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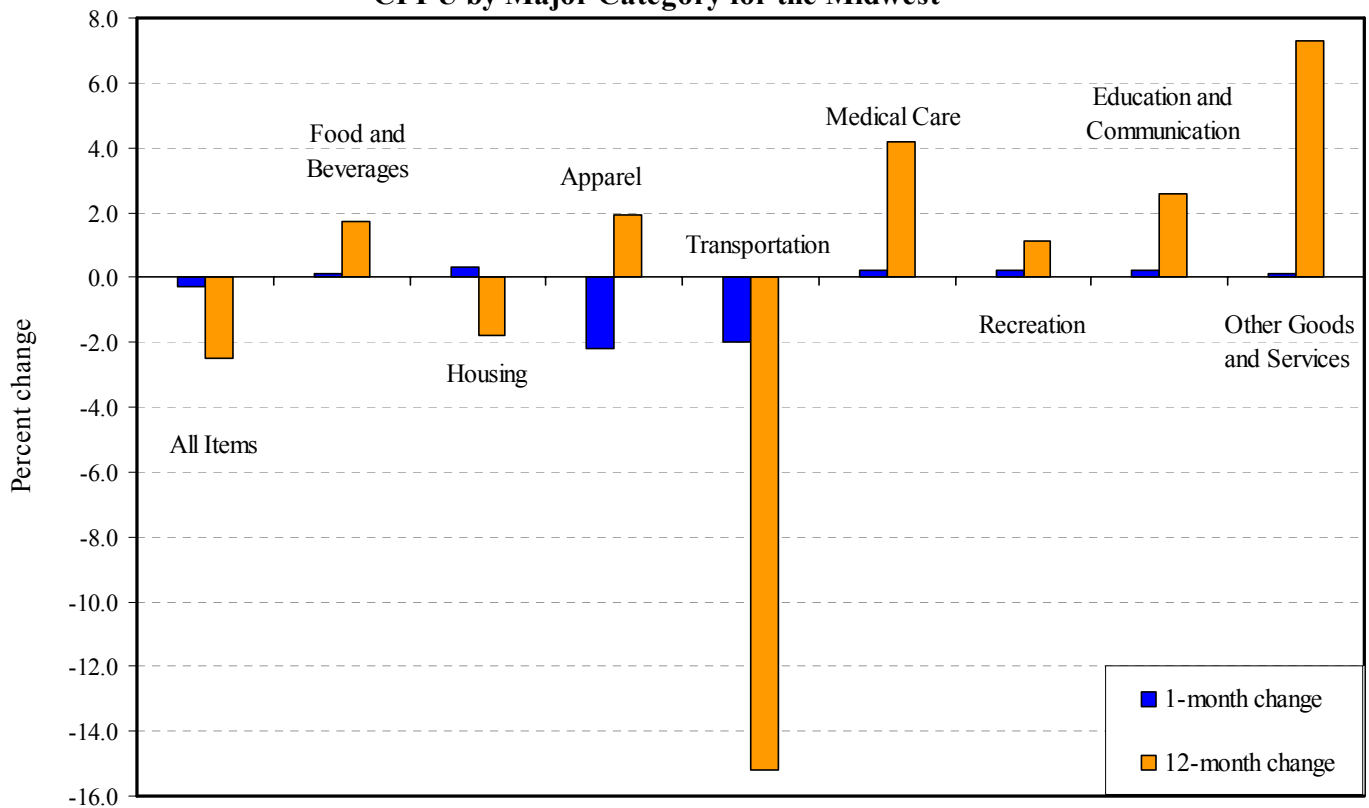
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## MIDWEST REGION CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) – JULY 2009 Prices in the Midwest Decline After Six Consecutive Monthly Increases

The Consumer Price Index for the Midwest turned down in July, decreasing 0.3 percent, the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. According to Regional Commissioner Stanley W. Suchman, lower energy costs, driven by falling prices for motor fuel, accounted for over three-fourths of the movement in the index. The all items index declined a record 2.5 percent since July 2008—its eighth consecutive over-the-year decrease.

