

Table 8. Region of residence: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2007

Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Number of consumer units (in thousands)	120,171	22,382	27,462	43,152	27,176
Consumer unit characteristics:					
Income before taxes	\$63,091	\$69,937	\$59,389	\$58,224	\$68,923
Income after taxes	60,858	67,440	57,514	56,177	66,250
Age of reference person	48.8	50.5	48.4	48.8	47.9
Average number in consumer unit:					
Persons	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.6
Children under 186	.6	.6	.7	.7
Persons 65 and over3	.3	.3	.3	.3
Earners	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.4
Vehicles	1.9	1.6	2.1	1.9	2.0
Percent distribution:					
Sex of reference person:					
Male	47	44	50	45	49
Female	53	56	50	55	51
Housing tenure:					
Homeowner	67	64	69	69	63
With mortgage	43	41	44	44	44
Without mortgage	23	23	24	26	18
Renter	33	36	31	31	37
Race of reference person:					
Black or African-American	12	11	8	20	5
White, Asian, and all other races	88	89	92	80	95
Hispanic or Latino origin of reference person:					
Hispanic or Latino	12	9	4	13	19
Not Hispanic or Latino	88	91	96	87	81
Education of reference person:					
Elementary (1-8)	5	4	4	6	5
High school (9-12)	35	37	34	38	29
College	60	58	62	55	65
Never attended and other	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
At least one vehicle owned or leased	88	80	91	90	90
Average annual expenditures	\$49,638	\$51,624	\$48,014	\$45,464	\$56,291
Food					
Food at home	3,465	3,595	3,252	3,311	3,822
Cereals and bakery products	460	495	444	438	480
Cereals and cereal products	143	157	131	134	157
Bakery products	317	339	313	304	323
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	777	832	691	770	830
Beef	216	207	201	219	235
Pork	150	149	140	160	144
Other meats	104	121	109	97	98
Poultry	142	151	112	148	154
Fish and seafood	122	159	96	103	148
Eggs	43	45	33	42	51
Dairy products	387	400	375	366	422
Fresh milk and cream	154	151	145	156	161
Other dairy products	234	249	230	211	261
Fruits and vegetables	600	647	546	552	693
Fresh fruits	202	216	191	177	241
Fresh vegetables	190	205	161	175	233
Processed fruits	112	133	105	102	119
Processed vegetables	96	93	89	98	100

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other food at home	\$1,241	\$1,221	\$1,196	\$1,185	\$1,396
Sugar and other sweets	124	125	125	117	136
Fats and oils	91	93	87	90	97
Miscellaneous foods	650	626	630	622	734
Nonalcoholic beverages	333	333	313	325	366
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips	43	44	42	31	63
Food away from home	2,668	2,824	2,541	2,470	2,988
Alcoholic beverages	457	508	501	382	488
Housing	16,920	19,085	15,380	14,911	19,885
Shelter	10,023	11,640	8,839	8,233	12,729
Owned dwellings	6,730	7,616	6,238	5,723	8,097
Mortgage interest and charges	3,890	3,715	3,310	3,420	5,366
Property taxes	1,709	2,649	1,801	1,259	1,555
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses	1,131	1,252	1,126	1,044	1,176
Rented dwellings	2,602	3,036	1,883	2,072	3,811
Other lodging	691	988	717	437	821
Utilities, fuels, and public services	3,477	3,832	3,323	3,547	3,229
Natural gas	480	653	689	285	437
Electricity	1,303	1,276	1,116	1,568	1,093
Fuel oil and other fuels	151	455	116	71	62
Telephone services	1,110	1,120	1,025	1,167	1,095
Water and other public services	434	330	377	456	541
Household operations	984	1,011	855	933	1,174
Personal services	415	434	394	400	447
Other household expenses	569	577	462	533	727
Housekeeping supplies	639	576	620	595	782
Laundry and cleaning supplies	140	121	145	152	132
Other household products	347	303	320	309	471
Postage and stationery	152	152	155	134	179
Household furnishings and equipment	1,797	2,026	1,742	1,604	1,970
Household textiles	133	148	107	129	155
Furniture	446	589	401	382	472
Floor coverings	46	69	44	36	47
Major appliances	231	240	233	222	237
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	101	104	91	92	123
Miscellaneous household equipment	840	877	866	741	936
Apparel and services	1,881	2,068	1,866	1,692	2,042
Men and boys	435	450	379	425	498
Men, 16 and over	351	354	292	346	417
Boys, 2 to 15	84	97	87	79	81
Women and girls	749	812	821	638	800
Women, 16 and over	627	690	703	515	677
Girls, 2 to 15	122	121	117	124	123
Children under 2	93	83	89	86	119
Footwear	327	350	334	297	350
Other apparel products and services	276	374	244	246	275
Transportation	8,758	8,014	8,684	8,485	9,882
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	3,244	2,508	3,407	3,216	3,729
Cars and trucks, new	1,572	1,373	1,532	1,524	1,852
Cars and trucks, used	1,567	1,095	1,698	1,597	1,776
Other vehicles	105	240	178	96	101
Gasoline and motor oil	2,384	2,080	2,408	2,522	2,389

