

Table 1400. Size of consumer unit: Shares of average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1989

| Item | All consumer units | One person | Two or more persons | Two persons | Three persons | Four persons | Five or more persons |
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| Number of consumer units (in thousands)..... | 95,818 | 26,562 | 69,255 | 29,371 | 16,175 | 13,650 | 10,059 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: | | | | | | | |
| Income before taxes 1/..... | \$31,308 | \$17,945 | \$36,612 | \$33,480 | \$37,184 | \$40,312 | \$40,095 |
| Income after taxes 1/..... | 28,496 | 16,231 | 33,365 | 30,277 | 33,629 | 36,991 | 37,310 |
| Average number of persons in consumer unit.... | 2.6 | 1.0 | 3.2 | 2.0 | 3.0 | 4.0 | 5.6 |
| Age of reference person..... | 47.2 | 49.3 | 46.4 | 52.7 | 43.3 | 40.1 | 41.1 |
| Average number in consumer unit: | | | | | | | |
| Earners..... | 1.4 | .6 | 1.7 | 1.2 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 2.3 |
| Vehicles..... | 2.0 | 1.0 | 2.4 | 2.1 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 2.7 |
| Children under 18..... | .7 | n.a. | 1.0 | .1 | .8 | 1.6 | 2.8 |
| Persons 65 and over..... | .3 | .3 | .3 | .6 | .2 | .1 | .1 |
| Percent distribution: | | | | | | | |
| Sex of reference person: | | | | | | | |
| Male..... | 66 | 45 | 74 | 73 | 72 | 78 | 77 |
| Female..... | 34 | 55 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 22 | 23 |
| Housing tenure: | | | | | | | |

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| Percent homeowner..... | 63 | 41 | 71 | 71 | 71 | 72 | 69 |
| Homeowner with mortgage..... | 39 | 17 | 47 | 35 | 51 | 60 | 56 |
| Homeowner without mortgage..... | 24 | 24 | 24 | 36 | 20 | 12 | 13 |
| Renter..... | 37 | 59 | 29 | 29 | 29 | 28 | 31 |
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| Race of reference person: | | | | | | | |
| Black..... | 11 | 11 | 10 | 8 | 11 | 10 | 18 |
| White and other..... | 89 | 89 | 90 | 92 | 89 | 90 | 82 |
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| Education of reference person: | | | | | | | |
| Elementary (1-8)..... | 11 | 13 | 10 | 14 | 7 | 6 | 10 |
| High school (9-12)..... | 43 | 37 | 45 | 42 | 48 | 49 | 45 |
| College..... | 46 | 50 | 44 | 44 | 44 | 45 | 44 |
| Never attended and other..... | 1 | 1 | 1 | (2) | (2) | (2) | 1 |
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| At least one vehicle owned..... | 87 | 73 | 92 | 92 | 92 | 94 | 91 |
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| Average annual expenditures..... | \$27,809 | \$16,810 | \$32,031 | \$28,622 | \$32,643 | \$35,803 | \$35,871 |
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| Food..... | 14.9 | 13.4 | 15.2 | 14.4 | 15.0 | 15.6 | 17.2 |
| Food at home..... | 8.6 | 6.7 | 9.0 | 7.9 | 8.7 | 9.3 | 11.2 |
| Cereals and bakery products..... | 1.3 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.8 |
| Cereals and cereal products..... | .5 | .3 | .5 | .4 | .4 | .5 | .7 |
| Bakery products..... | .8 | .7 | .8 | .8 | .8 | .9 | 1.1 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs..... | 2.2 | 1.5 | 2.3 | 2.1 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 2.9 |
| Beef..... | .7 | .4 | .8 | .7 | .8 | .9 | 1.0 |
| Pork..... | .4 | .3 | .4 | .4 | .5 | .4 | .5 |
| Other meats..... | .3 | .2 | .3 | .3 | .3 | .4 | .5 |
| Poultry..... | .4 | .3 | .4 | .4 | .4 | .4 | .4 |
| Fish and seafood..... | .3 | .2 | .3 | .3 | .3 | .3 | .3 |
| Eggs..... | .1 | .1 | .1 | .1 | .1 | .1 | .2 |
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| Dairy products..... | 1.1 | .9 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.5 |