**1-Month and 12-Month Percent Changes Ended July 2009**  
**CPI-U by Major Category for the Midwest**



Energy prices, which include prices for motor fuel and household fuels, were 3.5 percent lower over the month, and dropped 30.2 percent since July 2008, the largest over-the-year decrease for energy since publication began. The special aggregate indexes for all items less energy and for all items less food and energy were nearly unchanged over the month, but were each up 1.6 percent over the year.

Among the eight major expenditure categories, transportation accounted for more than half of the monthly movement and had the greatest impact on the July 2009 Midwest CPI. Transportation prices turned down 2.0 percent in July following six consecutive monthly increases. Motor fuel prices fell for the first time in 2009, decreasing 7.7 percent over the month. Prices for motor fuel were 38.4 percent lower than one year ago. Among the other components of the transportation index, prices for new vehicles were unchanged in July, and used cars and trucks' prices increased 0.6 percent. Prices for new vehicles were little changed from one year ago while prices for used cars and trucks declined 8.7 percent. Overall, the transportation index fell 15.2 percent since July 2008.

The housing index was the second largest contributor to the movement of the July all items index, accounting for approximately 20 percent of the movement. Reflecting rising costs for both shelter and household energy, the housing index increased 0.3 percent over the month. The household energy index advanced 1.2 percent as electricity prices rose 0.8 percent and utility (piped) gas service costs increased 2.7 percent. Shelter costs increased 0.2 percent while prices for household furnishings and operations were down 0.3 percent over the month. Despite the over-the-month advance, housing costs were down 1.8 percent from July 2008, largely attributable to a decrease in prices for utility (piped) gas service. From July 2008 to July 2009, utility (piped) gas service costs fell 43.2 percent, the largest over-the-year decline since publication began in 1978. This more than offset a 3.3-percent increase in prices for electricity. Over the year, costs for shelter rose 0.9 percent and prices for household furnishings and operations were 1.2 percent higher.

The apparel index was the second of only two major groups to show a decline over the month, down 2.2 percent since June 2009. Apparel prices typically decline in July as retailers continue to discount summer merchandise. Even so, apparel prices were 1.9 percent higher than one year ago.

The remaining five major expenditure categories—medical care, education and communication, recreation, food and beverages, and other goods and services—each increased by 0.2 percent or less and had little impact on the July 2009 Midwest CPI, together accounting for less than 10 percent of the movement in the overall index. From July 2008 to July 2009, costs for medical care rose 4.2 percent, education and communication, 2.6 percent, and recreation, 1.1 percent. Prices for food and beverages were 1.7 percent higher and costs for other goods and services advanced 7.3 percent over the year.

The Midwest Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) stood at 204.814 in July 2009. A typical market basket of goods and services that cost \$100.00 in the 1982-84 base period cost \$204.81 in July 2009. Because regional CPI data are not adjusted for seasonal price variation, consumers and businesses should be cautious in drawing conclusions about long-term retail price trends from short-term changes in the regional indexes. The Midwest region is comprised of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

Consumer Price Index data for August are scheduled for release on Wednesday, September 16, 2009, at 7:30 A.M. (CT).

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**Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Indexes and percent changes for selected periods**

