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Item	All consumer units	One person	Two or more persons				
			Total	Two persons	Three persons	Four persons	Five or more persons
Number of consumer units (in thousands) .....	120,171	35,740	84,431	38,260	18,175	16,496	11,499
Consumer unit characteristics:							
Income before taxes .....	\$63,091	\$31,962	\$76,269	\$70,095	\$74,809	\$86,902	\$83,866
Income after taxes .....	60,858	30,539	73,692	67,025	72,478	84,593	82,158
Age of reference person .....	48.8	52.4	47.3	53.4	44.3	41.1	40.8
Average number in consumer unit:							
Persons .....	2.5	1.0	3.1	2.0	3.0	4.0	5.6
Children under 18 .....	.6	n.a.	.9	.1	.8	1.6	2.7
Persons 65 and over .....	.3	.3	.3	.5	.2	.1	.1
Earners .....	1.3	.6	1.6	1.3	1.8	2.0	2.2
Vehicles .....	1.9	1.1	2.3	2.1	2.3	2.5	2.5
Percent distribution:							
Sex of reference person:							
Male .....	47	46	47	51	44	45	44
Female .....	53	54	53	49	56	55	56
Housing tenure:							
Homeowner .....	67	51	73	75	69	76	71
With mortgage .....	43	25	51	42	53	65	59
Without mortgage .....	23	26	22	33	16	11	12
Renter .....	33	49	27	25	31	24	29
Race of reference person:							
Black or African-American .....	12	12	12	10	15	11	15
White, Asian, and all other races .....	88	88	88	90	85	89	85
Hispanic or Latino origin of reference person:							
Hispanic or Latino .....	12	7	14	8	13	17	26
Not Hispanic or Latino .....	88	92	86	92	87	83	74
Education of reference person:							
Elementary (1-8) .....	5	5	5	5	4	4	8
High school (9-12) .....	35	34	35	35	36	32	39
College .....	60	60	59	59	59	64	52
Never attended and other .....	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
At least one vehicle owned or leased .....	88	77	93	93	92	95	93
Average annual expenditures .....	\$49,638	\$29,285	\$58,209	\$53,091	\$57,326	\$66,476	\$65,042
Food .....	6,133	3,328	7,298	6,209	7,251	8,671	9,220
Food at home .....	3,465	1,814	4,150	3,375	4,227	4,967	5,564
Cereals and bakery products .....	460	238	551	437	563	654	783
Cereals and cereal products .....	143	72	172	130	174	210	262
Bakery products .....	317	166	379	308	389	444	521
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	777	390	937	744	940	1,146	1,310
Beef .....	216	104	263	202	272	325	370
Pork .....	150	69	183	149	190	221	236
Other meats .....	104	54	125	96	125	164	174
Poultry .....	142	70	172	128	158	225	270
Fish and seafood .....	122	67	145	128	146	151	188
Eggs .....	43	24	50	41	48	59	73
Dairy products .....	387	201	465	385	449	562	628
Fresh milk and cream .....	154	80	184	140	180	235	272
Other dairy products .....	234	121	281	245	270	327	356
Fruits and vegetables .....	600	322	715	616	708	832	903
Fresh fruits .....	202	111	239	209	240	268	302
Fresh vegetables .....	190	100	228	202	229	258	271
Processed fruits .....	112	62	133	110	122	170	177
Processed vegetables .....	96	49	115	94	117	136	152

