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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX – JANUARY 2012

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 0.2 percent in January on a seasonally adjusted basis, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Over the last 12 months, the all items index increased 2.9 percent before seasonal adjustment.

The indexes for food, energy, and all items less food and energy all rose in January, each increasing 0.2 percent. Within the food group, the index for food away from home increased while the index for food at home was unchanged; within the energy group the gasoline index increased while the index for household energy declined.

Within all items less food and energy, the apparel index rose sharply, and the indexes for shelter, recreation, medical care, and tobacco increased as well. The indexes for used cars and trucks and for airline fares both declined, while the new vehicles index was unchanged.

The all items index has risen 2.9 percent over the last 12 months, a slight decrease from last month's 3.0 percent figure. The index for energy has risen 6.1 percent over the last year and the food index 4.4 percent; both figures are slight declines from last month. The index for all items less food and energy has risen 2.3 percent, its largest 12-month increase since September 2008.

Chart 1. One-month percent change in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), seasonally adjusted, Jan. 2011 - Jan. 2012
Percent change

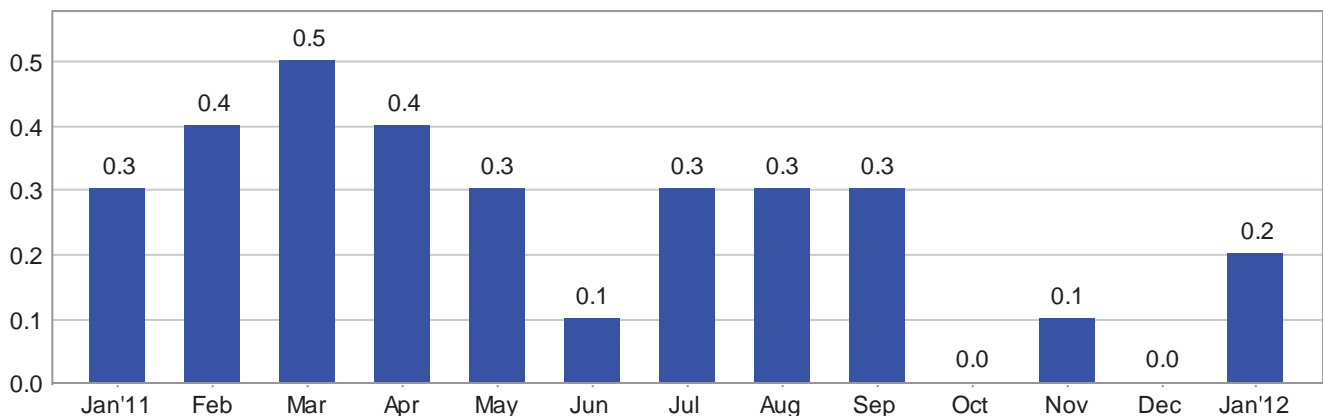


Chart 2. 12-month percent change in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), not seasonally adjusted, Jan. 2011 - Jan. 2012

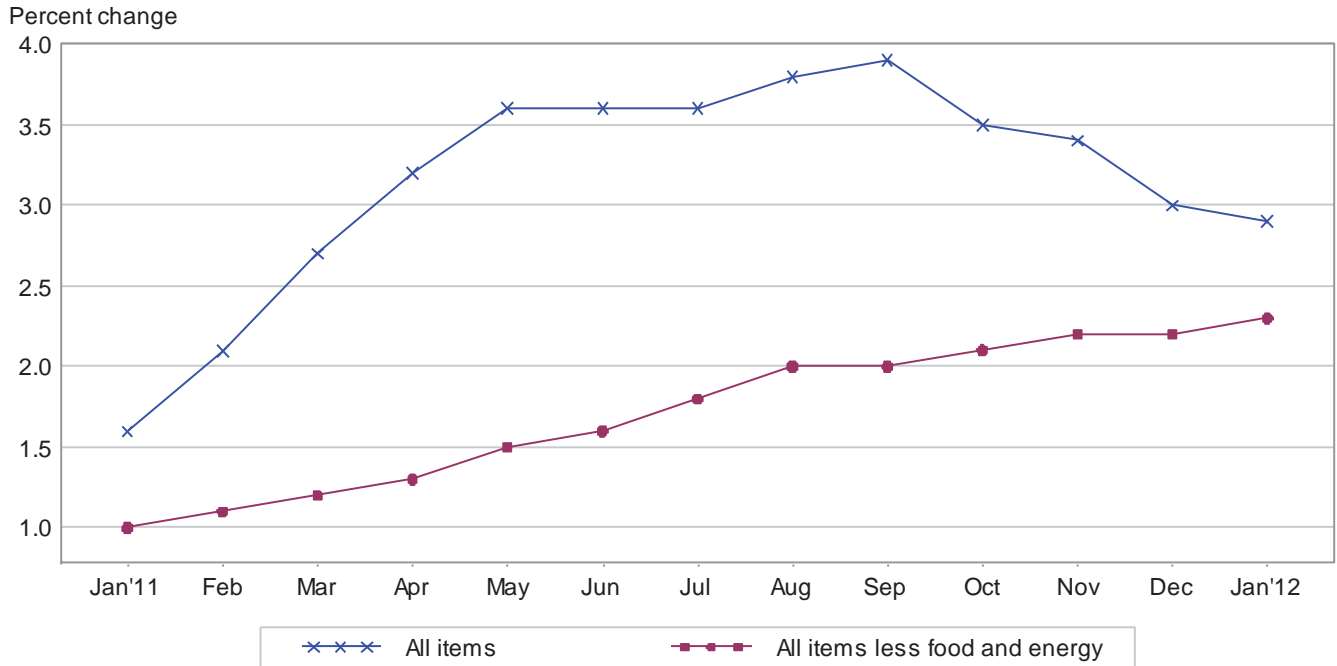


Table A. Percent changes in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average

	Seasonally adjusted changes from preceding month							Un-adjusted 12-mos. ended Jan. 2012
	July 2011	Aug. 2011	Sep. 2011	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	
All items .....	.3	.3	.3	.0	.1	.0	.2	2.9
Food .....	.4	.5	.4	.2	.1	.2	.2	4.4
Food at home .....	.6	.6	.6	.2	.0	.2	.0	5.3
Food away from home ¹ .....	.2	.4	.2	.2	.3	.2	.4	3.1
Energy .....	.9	.8	1.5	-1.8	-.5	-1.3	.2	6.1
Energy commodities	1.3	1.1	1.9	-2.6	-.6	-2.0	.9	10.0
Gasoline (all types)	1.5	1.2	2.0	-2.8	-.9	-2.1	.9	9.7
Fuel oil ¹	-1.7	-.4	-.7	-.5	2.7	-1.0	1.4	12.1
Energy services .....	.1	.3	.8	-.4	-.4	-.2	-.8	.5
Electricity .....	.5	.1	.6	.2	.2	-.1	.0	2.4
Utility (piped) gas service	-1.2	1.0	1.5	-2.6	-2.6	-.6	-2.9	-5.5
All items less food and energy .....	.2	.2	.1	.2	.2	.1	.2	2.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	.2	.3	-.2	.0	.1	-.1	.2	2.2
New vehicles .....	.0	.0	-.1	-.2	-.2	-.2	.0	3.2
Used cars and trucks .....	.8	.7	-.5	-.4	-.4	-.7	-1.0	3.2
Apparel	1.0	.9	-.7	.4	.5	-.1	.9	4.7
Medical care commodities ¹ .....	.0	.1	.2	.3	.2	.2	.6	3.2
Services less energy services .....	.2	.2	.2	.2	.2	.2	.2	2.3
Shelter .....	.2	.2	.1	.2	.2	.2	.2	2.0
Transportation services .....	.0	.2	.4	.2	.0	.1	.0	2.1
Medical care services .....	.3	.3	.2	.5	.4	.4	.2	3.7

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

Consumer Price Index Data for January 2012

Food

The food index rose 0.2 percent in January, the same increase as in December. The food at home index was unchanged, as the major grocery store food groups were mixed. The index for dairy and related products increased 0.9 percent, and the indexes for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs and for other food at home increased as well. In contrast, the index for fruits and vegetables fell 1.3 percent, its fourth consecutive decline, and the indexes for cereals and bakery products and nonalcoholic beverages also decreased. Over the last 12 months, the food at home index has risen 5.3 percent. The dairy and related products index rose 9.0 percent over that span, the largest increase among the major grocery store food groups, while the fruits and vegetables index fell 0.1 percent, the only decline among the groups. The index for food away from home rose 0.4 percent in January, its largest increase since August, and has increased 3.1 percent over the last 12 months.

