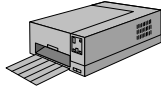


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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - U.S. CITY AVERAGE AND REGIONS

December 2001

ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)

	U.S. CITY AVERAGE			MIDWEST REGION			WEST REGION		
		Percent change from			Percent change from			Percent change from	
		1 Year Ago	1 Month Ago		1 Year Ago	1 Month Ago		1 Year Ago	1 Month Ago
ALL ITEMS (1982-84 = 100)	176.7	1.6	-0.4	171.9	1.0	-0.3	181.6	2.5	-0.4
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	175.2	2.8	0.0	172.1	2.6	0.2	179.3	3.2	-0.1
HOUSING	176.9	2.9	0.0	168.5	1.1	0.0	189.1	5.2	0.2
APPAREL	123.7	-3.2	-3.4	120.6	-3.2	-2.7	113.1	-4.2	-3.5
TRANSPORTATION	148.5	-3.8	-1.1	149.3	-2.6	-0.8	151.8	-4.0	-1.9
MEDICAL CARE	277.3	4.7	0.2	271.7	4.9	0.1	277.5	5.7	0.4
RECREATION/1	105.3	1.5	-0.2	105.8	2.3	-0.1	103.9	1.3	-0.1
EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATION/1	106.9	3.2	-0.1	108.9	3.1	0.1	104.8	2.7	-0.1
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	286.4	4.5	-1.0	279.7	4.9	-1.3	285.6	3.3	-1.0
ALL ITEMS (1967=100)	529.2								

URBAN WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)

	U.S. CITY AVERAGE			MIDWEST REGION			WEST REGION		
		Percent change from			Percent change from			Percent change from	
		1 Year Ago	1 Month Ago		1 Year Ago	1 Month Ago		1 Year Ago	1 Month Ago
ALL ITEMS (1982-84=100)	172.9	1.3	-0.5	167.6	0.7	-0.4	176.8	2.3	-0.5
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	174.6	2.8	0.1	172.0	2.6	0.1	178.8	3.2	-0.2
HOUSING	172.9	2.9	0.1	163.0	0.9	0.0	185.1	5.4	0.3
APPAREL	123.0	-2.8	-3.3	119.8	-2.8	-2.5	114.9	-3.0	-3.5
TRANSPORTATION	147.4	-4.2	-1.2	148.2	-3.2	-0.8	148.6	-4.3	-2.0
MEDICAL CARE	276.2	4.7	0.2	271.9	4.9	0.1	276.2	5.8	0.4
RECREATION/1	103.8	1.2	-0.2	104.1	1.6	-0.1	102.0	0.7	-0.2
EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATION/1	106.9	3.1	0.0	108.6	2.8	0.1	105.5	2.7	0.0
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	293.3	5.1	-1.3	285.7	5.3	-1.9	287.7	3.8	-1.3
ALL ITEMS (1967=100)	515.0								

Notes:

(1) December 1997 = 100 base
 (-) Data not available

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