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| Fresh milk and cream..... | .5 | .4 | .6 | .4 | .5 | .6 | .8 |
| Other dairy products..... | .6 | .5 | .6 | .5 | .5 | .6 | .7 |
| Fruits and vegetables..... | 1.5 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.8 |
| Fresh fruits..... | .5 | .4 | .5 | .5 | .4 | .4 | .5 |
| Fresh vegetables..... | .5 | .4 | .5 | .5 | .5 | .4 | .5 |
| Processed fruits..... | .3 | .3 | .3 | .3 | .3 | .3 | .4 |
| Processed vegetables..... | .2 | .2 | .2 | .2 | .2 | .3 | .3 |
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| Other food at home..... | 2.5 | 2.0 | 2.7 | 2.3 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 3.3 |
| Sugar and other sweets..... | .3 | .2 | .3 | .3 | .3 | .3 | .4 |
| Fats and oils..... | .2 | .2 | .2 | .2 | .2 | .2 | .3 |
| Miscellaneous foods..... | 1.1 | .9 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.6 |
| Nonalcoholic beverages..... | .8 | .7 | .8 | .7 | .8 | .8 | .9 |
| Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips..... | .1 | .1 | .1 | .1 | .1 | .1 | .1 |
| Food away from home..... | 6.3 | 6.7 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 5.9 |
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| Alcoholic beverages..... | 1.0 | 1.7 | .9 | 1.0 | .9 | .8 | .6 |
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| Housing..... | 31.0 | 33.8 | 30.4 | 30.9 | 30.1 | 30.1 | 30.0 |
| Shelter..... | 17.4 | 20.9 | 16.7 | 17.1 | 16.4 | 16.3 | 16.5 |
| Owned dwellings..... | 10.2 | 7.6 | 10.8 | 10.3 | 11.1 | 11.2 | 10.9 |
| Mortgage interest..... | 6.3 | 3.8 | 6.8 | 5.4 | 7.3 | 7.9 | 7.5 |
| Property taxes..... | 2.1 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 2.4 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 2.1 |
| Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses..... | 1.9 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 2.6 | 1.7 | 1.4 | 1.3 |
| Rented dwellings..... | 5.4 | 11.7 | 4.1 | 4.7 | 3.9 | 3.6 | 4.0 |
| Other lodging..... | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.6 |
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| Utilities, fuels, and public services..... | 6.6 | 7.0 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 6.2 | 7.0 |
| Natural gas..... | .9 | .9 | .9 | .9 | .8 | .8 | 1.0 |
| Electricity..... | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 2.5 | 2.9 |
| Fuel oil and other fuels..... | .4 | .4 | .4 | .4 | .3 | .3 | .3 |

