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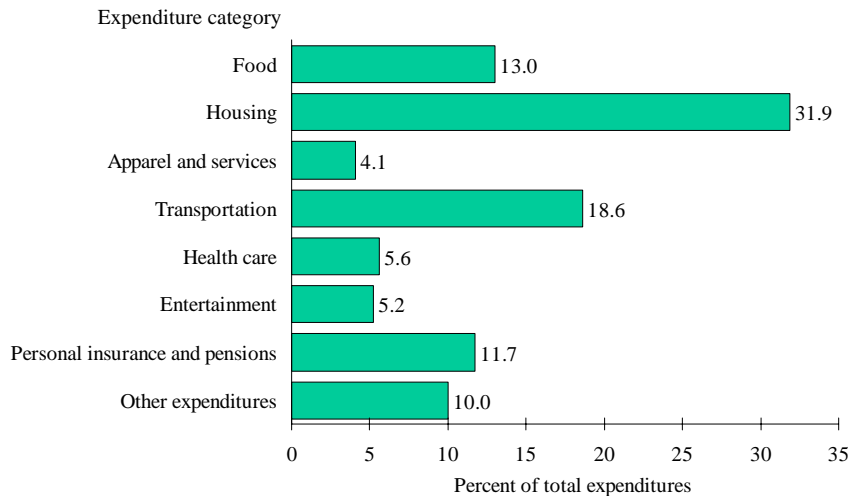


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- Families are defined here as consumer units of two or more persons. These consumer units are traditionally-defined families or unrelated individuals who make joint expenditure decisions.
- Food was the third largest component in total spending. About 13 cents of every expenditure dollar was allocated to food.
- From 2004 to 2005, the largest increase among the major components of spending occurred in housing.