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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) .....	116,282	33,686	82,596	37,542	17,806	16,388	10,859
Consumer unit characteristics:							
Income before taxes .....	\$54,453	\$28,143	\$65,183	\$58,307	\$66,762	\$74,970	\$71,600
Income after taxes .....	52,287	26,761	62,698	55,393	64,220	72,627	70,473
Age of reference person .....	48.5	51.9	47.1	52.9	44.0	41.1	41.1
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	2.8
Persons 65 and over .....	.3	.3	.3	.5	.2	.1	.1
Earners .....	1.3	.6	1.6	1.3	1.8	1.9	2.2
Vehicles .....	1.9	1.0	2.3	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.5
Percent distribution:							
Sex of reference person:							
Male .....	48	45	50	53	47	49	44
Female .....	52	55	50	47	53	51	56
Housing tenure:							
Homeowner .....	68	51	74	75	71	77	74
With mortgage .....	42	23	50	40	54	65	58
Without mortgage .....	25	29	24	35	17	12	16
Renter .....	32	49	26	25	29	23	26
Race of reference person:							
Black or African-American .....	12	12	12	10	14	13	15
White, Asian, and All Other Races .....	88	88	88	90	86	87	85
Hispanic or Latino origin of reference person:							
Hispanic or Latino (new UCC Q20032) .....	11	7	12	6	13	15	27
Not Hispanic or Latino (new UCC Q20032) .....	89	93	88	94	87	85	73
Education of reference person:							
Elementary (1-8) .....	5	7	5	4	4	4	10
High school (9-12) .....	35	34	36	36	37	33	40
College .....	59	59	59	60	59	62	50
Never attended and other .....	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
At least one vehicle owned or leased .....	88	76	93	93	92	95	93
Average annual expenditures .....	\$43,395	\$25,423	\$50,706	\$45,855	\$51,503	\$57,866	\$55,468
Food .....	5,781	3,095	6,866	5,808	6,930	8,171	8,516
Food at home .....	3,347	1,681	4,019	3,288	4,007	4,809	5,416
Cereals and bakery products .....	461	229	555	435	556	673	791
Cereals and cereal products .....	154	73	186	135	190	224	303
Bakery products .....	307	156	368	300	366	449	489
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	880	411	1,069	864	1,097	1,252	1,464
Beef .....	265	117	325	251	342	394	455
Pork .....	181	83	221	182	229	252	295
Other meats .....	108	49	132	108	124	160	188
Poultry .....	156	75	188	146	200	215	274
Fish and seafood .....	128	63	154	138	152	176	180
Eggs .....	42	24	49	40	49	55	71
Dairy products .....	371	183	446	358	442	548	608
Fresh milk and cream .....	144	69	175	127	177	218	273
Other dairy products .....	226	114	271	231	265	330	335
Fruits and vegetables .....	561	298	667	576	643	745	908
Fresh fruits .....	187	101	221	198	204	243	299
Fresh vegetables .....	183	93	219	194	216	231	291
Processed fruits .....	110	62	129	105	129	154	177
Processed vegetables .....	82	42	98	79	94	117	141