**Midwest** (1982-84=100 unless otherwise noted)

Item and Group	Indexes			Percent change from—		
	May 2009	June 2009	July 2009	July 2008	May 2009	June 2009
<b>Expenditure category</b>						
All items .....	203.195	205.350	204.814	-2.5	0.8	-0.3
All items (December 1977=100) .....	330.609	334.115	333.244	-	-	-
Food and beverages .....	211.543	211.659	211.786	1.7	.1	.1
Food .....	211.076	211.093	211.239	1.5	.1	.1
Food at home .....	205.480	205.150	205.252	.1	-.1	.0
Food away from home .....	219.711	220.201	220.407	3.4	.3	.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	216.555	217.827	217.730	3.3	.5	.0
Housing .....	195.296	197.214	197.758	-1.8	1.3	.3
Shelter .....	225.895	226.806	227.312	.9	.6	.2
Rent of primary residence <sup>1</sup> .....	219.245	219.588	219.712	2.1	.2	.1
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>1 2</sup> .....	229.104	229.868	230.277	1.7	.5	.2
Fuels and utilities .....	187.743	197.557	199.651	-15.9	6.3	1.1
Household energy .....	162.915	172.946	175.069	-19.1	7.5	1.2
Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>1</sup> .....	169.203	179.757	182.263	-18.3	7.7	1.4
Electricity <sup>1</sup> .....	166.033	180.704	182.142	3.3	9.7	.8
Utility (piped) gas service <sup>1</sup> .....	167.756	169.538	174.075	-43.2	3.8	2.7
Household furnishings and operations .....	123.852	123.829	123.483	1.2	-.3	-.3
Apparel .....	114.186	111.049	108.561	1.9	-4.9	-2.2
Transportation .....	177.555	185.907	182.126	-15.2	2.6	-2.0
Private transportation .....	172.762	181.177	177.036	-15.4	2.5	-2.3
New and used motor vehicles <sup>3</sup> .....	93.190	92.966	93.191	-1.3	.0	.2
New vehicles .....	129.582	130.211	130.188	.1	.5	.0
New cars and trucks <sup>3 4</sup> .....	91.475	91.951	91.932	.2	.5	.0
New cars <sup>4</sup> .....	129.597	130.451	130.125	-.3	.4	-.2
Used cars and trucks .....	122.942	124.495	125.231	-8.7	1.9	.6
Motor fuel .....	202.530	237.852	219.493	-38.4	8.4	-7.7
Gasoline (all types) .....	203.312	238.963	219.750	-38.1	8.1	-8.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>4</sup> .....	201.592	237.749	218.395	-38.4	8.3	-8.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>4 5</sup> .....	223.745	261.090	240.639	-37.8	7.6	-7.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>4</sup> .....	203.174	236.468	218.315	-36.3	7.5	-7.7
Medical care .....	375.611	375.109	375.974	4.2	.1	.2
Medical care commodities .....	302.619	301.214	301.084	4.2	-.5	.0
Medical care services .....	399.779	399.681	400.962	4.3	.3	.3
Professional services .....	344.044	344.236	344.434	4.5	.1	.1
Recreation <sup>3</sup> .....	115.737	115.707	115.948	1.1	.2	.2
Education and communication <sup>3</sup> .....	127.823	127.937	128.192	2.6	.3	.2
Other goods and services .....	359.315	360.197	360.439	7.3	.3	.1
<b>Commodity and service group</b>						
All items .....	203.195	205.350	204.814	-2.5	.8	-.3
Commodities .....	165.878	168.599	166.715	-5.5	.5	-1.1
Commodities less food and beverages .....	142.858	146.642	143.934	-9.5	.8	-1.8
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	177.718	185.385	179.911	-14.0	1.2	-3.0
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	219.078	233.703	226.294	-17.9	3.3	-3.2
Durables .....	107.642	107.831	107.684	-1.8	.0	-.1
Services .....	242.158	243.712	244.600	-.3	1.0	.4
Rent of shelter <sup>2</sup> .....	232.186	233.122	233.614	.8	.6	.2
Transportation services .....	256.298	255.075	256.759	1.2	.2	.7
Other services .....	293.062	293.497	294.194	2.2	.4	.2

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Indexes and percent changes for selected periods-Continued**

