

**Table 24. Selected western metropolitan statistical areas: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1991-92**

| Item   | All consumer units in the West | Los Angeles | San Francisco | San Diego | Portland | Seattle  | Honolulu | Anchorage |
|--|--------------------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Number of consumer units (in thousands)      | 20,177                         | 5,263       | 2,626         | 854       | 704      | 1,040    | 266      | 95        |
| <b>Consumer unit characteristics:</b>        |                                |             |               |           |          |          |          |           |
| <b>Income before taxes <sup>1</sup></b>      | \$37,190                       | \$40,444    | \$44,150      | \$40,966  | \$35,200 | \$42,598 | \$42,156 | \$51,331  |
| <b>Age of reference person</b>               | 46.6                           | 46.7        | 44.3          | 45.5      | 46.8     | 44.8     | 48.8     | 42.8      |
| <b>Average number in consumer unit:</b>      |                                |             |               |           |          |          |          |           |
| Persons                                      | 2.7                            | 2.8         | 2.5           | 2.5       | 2.4      | 2.5      | 2.6      | 2.5       |
| Earners                                      | 1.4                            | 1.3         | 1.5           | 1.3       | 1.4      | 1.5      | 1.4      | 1.6       |
| Vehicles                                     | 2.2                            | 1.8         | 2.0           | 2.0       | 2.3      | 2.5      | 1.5      | 2.3       |
| Percent homeowner                            | 59                             | 53          | 52            | 53        | 59       | 62       | 44       | 62        |
| <b>Average annual expenditures:</b>          |                                |             |               |           |          |          |          |           |
| <b>Food</b>                                  | \$33,239                       | \$35,034    | \$39,584      | \$35,670  | \$30,649 | \$35,785 | \$37,273 | \$42,331  |
| Food at home                                 | 4,621                          | 4,808       | 5,212         | 4,587     | 4,497    | 4,490    | 6,333    | 5,213     |
| Cereals and bakery products                  | 2,895                          | 2,917       | 3,176         | 2,877     | 2,943    | 2,874    | 3,455    | 3,238     |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs               | 429                            | 422         | 485           | 409       | 446      | 474      | 519      | 474       |
| Dairy products                               | 701                            | 759         | 781           | 779       | 709      | 624      | 946      | 672       |
| Dairy products                               | 328                            | 333         | 346           | 329       | 344      | 356      | 278      | 390       |
| Fruits and vegetables                        | 492                            | 532         | 525           | 468       | 435      | 473      | 693      | 611       |
| Other food at home                           | 945                            | 871         | 1,039         | 892       | 1,009    | 947      | 1,019    | 1,092     |
| Food away from home                          | 1,726                          | 1,891       | 2,035         | 1,710     | 1,554    | 1,616    | 2,878    | 1,974     |
| <b>Alcoholic beverages</b>                   | 310                            | 308         | 569           | 352       | 271      | 321      | 449      | 512       |
| <b>Housing</b>                               | 10,999                         | 12,932      | 14,019        | 12,518    | 9,368    | 11,911   | 11,863   | 13,800    |
| Shelter                                      | 6,778                          | 8,403       | 9,402         | 8,536     | 5,705    | 7,745    | 8,080    | 8,675     |
| Owned dwellings                              | 4,107                          | 4,803       | 5,609         | 4,855     | 3,428    | 5,462    | 3,775    | 5,454     |
| Rented dwellings                             | 2,308                          | 3,152       | 3,404         | 3,327     | 1,934    | 1,862    | 4,000    | 2,836     |
| Other lodging                                | 364                            | 448         | 388           | 354       | 343      | 421      | 305      | 384       |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services        | 1,818                          | 1,873       | 1,731         | 1,623     | 1,662    | 1,641    | 1,448    | 2,135     |
| Household operations                         | 623                            | 811         | 805           | 695       | 547      | 645      | 509      | 680       |
| Household operations                         | 459                            | 443         | 592           | 406       | 366      | 492      | 514      | 439       |
| Housekeeping supplies                        | 1,321                          | 1,401       | 1,490         | 1,258     | 1,088    | 1,388    | 1,313    | 1,871     |
| Household furnishings and equipment          | 1,743                          | 2,025       | 2,279         | 1,657     | 1,619    | 1,857    | 2,166    | 2,211     |
| <b>Transportation</b>                        | 5,728                          | 5,453       | 6,680         | 7,164     | 5,667    | 6,328    | 5,628    | 6,684     |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay)               | 2,256                          | 1,996       | 2,606         | 3,369     | 2,626    | 2,296    | 2,061    | 2,485     |
| Gasoline and motor oil                       | 1,049                          | 1,034       | 1,025         | 1,086     | 958      | 1,114    | 759      | 1,019     |
| Other vehicle expenses                       | 2,046                          | 2,055       | 2,424         | 2,160     | 1,800    | 2,471    | 1,972    | 2,404     |
| Public transportation                        | 378                            | 368         | 625           | 549       | 282      | 447      | 837      | 776       |
| <b>Health care</b>                           | 1,558                          | 1,457       | 1,416         | 1,324     | 1,428    | 1,573    | 1,557    | 2,014     |
| <b>Entertainment</b>                         | 1,887                          | 1,871       | 1,924         | 1,625     | 1,825    | 1,655    | 1,534    | 2,949     |
| <b>Personal care products and services</b>   | 419                            | 505         | 444           | 373       | 354      | 483      | 515      | 517       |
| <b>Reading</b>                               | 175                            | 150         | 198           | 179       | 190      | 210      | 204      | 267       |
| <b>Education</b>                             | 426                            | 591         | 514           | 505       | 300      | 516      | 573      | 376       |
| <b>Tobacco products and smoking supplies</b> | 223                            | 191         | 187           | 222       | 268      | 251      | 228      | 338       |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 24. Selected western metropolitan statistical areas: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1991-92 - Continued**

| Item                              | All consumer units in the West | Los Angeles | San Francisco | San Diego | Portland | Seattle | Honolulu | Anchorage |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|----------|---------|----------|-----------|
| Miscellaneous                     | 999                            | 958         | 1,168         | 913       | 865      | 1,101   | 1,837    | 1,347     |
| Cash contributions                | 1,025                          | 782         | 1,069         | 853       | 796      | 1,093   | 1,139    | 1,282     |
| Personal insurance and pensions   | 3,126                          | 3,002       | 3,905         | 3,398     | 3,200    | 3,998   | 3,245    | 4,821     |
| Life and other personal insurance | 288                            | 228         | 276           | 269       | 292      | 432     | 446      | 675       |
| Pensions and Social Security      | 2,837                          | 2,773       | 3,628         | 3,129     | 2,909    | 3,566   | 2,799    | 4,146     |

<sup>1</sup> Components of income and taxes are derived from "complete income reporters" only; see glossary at <http://stats.bls.gov/csxgloss.htm>

**Note:** All values have been rounded, and therefore some rounded values equal zero. When data are not reported or are not applicable (i.e., missing values), values are set to zero.

**Note:** Some data are likely to have large sampling errors.