

**Table 59. Composition of consumer unit: Shares of annual aggregate expenditures and sources of income, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1998**

(Aggregates in millions of dollars, unless otherwise indicated)

Item	Aggregate	Husband and wife consumer units						One parent, at least one child under 18	Single person and other consumer units
		Total husband and wife consumer units	Husband and wife only	Husband and wife with children			Other husband and wife consumer units		
				Oldest child under 6	Oldest child 6 to 17	Oldest child 18 or over			
Number of consumer units (in thousands) .....	107,182	56,655	23,302	5,471	15,994	7,728	4,160	6,546	43,981
Percent distribution of consumer units .....	100.0	52.9	21.7	5.1	14.9	7.2	3.9	6.1	41.0
Consumer unit characteristics (mean values):									
Income before taxes <sup>1</sup> .....	\$41,622	\$55,345	\$49,395	\$55,800	\$58,775	\$64,243	\$58,458	\$24,530	\$27,009
Income after taxes <sup>1</sup> .....	38,358	50,986	45,327	50,879	54,386	59,043	54,918	23,149	24,836
Age of reference person .....	47.6	48.1	56.4	32.0	39.6	51.7	48.4	36.0	48.8
Average number in consumer unit:									
Persons .....	2.5	3.2	2.0	3.4	4.2	3.9	4.8	2.9	1.6
Children under 18 .....	.7	.9	n.a.	1.4	2.2	.6	1.4	1.8	.2
Persons 65 and over .....	.3	.3	.6	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	.2	.5	( <sup>2</sup> )	.3
Earners .....	1.3	1.7	1.2	1.7	1.9	2.6	2.3	1.1	.9
Vehicles .....	2.0	2.6	2.4	2.2	2.6	3.4	2.8	1.1	1.3
Percent distribution:									
Sex of reference person:									
Male .....	58	75	77	73	74	75	73	12	42
Female .....	42	25	23	27	26	25	27	88	58
Housing tenure:									
Homeowner .....	64	81	83	67	79	88	77	36	47
With mortgage .....	39	53	40	58	67	60	53	29	22
Without mortgage .....	26	28	43	9	12	28	25	7	26
Renter .....	36	19	17	33	21	12	23	64	53
Race of reference person:									
Black .....	12	8	5	8	9	10	12	34	14
White and other .....	88	92	95	92	91	90	88	66	86
Education of reference person:									
Elementary (1-8) .....	7	6	6	4	4	8	9	4	8
High school (9-12) .....	39	37	38	29	37	35	48	50	39
College .....	54	57	55	67	59	56	42	47	52
Never attended and other .....	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>4</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	1	( <sup>4</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )
At least one vehicle owned or leased .....	87	97	96	95	97	97	96	73	76
Annual aggregate expenditures .....	\$3,806,893	67.0	24.5	6.3	20.4	10.6	5.2	4.6	28.5
Food .....	514,578	67.4	22.9	6.2	21.1	10.9	6.1	5.2	27.4
Food at home .....	297,339	67.8	22.5	6.4	21.2	10.6	7.0	5.7	26.6
Cereals and bakery products .....	45,435	67.7	21.6	6.2	22.7	10.6	6.5	5.8	26.4
Cereals and cereal products .....	15,655	67.5	19.6	6.0	24.8	10.4	6.7	6.4	26.2
Bakery products .....	29,780	67.8	22.7	6.3	21.7	10.7	6.5	5.6	26.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	77,381	68.8	22.7	5.7	20.4	11.4	8.6	5.8	25.4
Beef .....	23,366	71.5	23.8	5.3	20.3	12.9	9.1	5.2	23.3
Pork .....	15,600	67.5	23.0	5.4	19.2	10.7	9.2	6.3	26.2
Other meats .....	9,849	69.0	22.6	5.7	21.3	11.0	8.3	5.4	25.6
Poultry .....	14,635	68.4	20.9	6.1	22.2	11.6	7.6	6.3	25.4
Fish and seafood .....	10,465	67.0	22.8	6.9	19.4	9.9	8.0	5.9	27.1
Eggs .....	3,466	64.4	21.5	5.3	19.0	10.2	8.4	5.4	30.2
Dairy products .....	32,242	68.0	21.7	6.7	23.1	10.2	6.3	5.7	26.3
Fresh milk and cream .....	12,858	68.5	19.9	6.9	24.3	10.1	7.4	5.8	25.7
Other dairy products .....	19,384	67.7	22.8	6.6	22.4	10.3	5.6	5.7	26.7
Fruits and vegetables .....	50,484	67.4	24.2	6.7	19.7	10.3	6.5	5.4	27.2
Fresh fruits .....	15,944	66.7	24.7	6.4	20.2	9.7	5.8	5.3	28.0
Fresh vegetables .....	15,509	68.0	25.1	6.6	18.4	10.6	7.3	4.9	27.2
Processed fruits .....	10,852	66.0	22.2	7.8	18.9	10.6	6.4	6.1	27.9
Processed vegetables .....	8,180	69.5	24.1	6.3	22.2	10.5	6.4	5.9	24.6