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Other food at home .....	\$1,241	\$662	\$1,482	\$1,193	\$1,567	\$1,775	\$1,939
Sugar and other sweets .....	124	66	149	127	148	171	195
Fats and oils .....	91	47	109	97	107	120	142
Miscellaneous foods .....	650	346	775	594	861	948	1,029
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	333	180	396	321	406	482	523
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips .....	43	23	52	54	45	54	50
Food away from home .....	2,668	1,514	3,149	2,834	3,024	3,704	3,656
Alcoholic beverages .....	457	428	469	528	448	429	353
Housing .....	16,920	11,269	19,307	17,248	19,035	22,635	21,789
Shelter .....	10,023	7,212	11,212	9,923	11,116	13,123	12,914
Owned dwellings .....	6,730	3,628	8,043	6,770	7,879	10,134	9,541
Mortgage interest and charges .....	3,890	1,818	4,767	3,470	4,812	6,633	6,334
Property taxes .....	1,709	1,030	1,996	1,908	1,846	2,330	2,050
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses .....	1,131	780	1,280	1,392	1,221	1,170	1,157
Rented dwellings .....	2,602	3,228	2,337	2,153	2,559	2,258	2,710
Other lodging .....	691	356	832	1,001	678	731	663
Utilities, fuels, and public services .....	3,477	2,206	4,015	3,577	4,068	4,481	4,722
Natural gas .....	480	325	546	497	528	616	639
Electricity .....	1,303	804	1,514	1,349	1,532	1,670	1,811
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	151	107	169	175	172	155	167
Telephone services .....	1,110	706	1,280	1,104	1,341	1,459	1,514
Water and other public services .....	434	264	505	452	495	582	591
Household operations .....	984	486	1,195	823	1,361	1,800	1,303
Personal services .....	415	92	552	154	755	1,098	776
Other household expenses .....	569	394	643	669	607	702	527
Housekeeping supplies .....	639	316	773	825	647	775	780
Laundry and cleaning supplies .....	140	69	169	137	180	197	227
Other household products .....	347	156	426	488	324	393	412
Postage and stationery .....	152	91	178	200	144	185	141
Household furnishings and equipment .....	1,797	1,049	2,111	2,100	1,842	2,456	2,070
Household textiles .....	133	88	152	146	118	210	147
Furniture .....	446	228	538	512	521	640	507
Floor coverings .....	46	24	56	48	45	74	74
Major appliances .....	231	112	282	294	239	309	268
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares .....	101	72	113	109	107	126	118
Miscellaneous household equipment .....	840	525	971	992	812	1,096	955
Apparel and services .....	1,881	971	2,260	1,848	2,330	2,859	2,719
Men and boys .....	435	267	506	397	510	631	692
Men, 16 and over .....	351	253	392	370	409	411	412
Boys, 2 to 15 .....	84	14	114	27	102	220	280
Women and girls .....	749	352	914	801	924	1,109	1,014
Women, 16 and over .....	627	334	749	747	755	786	695
Girls, 2 to 15 .....	122	18	165	53	169	322	319
Children under 2 .....	93	20	124	49	171	174	240
Footwear .....	327	158	397	292	413	548	529
Other apparel products and services .....	276	175	319	310	312	398	243
Transportation .....	8,758	4,539	10,539	9,274	10,801	11,655	12,754
Vehicle purchases (net outlay) .....	3,244	1,478	3,991	3,361	4,121	4,338	5,388
Cars and trucks, new .....	1,572	743	1,923	1,908	1,717	1,891	2,344
Cars and trucks, used .....	1,567	683	1,941	1,324	2,266	2,283	2,989
Other vehicles .....	105	53	128	129	138	164	255
Gasoline and motor oil .....	2,384	1,276	2,853	2,452	2,804	3,364	3,531