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| Telephone..... | 2.0 | 2.5 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 2.1 |
| Water and other public services..... | .7 | .6 | .7 | .6 | .7 | .7 | .7 |
| Household operations..... | 1.7 | 1.3 | 1.7 | 1.2 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 1.8 |
| Personal services..... | .8 | .3 | .9 | .3 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 1.1 |
| Other household expenses..... | .9 | 1.0 | .8 | 1.0 | .8 | .7 | .7 |
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| Housekeeping supplies..... | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.4 |
| Laundry and cleaning supplies..... | .4 | .3 | .4 | .3 | .4 | .4 | .4 |
| Other household products..... | .6 | .4 | .6 | .7 | .6 | .6 | .6 |
| Postage and stationery..... | .4 | .5 | .4 | .5 | .4 | .4 | .4 |
| Household furnishings and equipment..... | 3.9 | 3.5 | 4.0 | 4.4 | 3.8 | 4.0 | 3.3 |
| Household textiles..... | .4 | .3 | .4 | .4 | .5 | .3 | .3 |
| Furniture..... | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.4 | .9 |
| Floor coverings..... | .3 | .2 | .3 | .3 | .2 | .3 | .2 |
| Major appliances..... | .5 | .4 | .5 | .6 | .5 | .5 | .6 |
| Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares | .2 | .2 | .2 | .3 | .2 | .2 | .2 |
| Miscellaneous household equipment..... | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.1 |
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| Apparel and services..... | 5.7 | 5.8 | 5.7 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.9 | 6.2 |
| Men and boys..... | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 1.7 |
| Men, 16 and over..... | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| Boys, 2 to 15..... | .3 | .1 | .3 | .1 | .3 | .4 | .6 |
| Women and girls..... | 2.4 | 2.7 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.0 | 2.3 | 2.5 |
| Women, 16 and over..... | 2.0 | 2.6 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.7 |
| Girls, 2 to 15..... | .3 | .1 | .4 | .1 | .3 | .6 | .8 |
| Children under 2..... | .3 | .1 | .3 | .1 | .4 | .3 | .4 |
| Footwear..... | .7 | .6 | .7 | .6 | .7 | .8 | .8 |
| Other apparel products and services..... | 1.0 | 1.1 | .9 | 1.0 | 1.0 | .8 | .9 |
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| Transportation..... | 18.7 | 16.5 | 19.1 | 18.6 | 19.4 | 19.6 | 18.8 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay)..... | 8.2 | 6.5 | 8.6 | 8.0 | 9.0 | 9.1 | 8.6 |
| Cars and trucks, new..... | 4.4 | 3.6 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 5.4 | 4.2 | 4.2 |
| Cars and trucks, used..... | 3.8 | 2.8 | 4.0 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 4.8 | 4.3 |

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| Cash contributions..... | 3.2 | 4.4 | 3.0 | 4.1 | 2.5 | 2.2 | 2.3 |
| Personal insurance and pensions..... | 8.9 | 7.2 | 9.2 | 8.8 | 10.0 | 9.5 | 8.8 |
| Life and other personal insurance..... | 1.2 | .8 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| Pensions and Social Security..... | 7.6 | 6.4 | 7.9 | 7.4 | 8.7 | 8.3 | 7.4 |
| Sources of income and personal taxes: 1/ | | | | | | | |
| Money income before taxes..... | \$31,308 | \$17,945 | \$36,612 | \$33,480 | \$37,184 | \$40,312 | \$40,095 |
| Wages and salaries..... | 74.3 | 64.2 | 76.2 | 65.2 | 82.3 | 83.8 | 84.5 |
| Self-employment income..... | 8.1 | 7.3 | 8.3 | 8.8 | 6.7 | 9.4 | 7.6 |
| Social Security, private and government retirement..... | 10.8 | 17.1 | 9.6 | 18.3 | 6.3 | 2.5 | 2.4 |
| Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income..... | 4.0 | 7.6 | 3.3 | 5.8 | 2.3 | 1.4 | 1.2 |
| Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits..... | .7 | .7 | .7 | .7 | .4 | .7 | .7 |
| Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps..... | 0.9 | 0.6 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 2.3 |
| Regular contributions for support..... | .9 | 1.9 | .7 | .4 | .8 | 1.0 | .6 |
| Other income..... | .4 | .7 | .3 | .3 | .2 | .2 | .6 |
| Personal taxes..... | 9.0 | 9.6 | 8.9 | 9.6 | 9.6 | 8.2 | 6.9 |
| Federal income taxes..... | 7.1 | 7.4 | 7.1 | 7.8 | 7.5 | 6.4 | 5.4 |
| State and local income taxes..... | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.4 |
| Other taxes..... | .2 | .3 | .2 | .2 | .2 | .2 | .1 |
| Income after taxes..... | 91.0 | 90.4 | 91.1 | 90.4 | 90.4 | 91.8 | 93.1 |

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

2/ Value less than 0.5.

3/ Data are likely to have large sampling errors.

4/ Value less than 0.05.

n.a. Not applicable.