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Number of consumer units (in thousands)	60,747	25,923	29,984	5,865	15,265	8,854	4,841	7,139	52,286
Consumer unit characteristics:									
Income before taxes	\$85,803	\$78,434	\$92,655	\$83,372	\$92,569	\$98,952	\$82,825	\$35,490	\$40,473
Income after taxes	82,724	74,805	89,829	80,707	89,839	95,853	81,130	35,046	38,977
Age of reference person	48.9	57.1	42.1	32.3	40.1	52.0	48.1	38.6	50.1
Average number in consumer unit:									
Persons	3.2	2.0	3.9	3.5	4.2	3.9	4.9	2.9	1.6
Children under 189	n.a.	1.6	1.5	2.2	.6	1.4	1.7	.2
Persons 65 and over3	.6	.1	(¹)	(¹)	.2	.5	(¹)	.3
Earners	1.7	1.2	2.0	1.7	1.8	2.5	2.4	1.0	1.0
Vehicles	2.5	2.4	2.6	2.1	2.6	3.1	2.7	1.2	1.3
Percent distribution:									
Sex of reference person:									
Male	53	57	51	53	49	53	48	14	44
Female	47	43	49	47	51	47	52	86	56
Housing tenure:									
Homeowner	82	85	81	68	81	88	77	41	52
With mortgage	57	45	69	64	71	67	57	33	29
Without mortgage	25	40	12	4	10	22	20	8	23
Renter	18	15	19	32	19	12	23	59	48
Race of reference person:									
Black or African-American	8	6	9	8	8	11	11	32	14
White, Asian, and all other races	92	94	91	92	92	89	89	68	86
Hispanic or Latino origin of reference person:									
Hispanic or Latino	12	6	15	14	17	13	24	17	10
Not Hispanic or Latino	88	94	85	86	83	87	76	83	89
Education of reference person:									
Elementary (1-8)	5	5	4	3	4	6	10	4	6
High school (9-12)	32	33	30	23	29	36	42	44	36
College	62	61	65	73	67	58	47	52	58
Never attended and other	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	1	(²)	(²)
At least one vehicle owned or leased	97	96	97	96	97	98	96	81	80
Average annual expenditures	\$64,104	\$58,637	\$69,101	\$62,403	\$70,766	\$70,822	\$63,339	\$38,239	\$34,360
Food	7,900	6,690	8,876	7,137	9,151	9,623	9,138	5,614	4,142
Food at home	4,460	3,617	5,080	4,243	5,115	5,626	5,737	3,295	2,328
Cereals and bakery products	596	472	693	516	730	750	752	456	301
Cereals and cereal products	183	134	221	163	242	221	238	149	95
Bakery products	414	337	472	353	488	529	515	307	205
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	986	790	1,113	784	1,122	1,337	1,394	793	532
Beef	277	214	319	254	325	353	404	191	148
Pork	190	162	208	151	209	249	245	168	101
Other meats	131	101	154	103	153	193	175	113	72
Poultry	182	134	213	138	213	269	286	146	94
Fish and seafood	152	135	159	93	159	207	218	132	85
Eggs	53	44	60	45	63	66	67	42	30
Dairy products	511	424	581	514	605	582	602	356	247
Fresh milk and cream	199	150	239	229	254	216	242	153	101
Other dairy products	312	274	342	285	351	366	360	203	146
Fruits and vegetables	780	676	848	735	856	914	998	492	403
Fresh fruits	265	233	287	264	290	297	329	148	134
Fresh vegetables	253	224	269	222	271	299	333	131	125
Processed fruits	142	118	159	141	157	177	180	110	78
Processed vegetables	120	101	133	107	138	142	156	104	66