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(Aggregates in millions of dollars, unless otherwise indicated)

Item	Aggregate	Husband and wife consumer units						One parent, at least one child under 18	Single person and other consumer units
		Total husband and wife consumer units	Husband and wife only	Husband and wife with children			Other husband and wife consumer units		
				Oldest child under 6	Oldest child 6 to 17	Oldest child 18 or over			
Other food at home .....	\$91,797	67.0	22.0	6.8	21.3	10.3	6.5	5.7	27.4
Sugar and other sweets .....	11,677	66.5	23.2	5.4	22.5	9.5	5.9	5.6	27.8
Fats and oils .....	8,229	67.4	23.2	6.0	19.8	10.0	8.3	5.6	27.1
Miscellaneous foods .....	41,491	67.0	20.6	8.3	21.9	9.9	6.2	5.9	27.2
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	24,684	66.4	21.9	5.8	20.8	11.0	7.0	6.0	27.5
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips .....	5,716	69.6	27.6	5.0	19.5	12.7	4.8	2.9	27.6
Food away from home .....	217,239	66.8	23.6	5.9	21.0	11.4	4.9	4.6	28.6
Alcoholic beverages .....	33,058	56.4	27.2	5.7	12.6	7.0	3.9	3.8	39.8
Housing .....	1,255,217	64.7	24.0	7.0	19.8	8.9	4.9	5.1	30.2
Shelter .....	716,015	63.3	22.8	6.9	20.1	8.7	4.7	5.1	31.6
Owned dwellings .....	454,991	74.6	25.9	8.0	24.7	10.8	5.1	3.5	21.9
Mortgage interest and charges .....	263,117	76.8	22.3	9.9	28.2	10.9	5.5	4.0	19.2
Property taxes .....	108,832	72.4	29.0	5.5	20.9	11.7	5.1	3.2	24.4
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses .....	83,042	70.4	33.0	5.1	18.7	9.5	4.1	2.5	27.1
Rented dwellings .....	211,972	36.7	13.6	5.6	10.5	3.3	3.5	9.2	54.1
Other lodging .....	49,052	73.6	34.5	3.1	18.8	12.2	5.0	1.9	24.5
Utilities, fuels, and public services .....	257,743	63.7	23.8	5.5	19.0	10.1	5.4	5.7	30.6
Natural gas .....	30,426	62.6	23.1	5.3	19.1	9.8	5.3	6.0	31.4
Electricity .....	98,725	64.7	24.4	5.2	19.3	10.1	5.7	5.7	29.7
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	9,133	66.6	28.1	5.0	17.4	11.9	4.1	3.9	29.5
Telephone services .....	88,914	60.8	22.3	5.8	18.1	9.4	5.3	6.1	33.1
Water and other public services .....	30,546	69.5	25.4	5.6	21.2	11.5	5.8	4.5	25.9
Household operations .....	58,495	68.2	16.9	17.1	23.7	4.8	5.8	8.0	23.8
