

**Table 8. Region of residence: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2004-2005**

Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Number of consumer units (in thousands) .....	116,808	22,184	26,767	41,986	25,872
Consumer unit characteristics:					
Income before taxes .....	\$56,593	\$62,002	\$55,215	\$52,066	\$60,730
Income after taxes .....	54,319	59,741	52,835	50,106	58,040
Age of reference person .....	48.5	50.2	48.8	48.4	47.0
Average number in consumer unit:					
Persons .....	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.6
Children under 18 .....	.6	.6	.6	.6	.7
Persons 65 and over .....	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3
Earners .....	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.4
Vehicles .....	2.0	1.7	2.1	1.9	2.1
Percent distribution:					
Sex of reference person:					
Male .....	48	47	50	45	51
Female .....	52	53	50	55	49
Housing tenure:					
Homeowner .....	68	65	72	69	62
With mortgage .....	42	39	45	42	44
Without mortgage .....	25	26	27	27	18
Renter .....	32	35	28	31	38
Race of reference person:					
Black or African-American .....	12	11	9	19	4
White, Asian, and all other races .....	88	89	91	81	96
Hispanic or Latino origin of reference person:					
Hispanic or Latino .....	11	8	4	10	21
Not Hispanic or Latino .....	89	92	96	90	79
Education of reference person:					
Elementary (1-8) .....	5	4	4	7	6
High school (9-12) .....	36	39	38	37	28
College .....	59	57	58	56	66
Never attended and other .....	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
At least one vehicle owned or leased .....	88	81	90	89	90
Average annual expenditures .....	\$44,928	\$47,005	\$44,322	\$40,903	\$50,305
Food .....					
Food at home .....	3,322	3,640	3,210	3,065	3,580
Cereals and bakery products .....	453	515	450	413	467
Cereals and cereal products .....	148	169	142	136	157
Bakery products .....	305	346	308	277	311
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	822	946	747	790	843
Beef .....	246	261	231	245	252
Pork .....	167	176	160	173	157
Other meats .....	106	130	114	90	100
Poultry .....	145	177	124	139	149
Fish and seafood .....	121	161	88	108	139
Eggs .....	37	42	29	35	45
Dairy products .....	374	421	374	331	406
Fresh milk and cream .....	145	154	144	135	156
Other dairy products .....	229	267	231	196	249
Fruits and vegetables .....	556	645	514	488	635
Fresh fruits .....	184	214	173	154	218
Fresh vegetables .....	179	213	149	158	215
Processed fruits .....	108	127	109	91	118
Processed vegetables .....	85	92	83	85	83

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other food at home .....	\$1,116	\$1,114	\$1,126	\$1,043	\$1,228
Sugar and other sweets .....	123	131	124	114	131
Fats and oils .....	87	93	83	82	95
Miscellaneous foods .....	569	560	587	527	623
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	296	293	289	289	320
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips .....	41	37	42	32	59
Food away from home .....	2,533	2,790	2,462	2,340	2,701
Alcoholic beverages .....	442	532	443	349	517
Housing .....	14,586	16,121	13,852	12,862	16,828
Shelter .....	8,448	9,887	7,665	6,936	10,480
Owned dwellings .....	5,688	6,571	5,527	4,719	6,670
Mortgage interest and charges .....	3,177	3,096	2,931	2,712	4,255
Property taxes .....	1,464	2,235	1,600	1,064	1,309
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses .....	1,047	1,239	995	943	1,105
Rented dwellings .....	2,273	2,726	1,608	1,867	3,231
Other lodging .....	487	590	530	350	579
Utilities, fuels, and public services .....	3,057	3,257	3,064	3,108	2,795
Natural gas .....	448	596	676	273	370
Electricity .....	1,111	1,043	980	1,344	925
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	131	356	105	73	58
Telephone services .....	1,020	1,010	976	1,060	1,009
Water and other public services .....	347	251	327	358	432
Household operations .....	777	779	734	725	904
Personal services .....	311	329	323	285	325
Other household expenses .....	466	450	411	440	579
Housekeeping supplies .....	603	620	640	561	618
Laundry and cleaning supplies .....	141	132	147	144	140
Other household products .....	305	318	328	283	305
Postage and stationery .....	156	170	165	133	173
Household furnishings and equipment .....	1,701	1,577	1,749	1,532	2,030
Household textiles .....	145	170	135	139	143
Furniture .....	437	383	412	404	560
Floor coverings .....	54	51	56	45	68
Major appliances .....	214	214	223	187	249
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares .....	105	97	103	93	133
Miscellaneous household equipment .....	746	662	821	663	878
Apparel and services .....	1,851	2,106	1,711	1,740	1,954
Men and boys .....	423	463	398	399	453
Men, 16 and over .....	333	373	314	302	370
Boys, 2 to 15 .....	90	91	84	98	83
Women and girls .....	746	890	693	700	750
Women, 16 and over .....	632	765	583	591	633
Girls, 2 to 15 .....	114	125	110	109	117
Children under 2 .....	80	78	78	74	94
Footwear .....	324	390	275	317	331
Other apparel products and services .....	277	284	266	249	326
Transportation .....	8,081	7,646	7,795	7,620	9,498
Vehicle purchases (net outlay) .....	3,478	3,031	3,259	3,366	4,268
Cars and trucks, new .....	1,827	1,666	1,651	1,690	2,369
Cars and trucks, used .....	1,576	1,301	1,524	1,612	1,808
Other vehicles .....	74	64	84	63	91
Gasoline and motor oil .....	1,806	1,572	1,801	1,835	1,966