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other vehicle expenses	\$2,592	\$2,678	\$2,418	\$2,378	\$3,042
Vehicle finance charges	305	250	281	342	318
Maintenance and repairs	738	716	694	689	876
Vehicle insurance	1,071	1,069	908	1,041	1,290
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, and other charges	478	642	536	306	558
Public transportation	538	749	451	368	721
Healthcare	2,853	2,645	3,097	2,800	2,860
Health insurance	1,545	1,535	1,632	1,539	1,475
Medical services	709	576	811	639	829
Drugs	481	421	514	526	425
Medical supplies	118	114	141	96	131
Entertainment	2,698	2,811	2,585	2,320	3,319
Fees and admissions	658	803	630	476	857
Audio and visual equipment and services	987	1,010	913	971	1,068
Pets, toys, hobbies, and playground equipment	560	581	523	517	650
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services	493	417	519	357	744
Personal care products and services	588	609	544	565	650
Reading	118	135	126	89	140
Education	945	1,163	1,187	744	842
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	323	361	365	332	234
Miscellaneous	808	826	778	652	1,071
Cash contributions	1,821	1,421	1,792	1,762	2,275
Personal insurance and pensions	5,336	5,558	5,315	4,948	5,791
Life and other personal insurance	309	342	347	298	262
Pensions and Social Security	5,027	5,216	4,968	4,650	5,529
Sources of income and personal taxes:					
Money income before taxes	63,091	69,937	59,389	58,224	68,923
Wages and salaries	50,322	57,464	46,933	46,610	53,758
Self-employment income	3,445	3,225	3,292	2,634	5,067
Social Security, private and government retirement	6,379	6,235	6,425	6,425	6,378
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	1,746	1,730	1,677	1,436	2,320
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits	216	251	221	220	176
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps	332	404	294	303	359
Regular contributions for support	463	403	361	443	646
Other income	189	226	186	152	219
Personal taxes	2,233	2,497	1,875	2,048	2,674
Federal income taxes	1,569	1,596	1,164	1,582	1,935
State and local income taxes	468	599	467	325	589
Other taxes	196	301	245	140	150
Income after taxes	60,858	67,440	57,514	56,177	66,250

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Addenda:					
Net change in total assets and liabilities	- \$2,520	\$1,517	- \$4,713	- \$2,549	- \$3,583
Net change in total assets	10,647	11,136	7,653	7,140	18,838
Net change in total liabilities	13,167	9,619	12,366	9,689	22,421
Other financial information:					
Other money receipts	626	368	644	637	803
Mortgage principal paid on owned property	-2,279	-2,201	-2,137	-2,051	-2,847
Estimated market value of owned home	182,336	210,856	138,622	140,923	268,779
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home	898	1,027	782	823	1,028
Gifts of goods and services	1,198	1,284	1,310	1,073	1,213
Food	93	92	101	94	84
Alcoholic beverages	11	10	12	12	10
Housing	225	256	257	196	210
Housekeeping supplies	30	27	38	26	31
Household textiles	13	23	11	11	9
Appliances and miscellaneous housewares	21	23	18	18	25
Major appliances	7	9	6	5	12
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares	13	13	12	13	14
Miscellaneous household equipment	55	53	81	39	56
Other housing	106	131	109	101	90
Apparel and services	241	248	244	233	245
Males, 2 and over	57	58	51	66	48
Females, 2 and over	87	91	105	73	87
Children under 2	45	36	41	43	60
Other apparel products and services	52	63	46	51	49
Jewelry and watches	21	25	19	17	25
All other apparel products and services	31	37	27	34	24
Transportation	109	75	69	125	151
Health care	23	26	24	13	35
Entertainment	103	96	105	91	125
Toys, games, arts and crafts, and tricycles	35	37	32	36	34
Other entertainment	68	59	73	55	91
Personal care products and services	18	20	16	19	14
Reading	1	1	1	1	1
Education	283	367	386	218	212
All other gifts	93	92	97	70	125

¹ Value is less than or equal to 0.5.

² Data are likely to have large sampling errors.