

Table 710. Annual Percent Changes From Prior Year in Consumer Price Indexes (CPI-U)—Selected Areas: 2008

[Percent changes computed from annual averages of monthly figures published by source. Local area CPI indexes are by-products of the national CPI program. Each local index has a smaller sample size than the national index and is therefore subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are similar. Area definitions are those established by the Office of Management and Budget in 1983. For further detail, see the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Handbook of Methods, Bulletin 2285, Chapter 19, the Consumer Price Index, and Report 736, the CPI: 1987 Revision. Minus sign (-) indicates decrease. See also text, this section and Appendix III]

Area	All items	Food and beverages	Food	Housing	Apparel	Transportation	Medical care	Fuel and other utilities
U.S. city average	3.8	5.4	5.5	3.2	-0.1	5.9	3.7	9.7
Anchorage, AK MSA	4.6	4.4	4.7	2.5	6.1	10.5	3.7	1.2
Atlanta, GA MSA	3.2	4.9	5.2	2.8	-0.6	6.3	1.5	11.0
Boston, MA MSA	3.5	5.0	4.9	2.2	-2.0	4.7	3.9	16.1
Chicago-Gary, IL-IN CMSA	3.8	5.1	5.1	2.8	-2.8	6.6	4.5	14.0
Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN CMSA	3.9	6.9	7.2	2.1	10.7	5.4	2.9	8.6
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH CMSA	3.6	5.2	5.4	2.2	7.0	5.3	6.3	12.1
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX CMSA	4.4	6.1	6.3	3.9	-0.4	7.0	3.3	9.1
Denver-Boulder-Greeley, CO CMSA	3.9	4.8	5.2	2.4	3.4	6.3	7.5	10.5
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI CMSA	2.3	3.0	3.2	1.4	3.2	5.6	0.2	8.5
Honolulu, HI MSA	4.3	5.7	5.8	4.3	1.1	4.4	(NA)	32.6
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX CMSA	3.3	6.0	6.2	3.9	-4.7	3.5	2.8	6.4
Kansas City, MO-KS CMSA	3.4	6.3	6.3	3.1	-2.7	6.3	-1.5	12.0
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA CMSA	3.5	4.5	4.6	2.9	1.9	5.1	3.8	4.9
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL CMSA	4.6	5.6	5.9	4.3	-2.8	6.4	5.6	4.4
Milwaukee, WI PMSA	4.6	4.8	5.1	3.9	4.3	6.9	4.4	11.6
Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI MSA	3.8	7.2	7.6	3.5	-2.2	4.1	4.8	9.2
New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT CMSA	3.9	5.6	5.7	3.6	0.0	6.2	2.3	12.6
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD CMSA	3.4	3.7	3.8	2.5	-0.1	6.9	3.6	8.0
Pittsburgh, PA MSA	4.9	5.5	5.6	3.3	2.2	7.6	6.7	13.0
Portland, OR MSA	3.3	5.4	5.4	2.6	-2.5	4.8	5.5	2.3
San Diego, CA MSA	3.9	4.6	4.7	3.8	1.7	3.9	(NA)	5.1
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA CMSA	3.1	4.4	4.3	1.9	-1.7	5.8	3.5	4.2
Seattle-Tacoma, WA CMSA	3.7	5.4	5.6	4.5	-1.4	5.6	1.9	2.2
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL CMSA	2.8	4.4	4.5	2.0	1.6	3.4	0.4	3.7
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL MSA	3.2	6.1	6.2	2.4	4.5	4.3	0.6	3.6
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV CMSA	4.5	4.8	5.1	4.7	0.3	6.7	5.2	17.8

NA Not available.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, *CPI Detailed Report*, monthly, and at <http://www.bls.gov/cpi/cpi_dr.htm>. See also *Monthly Labor Review* at <<http://www.bls.gov/opub/mlr/welcome.htm>>.