**Midwest** (1982-84=100 unless otherwise noted)

Item and Group	Indexes			Percent change from—		
	May 2009	June 2009	July 2009	July 2008	May 2009	June 2009
<b>Special aggregate indexes</b>						
All items less medical care .....	194.920	197.169	196.580	-3.0	0.9	-0.3
All items less food .....	201.793	204.307	203.658	-3.2	.9	-.3
All items less shelter .....	197.096	199.731	198.808	-3.9	.9	-.5
Commodities less food .....	145.355	149.060	146.435	-8.9	.7	-1.8
Nondurables .....	194.582	198.704	195.860	-6.6	.7	-1.4
Nondurables less food .....	179.992	187.226	182.114	-12.8	1.2	-2.7
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	218.148	231.342	224.714	-16.2	3.0	-2.9
Services less rent of shelter <sup>2</sup> .....	266.785	269.143	270.540	-1.3	1.4	.5
Services less medical care services .....	229.992	231.626	232.481	-.7	1.1	.4
Energy .....	179.657	200.921	193.888	-30.2	7.9	-3.5
All items less energy .....	207.977	208.072	208.240	1.6	.1	.1
All items less food and energy .....	208.022	208.132	208.304	1.6	.1	.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	141.129	140.655	140.097	1.7	-.7	-.4
Energy commodities .....	202.441	236.770	218.852	-38.4	8.1	-7.6
Services less energy services .....	251.661	252.202	252.911	1.6	.5	.3

<sup>1</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>2</sup> Index is on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

Regions defined as the four Census regions. Midwest includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 2. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Indexes and percent changes for selected periods**

**Midwest** (1982-84=100 unless otherwise noted)

Item and Group	Indexes			Percent change from—		
	May 2009	June 2009	July 2009	July 2008	May 2009	June 2009
<b>Expenditure category</b>						
All items .....	197.971	200.487	199.824	-3.0	0.9	-0.3
All items (December 1977=100) .....	320.163	324.232	323.160	-	-	-
Food and beverages .....	211.573	211.723	211.932	1.7	.2	.1
Food .....	211.146	211.237	211.440	1.5	.1	.1
Food at home .....	205.497	205.282	205.510	.1	.0	.1
Food away from home .....	220.356	220.899	221.066	3.5	.3	.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	216.704	217.626	217.900	3.7	.6	.1
Housing .....	189.622	191.590	192.219	-1.9	1.4	.3
Shelter .....	215.495	216.243	216.743	1.3	.6	.2
Rent of primary residence <sup>1</sup> .....	219.806	220.101	220.282	2.2	.2	.1
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>1 2</sup> .....	213.418	214.116	214.535	1.8	.5	.2
Fuels and utilities .....	188.167	197.907	200.128	-15.9	6.4	1.1
Household energy .....	163.077	172.908	175.138	-18.9	7.4	1.3
Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>1</sup> .....	168.244	178.609	181.196	-18.2	7.7	1.4
Electricity <sup>1</sup> .....	166.181	180.628	181.955	3.2	9.5	.7
Utility (piped) gas service <sup>1</sup> .....	166.897	168.533	173.622	-43.4	4.0	3.0
Household furnishings and operations .....	121.430	121.380	121.166	1.7	-.2	-.2
Apparel .....	111.963	109.026	106.912	2.1	-4.5	-1.9
Transportation .....	175.890	185.172	180.923	-16.5	2.9	-2.3
Private transportation .....	172.825	182.159	177.711	-16.6	2.8	-2.4
New and used motor vehicles <sup>3</sup> .....	91.386	91.516	91.708	-2.4	.4	.2
New vehicles .....	132.742	133.441	133.331	.1	.4	-.1
Used cars and trucks .....	123.836	125.405	126.174	-8.8	1.9	.6
Motor fuel .....	202.954	238.435	220.125	-38.4	8.5	-7.7
Gasoline (all types) .....	203.691	239.491	220.339	-38.1	8.2	-8.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>4</sup> .....	201.841	238.155	218.874	-38.4	8.4	-8.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>4 5</sup> .....	223.485	260.772	240.406	-37.9	7.6	-7.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>4</sup> .....	202.950	236.224	218.234	-36.3	7.5	-7.6
Medical care .....	377.617	377.070	377.905	4.2	.1	.2
Medical care commodities .....	296.100	294.617	294.402	4.1	-.6	-.1
Medical care services .....	402.888	402.783	404.068	4.3	.3	.3
Professional services .....	344.890	345.116	345.270	4.5	.1	.0
Recreation <sup>3</sup> .....	111.802	111.844	111.917	.8	.1	.1
Education and communication <sup>3</sup> .....	124.084	124.209	124.487	2.5	.3	.2
Other goods and services .....	388.822	390.128	390.608	11.4	.5	.1
<b>Commodity and service group</b>						
All items .....	197.971	200.487	199.824	-3.0	.9	-.3
Commodities .....	167.005	170.283	168.277	-6.1	.8	-1.2
Commodities less food and beverages .....	144.884	149.469	146.532	-10.4	1.1	-2.0
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	184.764	193.852	187.878	-14.8	1.7	-3.1
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	229.084	245.781	237.406	-18.7	3.6	-3.4
Durables .....	106.424	106.789	106.697	-2.4	.3	-.1
Services .....	235.629	237.281	238.175	-.3	1.1	.4
Rent of shelter <sup>2</sup> .....	214.146	214.891	215.364	1.3	.6	.2
Transportation services .....	253.275	252.324	253.699	2.4	.2	.5
Other services .....	275.982	276.393	277.010	2.0	.4	.2
<b>Special aggregate indexes</b>						
All items less medical care .....	190.940	193.534	192.829	-3.4	1.0	-.4
All items less food .....	195.349	198.299	197.481	-3.8	1.1	-.4

