

Table 1800. Region of residence: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1997-98

Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Number of consumer units (in thousands)	106,379	20,988	25,288	37,085	23,018
Consumer unit characteristics:					
Income before taxes ¹	\$40,770	\$44,324	\$40,068	\$37,018	\$44,199
Income after taxes ¹	37,517	41,080	36,763	34,510	39,881
Age of reference person	47.7	48.4	48.5	47.6	46.3
Average number in consumer unit:					
Persons	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.6
Children under 187	.6	.7	.7	.8
Persons 65 and over3	.3	.3	.3	.3
Earners	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.4
Vehicles	2.0	1.7	2.2	1.9	2.1
Percent distribution:					
Sex of reference person:					
Male	58	58	61	57	59
Female	42	42	39	43	41
Housing tenure:					
Homeowner	64	60	69	66	58
With mortgage	38	35	40	39	39
Without mortgage	26	25	29	28	19
Renter	36	40	31	34	42
Race of reference person:					
Black	12	11	9	19	5
White and other	88	89	91	81	95
Education of reference person:					
Elementary (1-8)	7	6	6	8	7
High school (9-12)	39	41	42	41	32
College	54	53	52	51	61
Never attended and other	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	0
At least one vehicle owned or leased	87	79	89	89	88
Average annual expenditures	\$35,097	\$36,548	\$34,109	\$32,553	\$38,950
Food	4,789	5,124	4,696	4,446	5,136
Food at home	2,830	2,943	2,732	2,680	3,070
Cereals and bakery products	439	482	439	400	461
Cereals and cereal products	154	167	152	138	168
Bakery products	285	315	287	262	293
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	733	787	675	731	751
Beef	221	224	216	221	224
Pork	151	144	151	163	140
Other meats	94	109	100	85	89
Poultry	141	166	115	139	149
Fish and seafood	93	111	66	91	111
Eggs	32	34	26	32	40
Dairy products	308	326	304	281	336
Fresh milk and cream	124	125	125	116	136
Other dairy products	183	200	180	166	200
Fruits and vegetables	474	519	437	431	540
Fresh fruits	150	165	145	129	175
Fresh vegetables	144	161	125	128	173
Processed fruits	102	114	94	93	114
Processed vegetables	78	80	72	82	78

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 1800. Region of residence: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1997-98 — Continued

Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other food at home	\$876	\$829	\$877	\$837	\$982
Sugar and other sweets	112	109	116	105	121
Fats and oils	79	81	74	78	84
Miscellaneous foods	395	354	397	376	463
Nonalcoholic beverages	238	227	237	237	249
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips	52	57	53	41	66
Food away from home	1,960	2,181	1,963	1,765	2,066
Alcoholic beverages	309	374	295	239	377
Housing	11,509	12,861	10,789	10,119	13,307
Shelter	6,513	7,789	5,848	5,232	8,145
Owned dwellings	4,091	4,904	3,947	3,224	4,906
Mortgage interest and charges	2,341	2,483	2,062	1,916	3,203
Property taxes	993	1,615	1,089	658	862
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses	757	806	796	650	841
Rented dwellings	1,980	2,327	1,497	1,666	2,702
Other lodging	442	558	404	342	537
Utilities, fuels, and public services	2,408	2,470	2,427	2,491	2,199
Natural gas	292	385	423	178	249
Electricity	915	830	844	1,118	742
Fuel oil and other fuels	96	240	93	52	42
Telephone services	819	800	790	849	823
Water and other public services	285	216	277	294	344
Household operations	543	482	473	539	681
Personal services	261	236	260	250	304
Other household expenses	281	246	213	289	377
Housekeeping supplies	469	432	480	458	507
Laundry and cleaning supplies	117	108	120	113	126
Other household products	221	192	214	238	229
Postage and stationery	130	131	146	106	152
Household furnishings and equipment	1,576	1,688	1,561	1,399	1,775
Household textiles	108	117	98	93	136
Furniture	382	418	353	351	432
Floor coverings	111	130	160	83	87
Major appliances	169	182	148	179	163
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	86	86	84	76	104
Miscellaneous household equipment	719	756	718	616	853
Apparel and services	1,704	1,828	1,685	1,637	1,719
Men and boys	394	433	421	343	412
Men, 16 and over	310	343	334	260	333
Boys, 2 to 15	84	90	87	83	78
Women and girls	666	704	676	652	642
Women, 16 and over	561	601	560	553	538
Girls, 2 to 15	105	102	115	99	105
Children under 2	74	67	59	78	89
Footwear	298	319	298	295	282
Other apparel products and services	273	305	231	269	295
Transportation	6,539	6,186	6,330	6,547	7,076
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	2,851	2,426	2,779	3,149	2,836
Cars and trucks, new	1,307	1,223	1,161	1,502	1,228
Cars and trucks, used	1,498	1,187	1,581	1,599	1,529
Other vehicles	46	3 ¹⁷	37	49	79
Gasoline and motor oil	1,057	938	1,071	1,073	1,124