Energy

The energy index rose slightly in January, increasing 0.2 percent after declining in each of the three previous months. The gasoline index rose 0.9 percent after declining the three previous months. (Before seasonal adjustment, gasoline prices increased 3.6 percent in January.) In contrast, the household energy index declined 0.6 percent. The fuel oil index rose 1.4 percent but the natural gas index declined 2.9 percent, its fourth consecutive decrease. The index for electricity was unchanged in January. Over the last 12 months, the gasoline index has risen 9.7 percent while the household energy index has increased 1.2 percent. The indexes for fuel oil and electricity have risen over the last year, but the index for natural gas has declined.

All items less food and energy

The index for all items less food and energy increased 0.2 percent in January. The shelter index increased 0.2 percent, with the indexes for rent, owners' equivalent rent, and lodging away from home all rising 0.2 percent. The apparel index, which declined in December, rose sharply in January, increasing 0.9 percent. The recreation index rose 0.6 percent as the indexes for admissions and toys both rose notably. The medical care index increased 0.3 percent, with medical care commodities rising 0.6 percent. The index for tobacco rose 0.5 percent and the indexes for household furnishings and operations and for personal care increased slightly. In contrast to these increases, the index for used cars and trucks declined for the fifth month in a row, falling 1.0 percent, and the index for airline fares fell 0.9 percent. The new vehicles index was unchanged in January after declining in each of the prior four months.

The index for all items less food and energy has risen 2.3 percent over the last 12 months. The shelter index has risen 2.0 percent over that span, the first time its 12-month change has been that high since November 2008. The apparel index has increased 4.7 percent and the medical care index has risen 3.6 percent. The indexes for both new vehicles and used cars and trucks have each risen 3.2 percent.

Not seasonally adjusted CPI measures

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 2.9 percent over the last 12 months to an index level of 226.665 (1982-84=100). For the month, the index increased 0.4 percent prior to seasonal adjustment.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) increased 3.1 percent over the last 12 months to an index level of 223.216 (1982-84=100). For the month, the index increased 0.5 percent prior to seasonal adjustment.

The Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U) increased 2.7 percent over the last 12 months. For the month, the index increased 0.4 percent on a not seasonally adjusted basis. Please note that the indexes for the post-2010 period are subject to revision.

The Consumer Price Index for February 2012 is scheduled to be released on Friday, March 16, 2012, at 8:30 a.m. (EDT).

C-CPI-U Index Revisions

As scheduled, effective with this release of data for January 2012, the Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U) has undergone its annual revision. Because the current expenditure data required for the calculation of the C-CPI-U are available only with a time lag, the index is issued first in preliminary form, using the latest available expenditure data at the time of publication, and is subject to two subsequent revisions. Therefore, C-CPI-U indexes for the 12 months of 2010 are issued in final form – employing monthly expenditure weights from 2010. Values for the 12 months of 2011 are revised and issued as interim, using expenditure weights from the 2009-2010 period. Calculation of the initial value of the January 2012 C-CPI-U index, and all subsequent months in 2012, will also be based upon 2009-2010 expenditure weights.

For more information on the C-CPI-U, contact Rob Cage by telephone at (202) 691-6959 or by electronic mail at Cage.Rob@bls.gov.

Redesigning the Consumer Price Index (CPI) Press Release Tables

The format of the tables contained in the CPI News Release will change beginning with the CPI News Release for March, 2012, which will be issued on Friday, April 13, 2012. News Release tables are currently available as part of the News Release pdf and html files, and independently in html format. The new tables will also be available in XLS format. In addition, the BLS will begin issuing monthly companion XLS files, which will contain additional index level and CPI-W information.

These tables were made available for public comment during October 2011. In response to the public comments, the BLS will issue XLS files each month, as companions to the News Release. There will be CPI-U and CPI-W files, and in addition to the data contained in the News Release tables, the Excel files will contain index values. Samples of the companion XLS files will be available with the February CPI News Release in March 2012. Samples of the new CPI press release tables are available now at <http://www.bls.gov/cpi/mock-ups.htm>.

In August 2009, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) restructured the text of the CPI press release to focus on the price movements of three broad expenditure categories, namely Food, Energy, and All items less food and energy. Table A within the CPI press release text was also updated in August 2009 to reflect this new structure. Before August 2009, the text of the CPI press release had focused on eight CPI ‘major groups’ (Food and beverages; Housing; Apparel; Transportation; Medical care; Recreation; Education and communication; and Other goods and services).

While the text of the CPI press release was restructured in 2009, seven additional CPI press release tables continued to be published using the eight major groups. BLS has redesigned these press release tables, to reflect the focus on Food, Energy, and All items less food and energy. Within these three broad categories, CPI item series will be further divided into commodities and services. The CPI News Release will contain these updated tables beginning with the March 2012 News Release, to be issued on Friday, April 13, 2012.

Beyond the redesign in the structure of the CPI press release tables, several other improvements to these tables have been made.

The new Table 1 gives a summary of the index series which typically contribute to changes in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U).

The new Table 2 will show the full publication stub using the new structure for the CPI-U, including 11 new items series that were created to augment the redesign in the publication structure. Table 3 will show aggregate item series (e.g., Transportation) that do not fall under the Food, Energy, and All items less food and energy structure.

Table 4 will show the All items indexes at the local, regional, and city-size class levels.

Table 5 will show the Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U), and presents a history of annual percentage changes in the C-CPI-U compared to the CPI-U.

Table 6 will focus on 1-month seasonally adjusted changes in the CPI-U, while table 7 will focus on 12-month not seasonally adjusted changes. Tables 6 and 7 will present three additional pieces of data to help users better interpret index changes. First, these tables will show the ‘effect’ each item has on the price change for All items. For example, if the effect of food is 0.4, and the index for All items increased 1.2 percent, it can be said that increases in food prices accounted for $0.4 / 1.2$, or 33.3 percent, of the increase in overall prices for that period. Said another way, had food prices been unchanged, the All items index only would have increased 0.8 percent (or 1.2 percent for All items, minus the 0.4 effect for Food). Effects can be negative as well. For example, if the effect of food was a negative 0.1, and the All items index rose 0.5 percent, the All items index actually would have been 0.1 percent higher (or 0.6 percent) had food prices been unchanged.

Second, standard errors for percent changes will be shown on tables 6 and 7. Confidence intervals for statistics can be created using standard errors; e.g., roughly 95 percent confidence intervals can be constructed using two standard errors. For example, if an item increased 3.7 percent, and its standard error was 0.6 percent, the 95 percent confidence interval for that price change can be said to be 3.7 percent plus or minus two standard errors, or 3.7 percent plus or minus 1.2 percent.

Finally, each item series in tables 6 and 7 will show the last time that item had a price change as large (or as small) as the percent change published that period. For example, if bananas rose 3.7 percent, and that was its largest increase since November 2007, that would be noted in the new tables.

In addition, most of the existing tables show the ‘relative importance’, or weight, of each item category as of the previous December. The relative importance columns in the new tables will be improved in that they will be updated monthly to reflect the change in relative prices over time.

Finally, there will no longer be any press release tables that focus on the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W). That said, the CPI-W All items index level and percent changes will still be noted in the text of the press release, and a companion XLS file with CPI-W information will be available.

Facilities for Sensory Impaired

Information from this release will be made available to sensory impaired individuals upon request. Voice phone: 202-691-5200, Federal Relay Services: 1-800-877-8339.