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Other food at home	\$1,586	\$1,255	\$1,845	\$1,694	\$1,802	\$2,043	\$1,990	\$1,198	\$845
Sugar and other sweets	160	135	181	121	192	201	184	115	84
Fats and oils	120	106	128	92	127	155	154	82	59
Miscellaneous foods	827	618	995	1,069	945	1,041	1,040	663	442
Nonalcoholic beverages	418	329	480	367	465	595	573	317	236
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips	62	67	61	45	73	51	40	21	24
Food away from home	3,440	3,073	3,796	2,894	4,036	3,997	3,401	2,319	1,814
Alcoholic beverages	506	559	470	513	405	566	421	212	428
Housing	20,922	18,420	23,078	24,354	24,032	20,596	20,842	14,354	12,610
Shelter	12,036	10,358	13,458	13,815	14,343	11,696	12,215	8,512	7,890
Owned dwellings	9,350	7,707	10,819	10,757	11,627	9,466	9,049	3,931	4,069
Mortgage interest and charges	5,491	3,757	6,961	7,568	7,621	5,422	5,666	2,584	2,209
Property taxes	2,348	2,273	2,470	2,037	2,619	2,500	1,989	902	1,077
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses	1,511	1,677	1,387	1,152	1,387	1,544	1,395	445	783
Rented dwellings	1,657	1,370	1,774	2,637	1,779	1,195	2,469	4,323	3,465
Other lodging	1,029	1,280	865	421	937	1,035	697	258	357
Utilities, fuels, and public services	4,233	3,785	4,518	3,828	4,567	4,891	4,869	3,214	2,635
Natural gas	588	537	631	526	632	697	593	369	371
Electricity	1,597	1,431	1,688	1,431	1,722	1,800	1,919	1,265	966
Fuel oil and other fuels	184	190	177	169	188	165	195	80	121
Telephone services	1,318	1,126	1,449	1,204	1,442	1,622	1,535	1,121	866
Water and other public services	546	500	573	497	583	606	626	380	310
Household operations	1,351	879	1,786	3,431	1,644	943	1,178	1,056	548
Personal services	614	89	1,074	2,811	886	249	571	662	151
Other household expenses	737	790	712	620	758	694	606	395	397
Housekeeping supplies	869	963	789	750	767	861	801	500	387
Laundry and cleaning supplies	177	149	191	154	197	207	257	174	93
Other household products	501	601	418	449	379	472	411	237	180
Postage and stationery	192	213	180	147	191	181	133	90	114
Household furnishings and equipment	2,433	2,436	2,527	2,531	2,711	2,206	1,778	1,071	1,150
Household textiles	178	170	186	238	181	160	178	77	88
Furniture	622	619	657	657	763	477	433	359	253
Floor coverings	65	56	75	87	88	44	47	26	28
Major appliances	319	345	300	296	299	305	302	153	139
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	128	127	132	141	121	148	108	62	74
Miscellaneous household equipment	1,121	1,119	1,177	1,112	1,259	1,072	711	394	566
Apparel and services	2,369	1,956	2,723	2,400	2,766	2,876	2,570	2,077	1,289
Men and boys	542	408	644	470	663	743	683	361	320
Men, 16 and over	424	385	451	348	379	667	494	149	291
Boys, 2 to 15	118	23	193	122	284	76	189	212	29
Women and girls	944	842	1,045	696	1,169	1,062	900	977	494
Women, 16 and over	776	798	756	531	736	959	767	679	449
Girls, 2 to 15	168	44	289	165	433	104	133	299	45
Children under 2	130	54	189	545	121	66	207	118	48
Footwear	414	321	494	380	524	519	475	435	213
Other apparel products and services	339	332	350	309	289	485	305	186	214
Transportation	11,600	10,347	12,609	10,876	12,688	13,651	12,114	6,359	5,783
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	4,435	3,828	4,919	4,529	4,912	5,190	4,687	2,139	2,011
Cars and trucks, new	2,255	2,352	2,185	1,935	2,218	2,293	2,166	635	906
Cars and trucks, used	2,022	1,307	2,575	2,565	2,475	2,753	2,427	1,498	1,048
Other vehicles	158	169	159	329	218	3144	394	35	57
Gasoline and motor oil	3,109	2,649	3,421	2,717	3,474	3,797	3,631	1,771	1,625

