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**Consumer Price Index  
April 2008**

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Consumer Price Index April 2008	United States City Average			Midwest Region			
	Group	Index	Percent change to Apr. 2008 from		Index	Percent change to Apr. 2008 from	
		(1982-84-100 unless otherwise noted)	Apr. 2008	Apr. 2007	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Apr. 2007
All Urban Consumers		CPI-U			CPI-U		
<b>All Items</b> .....	214.823	3.9		0.6	205.393	4.0	0.8
All items (other base) (5).....	643.515	-		-	334.186	-	-
<b>Food and beverages</b> .....	211.365	5.0		.8	204.537	5.1	.9
Food .....	211.102	5.1		.8	204.042	5.3	.9
Food at home .....	210.851	5.9		1.3	200.755	6.0	1.2
Food away from home .....	213.083	4.1		.3	209.495	4.4	.5
Alcoholic beverages .....	213.503	3.6		.5	209.888	3.4	.7
<b>Housing</b> .....	214.890	3.0		.2	196.777	2.6	.5
Shelter .....	246.004	2.6		.0	225.023	1.8	.0
Rent of primary residence (3) .....	241.474	3.6		.2	213.885	1.9	.1
Owners'equiv. rent (1) (3) .....	251.418	2.6		.2	226.540	1.6	.1
Fuels and utilities .....	213.302	8.6		2.0	206.142	8.3	3.1
Household energy.....	194.121	9.4		2.3	184.224	8.8	3.6
Gas (piped) and electricity (3) .....	194.379	6.6		2.2	188.951	7.9	3.7
Electricity (3) .....	177.818	5.0		1.2	153.924	2.9	1.2
Utility (piped) gas service (3) .....	244.862	10.9		4.7	250.688	14.9	7.0
Furnishings and operations .....	127.332	-1		-1	121.494	1.4	.6
<b>Apparel</b> .....	122.113	-7		1.0	114.650	1.0	1.5
<b>Transportation</b> .....	198.608	7.2		1.8	200.854	8.5	2.2
Private transportation .....	194.574	7.2		1.8	196.202	8.5	2.2
Motor fuel .....	294.291	21.1		5.6	302.837	23.3	6.5
Gasoline (all types) .....	291.910	20.7		5.6	300.959	23.1	6.5
Unleaded regular (2) .....	292.285	20.7		5.6	300.297	23.5	6.6
Unleaded midgrade (2) (6) .....	297.636	20.8		5.5	328.291	22.6	6.2
Unleaded premium (2) .....	279.388	20.4		5.4	292.771	22.3	6.2
<b>Medical care</b> .....	363.184	4.3		.1	360.684	3.3	.0
<b>Recreation (4)</b> .....	112.874	1.2		.1	114.385	2.3	.1
<b>Education and communication (4)</b> .....	122.073	3.2		.2	124.146	2.6	.2
<b>Other goods and services</b> .....	343.410	3.5		.5	333.336	3.8	.4
<b>Commodity and service group</b>							
Commodities.....	175.838	4.8		1.1	171.813	5.6	1.4
Commodities less food & bev .....	155.690	4.7		1.3	154.231	5.8	1.7
Nondurables less food & bev .....	200.926	8.9		2.4	198.426	9.5	2.8
Durables .....	111.671	-1.2		-.3	110.311	.4	.0
Services.....	253.426	3.3		.2	240.411	2.9	.4
<b>Special Indexes:</b>							
All items less medical care .....	207.317	3.9		.6	197.798	4.1	.9
All items less shelter .....	205.040	4.6		.9	200.444	5.0	1.2
Energy .....	240.194	15.9		4.2	236.112	16.6	5.2
All items less energy.....	213.851	2.7		.2	204.284	2.6	.3
All items less food and energy.....	215.059	2.3		.1	204.963	2.2	.2
Commodities less food.....	157.870	4.6		1.3	156.142	5.7	1.7
Nondurables.....	207.096	7.0		1.6	202.242	7.4	1.9
Nondurables less food.....	201.693	8.5		2.3	198.863	9.1	2.6
Services less rent of shelter (1) .....	269.007	4.2		.5	263.870	4.2	.8
Services less medical care serv .....	242.921	3.2		.3	229.139	2.8	.4
Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers		CPI-W			CPI-W		
<b>All items</b> .....	210.698	4.2		0.7	200.788	4.4	0.9
All items (other base) (5) .....	627.606	-		-	324.718	-	-

(1) Index is on a December 1982=100 base.