Expenditure Weight Update

Effective with this release, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) has updated the consumption expenditure weights in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) to the 2009-10 period. The updated expenditure weights for these indexes replace the 2007-2008 weights that were introduced effective with the January 2010 CPI release. As originally announced by BLS in December 1998, CPI expenditure weights will continue to be updated at two-year intervals.

Brief Explanation of the CPI

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time of goods and services purchased by households. The Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes CPIs for two population groups: (1) the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W), which covers households of wage earners and clerical workers that comprise approximately 29 percent of the total population and (2) the CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and the Chained CPI for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U), which cover approximately 88 percent of the total population and include in addition to wage earners and clerical worker households, groups such as professional, managerial, and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force.

The CPIs are based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day-to-day living. Prices are collected each month in 87 urban areas across the country from about 4,000 housing units and approximately 26,000 retail establishments—department stores, supermarkets, hospitals, filling stations, and other types of stores and service establishments. All taxes directly associated with the purchase and use of items are included in the index. Prices of fuels and a few other items are obtained every month in all 87 locations. Prices of most other commodities and services are collected every month in the three largest geographic areas and every other month in other areas. Prices of most goods and services are obtained by personal visits or telephone calls of the Bureau's trained representatives.

In calculating the index, price changes for the various items in each location are averaged together with weights, which represent their importance in the spending of the appropriate population group. Local data are then combined to obtain a U.S. city average. For the CPI-U and CPI-W separate indexes are also published by size of city, by region of the country, for cross-classifications of regions and population-size classes, and for 27 local areas. Area indexes do not measure differences in the level of prices among cities; they only measure the average change in prices for each area since the base period. For the C-CPI-U data are issued only at the national level. It is important to note that the CPI-U and CPI-W are considered final when released, but the C-CPI-U is issued in preliminary form and subject to two annual revisions.

The index measures price change from a designed reference date. For the CPI-U and the CPI-W the reference base is 1982-84 equals 100. The reference base for the C-CPI-U is December 1999 equals 100. An increase of 16.5 percent from the reference base, for example, is shown as 116.500. This change can also be expressed in dollars as follows: the price of a base period market basket of goods and services in the CPI has risen from \$10 in 1982-84 to \$11.65.

For further details visit the CPI home page on the Internet at <http://www.bls.gov/cpi/> or contact our CPI Information and Analysis Section on (202) 691-7000.

Note on Sampling Error in the Consumer Price Index

The CPI is a statistical estimate that is subject to sampling error because it is based upon a sample of retail prices and not the complete universe of all prices. BLS calculates and publishes estimates of the 1-month, 2-month, 6-month and 12-month percent change standard errors annually, for the CPI-U. These standard error estimates can be used to construct confidence intervals for hypothesis testing. For example, the estimated standard error of the 1 month percent change is 0.03 percent for the U.S. All Items Consumer Price Index. This means that if we repeatedly sample from the universe of all retail prices using the same methodology, and estimate a percentage change for each sample, then 95% of these estimates would be within 0.06 percent of the 1 month percentage change based on all retail prices. For example, for a 1-month change of 0.2 percent in the All Items CPI for All Urban Consumers, we are 95 percent confident that the actual percent change based on all retail prices would fall between 0.14 and 0.26 percent. For the latest data, including information on how to use the estimates of standard error, see “Variance Estimates for Price Changes in the Consumer Price Index, January-December 2010”. These data are available on the CPI home page (<http://www.bls.gov/cpi>), or by using the following link <http://www.bls.gov/cpi/cpivar2010.pdf>

Calculating Index Changes

Movements of the indexes from one month to another are usually expressed as percent changes rather than changes in index points, because index point changes are affected by the level of the index in relation to its base period while percent changes are not. The example below illustrates the computation of index point and percent changes.

Percent changes for 3-month and 6-month periods are expressed as annual rates and are computed according to the standard formula for compound growth rates. These data indicate what the percent change would be if the current rate were maintained for a 12-month period.

Index Point Change

CPI	202.416
Less previous index	201.800
Equals index point change	.616

Percent Change

Index point difference	.616
Divided by the previous index	201.800
Equals	0.003
Results multiplied by one hundred	0.003x100
Equals percent change	0.3

Regions Defined

The states in the four regions shown in Tables 3 and 6 are listed below.

The Northeast--Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

The Midwest--Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

The South--Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

The West--Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

A Note on Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted Data

Because price data are used for different purposes by different groups, the Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes seasonally adjusted as well as unadjusted changes each month.

For analyzing general price trends in the economy, seasonally adjusted changes are usually preferred since they eliminate the effect of changes that normally occur at the same time and in about the same magnitude every year--such as price movements resulting from changing climatic conditions, production cycles, model changeovers, holidays, and sales.

The unadjusted data are of primary interest to consumers concerned about the prices they actually pay. Unadjusted data also are used extensively for escalation purposes. Many collective bargaining contract agreements and pension plans, for example, tie compensation changes to the Consumer Price Index before adjustment for seasonal variation.

Seasonal factors used in computing the seasonally adjusted indexes are derived by the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Method. Seasonally adjusted indexes and seasonal factors are computed annually. Each year, the last 5 years of seasonally adjusted data are revised. Data from January 2007 through December 2011 were replaced in January 2012. Exceptions to the usual revision schedule were: the updated seasonal data at the end of 1977 replaced data from 1967 through 1977; and, in January 2002, dependently seasonally adjusted series were revised for January 1987-December 2001 as a result of a change in the aggregation weights for dependently adjusted series. For further information, please see "Aggregation of Dependently Adjusted Seasonally Adjusted Series," in the October 2001 issue of the CPI Detailed Report.

Effective with the publication of data from January 2006 through December 2010 in January 2011, the Video and audio series and the Information technology, hardware and services series were changed from independently adjusted to dependently adjusted. This resulted in an increase in the number of seasonal components used in deriving seasonal movement of the All items and 54 other lower level aggregations, from 73 for the publication of January 1998 through December 2005 data to 82 for the publication of seasonally adjusted data for January 2006 and later. Each year the seasonal status of every series is reevaluated based upon certain statistical criteria. If any of the 82 components change their seasonal adjustment status from seasonally adjusted to not seasonally adjusted, not seasonally adjusted data will be used in the aggregation of the dependent series for the last 5 years, but the seasonally adjusted

indexes before that period will not be changed. Note: 38 of the 82 components are not seasonally adjusted for 2012.

Seasonally adjusted data, including the all items index levels, are subject to revision for up to five years after their original release. For this reason, BLS advises against the use of these data in escalation agreements.

Effective with the calculation of the seasonal factors for 1990, the Bureau of Labor Statistics has used an enhanced seasonal adjustment procedure called Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment for some CPI series. Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment allows for better estimates of seasonally adjusted data. Extreme values and/or sharp movements which might distort the seasonal pattern are estimated and removed from the data prior to calculation of seasonal factors. Beginning with the calculation of seasonal factors for 1996, X-12-ARIMA software was used for Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment.

For the seasonal factors introduced in January 2012, BLS adjusted 31 series using Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment, including selected food and beverage items, motor fuels, electricity and vehicles. For example, this procedure was used for the Motor fuel series to offset the effects of events such as damage to oil refineries from Hurricane Katrina.

For a complete list of Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment series and explanations, please refer to the article “Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment”, located on our website at <http://www.bls.gov/cpi/cpisapage.htm>.

For additional information on seasonal adjustment in the CPI, please write to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Division of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, Washington, DC 20212 or contact David Levin at (202) 691-6968, or by e-mail at Levin.David@bls.gov. If you have general questions about the CPI, please call our information staff at (202) 691-7000.

Revised seasonally adjusted changes

Over-the-month percent changes in the U.S. City Average Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for All Items and for All Items less food and energy, seasonally adjusted, using former and recalculated seasonal factors for 2011.