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Other vehicle expenses	\$3,332	\$2,994	\$3,639	\$3,112	\$3,605	\$4,076	\$3,287	\$2,085	\$1,801
Vehicle finance charges	424	349	476	476	478	472	506	217	179
Maintenance and repairs	939	875	1,010	760	998	1,202	821	504	535
Vehicle insurance	1,311	1,214	1,391	1,075	1,393	1,620	1,395	1,069	793
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, and other charges	658	556	762	801	736	782	564	295	294
Public transportation	725	875	630	517	697	588	509	364	345
Healthcare	3,870	4,542	3,328	2,826	3,286	3,737	3,610	1,282	1,883
Health insurance	2,074	2,459	1,765	1,480	1,742	1,993	1,923	640	1,054
Medical services	992	1,065	940	919	957	925	922	383	426
Drugs	639	829	472	340	434	628	636	202	334
Medical supplies	165	189	151	88	153	190	129	57	70
Entertainment	3,578	3,324	3,915	3,102	4,366	3,682	2,884	2,062	1,760
Fees and admissions	958	857	1,100	704	1,386	863	606	468	334
Audio and visual equipment and services	1,207	1,072	1,334	1,118	1,398	1,376	1,171	831	752
Pets, toys, hobbies, and playground equipment	731	713	756	703	767	775	671	487	371
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services	681	683	725	576	816	669	436	275	303
Personal care products and services	741	716	768	637	758	881	716	522	418
Reading	147	166	137	105	143	149	109	61	91
Education	1,250	860	1,643	431	1,560	2,587	908	768	616
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	324	293	316	257	321	346	539	256	331
Miscellaneous	979	1,069	892	749	883	1,011	1,010	746	616
Cash contributions	2,466	3,232	1,937	1,407	1,991	2,194	1,642	729	1,222
Personal insurance and pensions	7,452	6,462	8,408	7,607	8,416	8,923	6,836	3,197	3,170
Life and other personal insurance	465	441	489	306	504	585	439	145	152
Pensions and Social Security	6,988	6,021	7,918	7,301	7,912	8,339	6,398	3,052	3,018
Sources of income and personal taxes:									
Money income before taxes	85,803	78,434	92,655	83,372	92,569	98,952	82,825	35,490	40,473
Wages and salaries	70,301	56,490	82,584	76,120	83,463	85,350	68,179	28,913	30,033
Self-employment income	5,128	4,438	5,893	5,227	6,195	5,813	4,084	756	1,856
Social Security, private and government retirement	7,382	13,535	1,900	296	854	4,768	8,388	1,094	5,935
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	2,165	3,330	1,366	1,003	1,070	2,118	871	352	1,449
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits	277	327	216	193	219	227	389	82	163
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps	202	100	232	156	256	240	568	1,189	366
Regular contributions for support	198	95	287	189	362	222	200	2,899	438
Other income	150	120	177	189	150	214	147	205	231
Personal taxes	3,079	3,629	2,826	2,665	2,730	3,100	1,696	445	1,496
Federal income taxes	2,161	2,656	1,906	1,806	1,812	2,135	1,088	143	1,076
State and local income taxes	642	676	658	667	654	657	366	179	305
Other taxes	276	297	263	193	264	307	241	122	114
Income after taxes	82,724	74,805	89,829	80,707	89,839	95,853	81,130	35,046	38,977

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Addenda:									
Net change in total assets and liabilities	- \$3,215	\$4,010	- \$7,386	- \$13,311	- \$9,936	\$934	- \$16,069	- \$4,036	- \$1,506
Net change in total assets	15,052	16,266	15,333	16,959	18,470	8,847	6,807	8,075	5,880
Net change in total liabilities	18,267	12,257	22,719	30,270	28,406	7,912	22,876	12,111	7,385
Other financial information:									
Other money receipts	872	1,204	515	167	621	562	1,309	1,046	283
Mortgage principal paid on owned property	-3,345	-2,590	-4,049	-3,546	-3,785	-4,837	-3,034	-1,244	-1,180
Estimated market value of owned home	248,143	255,766	245,242	205,719	253,142	257,805	225,289	92,816	118,102
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home	1,201	1,195	1,229	1,024	1,285	1,271	1,058	484	603
Gifts of goods and services	1,587	2,261	1,103	618	1,104	1,426	869	695	813
Food	124	196	76	59	82	75	27	29	65
Alcoholic beverages	12	15	12	19	8	14	³ 2	³ 2	11
Housing	297	396	237	172	237	279	121	167	148
Housekeeping supplies	36	43	31	34	34	24	21	31	23
Household textiles	17	22	13	³ 5	16	14	³ 6	³ 7	9
Appliances and miscellaneous housewares	25	33	21	³ 28	9	39	³ 4	³ 18	16
Major appliances	9	15	5	(²)	(²)	18	³ 3	5	5
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares	16	18	16	³ 28	9	21	³ 2	³ 13	10
Miscellaneous household equipment	78	92	71	54	79	66	³ 33	51	29
Other housing	142	206	100	50	99	136	56	59	71
Apparel and services	274	359	208	203	186	255	189	193	208
Males, 2 and over	59	80	47	26	39	78	17	51	55
Females, 2 and over	107	160	62	45	60	79	67	43	69
Children under 2	62	53	68	103	62	54	76	47	25
Other apparel products and services	46	66	30	29	24	44	³ 30	51	58
Jewelry and watches	13	18	9	³ 12	9	³ 9	³ 7	³ 12	31
All other apparel products and services	33	48	21	³ 17	16	35	³ 22	³ 39	27
Transportation	145	239	83	24	66	149	19	23	78
Health care	21	31	9	³ 10	7	³ 14	³ 45	³ 1	28
Entertainment	131	166	110	82	123	104	63	54	76
Toys, games, arts and crafts, and tricycles	47	50	47	³ 61	42	³ 47	³ 25	³ 19	23
Other entertainment	84	116	63	21	82	58	39	35	53
Personal care products and services	18	19	18	15	22	11	10	³ 8	18
Reading	1	1	1	(²)	1	(²)	³ 1	(²)	1
Education	451	664	288	³ 11	310	433	314	178	102
All other gifts	111	174	62	23	61	91	77	41	78

¹ Value is less than or equal to 0.05.

² Value is less than or equal to 0.5.

³ Data are likely to have large sampling errors.
n.a. Not applicable.