Personal services .....	27,827	71.1	3.1	29.9	30.0	2.0	6.1	12.5	16.4
Other household expenses .....	30,668	65.6	29.4	5.5	17.9	7.3	5.6	3.9	30.5
Housekeeping supplies .....	51,546	71.2	30.9	5.7	19.3	9.7	5.6	3.4	25.4
Laundry and cleaning supplies .....	12,586	70.5	25.8	5.3	20.0	11.5	7.9	4.4	25.1
Other household products .....	24,850	74.1	35.6	5.6	19.6	9.1	4.1	3.0	22.9
Postage and stationery .....	14,110	66.9	27.4	6.0	18.1	9.3	6.2	3.1	30.0
Household furnishings and equipment .....	171,418	68.5	29.7	6.2	18.5	9.3	4.8	4.1	27.3
Household textiles .....	11,260	67.5	27.8	5.4	19.5	8.6	6.2	3.7	28.8
Furniture .....	40,444	70.6	28.9	9.4	18.9	8.4	4.9	5.0	24.4
Floor coverings .....	15,459	69.3	44.6	2.4	15.3	6.8	5.2	1.7	29.0
Major appliances .....	17,583	63.2	25.2	5.8	16.7	10.6	5.0	6.4	30.4
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares .....	8,572	69.4	28.7	4.6	18.9	11.9	5.3	3.5	27.1
Miscellaneous household equipment .....	78,101	68.6	28.5	5.8	19.2	9.7	5.4	3.8	27.6
Apparel and services .....	179,110	65.2	20.6	6.5	22.1	10.6	5.5	6.5	28.3
Men and boys .....	42,659	71.6	21.6	5.6	25.4	12.5	6.5	3.8	24.7
Men, 16 and over .....	33,572	70.3	25.9	5.2	19.5	14.0	5.8	1.8	27.8
Boys, 2 to 15 .....	9,087	76.1	5.5	7.0	47.3	7.3	9.0	10.9	13.0
Women and girls .....	69,691	62.6	21.1	5.3	21.4	10.3	4.4	8.1	29.3
Women, 16 and over .....	58,618	60.5	24.0	5.3	16.2	11.0	4.1	7.1	32.4
Girls, 2 to 15 .....	11,072	73.6	6.1	5.6	49.2	7.0	5.8	13.7	12.7
Children under 2 .....	7,799	76.3	11.2	32.9	18.9	3.8	9.5	6.4	17.2
Footwear .....	30,038	62.8	18.2	4.4	23.7	10.5	6.0	8.7	28.5
Other apparel products and services .....	28,923	61.7	22.8	5.7	18.0	10.1	5.0	4.5	33.9
Transportation .....	709,105	70.3	23.9	6.2	21.5	13.2	5.5	3.8	25.9
Vehicle purchases (net outlay) .....	317,722	72.5	22.6	6.4	23.5	14.8	5.3	3.6	24.0
Cars and trucks, new .....	148,237	77.4	25.4	6.6	23.4	17.0	5.0	<sup>5</sup> 1.9	20.7
Cars and trucks, used .....	164,243	69.0	20.5	5.9	23.9	13.1	5.5	5.0	26.0
Other vehicles .....	5,241	42.9	<sup>5</sup> 9.4	<sup>5</sup> 14.3	<sup>5</sup> 10.0	<sup>5</sup> 4.1	<sup>5</sup> 5.1	<sup>5</sup> 4.6	52.5
Gasoline and motor oil .....	108,989	68.9	24.1	6.0	20.8	12.2	5.9	4.2	26.8

