

Table 8. Region of residence: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2004

Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Number of consumer units (in thousands)	116,282	22,051	26,539	41,801	25,891
Consumer unit characteristics:					
Income before taxes	\$54,453	\$61,050	\$53,567	\$50,775	\$55,682
Income after taxes	52,287	58,673	51,122	49,079	53,222
Age of reference person	48.5	50.3	49.1	48.2	46.7
Average number in consumer unit:					
Persons	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.6
Children under 186	.6	.6	.6	.7
Persons 65 and over3	.3	.3	.3	.3
Earners	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.4
Vehicles	1.9	1.7	2.2	1.9	2.0
Percent distribution:					
Sex of reference person:					
Male	48	48	50	45	50
Female	52	52	50	55	50
Housing tenure:					
Homeowner	68	65	73	69	62
With mortgage	42	39	46	41	43
Without mortgage	25	26	27	28	19
Renter	32	35	27	31	38
Race of reference person:					
Black or African-American	12	12	9	18	4
White, Asian, and All Other Races	88	88	91	82	96
Hispanic or Latino origin of reference person:					
Hispanic or Latino (new UCC Q20032)	11	7	4	10	21
Not Hispanic or Latino (new UCC Q20032)	89	93	96	90	79
Education of reference person:					
Elementary (1-8)	5	4	4	7	6
High school (9-12)	35	38	38	37	27
College	59	57	58	56	66
Never attended and other	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
At least one vehicle owned or leased	88	81	91	89	90
Average annual expenditures	\$43,395	\$46,115	\$43,371	\$39,174	\$47,922
Food					
Food at home	3,347	3,634	3,189	3,119	3,634
Cereals and bakery products	461	521	446	427	480
Cereals and cereal products	154	176	141	143	165
Bakery products	307	346	305	284	314
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	880	1,008	781	849	922
Beef	265	279	242	263	283
Pork	181	189	170	189	172
Other meats	108	135	119	92	100
Poultry	156	194	127	149	163
Fish and seafood	128	164	91	117	154
Eggs	42	47	32	40	51
Dairy products	371	417	358	329	411
Fresh milk and cream	144	156	137	133	161
Other dairy products	226	261	221	197	249
Fruits and vegetables	561	638	510	501	645
Fresh fruits	187	213	171	161	222
Fresh vegetables	183	208	148	166	225
Processed fruits	110	127	112	93	120
Processed vegetables	82	89	78	82	78

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other food at home	\$1,075	\$1,050	\$1,094	\$1,013	\$1,177
Sugar and other sweets	128	137	129	118	135
Fats and oils	89	93	83	84	100
Miscellaneous foods	527	505	560	491	572
Nonalcoholic beverages	290	279	278	286	316
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips	41	36	44	33	54
Food away from home	2,434	2,733	2,403	2,199	2,590
Alcoholic beverages	459	625	427	348	532
Housing	13,918	15,734	13,438	12,250	15,557
Shelter	7,998	9,626	7,339	6,621	9,513
Owned dwellings	5,324	6,387	5,260	4,456	5,887
Mortgage interest and charges	2,936	3,057	2,750	2,531	3,678
Property taxes	1,391	2,131	1,530	1,046	1,176
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses	997	1,200	980	879	1,034
Rented dwellings	2,201	2,674	1,556	1,826	3,066
Other lodging	473	565	523	339	560
Utilities, fuels, and public services	2,927	3,098	2,957	2,975	2,672
Natural gas	424	564	631	255	365
Electricity	1,064	985	958	1,288	880
Fuel oil and other fuels	121	322	105	69	48
Telephone services	990	988	946	1,031	971
Water and other public services	327	240	317	331	407
Household operations	753	793	707	673	894
Personal services	300	352	301	257	323
Other household expenses	453	442	406	417	571
Housekeeping supplies	594	586	661	549	606
Laundry and cleaning supplies	149	146	153	147	149
Other household products	290	294	340	268	271
Postage and stationery	155	146	169	134	186
Household furnishings and equipment	1,646	1,630	1,775	1,432	1,871
Household textiles	158	209	126	151	158
Furniture	417	381	438	356	523
Floor coverings	52	44	57	35	81
Major appliances	204	216	234	161	232
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	105	94	98	99	130
Miscellaneous household equipment	711	685	822	630	748
Apparel and services	1,816	2,176	1,672	1,643	1,936
Men and boys	406	460	407	377	406
Men, 16 and over	317	366	317	288	324
Boys, 2 to 15	89	94	90	90	82
Women and girls	739	933	661	662	777
Women, 16 and over	631	809	547	565	673
Girls, 2 to 15	108	124	114	97	104
Children under 2	79	69	79	73	95
Footwear	329	427	271	312	332
Other apparel products and services	264	287	254	220	325
Transportation	7,801	7,622	7,710	7,233	8,966
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	3,397	3,196	3,315	3,195	3,979
Cars and trucks, new	1,748	1,590	1,610	1,627	2,221
Cars and trucks, used	1,582	1,512	1,621	1,520	1,703
Other vehicles	66	94	83	48	55
Gasoline and motor oil	1,598	1,386	1,620	1,598	1,755

