

Mid-Atlantic Regional Office CPI Announcement

Table 1. Consumer Price Indexes, U.S. city average and selected areas, November 2011 (1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted) (not seasonally adjusted)

Item	All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)										Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)									
	U.S. city average	Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City		Washington-Baltimore (1)		Northeast region		South region		U.S. city average	Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City		Washington-Baltimore (1)		Northeast region		South region			
		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from			Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from					
		Nov 2011	Nov 2010	Nov 2011	Nov 2010	Nov 2011	Nov 2010	Nov 2011	Nov 2010		Nov 2011	Nov 2010	Nov 2011	Nov 2010	Nov 2011	Nov 2010	Nov 2011	Nov 2010		
All items (2)	226.230	3.4	-	-	147.565	3.3	242.652	3.2	219.961	3.8	222.813	3.8	-	-	148.038	3.6	241.167	3.5	218.030	4.1
All items (1967 = 100) (3)	677.684	-	-	-	-	-	382.103	-	356.807	-	663.692	-	-	-	-	-	376.689	-	353.125	-
Food and beverages (2)	230.656	4.4	-	-	147.024	4.7	236.468	3.8	229.243	4.6	230.186	4.5	-	-	145.932	4.8	235.808	4.0	228.220	4.7
Food (2)	230.790	4.6	-	-	148.830	4.8	236.309	4.0	230.365	4.9	230.143	4.7	-	-	147.324	4.9	235.674	4.2	229.181	5.0
Food at home	229.380	5.9	228.453	4.6	144.852	7.0	235.977	5.0	227.816	6.3	228.405	6.0	230.102	4.6	143.992	6.9	234.672	5.0	226.256	6.3
Food away from home (4)	234.046	2.9	-	-	150.921	2.4	239.726	2.8	236.665	3.0	234.240	2.9	-	-	149.143	2.3	240.582	2.9	235.731	3.0
Alcoholic beverages (4)	227.363	1.3	-	-	123.107	3.0	237.210	1.0	212.806	1.2	229.379	1.6	-	-	126.740	3.0	236.236	1.4	213.588	0.9
Housing (2)	219.969	1.9	-	-	155.266	1.7	249.354	2.2	204.579	2.1	216.723	2.0	-	-	158.942	1.8	247.451	2.2	204.296	2.2
Shelter	253.312	1.8	285.749	1.7	163.097	2.4	298.396	2.2	227.341	1.9	247.313	1.9	291.886	1.8	166.274	2.5	295.072	2.1	226.642	2.0
Rent of primary residence (2) (5)	256.367	2.4	266.817	2.6	179.942	3.4	296.430	2.2	229.801	2.9	254.446	2.4	266.817	2.6	179.971	3.5	292.855	2.2	228.014	2.9
Owners' equivalent rent of residences (5) (6)	261.503	1.7	295.292	1.6	163.599	2.2	310.471	2.0	231.249	1.7	236.869	1.6	262.609	1.6	162.970	2.1	273.648	2.0	214.935	1.7
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence (5) (6)	261.479	1.7	295.292	1.6	163.589	2.2	310.397	2.0	231.235	1.7	236.859	1.6	262.609	1.6	162.965	2.1	273.630	2.0	214.923	1.7
Fuels and utilities	218.199	3.4	-	-	174.659	0.3	223.398	3.4	216.830	4.1	216.546	3.4	-	-	169.934	-0.5	221.692	3.4	217.176	4.0
Household energy	190.444	3.1	194.575	5.1	170.841	-1.1	204.539	3.1	182.761	4.2	188.244	3.1	193.564	4.3	165.723	-1.8	202.381	3.0	181.562	4.1
Energy services (5) (7)	190.572	1.7	201.230	2.3	161.502	-2.6	193.123	-1.6	182.189	3.8	189.671	2.0	203.617	2.2	160.617	-2.6	193.064	-1.4	182.349	3.9
Electricity (5)	193.193	2.7	207.399	5.7	165.900	-2.5	188.798	-0.3	179.049	4.1	191.344	2.8	207.398	5.7	162.409	-2.5	188.685	-0.2	177.659	4.2
Utility (piped) gas service (5)	179.708	-1.3	180.608	-6.7	128.980	-3.0	190.558	-4.6	187.576	1.4	179.668	-1.2	180.604	-6.7	131.660	-3.1	190.417	-4.4	191.627	1.6
Household furnishings and operations	125.073	0.8	-	-	93.530	-3.3	126.363	0.8	126.131	0.7	121.459	1.0	-	-	90.432	-2.6	120.383	1.0	121.630	1.1
Apparel (2)	127.285	4.8	-	-	100.108	10.2	131.239	4.2	136.744	4.1	126.764	5.1	-	-	99.538	9.7	132.346	5.1	136.309	4.0
Transportation (2)	211.358	8.0	-	-	148.165	7.7	211.191	7.9	210.402	9.1	212.119	8.8	-	-	148.266	8.9	213.443	8.4	210.286	10.1
Private transportation	206.635	8.2	-	-	147.918	8.1	204.326	7.9	208.729	9.3	208.743	9.0	-	-	148.334	9.2	208.301	8.4	208.749	10.2
Motor fuel	294.049	19.9	296.437	15.8	282.591	19.5	287.863	18.4	289.582	20.9	295.069	20.0	296.425	15.8	282.203	19.5	288.037	18.5	289.492	21.0
Gasoline	292.486	19.7	291.861	15.7	282.246	19.4	286.509	18.3	287.917	20.7	293.628	19.7	291.860	15.7	281.917	19.4	286.803	18.4	287.942	20.7
Medical care (2)	404.858	3.4	-	-	156.546	3.2	426.530	3.4	386.472	3.5	407.128	3.5	-	-	157.113	3.4	424.311	3.6	392.123	3.7
Recreation (8)	113.232	0.3	-	-	112.939	-2.4	118.059	0.2	113.320	0.5	109.723	0.6	-	-	110.276	-2.1	118.817	0.6	109.728	0.8
Education and communication (8)	132.750	1.4	-	-	140.310	1.7	134.333	0.2	129.152	1.9	126.392	0.7	-	-	125.456	0.1	127.468	-0.4	121.650	0.8
Other goods and services (2)	390.761	1.9	-	-	173.341	3.1	422.332	2.4	383.115	2.1	420.462	2.0	-	-	197.551	2.8	478.598	2.5	408.837	2.1
Energy (2)	238.177	12.4	232.337	10.2	218.241	10.1	239.561	10.4	227.826	13.7	240.073	12.9	229.014	9.7	218.354	10.0	239.937	10.8	229.966	14.1