All Items

2011	Former	Recalculated	Difference
January	.4	.3	-.1
February	.5	.4	-.1
March	.5	.5	.0
April	.4	.4	.0
May	.2	.3	.1
June	-.2	.1	.3
July	.5	.3	-.2
August	.4	.3	-.1
September	.3	.3	.0
October	-.1	.0	.1
November	.0	.1	.1
December	.0	.0	.0

All Items less food and energy

2011	Former	Recalculated	Difference
January	.2	.2	.0
February	.2	.2	.0
March	.1	.2	.1
April	.2	.2	.0
May	.3	.3	.0
June	.3	.2	-.1
July	.2	.2	.0
August	.2	.2	.0
September	.1	.1	.0
October	.1	.2	.1
November	.2	.2	.0
December	.1	.1	.0

Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 2011 ¹	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 2012 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Jan. 2011	Dec. 2011	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
All items	100.000	225.672	226.665	2.9	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.2
All items (1967=100)	-	676.014	678.988	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	15.256	231.130	232.559	4.2	.6	.1	.2	.2
Food	14.308	231.301	232.666	4.4	.6	.1	.2	.2
Food at home	8.638	229.982	231.694	5.3	.7	.0	.2	.0
Cereals and bakery products	1.242	265.997	266.677	5.3	.3	.3	.3	-.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	1.960	228.853	229.809	7.2	.4	.1	.6	.2
Dairy and related products ² .....	.916	218.458	220.492	9.0	.9	-.3	-.1	.9
Fruits and vegetables	1.287	283.550	285.437	-.1	.7	-.5	-.5	-1.3
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	.961	168.520	170.454	3.9	1.1	.3	.2	-.3
Other food at home	2.272	200.566	202.756	5.9	1.1	.0	.4	.5
Sugar and sweets ² .....	.307	210.846	213.700	5.5	1.4	-1.7	.4	1.4
Fats and oils .....	.263	227.601	234.252	12.7	2.9	.9	1.2	1.4
Other foods	1.703	211.986	213.602	4.9	.8	.2	.3	.2
Other miscellaneous foods ^{2 3} .....	.627	126.293	125.536	3.8	-.6	.2	.5	-.6
Food away from home ²	5.669	234.435	235.268	3.1	.4	.3	.2	.4
Other food away from home ^{2 3} .....	.361	164.095	165.884	3.3	1.1	.1	.0	1.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	.948	227.335	229.704	2.1	1.0	.1	.2	.8
Housing	41.020	220.193	220.805	1.9	.3	.1	.1	.1
Shelter	31.539	253.716	254.409	2.0	.3	.2	.2	.2
Rent of primary residence ⁴	6.485	257.189	257.714	2.4	.2	.2	.2	.2
Lodging away from home ³ .....	.749	128.131	131.601	2.3	2.7	.3	-.3	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{2 4 5}	23.957	261.982	262.543	1.8	.2	.2	.2	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{2 4 5}	22.543	261.960	262.522	1.8	.2	.2	.2	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{2 3} .....	.348	129.480	129.929	3.0	.3	.3	.5	.3
Fuels and utilities	5.372	217.674	218.199	1.9	.2	-.1	-.1	-.4
Household energy	4.216	189.711	189.945	1.2	.1	-.2	-.2	-.6
Fuel oil and other fuels ² .....	.343	340.512	344.644	9.7	1.2	2.3	-.7	1.2
Energy services ⁴	3.873	189.891	189.942	.5	.0	-.4	-.2	-.8
Water and sewer and trash collection services ³	1.156	182.758	183.984	4.7	.7	.3	.5	.3
Household furnishings and operations	4.109	125.170	125.629	1.0	.4	.1	.1	.1
Household operations ^{2 3} .....	.727	152.729	153.634	1.6	.6	.1	.1	.6
Apparel	3.562	123.470	122.105	4.7	-1.1	.5	-.1	.9
Men's and boys' apparel .....	.855	115.997	116.409	5.8	.4	1.0	-.5	1.0
Women's and girls' apparel	1.507	110.918	107.644	5.1	-3.0	.7	-.2	1.3
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.201	118.032	118.399	7.5	.3	.7	1.3	1.6
Footwear .....	.678	128.208	126.915	.5	-1.0	-.1	.3	-.3
Transportation	16.875	208.585	210.799	5.0	1.1	-.3	-.7	.3
Private transportation	15.694	203.809	206.307	5.2	1.2	-.3	-.8	.4
New and used motor vehicles ³	5.651	99.795	99.659	2.6	-.1	-.3	-.3	-.4
New vehicles	3.195	142.953	143.438	3.2	.3	-.2	-.2	.0
Used cars and trucks	1.913	148.140	147.143	3.2	-.7	-.4	-.7	-1.0
Motor fuel	5.463	282.501	292.236	10.0	3.4	-.8	-.2	.8
Gasoline (all types)	5.273	280.713	290.762	9.7	3.6	-.9	-.2	.9
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ² .....	.438	147.499	148.126	5.4	.4	.7	.8	.4
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ²	1.155	255.644	256.405	2.3	.3	.0	.0	.3
Public transportation	1.181	266.958	263.968	1.7	-1.1	.0	.0	-.8
Medical care	7.061	405.629	408.056	3.6	.6	.4	.3	.3
Medical care commodities ²	1.716	327.254	329.201	3.2	.6	.2	.2	.6
Medical care services	5.345	430.005	432.583	3.7	.6	.4	.4	.2
Professional services	3.005	337.907	338.714	2.0	.2	.2	.3	-.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U	Relative importance, December 2011 ¹	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 2012 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Jan. 2011	Dec. 2011	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Expenditure category								
Hospital and related services	1.732	653.839	659.194	5.3	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.3
Recreation ³	6.044	113.499	114.183	1.4	.6	.1	.3	.6
Video and audio ³	1.924	98.225	98.743	1.5	.5	.0	.1	.6
Education and communication ³	6.797	132.728	133.067	1.8	.3	.2	.2	.3
Education ³	3.216	212.745	213.067	4.4	.2	.4	.3	.3
Educational books and supplies .....	.201	540.742	547.629	4.9	1.3	.6	.0	.8
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	3.015	611.633	612.104	4.4	.1	.4	.4	.2
Communication ³	3.581	82.990	83.280	-6	.3	.0	.0	.2
Information and information processing ³	3.436	79.599	79.858	-7	.3	-1	.0	.3
Telephone services ^{2 3}	2.429	101.397	101.687	.3	.3	.0	.1	.3
Information technology, hardware and services ⁶	1.006	8.818	8.855	-3.6	.4	-2	-.5	.2
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁷ .....	.269	64.348	64.356	-11.8	.0	.2	-2.1	-6
Other goods and services	3.385	391.043	391.382	1.7	.1	.4	.1	.2
Tobacco and smoking products ² .....	.804	847.063	851.016	2.8	.5	.1	.4	.5
Personal care	2.581	210.257	210.299	1.4	.0	.5	.0	.1
Personal care products ² .....	.656	160.825	161.256	.2	.3	.5	-.5	.3
Personal care services ² .....	.633	232.302	232.039	.9	-1	.4	.0	-1
Miscellaneous personal services	1.081	367.912	367.934	2.9	.0	.4	.5	-1
Commodity and service group								
Commodities	39.966	183.345	184.636	4.0	.7	.0	-.3	.3
Food and beverages	15.256	231.130	232.559	4.2	.6	.1	.2	.2
Commodities less food and beverages	24.710	157.921	159.117	3.9	.8	-1	-.6	.4
Nondurables less food and beverages	15.742	204.529	206.834	5.4	1.1	.0	-.7	.8
Apparel	3.562	123.470	122.105	4.7	-1.1	.5	-.1	.9
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	12.179	259.668	264.289	5.6	1.8	-3	-1.0	.6
Durables	8.968	112.277	112.399	1.5	.1	-1	.0	-1
Services	60.034	267.737	268.459	2.2	.3	.2	.2	.2
Rent of shelter ⁵	31.190	264.341	265.060	2.0	.3	.2	.2	.1
Tenants' and household insurance ^{2 3} .....	.348	129.480	129.929	3.0	.3	.3	.5	.3
Energy services ⁴	3.873	189.891	189.942	.5	.0	-4	-.2	-.8
Water and sewer and trash collection services ³	1.156	182.758	183.984	4.7	.7	.3	.5	.3
Household operations ^{2 3} .....	.727	152.729	153.634	1.6	.6	.1	.1	.6
Transportation services	5.797	269.858	269.438	2.1	-2	.0	.1	.0
Medical care services	5.345	430.005	432.583	3.7	.6	.4	.4	.2
Other services	11.598	318.043	319.100	2.5	.3	.3	.4	.4
Special indexes								
All items less food	85.692	224.805	225.739	2.7	.4	.1	.0	.2
All items less shelter	68.461	217.260	218.378	3.4	.5	.0	-.1	.2
All items less medical care	92.939	216.875	217.804	2.9	.4	.1	.0	.2
Commodities less food	25.658	160.453	161.685	3.9	.8	-1	-.5	.5
Nondurables less food	16.690	205.966	208.277	5.2	1.1	.0	-.7	.8
Nondurables less food and apparel	13.127	255.567	259.979	5.3	1.7	-2	-.9	.7
Nondurables	30.997	218.411	220.325	4.8	.9	.1	-.3	.5
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	28.844	292.487	293.269	2.4	.3	.1	.3	.1
Services less medical care services	54.689	255.271	255.881	2.1	.2	.2	.2	.1
Energy	9.679	232.300	236.942	6.1	2.0	-5	-1.3	.2
All items less energy	90.321	226.795	227.422	2.6	.3	.2	.2	.2
All items less food and energy	76.013	226.740	227.237	2.3	.2	.2	.1	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities	19.852	145.929	145.963	2.2	.0	.1	-.1	.2
Energy commodities	5.806	287.363	296.886	10.0	3.3	-6	-2.0	.9
Services less energy services	56.161	275.643	276.432	2.3	.3	.2	.2	.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00)	-	\$.443	\$.441	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00)	-	\$.148	\$.147	-	-	-	-	-