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other vehicle expenses	\$2,365	\$2,396	\$2,413	\$2,160	\$2,622
Vehicle finance charges	323	256	331	357	318
Maintenance and repairs	652	590	654	578	821
Vehicle insurance	964	991	924	944	1,017
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges	426	559	504	281	466
Public transportation	441	644	363	280	609
Health care	2,574	2,371	2,861	2,508	2,560
Health insurance	1,332	1,307	1,492	1,287	1,261
Medical services	648	597	714	583	731
Drugs	480	375	526	533	438
Medical supplies	114	92	128	106	131
Entertainment	2,218	2,017	2,208	2,134	2,538
Fees and admissions	528	545	586	398	664
Television, radios, sound equipment	788	840	768	753	818
Pets, toys, hobbies, and playground equipment	381	360	373	364	434
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services	522	272	481	619	622
Personal care products and services	581	631	563	542	620
Reading	130	145	150	98	150
Education	905	1,152	928	631	1,115
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	288	296	340	291	223
Miscellaneous	690	760	797	512	809
Cash contributions	1,408	1,108	1,790	1,252	1,525
Personal insurance and pensions	4,823	5,110	4,895	4,414	5,167
Life and other personal insurance	390	364	439	394	357
Pensions and Social Security	4,433	4,746	4,456	4,020	4,809
Sources of income and personal taxes:					
Money income before taxes	54,453	61,050	53,567	50,775	55,682
Wages and salaries	43,192	49,852	42,172	40,075	43,600
Self-employment income	3,008	2,847	2,826	2,847	3,590
Social Security, private and government retirement	5,848	5,778	6,237	5,739	5,685
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	1,261	1,525	1,318	962	1,460
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits	237	311	223	193	258
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps	308	283	247	333	352
Regular contributions for support	413	292	389	455	471
Other income	187	162	155	170	267
Personal taxes	2,166	2,377	2,445	1,695	2,460
Federal income taxes	1,519	1,581	1,613	1,217	1,857
State and local income taxes	472	561	586	330	510
Other taxes	175	235	246	149	93
Income after taxes	52,287	58,673	51,122	49,079	53,222

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Addenda:					
Net change in total assets and liabilities	- \$7,567	- \$6,179	- \$4,219	- \$5,571	- \$15,403
Net change in total assets	9,211	6,661	8,925	6,934	15,351
Net change in total liabilities	16,778	12,840	13,144	12,505	30,754
Other financial information:					
Other money receipts	556	402	474	483	890
Mortgage principal paid on owned property	-1,791	-1,851	-2,033	-1,499	-1,963
Estimated market value of owned home	137,639	165,646	123,727	106,357	178,552
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home	781	880	753	686	879
Gifts of goods and services	1,215	1,511	1,234	986	1,316
Food	74	125	63	49	83
Alcoholic beverages	20	29	16	16	23
Housing	283	317	285	242	318
Housekeeping supplies	61	86	59	51	58
Household textiles	19	16	19	20	19
Appliances and miscellaneous					
housewares	32	20	47	27	35
Major appliances	12	4	27	8	9
Small appliances and miscellaneous					
housewares	20	16	21	19	25
Miscellaneous household equipment	72	74	73	66	78
Other housing	99	122	86	77	128
Apparel and services	286	329	266	269	299
Males, 2 and over	76	96	81	71	60
Females, 2 and over	101	112	93	104	97
Children under 2	38	37	32	35	52
Other apparel products and services	71	83	61	60	90
Jewelry and watches	24	17	22	15	47
All other apparel products and services	47	66	39	45	43
Transportation	51	41	57	44	64
Health care	49	18	101	41	36
Entertainment	78	76	95	67	81
Toys, games, arts and crafts, and tricycles	28	24	33	29	23
Other entertainment	51	52	62	38	57
Personal care products and services	29	29	19	33	32
Reading	1	1	1	1	1
Education	250	454	240	160	231
All other gifts	94	92	90	65	148

¹ Value less than 0.5.