See footnotes at end of table.

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<b>Special aggregate indexes</b>						
All items less shelter .....	194.130	197.298	196.218	-4.6	1.1	-0.5
Commodities less food .....	147.211	151.692	148.848	-9.9	1.1	-1.9
Nondurables .....	198.348	203.224	200.165	-7.2	.9	-1.5
Nondurables less food .....	186.543	195.136	189.540	-13.7	1.6	-2.9
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	226.989	242.141	234.610	-17.1	3.4	-3.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>2</sup> .....	237.170	239.694	240.979	-1.8	1.6	.5
Services less medical care services .....	224.073	225.786	226.648	-7	1.1	.4
Energy .....	180.248	201.951	194.586	-30.5	8.0	-3.6
All items less energy .....	201.634	201.752	201.929	1.9	.1	.1
All items less food and energy .....	199.944	200.066	200.238	2.0	.1	.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	141.600	141.269	140.824	2.1	-.5	-.3
Energy commodities .....	203.471	238.018	220.093	-38.3	8.2	-7.5
Services less energy services .....	244.554	245.039	245.706	1.9	.5	.3

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**Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, all items index**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	All items										
	Pricing schedule 1	Indexes				Percent change to July 2009 from—			Percent change to June 2009 from—		
		Apr. 2009	May 2009	June 2009	July 2009	July 2008	May 2009	June 2009	June 2008	Apr. 2009	May 2009
U.S. city average .....	M	213.240	213.856	215.693	215.351	-2.1	0.7	-0.2	-1.4	1.2	0.9
<b>Region and area size<sup>2</sup></b>											
Northeast urban .....	M	227.840	228.136	229.930	230.154	-1.9	.9	.1	-1.2	.9	.8
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	230.400	230.611	232.058	232.416	-1.7	.8	.2	-1.0	.7	.6
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	134.547	134.857	136.488	136.417	-2.3	1.2	-.1	-1.5	1.4	1.2
Midwest urban .....	M	202.327	203.195	205.350	204.814	-2.5	.8	-.3	-1.7	1.5	1.1
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	203.463	204.443	206.308	205.656	-2.5	.6	-.3	-1.7	1.4	.9
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	129.604	129.967	131.640	131.366	-2.4	1.1	-.2	-1.8	1.6	1.3
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	197.644	198.911	201.157	200.908	-2.7	1.0	-.1	-1.9	1.8	1.1
South urban .....	M	206.657	207.265	209.343	208.819	-2.1	.7	-.3	-1.4	1.3	1.0
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	208.934	209.235	211.390	211.034	-2.0	.9	-.2	-1.4	1.2	1.0
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	131.370	131.777	133.056	132.736	-2.1	.7	-.2	-1.4	1.3	1.0
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	207.898	209.563	211.815	210.491	-2.2	.4	-.6	-1.4	1.9	1.1
West urban .....	M	217.910	218.567	219.865	219.484	-2.0	.4	-.2	-1.4	.9	.6
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	221.790	222.659	223.908	223.498	-1.8	.4	-.2	-1.3	1.0	.6
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	131.912	131.990	132.952	132.774	-2.4	.6	-.1	-1.7	.8	.7
<b>Size classes</b>											
A <sup>4</sup> .....	M	195.207	195.745	197.214	196.987	-2.0	.6	-.1	-1.3	1.0	.8
B/C <sup>3</sup> .....	M	131.557	131.876	133.220	132.975	-2.3	.8	-.2	-1.6	1.3	1.0
D .....	M	205.421	206.717	208.543	207.784	-2.2	.5	-.4	-1.6	1.5	.9
<b>Selected local areas<sup>5</sup></b>											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI .....	M	207.886	209.809	211.010	210.906	-3.0	.5	.0	-2.2	1.5	.6
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ...	M	221.693	222.522	223.906	224.010	-2.6	.7	.0	-2.2	1.0	.6
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA .....	M	235.582	235.975	237.172	237.600	-1.1	.7	.2	-.6	.7	.5
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT .....	1	-	231.891	-	233.018	-3.4	.5	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH .....	1	-	200.196	-	200.558	-3.1	.2	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	1	-	199.311	-	200.663	-2.8	.7	-	-	-	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV <sup>6</sup> .....	1	-	139.311	-	140.810	-9	1.1	-	-	-	-
Atlanta, GA .....	2	199.210	-	203.585	-	-	-	-	-4.0	2.2	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI .....	2	202.373	-	204.537	-	-	-	-	-1.5	1.1	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	2	189.701	-	192.325	-	-	-	-	-.6	1.4	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	2	220.740	-	221.485	-	-	-	-	-1.6	.3	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD .....	2	221.686	-	223.810	-	-	-	-	-2.0	1.0	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....	2	223.854	-	225.692	-	-	-	-	.2	.8	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA .....	2	225.918	-	227.257	-	-	-	-	-.4	.6	-

<sup>1</sup> Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all areas; most other goods and services priced as indicated:

- M - Every month.
- 1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.
- 2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

<sup>2</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> In addition, the following metropolitan areas are published semiannually and appear in Tables 34 and 39 of the January and July issues of the CPI Detailed Report: Anchorage, AK; Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN; Denver-Boulder-Greeley, CO; Honolulu, HI; Kansas City, MO-KS; Milwaukee-Racine, WI; Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI; Phoenix-Mesa, AZ;

Pittsburgh, PA; Portland-Salem, OR-WA; St. Louis, MO-IL; San Diego, CA; Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a November 1996=100 base.  
- Data not available.