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 1800. Region of residence: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1997-98 — Continued

Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other vehicle expenses	\$2,218	\$2,219	\$2,140	\$2,043	\$2,584
Vehicle finance charges	306	230	313	351	295
Maintenance and repairs	661	579	637	643	791
Vehicle insurance	747	815	682	705	823
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges	504	595	508	344	675
Public transportation	413	603	341	282	532
Health care	1,872	1,741	1,956	1,944	1,783
Health insurance	897	890	929	935	808
Medical services	537	472	535	537	598
Drugs	333	270	370	377	281
Medical supplies	105	110	121	95	97
Entertainment	1,756	1,736	1,858	1,521	2,040
Fees and admissions	449	506	440	352	562
Television, radios, sound equipment	540	577	512	512	583
Pets, toys, and playground equipment	331	321	359	305	352
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services	436	332	547	352	542
Personal care products and services	401	386	380	406	430
Reading	162	197	170	127	179
Education	575	793	555	429	635
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	268	280	309	271	209
Miscellaneous	854	854	839	764	1,013
Cash contributions	1,056	826	1,039	1,085	1,235
Personal insurance and pensions	3,303	3,362	3,209	3,018	3,808
Life and other personal insurance	389	415	379	419	326
Pensions and Social Security	2,914	2,947	2,830	2,600	3,482
Sources of income and personal taxes: ¹					
Money income before taxes	40,770	44,324	40,068	37,018	44,199
Wages and salaries	32,194	35,704	31,853	29,152	34,245
Self-employment income	2,103	2,178	1,924	1,512	3,102
Social Security, private and government retirement	4,574	4,574	4,720	4,753	4,164
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	847	746	697	679	1,325
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits	200	253	156	161	257
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps	356	389	308	318	436
Regular contributions for support	277	264	217	295	318
Other income	219	218	192	148	353
Personal taxes	3,253	3,244	3,306	2,508	4,318
Federal income taxes	2,470	2,315	2,381	2,021	3,352
State and local income taxes	637	704	779	372	840
Other taxes	145	224	146	115	127
Income after taxes	37,517	41,080	36,763	34,510	39,881

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 1800. Region of residence: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1997-98 — Continued

Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Addenda:					
Net change in total assets and liabilities	- \$418	\$106	- \$1,099	\$466	- \$1,573
Net change in total assets	6,002	6,577	4,371	5,146	8,650
Net change in total liabilities	6,420	6,471	5,470	4,680	10,222
Other financial information:					
Other money receipts	460	353	485	446	555
Mortgage principal paid on owned property	-1,106	-1,129	-1,136	-1,012	-1,202
Estimated market value of owned home	78,517	88,769	72,385	62,042	102,448
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home	554	611	534	483	639
Gifts of goods and services	1,054	1,231	1,027	892	1,182
Food	81	112	74	58	98
Housing	295	328	276	262	339
Housekeeping supplies	39	40	45	33	42
Household textiles	14	14	13	13	14
Appliances and miscellaneous					
housewares	28	33	31	25	27
Major appliances	7	9	7	5	8
Small appliances and miscellaneous					
housewares	22	24	24	20	19
Miscellaneous household equipment	68	77	67	58	80
Other housing	146	164	120	133	176
Apparel and services	225	251	223	216	218
Males, 2 and over	59	63	64	53	60
Females, 2 and over	81	98	83	72	77
Children under 2	32	29	26	34	35
Other apparel products and services	54	61	50	57	47
Jewelry and watches	26	26	22	29	26
All other apparel products and services	28	35	28	28	21
Transportation	53	46	51	43	77
Health care	34	23	35	25	58
Entertainment	88	102	93	76	90
Toys, games, hobbies, and tricycles	32	38	37	27	27
Other entertainment	57	64	56	49	63
Education	155	233	159	112	149
All other gifts	123	138	117	101	152

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

² Value less than 0.5.

³ Data are likely to have large sampling errors.