¹ The relative importances for the U.S. city average were reissued on March 7, 2012.

² Not seasonally adjusted.

³ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

⁴ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—			6 months ended—		
	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Apr. 2011	July 2011	Oct. 2011	Jan. 2012	July 2011	Jan. 2012
Expenditure category										
All items	226.804	227.014	227.033	227.505	5.5	2.7	2.3	1.2	4.1	1.8
Food and beverages	230.896	231.136	231.610	232.080	6.3	4.1	4.4	2.1	5.2	3.2
Food	231.053	231.298	231.778	232.154	6.6	4.3	4.7	1.9	5.4	3.3
Food at home	230.258	230.256	230.805	230.851	9.1	5.5	5.8	1.0	7.3	3.4
Cereals and bakery products	265.632	266.541	267.370	266.995	3.8	6.3	9.0	2.1	5.0	5.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	227.493	227.639	229.103	229.463	13.6	5.9	5.9	3.5	9.7	4.7
Dairy and related products ¹	219.493	218.767	218.458	220.492	15.4	10.0	9.1	1.8	12.7	5.4
Fruits and vegetables	286.133	284.772	283.333	279.700	6.7	1.9	.5	-8.7	4.3	-4.2
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	168.928	169.448	169.798	169.236	8.0	4.8	2.3	.7	6.4	1.5
Other food at home	201.114	201.152	201.996	203.003	7.2	5.4	7.2	3.8	6.3	5.5
Sugar and sweets ¹	213.602	210.039	210.846	213.700	2.3	7.1	12.7	.2	4.7	6.2
Fats and oils	225.392	227.351	230.188	233.400	16.3	10.4	9.4	15.0	13.3	12.2
Other foods	212.578	213.041	213.648	214.073	6.8	4.3	5.8	2.8	5.5	4.3
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	125.461	125.702	126.293	125.536	9.7	2.1	3.4	.2	5.9	1.8
Food away from home ¹	233.459	234.046	234.435	235.268	3.4	2.6	3.3	3.1	3.0	3.2
Other food away from home ^{1 2}	163.978	164.120	164.095	165.884	4.0	1.9	2.5	4.7	2.9	3.6
Alcoholic beverages	227.294	227.465	227.849	229.704	2.2	1.4	.6	4.3	1.8	2.4
Housing	220.378	220.691	221.005	221.246	2.0	1.7	2.2	1.6	1.9	1.9
Shelter	253.163	253.645	254.112	254.613	1.2	2.2	2.2	2.3	1.7	2.3
Rent of primary residence ³	255.742	256.307	256.894	257.285	1.6	2.1	3.7	2.4	1.9	3.0
Lodging away from home ²	137.489	137.839	137.482	137.802	3.3	15.1	-8.6	.9	9.0	-4.0
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{1 3 4}	261.034	261.503	261.982	262.543	1.0	1.8	2.3	2.3	1.4	2.3
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{1 3 4}	261.011	261.479	261.960	262.522	1.0	1.8	2.3	2.3	1.4	2.3
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	128.416	128.777	129.480	129.929	1.2	2.2	3.6	4.8	1.7	4.2
Fuels and utilities	221.794	221.545	221.347	220.362	8.3	-4	2.6	-2.6	3.9	.0
Household energy	194.572	194.147	193.673	192.424	8.9	-1.6	2.1	-4.3	3.5	-1.2
Fuel oil and other fuels ¹	335.148	342.823	340.512	344.644	51.8	-12.8	-2.1	11.8	15.0	4.7
Energy services ³	195.502	194.630	194.233	192.643	5.7	-4	2.5	-5.7	2.6	-1.7
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	181.872	182.373	183.235	183.712	6.2	4.1	4.4	4.1	5.1	4.2
Household furnishings and operations	125.387	125.503	125.646	125.732	.6	.8	1.6	1.1	.7	1.4
Household operations ^{1 2}	152.415	152.578	152.729	153.634	.4	1.5	1.3	3.2	1.0	2.3
Apparel	123.967	124.618	124.539	125.646	-1.9	13.2	2.3	5.5	5.4	3.9
Men's and boys' apparel	117.193	118.407	117.795	118.920	-4.7	23.6	.5	6.0	8.5	3.3
Women's and girls' apparel	110.818	111.555	111.303	112.767	-2.1	12.4	3.2	7.2	4.9	5.2
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	115.561	116.365	117.848	119.698	-1.7	15.3	2.6	15.1	6.4	8.7
Footwear	128.662	128.512	128.846	128.516	-2.7	5.7	-.4	-.5	1.4	-.4
Transportation	215.058	214.432	212.861	213.465	20.3	3.0	1.3	-2.9	11.3	-.8
Private transportation	210.354	209.701	208.050	208.812	21.1	3.7	.9	-2.9	12.1	-1.0
New and used motor vehicles ²	100.636	100.347	100.034	99.631	8.8	7.5	-1.4	-3.9	8.2	-2.7
New vehicles	142.968	142.712	142.470	142.407	9.8	6.5	-1.3	-1.6	8.1	-1.4
Used cars and trucks	151.443	150.890	149.907	148.412	9.6	12.7	-.4	-7.8	11.1	-4.1
Motor fuel	308.873	306.556	300.149	302.700	55.9	.4	1.3	-7.8	25.1	-3.3
Gasoline (all types)	307.978	305.245	298.833	301.449	55.3	.4	1.3	-8.2	24.9	-3.6
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹	145.308	146.338	147.499	148.126	3.2	9.9	1.0	8.0	6.5	4.4
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ¹	255.774	255.663	255.644	256.405	1.2	2.1	4.8	1.0	1.6	2.9
Public transportation	271.413	271.334	271.330	269.105	10.4	-5.9	6.4	-3.4	1.9	1.4
Medical care	404.043	405.533	406.879	408.096	4.1	2.7	3.6	4.1	3.4	3.8
Medical care commodities ¹	325.962	326.624	327.254	329.201	6.8	-.1	2.2	4.0	3.3	3.1
Medical care services	428.329	430.140	431.762	432.639	3.2	3.7	4.0	4.1	3.4	4.0
Professional services	337.883	338.426	339.288	338.778	2.7	2.0	2.4	1.1	2.3	1.7