NOTE: Local area indexes are byproducts 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. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in their escalator clauses.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Regions<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Northeast			Midwest			South			West		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		July 2009	July 2008		June 2009	July 2009		July 2008	June 2009		July 2009	July 2008
<b>Expenditure category</b>												
All items .....	230.154	-1.9	0.1	204.814	-2.5	-0.3	208.819	-2.1	-0.3	219.484	-2.0	-0.2
All items (December 1977=100) .....	362.423	-	-	333.244	-	-	338.734	-	-	354.783	-	-
Food and beverages .....	222.428	1.4	-3	211.786	1.7	.1	215.329	1.2	-1	221.320	.1	-4
Food .....	221.789	1.3	-4	211.239	1.5	.1	215.811	1.0	-2	220.448	-1	-4
Food at home .....	219.104	-3	-6	205.252	.1	.0	210.797	-7	-3	221.009	-2.5	-1.0
Food away from home .....	228.254	3.2	.0	220.407	3.4	.1	225.477	3.2	-1	218.598	3.1	.3
Alcoholic beverages .....	229.833	3.1	.2	217.730	3.3	.0	207.571	3.6	.8	230.576	2.1	-3
Housing .....	244.611	-1.6	.3	197.758	-1.8	.3	203.183	.0	-3	228.901	.0	-1
Shelter .....	293.197	1.3	.5	227.312	.9	.2	223.950	1.1	-2	256.224	.4	-2
Rent of primary residence <sup>2</sup> .....	283.326	2.9	.0	219.712	2.1	.1	223.856	2.2	-1	260.660	2.1	-1
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>2 3</sup> .....	301.881	2.7	.3	230.277	1.7	.2	226.193	1.5	-2	270.293	1.2	-3
Fuels and utilities .....	210.123	-17.7	-1	199.651	-15.9	1.1	218.230	-7.4	-6	234.619	-3.1	.7
Household energy .....	194.622	-20.5	-4	175.069	-19.1	1.2	189.636	-10.0	-8	217.960	-6.1	.3
Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>2</sup> .....	201.481	-12.9	-4	182.263	-18.3	1.4	191.254	-9.0	-8	221.890	-4.8	.5
Electricity <sup>2</sup> .....	198.218	-2.7	-4	182.142	3.3	.8	188.848	-2.4	-1.3	238.813	5.4	.5
Utility (piped) gas service <sup>2</sup> .....	195.272	-31.3	-7	174.075	-43.2	2.7	191.873	-36.7	2.2	195.973	-27.9	.3
Household furnishings and operations .....	129.045	.5	-3	123.483	1.2	-3	130.226	2.2	.0	133.973	.2	-5
Apparel .....	111.496	-2	-3.8	108.561	1.9	-2.2	128.136	.9	-2.9	110.485	1.9	-1.7
Transportation .....	183.430	-12.4	.4	182.126	-15.2	-2.0	179.164	-15.5	-6	186.948	-12.7	.0
Private transportation .....	177.487	-12.7	.1	177.036	-15.4	-2.3	177.365	-15.7	-7	181.183	-12.8	-2
New and used motor vehicles <sup>4</sup> .....	93.556	.4	.7	93.191	-1.3	.2	93.497	-3	.4	93.367	.1	.4
New vehicles .....	135.272	.5	.4	130.188	.1	.0	140.975	2.2	.3	135.345	1.3	.3
