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Consumer Price Index Indicators

Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) U.S. City Average, Dallas-Fort Worth, and Houston-Galveston-Brazoria March 2008

(1982-84=100, not seasonally adjusted)

INDEX ITEMS	U.S. City Average:			Dallas-Fort Worth:			Houston-Galveston:		
	Index	Percent change:		Index	Percent change:		Index	Percent change:	
		12-Month	1-Month		12-Month	2-Month		12-Month	1-Month
All Items	213.528	4.0	0.9	198.596	4.4	0.8			
Food and beverages	209.692	4.4	0.1	213.119	5.5	0.2			
Food	209.385	4.5	0.1	208.852	6.0	0.3			
Food at home	208.203	4.7	-0.1	193.528	6.4	0.0	194.040	5.1	-0.4
Food away from home	212.537	4.1	0.3	233.126	5.5	0.6			
Alcoholic beverages	212.407	3.3	0.2	268.097	0.4	-1.1			
Housing	214.389	3.0	0.6	177.992	2.2	0.3			
Shelter	245.995	2.9	0.5	182.457	2.7	-0.1	192.981	2.6	-0.5
Rent of primary residence 1/	240.874	3.6	0.2	181.622	4.3	0.9	181.703	2.1	0.3
Owners' equivalent rent 1/ 2/	250.966	2.6	0.2	195.204	2.2	0.5	174.984	2.3	0.0
Fuels and utilities	209.221	6.5	1.7	225.235	2.2	1.9			
Gas (piped) and electricity 1/	190.105	4.1	1.5	222.066	1.5	2.3	173.178	-6.5	0.2
Electricity 1/	175.639	3.7	0.6	212.714	2.8	3.9	168.598	-10.4	0.2
Utility (piped) gas service 1/	233.931	5.3	3.6	218.450	-8.7	-8.6	192.943	21.8	0.0
Household furnishings/operation	127.423	-0.2	0.5	133.830	-0.7	0.6			
Apparel	120.881	-1.4	2.6	126.160	3.9	-3.3			
Transportation	195.189	8.2	2.5	198.935	10.3	2.6			
Private transportation	191.067	8.3	2.4	200.051	10.3	2.5			
Motor Fuel	278.739	26.4	7.5	291.060	33.0	8.4	274.800	30.8	7.7
Gasoline	276.497	26.0	7.2	289.170	32.8	8.2	272.324	30.3	7.3
Medical care	363.000	4.6	0.2	327.183	3.8	1.9			
Recreation 3/	112.731	1.3	0.3	115.180	0.5	1.5			
Education and communication 3/	121.832	3.0	0.1	130.990	4.8	0.8			
Other goods and services	341.827	3.2	0.5	322.156	1.6	0.3			
Special Indexes:									
Energy	230.505	17.0	5.1	257.542	17.3	5.6	223.213	11.9	4.7
All items less shelter	203.217	4.5	1.0	206.632	5.2	1.1			
All items less food and energy	214.866	2.4	0.5	194.408	2.5	0.2			
All Items (1967=100)	639.636			622.985					

Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

All Items	209.147	4.3	0.9	201.892	5.3	1.2			
All Items (1967=100)	622.985			622.568					

1/ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January 1999.

2/ Full series title is "owners' equivalent rent of primary residence"; index base is December 1982=100.

3/ Indexes on a December 1997 = 100 base.

Note 1: Dallas-Fort Worth and Houston-Galveston-Brazoria CPIs are for the Consolidated Metropolitan Statistical Areas.

Note 2: The food at home, energy, and shelter sub-component indexes are compiled monthly for Dallas-Fort Worth and Houston. Full surveys, which produce the All Items Indexes and major components, are conducted every two months. These full surveys are published for the odd-numbered months for Dallas and for the even-numbered months for Houston.