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other vehicle expenses .....	\$2,354	\$2,405	\$2,365	\$2,132	\$2,658
Vehicle finance charges .....	310	248	303	347	310
Maintenance and repairs .....	661	612	651	583	838
Vehicle insurance .....	942	977	886	920	1,004
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, and other charges .....	441	568	525	282	506
Public transportation .....	444	637	371	288	606
Healthcare .....	2,625	2,476	2,859	2,569	2,602
Health insurance .....	1,348	1,366	1,456	1,323	1,262
Medical services .....	665	582	737	598	773
Drugs .....	503	429	544	548	450
Medical supplies .....	109	99	122	101	117
Entertainment .....	2,279	2,137	2,293	2,124	2,636
Fees and admissions .....	558	577	602	426	711
Audio and visual equipment and services .....	838	871	805	811	887
Pets, toys, hobbies, and playground equipment .....	401	376	392	381	464
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services .....	482	313	494	507	573
Personal care products and services .....	561	586	539	525	621
Reading .....	128	146	141	96	153
Education .....	924	1,256	951	662	1,039
Tobacco products and smoking supplies .....	303	314	356	304	239
Miscellaneous .....	751	793	821	587	910
Cash contributions .....	1,535	1,241	1,828	1,479	1,576
Personal insurance and pensions .....	5,006	5,223	5,058	4,583	5,451
Life and other personal insurance .....	386	371	411	406	343
Pensions and Social Security .....	4,619	4,851	4,648	4,177	5,108
Sources of income and personal taxes:					
Money income before taxes .....	56,593	62,002	55,215	52,066	60,730
Wages and salaries .....	44,696	49,887	43,640	41,163	47,070
Self-employment income .....	3,445	3,370	3,078	2,959	4,677
Social Security, private and government retirement .....	6,016	6,199	6,126	5,930	5,882
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income .....	1,303	1,443	1,352	918	1,756
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits .....	220	295	195	172	258
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps .....	326	344	250	332	378
Regular contributions for support .....	400	299	391	428	451
Other income .....	189	165	184	163	258
Personal taxes .....	2,275	2,260	2,381	1,959	2,689
Federal income taxes .....	1,598	1,494	1,568	1,437	1,979
State and local income taxes .....	501	532	580	379	592
Other taxes .....	176	234	234	143	118
Income after taxes .....	54,319	59,741	52,835	50,106	58,040

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Addenda:					
Net change in total assets and liabilities .....	- \$8,161	- \$4,914	- \$4,965	- \$5,916	- \$17,893
Net change in total assets .....	9,822	8,570	7,844	7,619	16,517
Net change in total liabilities .....	17,983	13,483	12,809	13,535	34,411
Other financial information:					
Other money receipts .....	536	468	453	487	760
Mortgage principal paid on owned property .....	-1,953	-2,017	-2,074	-1,579	-2,381
Estimated market value of owned home .....	150,903	179,462	125,600	115,373	210,251
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home ....	806	902	750	713	934
Gifts of goods and services .....	1,156	1,428	1,154	958	1,245
Food .....	93	149	88	65	96
Alcoholic beverages .....	17	20	19	13	17
Housing .....	257	270	257	217	312
Housekeeping supplies .....	46	61	47	38	46
Household textiles .....	16	17	16	18	13
Appliances and miscellaneous housewares .....	28	24	35	23	30
Major appliances .....	9	8	17	7	6
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares .....	18	16	18	17	23
Miscellaneous household equipment .....	69	59	73	53	97
Other housing .....	99	108	86	85	126
Apparel and services .....	245	261	221	244	258
Males, 2 and over .....	62	70	66	59	56
Females, 2 and over .....	89	87	77	99	86
Children under 2 .....	38	42	33	33	47
Other apparel products and services .....	57	62	45	54	69
Jewelry and watches .....	23	18	17	20	39
All other apparel products and services .....	34	45	28	34	30
Transportation .....	55	57	51	54	61
Health care .....	46	34	84	33	38
Entertainment .....	76	68	83	70	85
Toys, games, arts and crafts, and tricycles .....	27	25	29	26	26
Other entertainment .....	49	44	53	44	59
Personal care products and services .....	23	19	18	24	27
Reading .....	1	1	1	1	1
Education .....	249	466	232	162	222
All other gifts .....	93	83	99	74	126

<sup>1</sup> Value less than or equal to 0.5.