New cars and trucks <sup>4 5</sup> .....	93.739	.5	.4	91.932	.2	.0	95.892	2.2	.3	94.069	1.2	.3
New cars <sup>5</sup> .....	133.133	-5	.4	130.125	-3	-2	144.186	1.9	.3	137.637	1.2	.4
Used cars and trucks .....	129.842	-7.9	.5	125.231	-8.7	.6	124.244	-7.6	.7	123.100	-7.8	.5
Motor fuel .....	215.513	-36.4	-9	219.493	-38.4	-7.7	213.262	-38.7	-2.9	223.875	-36.6	-1.3
Gasoline (all types) .....	215.160	-36.1	-1.0	219.750	-38.1	-8.0	213.125	-38.2	-3.1	224.223	-36.1	-1.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>5</sup> .....	215.701	-36.6	-1.1	218.395	-38.4	-8.1	211.529	-38.9	-3.3	223.077	-36.5	-1.3
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>5 6</sup> .....	219.923	-35.1	-7	240.639	-37.8	-7.8	223.572	-37.1	-2.8	210.950	-35.4	-1.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>5</sup> .....	209.941	-34.4	-6	218.315	-36.3	-7.7	213.459	-36.1	-2.5	215.271	-34.8	-1.4
Medical care .....	396.678	2.2	.2	375.974	4.2	.2	356.137	2.5	.0	384.197	4.1	.3
Medical care commodities .....	327.377	2.4	-1	301.084	4.2	.0	291.233	2.9	-4	307.970	3.4	.1
Medical care services .....	414.815	2.1	.3	400.962	4.3	.3	377.263	2.4	.2	407.468	4.3	.3
Professional services .....	322.954	1.3	.1	344.434	4.5	.1	316.231	2.5	.3	299.085	2.2	.1
Recreation <sup>4</sup> .....	119.571	3.2	.1	115.948	1.1	.2	115.877	2.0	.2	108.288	-1.1	-5
Education and communication <sup>4</sup> .....	131.465	3.8	.5	128.192	2.6	.2	122.457	2.3	.3	126.670	2.7	.2
Other goods and services .....	395.329	5.9	.4	360.439	7.3	.1	366.799	10.1	1.6	367.766	5.9	.1
<b>Commodity and service group</b>												
All items .....	230.154	-1.9	.1	204.814	-2.5	-3	208.819	-2.1	-3	219.484	-2.0	-2
Commodities .....	174.675	-6.1	-5	166.715	-5.5	-1.1	171.777	-5.9	-5	168.981	-5.9	-5
Commodities less food and beverages .....	146.927	-10.6	-7	143.934	-9.5	-1.8	149.733	-9.7	-7	141.732	-9.0	-6
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	180.328	-15.3	-1.1	179.911	-14.0	-3.0	189.083	-15.1	-1.3	175.575	-14.7	-9
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	234.118	-19.5	-2	226.294	-17.9	-3.2	227.045	-19.2	-8	221.497	-19.0	-6
Durables .....	108.062	-1.6	.0	107.684	-1.8	-1	112.888	-4	.1	110.111	-1.4	-2
Services .....	284.510	.8	.5	244.600	-3	.4	246.705	.8	-1	265.803	.8	.1
Rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	306.697	1.3	.5	233.614	.8	.2	230.376	1.1	-2	272.541	.4	-2
Transportation services .....	239.465	2.0	1.3	256.759	1.2	.7	255.806	1.2	.6	255.655	1.1	.7
Other services .....	327.647	3.6	.4	294.194	2.2	.2	293.846	3.1	.2	299.342	2.1	.2

