

Mid-Atlantic Regional Office CPI Announcement

Table 1. Consumer Price Indexes, U.S. city average and selected areas, April 2010 (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	Percent change from		Percent change from	Percent change from	Percent change from	Percent change from	Percent change from					
		Apr 2010	Apr 2009	Apr 2010	Apr 2009	Apr 2010	Apr 2009	Apr 2010	Apr 2009		Apr 2010	Apr 2009	Apr 2010	Apr 2009	Apr 2010	Apr 2009	Apr 2010	Apr 2009		
All items (2)	218.009	2.2	227.432	2.6	-	-	233.615	2.5	211.528	2.4	213.958	2.9	227.325	3.0	-	-	231.109	3.1	209.017	3.2
All items (1967 = 100) (3)	653.059	-	657.038	-	-	-	367.872	-	343.128	-	637.316	-	660.305	-	-	-	360.980	-	338.527	-
Food and beverages (2)	219.536	0.5	206.533	-0.8	-	-	225.946	1.1	217.724	0.8	218.730	0.5	208.779	-1.2	-	-	224.636	0.9	216.573	0.8
Food (2)	219.218	0.5	206.270	-0.8	-	-	225.429	1.0	218.380	0.8	218.319	0.4	207.894	-1.1	-	-	224.252	0.9	217.135	0.8
Food at home	215.737	0.0	215.561	-1.6	134.927	-0.4	223.648	0.8	213.194	0.6	214.498	-0.1	216.744	-1.9	133.783	-0.5	221.946	0.6	211.481	0.5
Food away from home (4)	225.276	1.1	188.480	0.3	-	-	230.692	1.3	228.213	1.1	225.395	1.1	187.587	0.0	-	-	230.966	1.2	227.632	1.2
Alcoholic beverages (4)	222.299	1.2	207.587	-1.1	-	-	231.657	1.6	207.573	0.5	223.305	1.4	212.328	-1.9	-	-	228.842	1.4	207.794	1.3
Housing (2)	215.798	-0.6	233.890	1.2	-	-	243.640	0.4	200.554	-0.9	212.368	-0.2	236.093	1.7	-	-	241.496	0.9	200.088	-0.6
Shelter	248.031	-0.7	280.593	1.4	156.981	0.5	291.080	0.3	222.021	-0.8	241.987	-0.4	286.021	2.0	159.580	1.1	287.257	0.8	221.359	-0.5
Rent of primary residence (2) (5)	249.012	0.0	258.593	0.7	171.825	2.2	285.635	1.1	223.297	-0.1	247.474	0.0	258.593	0.7	171.871	2.2	282.481	1.0	221.923	-0.2
Owners' equivalent rent of residences (5) (6) (7)	256.170	-0.2	288.509	2.6	157.121	0.9	303.228	1.1	225.661	-0.4	232.108	-0.2	256.577	2.6	156.585	0.9	267.027	1.2	209.971	-0.4
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence (5) (6) (7)	256.165	-0.2	288.509	2.6	157.120	0.9	303.219	1.1	225.662	-0.4	232.109	-0.2	256.577	2.6	156.584	0.9	267.033	1.2	209.974	-0.4
Fuels and utilities	211.726	2.2	210.960	3.4	-	-	216.458	2.8	211.773	-0.8	210.326	2.2	212.886	3.0	-	-	215.633	3.2	211.980	-0.8
Household energy	187.054	1.2	188.469	2.6	181.351	-3.5	200.241	2.5	180.171	-2.6	184.918	1.2	189.378	2.2	177.454	-3.4	199.062	2.8	178.711	-2.5
Gas (piped) and electricity (5)	190.284	-0.2	202.132	-0.5	174.569	-4.1	200.516	-1.5	180.489	-3.1	188.837	0.1	204.562	-0.3	173.632	-3.7	200.720	-0.6	179.937	-2.9
Electricity (5)	190.210	0.6	199.246	2.4	181.354	-2.4	195.991	3.1	175.665	-3.8	188.025	0.7	199.245	2.4	177.531	-2.4	196.211	3.9	173.894	-3.5
Utility (piped) gas service (5)	188.014	-2.9	204.510	-7.1	132.645	-11.2	197.938	-11.3	197.783	1.1	187.840	-2.1	204.506	-7.1	134.842	-10.2	197.858	-10.7	201.189	1.4
Household furnishings and operations	125.997	-2.8	120.206	-3.7	-	-	126.413	-2.2	127.484	-2.0	121.979	-2.8	115.442	-3.6	-	-	120.388	-2.4	122.365	-1.9
Apparel (2)	122.143	-0.9	109.085	2.9	-	-	125.004	2.3	131.612	-2.9	121.293	-1.2	111.131	2.6	-	-	124.968	1.8	130.922	-3.2
Transportation (2)	193.994	12.8	196.024	13.6	-	-	192.605	11.5	192.032	14.3	193.320	14.7	202.409	14.9	-	-	193.614	13.8	190.373	16.4
Private transportation	189.503	13.1	193.960	13.9	-	-	186.480	11.9	190.363	14.6	190.106	15.0	201.366	15.3	-	-	188.953	14.1	188.861	16.7
Motor fuel	244.801	38.1	247.258	34.6	236.783	39.7	236.110	37.6	242.819	38.5	245.949	38.2	247.241	34.6	236.459	39.7	236.434	37.6	242.773	38.6
Gasoline	244.347	38.3	243.687	35.1	236.938	39.9	235.293	38.0	242.219	38.7	245.626	38.4	243.687	35.1	236.656	39.9	235.707	38.0	242.281	38.8
Medical care (2)	387.703	3.6	428.747	0.5	-	-	408.407	3.3	370.000	4.0	389.050	3.9	415.641	0.4	-	-	405.560	3.4	374.256	4.3
Recreation (8)	113.781	-0.4	121.604	-1.5	-	-	118.281	1.0	114.239	-1.3	110.342	-0.8	118.926	-2.1	-	-	118.189	0.9	110.734	-1.5
Education and communication (8)	129.344	2.4	129.783	1.3	-	-	132.992	1.9	125.272	2.8	124.559	2.0	125.035	1.5	-	-	127.047	1.7	120.261	2.4
Other goods and services (2)	378.911	2.2	417.410	1.6	-	-	403.731	2.6	372.707	3.2	405.786	2.8	437.496	2.7	-	-	452.996	2.8	396.334	4.1
Energy (2)	212.977	18.5	209.311	14.6	202.840	14.1	215.211	16.2	204.316	16.7	213.728	19.7	207.649	15.0	203.074	14.0	214.968	17.8	205.311	17.7

