⁵ 22	17	⁵ 8
Telephone services	628	520	614	692	619
Water and other public services	105	49	84	151	92
Household operations	214	162	231	244	189
Personal services	117	64	141	146	88
Other household expenses	97	98	90	98	102
Housekeeping supplies	225	242	188	228	250
Laundry and cleaning supplies	75	59	53	95	79
Other household products	98	105	87	96	106
Postage and stationery	53	78	49	36	65
Household furnishings and equipment	774	719	772	764	842
Household textiles	67	44	31	61	128
Furniture	186	138	227	181	190
Floor coverings	8	15	13	4	5
Major appliances	78	38	92	72	99
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	62	70	49	54	81
Miscellaneous household equipment	373	414	360	393	338
Apparel and services	1,240	1,524	1,197	1,201	1,164
Men and boys	263	313	251	224	298
Men, 16 and over	231	276	230	180	278
Boys, 2 to 15	31	37	21	44	21
Women and girls	480	698	488	456	370
Women, 16 and over	442	665	465	403	335
Girls, 2 to 15	38	33	23	53	34
Children under 2	109	123	104	128	78
Footwear	226	220	213	260	195
Other apparel products and services	163	169	140	133	223
Transportation	4,890	2,958	5,300	5,336	5,140
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	2,440	945	2,689	2,813	2,648
Cars and trucks, new	826	⁵ 202	1,117	993	737
Cars and trucks, used	1,577	679	1,573	1,781	1,863
Other vehicles	37	⁵ 64	(⁴)	⁵ 38	⁵ 49
Gasoline and motor oil	925	587	984	1,043	922

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Item	Total under 25	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other vehicle expenses	\$1,319	\$1,019	\$1,464	\$1,337	\$1,367
Vehicle finance charges	220	96	248	270	205
Maintenance and repairs	374	289	353	376	444
Vehicle insurance	491	411	531	494	506
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges	234	223	332	197	211
Public transportation	206	407	164	144	204
Health care	594	427	583	690	571
Health insurance	283	234	313	289	280
Medical services	162	84	127	233	142
Drugs	115	71	114	136	112
Medical supplies	33	38	29	32	37
Entertainment	1,082	1,062	1,125	993	1,189
Fees and admissions	273	268	294	212	348
Television, radios, sound equipment Pets, toys, and playground equipment	460	484	455	455	457
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services	166	178	187	171	131
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Personal care products and services	328	356	300	292	388
Reading	55	64	55	43	65
Education	1,577	1,779	1,376	750	2,809
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	258	235	352	272	171
Miscellaneous	337	262	368	319	374
Cash contributions	345	96	209	409	530
Personal insurance and pensions	1,382	1,173	1,475	1,495	1,274
Life and other personal insurance	46	40	44	60	30
Pensions and Social Security	1,336	1,133	1,431	1,435	1,245
Sources of income and personal taxes: ¹					
Money income before taxes	20,726	17,489	20,855	22,497	20,164
Wages and salaries	18,284	15,724	19,195	19,791	16,989
Self-employment income	448	⁵ 219	93	815	386
Social Security, private and government retirement	189	⁵ 219	⁵ 207	216	115
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	109	168	64	83	147
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits	77	⁵ 44	145	44	86
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps	265	211	280	295	242
Regular contributions for support	800	364	307	922	1,332
Other income	554	540	564	332	866
Personal taxes	493	400	453	493	587
Federal income taxes	331	255	275	328	431
State and local income taxes	146	117	168	145	149
Other taxes	16	28	10	20	7
Income after taxes	20,233	17,089	20,402	22,004	19,577

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Item	Total under 25	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Addenda:					
Net change in total assets and liabilities	\$24	\$1,626	\$1,081	-\$468	-\$1,204
Net change in total assets	4,430	4,179	8,300	3,190	3,054
Net change in total liabilities	4,406	2,554	7,219	3,658	4,258
Other financial information:					
Other money receipts	127	168	111	83	177
Mortgage principal paid on owned property	-151	-94	-154	-171	-158
Estimated market value of owned home	15,568	14,230	16,413	15,494	15,807
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home ..	131	114	123	152	119
Gifts of goods and services	379	473	387	275	467
Food	23	⁵ 51	17	8	33
Alcoholic beverages	12	⁵ 15	⁵ 10	17	6
Housing	90	113	75	85	96
Housekeeping supplies	21	29	14	10	37
Household textiles	2	⁵ 2	⁵ 2	(³)	⁵ 2
Appliances and miscellaneous housewares	11	⁵ 29	57	59	⁵ 6
Major appliances	⁵ 1	(³)	(⁴)	⁵ 1	(³)
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares	10	⁵ 28	57	58	⁵ 6
Miscellaneous household equipment	21	20	18	18	31
Other housing	35	34	33	48	20
Apparel and services	143	174	139	110	173
Males, 2 and over	43	80	34	32	42
Females, 2 and over	28	⁵ 25	35	13	43
Children under 2	31	41	30	29	29
Other apparel products and services	42	27	39	37	59
Jewelry and watches	20	18	11	12	39
All other apparel products and services	22	⁵ 9	⁵ 28	⁵ 24	⁵ 20
Transportation	11	⁵ 2	15	2	27
Health care	⁵ 2	⁵ 1	⁵ 3	⁵ 1	⁵ 3
Entertainment	34	31	39	19	55
Toys, games, hobbies, and tricycles	9	6	15	6	10
Other entertainment	25	24	24	13	44
Personal care products and services	10	⁵ 14	57	6	18
Reading	(³)	(³)	(³)	(³)	1
Education	33	37	67	⁵ 14	30
All other gifts	20	36	16	11	27

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

² Value less than 0.05.

³ Value less than 0.5.

⁴ No data reported.

⁵ Data are likely to have large sampling errors.
n.a. Not applicable.