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—			6 months ended—		
	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Apr. 2011	July 2011	Oct. 2011	Jan. 2012	July 2011	Jan. 2012
Hospital and related services	651.311	654.547	657.425	659.286	5.0	6.3	5.0	5.0	5.6	5.0
Recreation ²	113.318	113.396	113.753	114.448	1.1	.7	-.2	4.0	.9	1.9
Video and audio ²	98.745	98.699	98.759	99.306	2.2	.2	1.3	2.3	1.2	1.8
Education and communication ²	132.110	132.361	132.569	132.930	1.5	1.5	1.9	2.5	1.5	2.2
Education ²	210.472	211.371	212.078	212.673	4.1	4.8	4.5	4.2	4.4	4.4
Educational books and supplies	538.447	541.592	541.542	545.675	2.9	4.0	7.3	5.5	3.4	6.4
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	604.820	607.338	609.518	611.041	4.2	4.9	4.3	4.2	4.5	4.3
Communication ²	83.100	83.065	83.050	83.255	-.9	-1.7	-.6	.7	-1.3	.1
Information and information processing ²	79.686	79.637	79.619	79.842	-1.0	-1.8	-.8	.8	-1.4	.0
Telephone services ^{1 2}	101.257	101.259	101.397	101.687	-.9	-.9	1.2	1.7	-.9	1.4
Information technology, hardware and services ⁵	8.893	8.871	8.827	8.849	-1.6	-4.2	-6.4	-2.0	-2.9	-4.2
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁶	65.843	66.002	64.590	64.192	-9.6	-10.4	-17.2	-9.7	-10.0	-13.5
Other goods and services	389.241	390.660	390.983	391.639	.6	1.2	2.7	2.5	.9	2.6
Tobacco and smoking products ¹	842.785	843.604	847.063	851.016	-.4	2.8	4.7	4.0	1.2	4.4
Personal care	209.321	210.281	210.213	210.462	.9	.7	2.0	2.2	.8	2.1
Personal care products ¹	160.705	161.585	160.825	161.256	1.2	-4.0	2.4	1.4	-1.4	1.9
Personal care services ¹	231.238	232.216	232.302	232.039	.8	.1	1.4	1.4	.5	1.4
Miscellaneous personal services	365.583	366.920	368.883	368.638	2.7	2.6	2.9	3.4	2.7	3.1
Commodity and service group										
Commodities	185.863	185.800	185.269	185.883	10.9	3.7	1.9	.0	7.2	1.0
Food and beverages	230.896	231.136	231.610	232.080	6.3	4.1	4.4	2.1	5.2	3.2
Commodities less food and beverages	161.462	161.280	160.361	161.056	13.6	3.5	.6	-1.0	8.4	-.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	210.930	210.858	209.290	210.895	17.8	3.5	1.3	-.1	10.4	.6
Apparel	123.967	124.618	124.539	125.646	-1.9	13.2	2.3	5.5	5.4	3.9
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	270.190	269.443	266.827	268.523	24.6	.7	1.6	-2.4	12.0	-.4
Durables	112.949	112.812	112.785	112.618	4.7	3.7	-1.0	-1.2	4.2	-1.1
Services	267.479	267.932	268.503	268.937	2.1	1.9	2.5	2.2	2.0	2.4
Rent of shelter ⁴	263.810	264.414	265.018	265.379	1.0	2.0	2.5	2.4	1.5	2.5
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	128.416	128.777	129.480	129.929	1.2	2.2	3.6	4.8	1.7	4.2
Energy services ³	195.502	194.630	194.233	192.643	5.7	-.4	2.5	-5.7	2.6	-1.7
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	181.872	182.373	183.235	183.712	6.2	4.1	4.4	4.1	5.1	4.2
Household operations ^{1 2}	152.415	152.578	152.729	153.634	.4	1.5	1.3	3.2	1.0	2.3
Transportation services	269.873	269.984	270.283	270.368	4.1	.0	3.4	.7	2.0	2.1
Medical care services	428.329	430.140	431.762	432.639	3.2	3.7	4.0	4.1	3.4	4.0
Other services	316.097	316.934	318.190	319.362	1.9	1.9	2.2	4.2	1.9	3.2
Special indexes										
All items less food	226.155	226.360	226.305	226.794	5.4	2.4	1.9	1.1	3.9	1.5
All items less shelter	219.072	219.178	219.019	219.470	7.6	2.9	2.3	.7	5.2	1.5
All items less medical care	218.101	218.261	218.228	218.669	5.6	2.7	2.2	1.0	4.1	1.6
Commodities less food	163.909	163.735	162.849	163.582	13.1	3.4	.6	-.8	8.2	-.1
Nondurables less food	212.011	211.951	210.490	212.097	16.9	3.3	1.3	.2	9.9	.7
Nondurables less food and apparel	265.080	264.418	262.078	263.793	22.7	.7	1.5	-1.9	11.2	-.2
Nondurables	221.786	221.919	221.266	222.270	12.7	3.3	2.8	.9	7.9	1.8
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	292.569	293.003	293.840	294.175	3.1	1.5	3.0	2.2	2.3	2.6
Services less medical care services	255.101	255.628	256.245	256.504	1.7	1.6	2.7	2.2	1.6	2.5
Energy	247.363	246.041	242.746	243.121	34.3	-.4	1.6	-6.7	15.7	-2.6
All items less energy	226.524	226.892	227.246	227.722	2.8	3.0	2.4	2.1	2.9	2.3
All items less food and energy	226.465	226.856	227.188	227.684	2.2	2.8	2.0	2.2	2.5	2.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities	146.429	146.533	146.378	146.685	2.9	4.8	.4	.7	3.8	.6
Energy commodities	312.331	310.498	304.251	306.902	55.7	-.3	1.1	-6.8	24.6	-2.9
Services less energy services	274.834	275.412	276.075	276.695	1.9	2.1	2.5	2.7	2.0	2.6

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

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

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U	Pricing schedule 1	All items									
		Indexes				Percent change to Jan.2012 from—			Percent change to Dec.2011 from—		
		Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Jan. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011	Dec. 2010	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011
U.S. city average	M	226.421	226.230	225.672	226.665	2.9	0.2	0.4	3.0	-0.3	-0.2
Region and area size²											
Northeast urban	M	243.014	242.652	241.987	242.879	2.9	.1	.4	2.9	-.4	-.3
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	244.534	244.076	243.328	244.296	2.8	.1	.4	2.7	-.5	-.3
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	145.404	145.335	145.062	145.456	3.2	.1	.3	3.4	-.2	-.2
Midwest urban	M	215.653	215.614	215.173	216.368	2.8	.3	.6	2.8	-.2	-.2
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	216.130	216.097	215.633	216.883	2.8	.4	.6	2.7	-.2	-.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	138.573	138.453	138.186	138.903	2.8	.3	.5	2.9	-.3	-.2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	212.476	212.907	212.505	213.649	2.9	.3	.5	3.1	.0	-.2
South urban	M	219.969	219.961	219.469	220.497	3.2	.2	.5	3.3	-.2	-.2
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	220.515	220.654	220.152	221.185	2.8	.2	.5	2.9	-.2	-.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	140.303	140.218	139.838	140.388	3.3	.1	.4	3.4	-.3	-.3
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	224.574	224.714	224.892	226.902	4.7	1.0	.9	4.0	.1	.1
West urban	M	229.195	228.771	228.117	228.980	2.6	.1	.4	2.7	-.5	-.3
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	233.259	232.851	232.106	233.044	2.5	.1	.4	2.7	-.5	-.3
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	138.696	138.411	138.017	138.465	2.6	.0	.3	2.7	-.5	-.3
Size classes											
A ⁴	M	206.393	206.201	205.636	206.562	2.7	.2	.5	2.8	-.4	-.3
B/C ³	M	140.355	140.225	139.881	140.418	3.1	.1	.4	3.2	-.3	-.2
D	M	219.959	220.020	219.950	221.362	3.7	.6	.6	3.5	.0	.0
Selected local areas⁵											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	M	219.592	219.181	218.180	219.585	2.1	.2	.6	2.1	-.6	-.5
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ...	M	233.049	232.731	231.567	233.441	2.1	.3	.8	2.2	-.6	-.5
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	M	250.051	249.317	248.307	249.322	2.8	.0	.4	2.7	-.7	-.4
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1	-	245.030	-	245.891	2.5	.4	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH	1	-	211.225	-	211.985	2.1	.4	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1	-	209.283	-	209.203	3.0	.0	-	-	-	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ⁶	1	-	147.565	-	148.163	2.7	.4	-	-	-	-
Atlanta, GA	2	209.182	-	208.590	-	-	-	-	3.0	-.3	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	2	212.927	-	213.505	-	-	-	-	3.5	.3	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	201.398	-	200.477	-	-	-	-	3.1	-.5	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	232.141	-	231.794	-	-	-	-	3.1	-.1	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	2	235.440	-	234.312	-	-	-	-	2.8	-.5	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2	235.331	-	234.327	-	-	-	-	2.9	-.4	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2	235.916	-	234.812	-	-	-	-	3.5	-.5	-

¹ 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.