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 underwent a change in composition in January 2010. The expenditure class now includes weight from secondary residences and has been re-titled "Owners' equivalent rent of residences." The item stratum "Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence" excludes secondary residences.
- (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 Apr 2010 from --			Index		Percent change to Apr 2010 from --		
	Mar 2010	Apr 2010	Apr 2009	Feb 2010	Mar 2010	Mar 2010	Apr 2010	Apr 2009	Feb 2010	Mar 2010
U.S. city average	217.631	218.009	2.2	0.6	0.2	213.525	213.958	2.9	0.7	0.2
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, Ill.-Ind.-Wis.	212.952	212.929	2.4	0.2	0.0	206.381	206.466	2.9	0.4	0.0
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, Calif.	225.483	225.916	1.9	0.6	0.2	218.157	218.475	2.4	0.6	0.1
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, N.Y.-N.J.-Conn.-Pa.	240.101	240.529	2.1	0.7	0.2	235.240	235.750	2.7	0.7	0.2
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, Mass.-N.H.-Maine-Conn.	237.986	-	-	-	-	238.388	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, Ohio	203.577	-	-	-	-	194.852	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, Texas	201.982	-	-	-	-	205.351	-	-	-	-
Washington-Baltimore, D.C.-Md.-Va.-W.Va. (Nov. 1996=100)	141.741	-	-	-	-	141.782	-	-	-	-
Atlanta, Ga.	-	204.014	2.4	0.7	-	-	203.095	2.7	0.8	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, Mich.	-	205.248	1.4	0.9	-	-	201.003	1.9	1.1	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, Texas	-	194.037	2.3	0.8	-	-	192.447	2.9	1.1	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	-	222.625	0.9	0.1	-	-	220.633	1.3	-0.2	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, Pa.-N.J.-Del.-Md.	-	227.432	2.6	0.4	-	-	227.325	3.0	0.3	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, Calif.	-	227.697	1.7	0.7	-	-	223.821	2.4	0.8	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, Wash.	-	226.513	0.3	0.2	-	-	222.309	1.0	0.5	-

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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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