(2) Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

(3) This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

(4) Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

(5) Other base: United States City Average, 1967=100; Midwest Region, December 1977=100.

(6) Indexes on a December 1993=100 base. - Data not available

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date. Data not seasonally adjusted.

Consumer Price Index April 2008	Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI			Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI		
Group  (1982-84=100 unless otherwise noted)	Index	Percent change to Apr. 2008 from		Index	Percent change to Apr. 2008 from	
	Apr. 2008	Apr. 2007	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Apr. 2007	Feb. 2008
All Urban Consumers	CPI-U			CPI-U		
<b>All Items</b> .....	212.662	4.2	0.5	205.281	2.4	1.4
All items (1967=100).....	635.344	-	-	610.180	-	-
<b>Food and beverages</b> .....	208.424	5.5	.8	192.353	2.2	.7
Food .....	207.345	5.5	.8	192.127	2.3	.7
Food at home .....	214.002	7.0	1.2	188.637	2.0	.5
Food away from home .....	194.030	3.7	.4	197.527	2.8	1.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	222.238	4.9	.3	189.159	.5	.8
<b>Housing</b> .....	218.881	2.8	.3	193.253	1.1	1.1
Shelter .....	262.555	2.5	-.4	216.569	-.1	.1
Rent of primary residence (1).....	262.476	2.6	-.3	204.934	.3	.1
Owners'equiv. rent (1,2).....	263.996	2.6	-.4	215.806	.1	.6
Fuels and utilities .....	199.308	6.2	3.2	228.881	8.1	9.4
Household energy.....	185.104	5.9	3.6	193.744	9.1	10.9
Gas (piped) and electricity (1).....	188.467	5.5	3.6	195.541	8.8	11.3
Electricity (1).....	134.368	-.7	2.5	156.396	2.2	.8
Utility (piped) gas service (1).....	258.042	11.5	4.6	238.482	15.9	22.8
Furnishings and operations .....	108.943	1.6	1.6	119.387	1.4	-1.4
<b>Apparel</b> .....	92.118	-5.7	-2.6	111.813	1.3	.4
<b>Transportation</b> .....	190.428	9.5	2.7	219.843	9.1	4.9
Private transportation .....	188.300	9.8	2.9	218.886	9.2	5.1
Motor fuel .....	311.804	25.5	9.4	303.835	26.1	14.8
Gasoline (all types) .....	309.186	25.5	9.4	301.976	25.9	14.5
Unleaded regular (3).....	305.982	25.9	9.5	311.854	26.8	14.9
Unleaded midgrade (3,4).....	320.971	25.0	9.4	333.553	24.3	14.2
Unleaded premium (3).....	290.848	23.7	8.9	279.026	22.1	12.8
<b>Medical care</b> .....	361.733	5.1	-.2	351.371	-.4	.2
<b>Recreation (5)</b> .....	112.290	3.5	-.4	117.213	-3.6	-1.2
<b>Education and communication (5)</b> .....	130.666	4.8	-.1	129.122	1.8	-.2
<b>Other goods and services</b> .....	332.284	3.3	1.0	351.736	.8	-.2
<b>Commodity and service group:</b>						
Commodities.....	166.748	5.2	1.0	168.253	5.3	2.5
Commodities less food & bev .....	143.207	5.2	1.1	154.767	7.3	3.6
Nondurables less food & bev .....	185.466	8.0	2.4	190.849	10.6	5.5
Durables .....	102.272	.5	-1.0	112.871	1.7	.3
Services.....	255.842	3.6	.2	244.312	.5	.7
<b>Special Indexes:</b>						
All items less medical care .....	205.913	4.2	.6	199.415	2.6	1.5
All items less shelter .....	196.070	5.1	1.0	203.751	3.7	2.0
Energy .....	233.073	15.4	6.7	246.642	18.3	13.1
All items less energy.....	212.033	3.1	-.1	203.278	.7	.1
All items less food and energy.....	213.702	2.7	-.3	206.157	.4	-.1
Commodities less food.....	146.296	5.1	1.1	156.240	7.0	3.5
Nondurables.....	198.543	6.6	1.6	192.266	6.4	3.1
Nondurables less food.....	187.904	7.7	2.2	190.798	9.9	5.2
Services less rent of shelter (2) .....	261.596	4.9	1.0	282.918	1.3	1.3
Services less medical care serv .....	247.622	3.4	.2	236.211	.6	.7
Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers	CPI-W			CPI-W		
<b>All items</b> .....	205.885	4.5	0.6	201.037	2.9	1.7
All items (1967=100) .....	604.656	-	-	592.093	-	-

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