² Regions defined as the four Census regions. See technical notes.

³ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁵ 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.

⁶ 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 Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 2011 ¹	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 2012 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Jan. 2011	Dec. 2011	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
All items	100.000	222.166	223.216	3.1	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.2
All items (1967=100)	-	661.766	664.891	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	15.940	230.642	232.052	4.3	.6	.1	.2	.2
Food	15.071	230.624	231.980	4.5	.6	.1	.2	.2
Food at home	9.460	228.925	230.631	5.4	.7	.0	.2	.0
Cereals and bakery products	1.338	266.752	267.512	5.3	.3	.3	.2	-.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.278	228.845	229.739	7.3	.4	.0	.6	.1
Dairy and related products ² .....	.991	217.503	219.185	9.0	.8	-.4	.0	.8
Fruits and vegetables	1.318	280.711	282.588	.1	.7	-.4	-.5	-1.2
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	1.093	167.577	169.594	3.7	1.2	.3	.2	-.4
Other food at home	2.442	199.694	201.995	5.9	1.2	.1	.4	.5
Sugar and sweets ² .....	.334	209.639	212.860	5.5	1.5	-1.5	.3	1.5
Fats and oils .....	.291	229.065	235.791	13.3	2.9	.9	1.4	1.5
Other foods	1.817	211.835	213.520	4.9	.8	.2	.2	.2
Other miscellaneous foods ^{2 3} .....	.633	126.235	125.367	3.5	-.7	.1	.4	-.7
Food away from home ²	5.611	234.666	235.423	3.1	.3	.3	.2	.3
Other food away from home ^{2 3} .....	.352	165.205	166.216	2.8	.6	.1	.0	.6
Alcoholic beverages .....	.869	229.467	231.821	2.6	1.0	.1	.1	.9
Housing	39.848	217.009	217.528	1.9	.2	.1	.2	.1
Shelter	30.486	247.858	248.435	2.0	.2	.2	.2	.2
Rent of primary residence ⁴	8.926	255.322	255.800	2.4	.2	.2	.2	.1
Lodging away from home ³ .....	.433	129.754	132.580	1.9	2.2	.5	-.1	-.1
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{2 4 5}	20.821	237.350	237.848	1.8	.2	.2	.2	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{2 4 5}	20.165	237.342	237.840	1.8	.2	.2	.2	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{2 3} .....	.306	130.695	131.182	2.7	.4	.3	.6	.4
Fuels and utilities	5.903	216.074	216.589	2.0	.2	-.1	-.1	-.5
Household energy	4.676	187.586	187.786	1.3	.1	-.2	-.2	-.7
Fuel oil and other fuels ² .....	.282	340.375	344.055	9.1	1.1	2.3	-.7	1.1
Energy services ⁴	4.394	189.060	189.143	.7	.0	-.4	-.2	-.8
Water and sewer and trash collection services ³	1.227	183.178	184.533	4.7	.7	.3	.5	.4
Household furnishings and operations	3.458	121.409	121.770	1.2	.3	.1	.1	.1
Household operations ^{2 3} .....	.357	155.744	156.727	2.0	.6	.2	.1	.6
Apparel	3.618	123.203	121.896	5.4	-1.1	.5	.1	.9
Men's and boys' apparel .....	.882	116.906	116.817	5.8	-.1	.8	-.3	.7
Women's and girls' apparel	1.407	110.883	107.583	5.8	-3.0	.7	.1	1.2
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.280	121.842	122.603	8.2	.6	.6	1.5	1.6
Footwear .....	.813	128.560	127.300	1.5	-1.0	.2	.2	-.2
Transportation	19.031	209.013	211.599	5.5	1.2	-.3	-.8	.4
Private transportation	18.154	205.607	208.363	5.6	1.3	-.3	-.9	.4
New and used motor vehicles ³	6.239	99.250	99.037	2.9	-.2	-.3	-.3	-.5
New vehicles	3.035	143.994	144.431	3.3	.3	-.2	-.1	-.1
Used cars and trucks	2.736	149.207	148.197	3.3	-.7	-.4	-.7	-1.0
Motor fuel	7.015	283.528	293.496	10.0	3.5	-.7	-2.1	.9
Gasoline (all types)	6.773	281.852	292.151	9.7	3.7	-.9	-2.1	.9
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ² .....	.511	147.223	147.804	5.4	.4	.6	.7	.4
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ²	1.153	258.355	259.076	2.3	.3	.0	.0	.3
Public transportation .....	.877	264.424	262.018	2.1	-.9	.1	.0	-.7
Medical care	5.670	407.909	410.459	3.8	.6	.4	.3	.3
Medical care commodities ²	1.344	319.396	321.314	3.5	.6	.2	.2	.6
Medical care services	4.327	434.051	436.798	3.9	.6	.5	.4	.3
Professional services	2.390	341.593	342.491	2.1	.3	.2	.2	-.1