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Other food at home .....	\$1,075	\$560	\$1,282	\$1,055	\$1,269	\$1,590	\$1,644
Sugar and other sweets .....	128	63	154	133	149	178	204
Fats and oils .....	89	47	106	89	104	125	139
Miscellaneous foods .....	527	274	629	496	627	806	839
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	290	155	344	286	349	427	415
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips .....	41	20	49	52	40	54	47
Food away from home .....	2,434	1,414	2,847	2,520	2,924	3,362	3,100
Alcoholic beverages .....	459	359	500	569	468	478	345
Housing .....	13,918	9,244	15,822	14,036	16,177	18,360	17,593
Shelter .....	7,998	5,841	8,878	7,866	9,036	10,382	9,849
Owned dwellings .....	5,324	2,916	6,307	5,311	6,263	7,977	7,299
Mortgage interest and charges .....	2,936	1,360	3,579	2,566	3,712	5,023	4,683
Property taxes .....	1,391	832	1,619	1,552	1,515	1,864	1,654
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses .....	997	725	1,108	1,193	1,036	1,090	963
Rented dwellings .....	2,201	2,659	2,014	1,930	2,213	1,921	2,121
Other lodging .....	473	265	558	625	561	484	429
Utilities, fuels, and public services .....	2,927	1,830	3,374	3,004	3,470	3,757	3,917
Natural gas .....	424	274	485	429	498	538	580
Electricity .....	1,064	649	1,234	1,101	1,256	1,379	1,440
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	121	84	135	138	132	138	126
Telephone services .....	990	634	1,135	997	1,207	1,270	1,293
Water and other public services .....	327	188	384	339	377	432	479
Household operations .....	753	443	879	595	980	1,346	993
Personal services .....	300	125	371	55	516	808	565
Other household expenses .....	453	318	508	540	464	537	427
Housekeeping supplies .....	594	315	707	661	713	802	720
Laundry and cleaning supplies .....	149	73	179	147	181	219	230
Other household products .....	290	147	348	331	350	397	334
Postage and stationery .....	155	95	180	184	182	187	156
Household furnishings and equipment .....	1,646	816	1,983	1,909	1,977	2,073	2,114
Household textiles .....	158	87	186	199	167	173	195
Furniture .....	417	174	516	487	488	568	585
Floor coverings .....	52	24	64	67	70	64	43
Major appliances .....	204	88	251	245	232	244	314
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares .....	105	59	123	123	142	110	112
Miscellaneous household equipment .....	711	385	843	790	878	914	866
Apparel and services .....	1,816	949	2,167	1,758	2,266	2,601	2,784
Men and boys .....	406	169	502	374	497	642	746
Men, 16 and over .....	317	153	384	341	397	418	459
Boys, 2 to 15 .....	89	16	118	33	100	224	287
Women and girls .....	739	416	869	751	922	1,034	951
Women, 16 and over .....	631	401	724	702	788	757	647
Girls, 2 to 15 .....	108	14	145	49	134	277	303
Children under 2 .....	79	12	105	42	137	170	178
Footwear .....	329	186	386	271	435	480	570
Other apparel products and services .....	264	166	304	319	275	276	339
Transportation .....	7,801	3,941	9,376	8,151	9,790	11,148	10,258
Vehicle purchases (net outlay) .....	3,397	1,600	4,130	3,412	4,297	5,298	4,575
Cars and trucks, new .....	1,748	796	2,137	1,921	2,154	2,726	1,966
Cars and trucks, used .....	1,582	776	1,911	1,373	2,094	2,506	2,573
Other vehicles .....	66	28	82	118	49	66	36
Gasoline and motor oil .....	1,598	806	1,920	1,634	1,994	2,250	2,293