See footnotes at end of table.



**Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Regions<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Northeast			Midwest			South			West		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		July 2009	July 2008		June 2009	July 2009		July 2008	June 2009		July 2009	July 2008
<b>Special aggregate indexes</b>												
All items less medical care .....	222.674	-2.1	0.1	196.580	-3.0	-0.3	200.266	-2.4	-0.3	211.718	-2.3	-0.2
All items less food .....	231.918	-2.4	.2	203.658	-3.2	-.3	207.546	-2.6	-.3	219.489	-2.2	-.1
All items less shelter .....	208.698	-3.5	-.1	198.808	-3.9	-.5	203.988	-3.5	-.3	205.813	-3.2	-.2
Commodities less food .....	150.018	-10.0	-.6	146.435	-8.9	-1.8	151.630	-9.3	-.7	145.147	-8.6	-.6
Nondurables .....	201.635	-7.3	-.7	195.860	-6.6	-1.4	201.926	-7.7	-.7	199.028	-7.7	-.7
Nondurables less food .....	183.092	-14.2	-1.0	182.114	-12.8	-2.7	189.956	-14.2	-1.2	179.668	-13.6	-.9
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	231.725	-17.8	-.2	224.714	-16.2	-2.9	224.331	-17.8	-.6	221.828	-17.3	-.6
Services less rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....	284.805	.3	.5	270.540	-1.3	.5	274.627	.4	.1	287.089	1.5	.4
Services less medical care services .....	274.997	.8	.5	232.481	-.7	.4	233.992	.7	-.1	255.531	.6	.0
Energy .....	203.276	-28.5	-.6	193.888	-30.2	-3.5	195.128	-27.3	-1.9	222.997	-26.9	-.6
All items less energy .....	235.175	1.7	.2	208.240	1.6	.1	211.002	1.7	-.1	221.058	.9	-.1
All items less food and energy .....	239.102	1.7	.3	208.304	1.6	.1	210.544	1.8	-.1	221.822	1.0	-.1
Commodities less food and energy												
commodities .....	143.298	1.1	-.6	140.097	1.7	-.4	144.895	2.0	-.2	137.057	.7	-.4
Energy commodities .....	220.704	-38.0	-.7	218.852	-38.4	-7.6	216.067	-38.6	-2.8	226.221	-36.6	-1.3
Services less energy services .....	292.767	1.9	.5	252.911	1.6	.3	252.290	1.7	.0	269.283	1.1	.0

<sup>1</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions.

<sup>2</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.