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Other vehicle expenses .....	\$236,385	68.9	24.0	6.5	20.4	12.3	5.7	4.2	26.9
Vehicle finance charges .....	34,212	73.1	22.2	8.2	22.9	13.2	6.5	3.6	23.3
Maintenance and repairs .....	68,665	64.7	24.0	5.1	19.7	10.4	5.5	5.3	30.0
Vehicle insurance .....	79,166	68.1	24.3	5.7	18.4	14.2	5.6	3.9	28.0
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges .....	54,341	72.7	24.8	8.5	22.5	11.1	5.8	3.6	23.7
Public transportation .....	46,010	65.9	32.1	4.4	15.6	9.5	4.2	3.2	30.9
Health care .....	203,911	68.6	33.0	4.5	16.5	9.7	4.9	3.3	28.1
Health insurance .....	97,878	69.0	32.8	5.1	16.1	9.8	5.3	3.3	27.7
Medical services .....	58,109	69.9	30.8	4.9	19.6	10.5	4.1	3.4	26.6
Drugs .....	37,029	65.1	37.1	2.8	11.9	8.1	5.2	3.1	31.8
Medical supplies .....	10,895	70.1	32.5	3.7	19.3	10.6	4.0	3.2	26.7
Entertainment .....	186,973	67.9	24.9	5.8	22.2	9.7	5.3	4.2	27.9
Fees and admissions .....	48,082	70.2	27.2	5.1	24.2	9.9	3.9	3.4	26.4
Television, radios, sound equipment .....	57,273	64.2	23.7	5.0	20.0	9.3	6.2	5.7	30.1
Pets, toys, and playground equipment .....	35,275	70.4	26.2	7.1	24.2	8.0	4.9	4.6	25.0
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services .....	46,343	68.3	23.0	6.7	21.5	11.3	5.9	2.8	28.9
Personal care products and services .....	42,876	64.0	25.7	5.6	17.8	10.1	4.7	6.1	29.9
Reading .....	17,250	65.5	29.7	5.2	17.8	8.9	3.9	3.3	31.2
Education .....	62,137	67.3	16.8	3.3	23.9	19.6	3.7	3.9	28.9
Tobacco products and smoking supplies .....	29,260	56.6	19.6	3.7	17.2	9.7	6.3	5.0	38.4
Miscellaneous .....	92,160	60.3	23.8	4.8	16.6	9.1	6.0	5.4	34.3
Cash contributions .....	118,899	63.7	31.9	4.4	14.3	8.6	4.5	2.9	33.4
Personal insurance and pensions .....	362,358	72.4	25.7	7.3	23.3	11.5	4.6	3.3	24.3
Life and other personal insurance .....	42,709	78.9	34.5	5.7	22.6	10.4	5.6	2.8	18.3
Pensions and Social Security .....	319,648	71.6	24.5	7.6	23.4	11.7	4.5	3.4	25.1
Sources of income and personal taxes: <sup>1</sup>									
Money income before taxes .....	3,501,058	69.3	25.5	6.8	20.9	10.9	5.2	3.6	27.1
Wages and salaries .....	2,766,479	71.2	22.2	8.0	23.9	11.7	5.4	3.7	25.0
Self-employment income .....	188,347	73.8	28.7	7.0	24.8	10.7	2.6	2.1	24.1
Social Security, private and government retirement .....	388,481	60.3	46.7	<sup>5</sup> 1	1.9	6.6	5.1	1.0	38.6
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income .....	73,280	63.6	42.8	2.0	7.6	9.6	1.6	.9	35.5
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits .....	16,228	61.9	22.6	2.3	19.5	11.0	6.4	4.4	33.7
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps .....	27,799	31.8	7.0	3.0	7.9	6.1	7.8	24.1	44.1
Regular contributions for support .....	21,840	24.5	4.4	<sup>5</sup> 9	13.7	1.9	3.7	30.1	45.4
Other income .....	18,602	56.0	15.1	6.1	18.7	11.4	4.7	6.3	37.8
Personal taxes .....	274,527	69.6	26.7	7.6	19.9	11.3	4.0	2.6	27.8
Federal income taxes .....	207,922	69.9	26.7	7.8	20.0	11.5	3.9	2.5	27.6
State and local income taxes .....	52,981	67.9	25.6	7.8	20.4	10.4	3.7	2.8	29.3
Other taxes .....	13,624	71.7	31.1	5.2	17.1	11.7	6.6	2.9	25.4
Income after taxes .....	3,226,532	69.3	25.4	6.7	21.0	10.9	5.3	3.7	27.0

<sup>1</sup> Components of income and taxes are derived from "complete income reporters" only; see glossary.

<sup>2</sup> Value less than 0.05.

<sup>3</sup> Value less than 0.5.

<sup>4</sup> No data reported.

<sup>5</sup> Data are likely to have large sampling errors.  
n.a. Not applicable.