Footnotes:

- (1) For Washington Baltimore, Dec. 1997=100 unless otherwise noted.
- (2) For Washington-Baltimore, Nov. 1996=100.
- (3) For the Northeast and the South, Dec. 1977=100.
- (4) For Washington-Baltimore, Nov. 1997=100.
- (5) This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January 1999.
- (6) For the CPI-U in the U.S., Philadelphia, Northeast, and South, Dec. 1982 = 100. For the CPI-W in these areas, Dec. 1984 = 100.
- (7) This index series was formerly titled Gas (piped) and electricity.
- (8) Indexes are on the Dec. 1997=100 base.

Area definitions:

- The **Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, Pa.-N.J.-Del.-Md.** area includes Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia Counties in Pennsylvania; Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, and Salem Counties in New Jersey; New Castle County in Delaware; and Cecil County in Maryland.
- The **Washington-Baltimore, D.C.-Md.-Va.-W.Va.** area includes the District of Columbia; Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Calvert, Carroll, Charles, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery, Prince George's, Queen Anne's, and Washington Counties and Baltimore City in Maryland; Arlington, Clarke, Fairfax, Fauquier, King George, Loudoun, Prince William, Rappahannock, Spotsylvania, Stafford, and Warren Counties, and Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Fredericksburg, Manassas, and Manassas Park Cities in Virginia; and Berkeley and Jefferson Counties in West Virginia.
- The **Northeast region** includes the states of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont.
- The **South region** includes the District of Columbia and the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia.

**Table 2. Consumer Price Index and percent change, all items, U.S. city average and selected areas 1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted (not seasonally adjusted)**

Area	All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)					Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)				
	Index		Percent change to Nov 2011 from --			Index		Percent change to Nov 2011 from --		
	Oct 2011	Nov 2011	Nov 2010	Sep 2011	Oct 2011	Oct 2011	Nov 2011	Nov 2010	Sep 2011	Oct 2011
U.S. city average	226.421	226.230	3.4	-0.3	-0.1	223.043	222.813	3.8	-0.4	-0.1
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, Ill.-Ind.-Wis.	219.592	219.181	2.9	-0.4	-0.2	214.145	213.704	3.4	-0.6	-0.2
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, Calif.	233.049	232.731	3.0	-0.1	-0.1	226.116	225.786	3.2	-0.1	-0.1
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, N.Y.-N.J.-Conn.-Pa.	250.051	249.317	3.0	-0.5	-0.3	246.297	245.546	3.3	-0.5	-0.3
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, Mass.-N.H.-Maine-Conn.	-	245.030	2.9	-0.1	-	-	246.349	3.1	0.0	-
Cleveland-Akron, Ohio	-	211.225	2.5	-0.8	-	-	202.824	2.7	-1.1	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, Texas	-	209.283	4.0	0.0	-	-	214.581	4.7	0.0	-
Washington-Baltimore, D.C.-Md.-Va.-W.Va. (Nov. 1996=100)	-	147.565	3.3	-0.1	-	-	148.038	3.6	-0.2	-
Atlanta, Ga.	209.182	-	-	-	-	208.362	-	-	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, Mich.	212.927	-	-	-	-	209.427	-	-	-	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, Texas	201.398	-	-	-	-	200.464	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	232.141	-	-	-	-	230.728	-	-	-	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, Pa.-N.J.-Del.-Md.	235.440	-	-	-	-	236.478	-	-	-	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, Calif.	235.331	-	-	-	-	232.371	-	-	-	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, Wash.	235.916	-	-	-	-	232.697	-	-	-	-

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### Note to CPI users:

This announcement details Consumer Price Indexes for two population groups: All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W). Both indexes reflect 1982-84 spending patterns. Monthly percent changes are shown for the U.S. and five large areas; bimonthly data are presented for the remaining areas. Area indexes do not measure differences in the levels of prices among cities; they only measure the average change in prices for each area since the base period.

Local area CPI indexes are by-products of the national CPI program. Because each local index is a small subset of the national index, it has a smaller sample size and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error than the national index. As a result, area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are quite similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in escalator clauses.

This announcement is primarily intended for those users requiring the current indexes on a regular basis. More detailed information may be obtained by writing this office, calling (215) 597-3282, or faxing (215) 861-5720.

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