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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - U.S. CITY AVERAGE AND REGIONS Mar 2000

ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)

	U.S. CITY AVERAGE			MIDWEST REGION			WEST REGION		
		Percent change from			Percent change from			Percent change from	
		1 Year Ago	1 Month Ago		1 Year Ago	1 Month Ago		1 Year Ago	1 Month Ago
ALL ITEMS (1982-84 = 100)	171.1	3.7	0.8	167.0	3.7	0.7	173.4	3.6	0.9
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	167.1	2.1	0.2	164.0	2.0	-0.1	170.0	1.6	0.4
HOUSING	167.6	2.9	0.4	161.1	2.7	0.4	174.2	3.7	0.3
APPAREL	132.5	-0.2	2.6	128.1	-0.6	2.8	122.8	-1.5	2.1
TRANSPORTATION	153.4	9.1	2.5	153.0	9.5	1.9	156.1	8.8	3.5
MEDICAL CARE	258.1	3.9	0.4	252.7	3.7	0.8	255.6	4.1	0.1
RECREATION/1	102.9	1.1	0.4	102.4	0.7	0.1	101.1	0.5	0.2
EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATION/1	102.0	1.2	-0.2	104.2	2.1	0.0	101.2	0.9	-0.3
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	268.0	5.8	0.5	261.5	5.7	0.7	271.4	3.9	0.1
ALL ITEMS (1967=100)	512.5								

URBAN WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)

	U.S. CITY AVERAGE			MIDWEST REGION			WEST REGION		
		Percent change from			Percent change from			Percent change from	
		1 Year Ago	1 Month Ago		1 Year Ago	1 Month Ago		1 Year Ago	1 Month Ago
ALL ITEMS (1982-84=100)	167.8	4.0	0.8	163.4	4.1	0.8	169.1	3.6	1.0
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	166.4	2.1	0.2	164.0	2.1	0.0	169.6	1.6	0.5
HOUSING	163.2	2.8	0.3	155.7	2.6	0.3	169.5	3.3	0.2
APPAREL	131.0	-0.1	2.4	126.8	-0.7	2.7	123.4	-1.8	2.2
TRANSPORTATION	152.9	9.9	2.5	152.8	10.5	1.9	153.1	8.9	3.5
MEDICAL CARE	257.3	4.0	0.4	253.2	3.7	0.9	254.6	4.3	0.1
RECREATION/1	102.0	0.7	0.4	101.9	0.6	0.3	99.9	0.1	0.3
EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATION/1	102.2	1.2	-0.3	104.4	2.0	-0.1	101.8	1.1	-0.4
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	273.3	6.9	0.6	266.2	6.8	0.9	272.6	4.6	0.3
ALL ITEMS (1967=100)	499.7								

Notes:
 (1) December 1997 = 100 base
 (-) Data not available

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