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Other vehicle expenses .....	\$2,592	\$1,461	\$3,067	\$2,740	\$3,330	\$3,329	\$3,382
Vehicle finance charges .....	305	122	383	323	383	468	458
Maintenance and repairs .....	738	471	850	796	848	924	927
Vehicle insurance .....	1,071	621	1,258	1,127	1,461	1,211	1,463
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, and other charges .....	478	247	576	494	638	726	534
Public transportation .....	538	324	628	722	546	624	453
Healthcare .....	2,853	1,790	3,302	3,709	2,876	3,147	2,840
Health insurance .....	1,545	994	1,778	2,005	1,564	1,684	1,498
Medical services .....	709	403	839	872	697	935	819
Drugs .....	481	325	547	677	484	418	393
Medical supplies .....	118	69	138	156	132	111	130
Entertainment .....	2,698	1,413	3,238	3,079	3,009	3,785	3,373
Fees and admissions .....	658	323	799	708	646	1,079	942
Audio and visual equipment and services .....	987	642	1,132	1,032	1,141	1,296	1,227
Pets, toys, hobbies, and playground equipment .....	560	291	672	649	671	770	620
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services .....	493	157	634	690	550	640	584
Personal care products and services .....	588	364	681	650	653	756	725
Reading .....	118	97	127	140	114	131	94
Education .....	945	621	1,082	777	1,242	1,483	1,277
Tobacco products and smoking supplies .....	323	223	365	350	417	335	378
Miscellaneous .....	808	533	923	977	836	935	863
Cash contributions .....	1,821	1,219	2,076	2,512	1,655	1,819	1,663
Personal insurance and pensions .....	5,336	2,491	6,540	5,789	6,659	7,835	6,994
Life and other personal insurance .....	309	146	379	349	394	432	378
Pensions and Social Security .....	5,027	2,345	6,162	5,441	6,265	7,403	6,616
Sources of income and personal taxes:							
Money income before taxes .....	63,091	31,962	76,269	70,095	74,809	86,902	83,866
Wages and salaries .....	50,322	21,703	62,437	51,853	63,350	77,794	74,177
Self-employment income .....	3,445	1,401	4,310	3,743	4,279	5,191	4,979
Social Security, private and government retirement .....	6,379	6,287	6,418	10,858	4,098	1,587	2,242
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income .....	1,746	1,560	1,824	2,606	1,654	922	789
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits .....	216	140	249	285	230	196	233
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps .....	332	253	366	201	439	376	783
Regular contributions for support .....	463	369	503	411	583	634	491
Other income .....	189	249	163	137	176	202	172
Personal taxes .....	2,233	1,423	2,577	3,070	2,332	2,309	1,707
Federal income taxes .....	1,569	1,033	1,796	2,242	1,607	1,523	1,002
State and local income taxes .....	468	269	553	588	516	552	495
Other taxes .....	196	121	228	240	210	234	210
Income after taxes .....	60,858	30,539	73,692	67,025	72,478	84,593	82,158

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Addenda:							
Net change in total assets and liabilities .....	- \$2,520	- \$887	- \$3,211	\$2,731	- \$9,844	- \$8,544	- \$4,850
Net change in total assets .....	10,647	4,350	13,312	15,021	10,316	12,930	12,909
Net change in total liabilities .....	13,167	5,237	16,523	12,290	20,160	21,474	17,759
Other financial information:							
Other money receipts .....	626	284	771	934	488	690	791
Mortgage principal paid on owned property .....	-2,279	-1,034	-2,805	-2,241	-3,137	-3,487	-3,179
Estimated market value of owned home .....	182,336	112,643	211,838	213,407	191,537	227,593	216,107
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home .....	898	568	1,038	1,013	960	1,144	1,090
Gifts of goods and services .....	1,198	837	1,350	1,805	1,300	833	639
Food .....	93	60	106	151	79	67	55
Alcoholic beverages .....	11	10	11	14	8	13	7
Housing .....	225	163	250	318	237	192	130
Housekeeping supplies .....	30	24	33	38	38	24	18
Household textiles .....	13	9	14	18	15	12	26
Appliances and miscellaneous housewares .....	21	19	21	26	11	27	13
Major appliances .....	7	6	8	12	1	7	27
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares .....	13	12	13	14	10	20	6
Miscellaneous household equipment .....	55	31	65	76	63	61	37
Other housing .....	106	80	117	160	110	68	57
Apparel and services .....	241	203	256	314	240	193	172
Males, 2 and over .....	57	64	54	66	51	52	24
Females, 2 and over .....	87	50	102	147	74	55	58
Children under 2 .....	45	19	56	46	66	63	65
Other apparel products and services .....	52	70	44	55	50	24	26
Jewelry and watches .....	21	39	13	16	16	4	10
All other apparel products and services .....	31	31	31	39	33	20	216
Transportation .....	109	62	128	191	123	34	59
Health care .....	23	35	18	25	20	27	28
Entertainment .....	103	68	117	145	104	108	56
Toys, games, arts and crafts, and tricycles .....	35	22	40	41	50	43	20
Other entertainment .....	68	47	77	104	54	65	36
Personal care products and services .....	18	13	19	20	25	12	18
Reading .....	1	1	1	1	1	1	21
Education .....	283	136	345	487	387	140	100
All other gifts .....	93	84	97	138	76	67	34

<sup>1</sup> Value is less than or equal to 0.5.

<sup>2</sup> Data are likely to have large sampling errors.

n.a. Not applicable.