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Other vehicle expenses .....	\$2,365	\$1,281	\$2,808	\$2,543	\$2,976	\$3,136	\$2,951
Vehicle finance charges .....	323	127	404	342	420	479	477
Maintenance and repairs .....	652	404	753	699	794	804	793
Vehicle insurance .....	964	537	1,139	1,019	1,218	1,285	1,200
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges .....	426	213	513	483	543	568	482
Public transportation .....	441	254	518	561	523	464	439
Health care .....	2,574	1,697	2,932	3,212	2,865	2,635	2,520
Health insurance .....	1,332	850	1,528	1,648	1,476	1,443	1,328
Medical services .....	648	391	753	768	804	686	723
Drugs .....	480	383	520	651	472	384	352
Medical supplies .....	114	73	130	146	114	123	116
Entertainment .....	2,218	1,162	2,649	2,618	2,417	2,910	2,743
Fees and admissions .....	528	283	628	579	551	809	650
Television, radios, sound equipment .....	788	516	898	795	973	1,023	946
Pets, toys, hobbies, and playground equipment ..	381	196	456	431	468	489	470
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services .....	522	167	667	813	426	588	677
Personal care products and services .....	581	355	673	631	650	740	753
Reading .....	130	97	144	161	129	138	118
Education .....	905	629	1,018	793	1,019	1,417	1,190
Tobacco products and smoking supplies .....	288	167	338	309	374	346	365
Miscellaneous .....	690	517	761	780	763	745	714
Cash contributions .....	1,408	1,027	1,563	1,888	1,393	1,162	1,327
Personal insurance and pensions .....	4,823	2,184	5,899	5,141	6,263	7,014	6,242
Life and other personal insurance .....	390	146	490	486	479	496	513
Pensions and Social Security .....	4,433	2,039	5,409	4,655	5,783	6,518	5,729
Sources of income and personal taxes:							
Money income before taxes .....	54,453	28,143	65,183	58,307	66,762	74,970	71,600
Wages and salaries .....	43,192	19,003	53,058	42,375	57,054	66,662	62,907
Self-employment income .....	3,008	1,270	3,717	3,266	3,718	4,510	4,075
Social Security, private and government retirement .....	5,848	5,570	5,962	9,936	3,813	1,779	2,060
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income .....	1,261	1,366	1,218	1,795	731	755	716
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits .....	237	135	278	227	350	312	287
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps .....	308	204	350	189	385	323	892
Regular contributions for support .....	413	358	435	328	554	505	505
Other income .....	187	237	166	191	157	124	158
Personal taxes .....	2,166	1,383	2,485	2,914	2,541	2,343	1,127
Federal income taxes .....	1,519	990	1,735	2,137	1,759	1,547	588
State and local income taxes .....	472	280	550	539	596	632	390
Other taxes .....	175	113	200	237	186	164	149
Income after taxes .....	52,287	26,761	62,698	55,393	64,220	72,627	70,473

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Addenda:							
Net change in total assets and liabilities .....	-\$7,567	-\$2,105	-\$9,794	-\$5,793	-\$8,102	-\$16,238	-\$16,678
Net change in total assets .....	9,211	5,128	10,876	9,104	12,719	12,092	12,147
Net change in total liabilities .....	16,778	7,233	20,670	14,897	20,821	28,330	28,825
Other financial information:							
Other money receipts .....	556	373	631	713	999	268	294
Mortgage principal paid on owned property .....	-1,791	-763	-2,210	-1,877	-2,139	-2,871	-2,481
Estimated market value of owned home .....	137,639	83,166	159,855	154,853	147,212	178,021	170,465
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home ..	781	497	897	856	857	1,008	936
Gifts of goods and services .....	1,215	860	1,359	1,546	1,465	1,178	819
Food .....	74	29	92	96	122	85	43
Alcoholic beverages .....	20	16	21	24	23	21	8
Housing .....	283	193	319	359	342	288	191
Housekeeping supplies .....	61	30	73	77	84	68	54
Household textiles .....	19	10	23	24	25	24	14
Appliances and miscellaneous							
housewares .....	32	15	39	42	32	45	32
Major appliances .....	12	6	14	16	5	27	<sup>2</sup> 5
Small appliances and miscellaneous							
housewares .....	20	9	25	26	26	19	27
Miscellaneous household equipment .....	72	42	84	99	81	74	48
Other housing .....	99	96	101	118	121	77	43
Apparel and services .....	286	202	320	328	277	374	285
Males, 2 and over .....	76	49	86	95	69	96	71
Females, 2 and over .....	101	65	116	120	84	156	94
Children under 2 .....	38	12	49	38	59	56	62
Other apparel products and services .....	71	76	69	76	66	65	58
Jewelry and watches .....	24	46	15	19	14	11	7
All other apparel products and services .....	47	30	54	57	51	55	51
Transportation .....	51	45	53	57	74	47	15
Health care .....	49	81	36	39	55	15	26
Entertainment .....	78	63	84	94	88	74	61
Toys, games, arts and crafts, and tricycles .....	28	24	29	37	31	22	11
Other entertainment .....	51	39	55	57	57	52	50
Personal care products and services .....	29	20	32	24	32	49	34
Reading .....	1	1	1	2	1	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
Education .....	250	120	303	383	377	158	123
All other gifts .....	94	88	97	139	74	68	32

<sup>1</sup> Value less than 0.5.

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

n.a. Not applicable.