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 4. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 2011 ¹	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 2012 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Jan. 2011	Dec. 2011	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Hospital and related services	1.399	657.440	662.841	5.5	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.3
Recreation ³	5.579	109.959	110.556	1.4	.5	.0	.3	.6
Video and audio ³	2.060	99.028	99.563	1.7	.5	-.1	.1	.7
Education and communication ³	6.800	126.413	126.735	1.3	.3	.1	.1	.2
Education ³	2.686	209.452	209.865	4.2	.2	.4	.3	.2
Educational books and supplies .....	.214	547.576	554.390	5.4	1.2	.6	.1	.6
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	2.472	588.489	589.117	4.1	.1	.4	.3	.2
Communication ³	4.114	85.510	85.761	-.5	.3	-.1	.0	.2
Information and information processing ³	3.999	83.163	83.391	-.6	.3	-.1	.0	.2
Telephone services ^{2 3}	2.984	100.764	101.014	.1	.2	.0	.1	.2
Information technology, hardware and services ⁶	1.015	9.371	9.404	-3.2	.4	-.4	-.4	.2
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁷ .....	.247	64.421	64.382	-11.1	-.1	.1	-1.7	-.7
Other goods and services	3.515	421.000	421.572	1.8	.1	.3	.1	.2
Tobacco and smoking products ²	1.227	852.435	856.419	2.8	.5	.1	.4	.5
Personal care	2.288	207.747	207.814	1.2	.0	.4	.0	.1
Personal care products ² .....	.611	160.954	161.473	.0	.3	.5	-.5	.3
Personal care services ² .....	.577	232.313	232.093	.8	-.1	.4	.0	-.1
Miscellaneous personal services .....	.921	368.816	368.843	2.6	.0	.4	.4	-.1
Commodity and service group								
Commodities	42.665	187.472	188.931	4.4	.8	-.1	-.3	.4
Food and beverages	15.940	230.642	232.052	4.3	.6	.1	.2	.2
Commodities less food and beverages	26.725	164.072	165.511	4.4	.9	-.2	-.6	.5
Nondurables less food and beverages	17.285	215.404	218.318	5.9	1.4	-.1	-.8	.9
Apparel	3.618	123.203	121.896	5.4	-1.1	.5	.1	.9
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	13.667	277.351	282.875	6.0	2.0	-.3	-1.1	.7
Durables	9.440	114.098	114.105	1.9	.0	-.1	-.1	-.2
Services	57.335	262.954	263.615	2.2	.3	.2	.2	.1
Rent of shelter ⁵	30.181	238.834	239.387	2.0	.2	.2	.2	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{2 3} .....	.306	130.695	131.182	2.7	.4	.3	.6	.4
Energy services ⁴	4.394	189.060	189.143	.7	.0	-.4	-.2	-.8
Water and sewer and trash collection services ³	1.227	183.178	184.533	4.7	.7	.3	.5	.4
Household operations ^{2 3} .....	.357	155.744	156.727	2.0	.6	.2	.1	.6
Transportation services	5.641	271.174	270.972	2.5	-.1	.1	.2	.1
Medical care services	4.327	434.051	436.798	3.9	.6	.5	.4	.3
Other services	10.903	302.364	303.344	2.2	.3	.2	.4	.3
Special indexes								
All items less food	84.929	220.479	221.476	2.9	.5	.1	-.1	.2
All items less shelter	69.514	215.189	216.427	3.6	.6	.0	-.1	.2
All items less medical care	94.330	214.658	215.653	3.1	.5	.0	.0	.2
Commodities less food	27.594	166.354	167.821	4.4	.9	-.2	-.6	.5
Nondurables less food	18.154	216.421	219.315	5.7	1.3	-.1	-.8	.9
Nondurables less food and apparel	14.536	272.053	277.315	5.8	1.9	-.3	-1.0	.8
Nondurables	33.225	223.793	226.025	5.2	1.0	.0	-.3	.5
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	27.154	257.915	258.616	2.4	.3	.1	.3	.1
Services less medical care services	53.008	251.150	251.705	2.1	.2	.2	.2	.1
Energy	11.691	233.943	238.978	6.4	2.2	-.6	-1.4	.2
All items less energy	88.309	221.735	222.298	2.7	.3	.2	.2	.2
All items less food and energy	73.238	220.325	220.736	2.4	.2	.2	.2	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities	20.297	148.692	148.645	2.5	.0	.0	-.1	.2
Energy commodities	7.297	287.221	297.049	10.0	3.4	-.6	-2.0	.9
Services less energy services	52.941	271.036	271.762	2.3	.3	.2	.3	.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00)	-	\$.450	\$.448	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00)	-	\$.151	\$.150	-	-	-	-	-

¹ The relative importances for the U.S. city average were reissued on March 7, 2012.

² Not seasonally adjusted.

³ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

⁴ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁶ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

Table 5. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—			6 months ended—		
	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Apr. 2011	July 2011	Oct. 2011	Jan. 2012	July 2011	Jan. 2012
Expenditure category										
All items	223.568	223.717	223.684	224.148	6.4	2.7	2.5	1.0	4.6	1.8
Food and beverages	230.418	230.666	231.158	231.622	6.5	3.9	4.8	2.1	5.2	3.4
Food	230.411	230.660	231.162	231.529	6.8	4.2	5.0	2.0	5.5	3.5
Food at home	229.277	229.277	229.833	229.919	9.3	5.3	6.0	1.1	7.3	3.5
Cereals and bakery products	266.526	267.440	268.006	267.803	4.3	5.9	9.3	1.9	5.1	5.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	227.625	227.665	229.098	229.355	14.2	5.8	6.2	3.1	9.9	4.6
Dairy and related products ¹	218.451	217.557	217.503	219.185	16.4	9.9	8.7	1.4	13.1	4.9
Fruits and vegetables	283.795	282.533	281.176	277.918	6.4	1.1	1.4	-8.0	3.7	-3.4
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	168.124	168.584	168.908	168.287	8.0	3.7	2.7	.4	5.9	1.5
Other food at home	200.263	200.399	201.182	202.272	6.8	5.8	7.2	4.1	6.3	5.6
Sugar and sweets ¹	212.276	209.091	209.639	212.860	1.6	7.1	12.5	1.1	4.3	6.7
Fats and oils	226.463	228.447	231.558	235.062	16.3	11.2	10.0	16.1	13.7	13.0
Other foods	212.552	213.066	213.598	214.023	6.3	4.7	5.7	2.8	5.5	4.2
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	125.681	125.761	126.235	125.367	9.0	2.6	3.5	-1.0	5.8	1.2
Food away from home ¹	233.622	234.240	234.666	235.423	3.4	2.5	3.5	3.1	2.9	3.3
Other food away from home ^{1 2}	165.008	165.228	165.205	166.216	4.1	2.2	2.1	3.0	3.2	2.5
Alcoholic beverages	229.090	229.320	229.662	231.733	2.9	1.0	1.8	4.7	1.9	3.2
Housing	217.100	217.422	217.764	217.930	2.1	1.6	2.4	1.5	1.9	2.0
Shelter	246.993	247.512	248.039	248.481	1.2	1.9	2.4	2.4	1.6	2.4
Rent of primary residence ³	253.865	254.439	255.050	255.369	1.6	1.9	3.6	2.4	1.8	3.0
Lodging away from home ²	138.317	139.050	138.932	138.797	4.6	12.0	-9.3	1.4	8.2	-4.1
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{1 3 4}	236.407	236.869	237.350	237.848	1.0	1.7	2.2	2.5	1.3	2.3
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{1 3 4}	236.397	236.859	237.342	237.840	1.0	1.7	2.2	2.5	1.3	2.3
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	129.562	129.912	130.695	131.182	-1	2.3	3.7	5.1	1.1	4.4
Fuels and utilities	220.367	220.091	219.922	218.917	7.8	.3	2.5	-2.6	4.0	-1
Household energy	192.552	192.117	191.695	190.399	8.3	-7	2.0	-4.4	3.7	-1.2
Fuel oil and other fuels ¹	334.886	342.717	340.375	344.055	47.2	-12.7	-1.1	11.4	13.4	5.0
Energy services ³	194.717	193.891	193.537	191.946	5.8	.3	2.3	-5.6	3.0	-1.7
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	182.263	182.744	183.611	184.306	5.9	4.2	4.4	4.6	5.0	4.5
Household furnishings and operations	121.666	121.768	121.857	121.930	.6	1.4	1.9	.9	1.0	1.4
Household operations ^{1 2}	155.235	155.567	155.744	156.727	.9	2.0	1.5	3.9	1.4	2.7
Apparel	123.271	123.937	124.119	125.293	-1.0	12.7	3.3	6.7	5.6	5.0
Men's and boys' apparel	117.901	118.799	118.421	119.207	-3.9	19.1	4.8	4.5	7.0	4.7
Women's and girls' apparel	110.438	111.174	111.270	112.645	-6	12.2	3.4	8.2	5.6	5.8
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	119.122	119.892	121.697	123.626	-2.1	14.7	5.3	16.0	6.0	10.5
Footwear	128.847	129.147	129.348	129.142	-7	6.1	-.3	.9	2.6	.3
Transportation	216.261	215.570	213.811	214.570	22.4	3.5	1.3	-3.1	12.6	-.9
Private transportation	212.914	212.198	210.392	211.254	22.9	3.9	1.1	-3.1	13.0	-1.0
New and used motor vehicles ²	100.288	99.974	99.627	99.128	9.2	8.5	-.8	-4.5	8.8	-2.7
New vehicles	144.008	143.707	143.506	143.417	9.8	6.3	-.9	-1.6	8.0	-1.3
Used cars and trucks	152.505	151.951	150.961	149.463	9.6	12.8	-.2	-7.7	11.2	-4.1
Motor fuel	309.981	307.658	301.259	303.958	56.2	.4	.9	-7.5	25.3	-3.4
Gasoline (all types)	309.225	306.470	300.075	302.847	55.6	.4	.9	-8.0	25.0	-3.6
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹	145.326	146.151	147.223	147.804	3.5	9.8	1.3	7.0	6.6	4.1
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ¹	258.440	258.342	258.355	259.076	1.1	2.4	4.7	1.0	1.7	2.8
Public transportation	268.074	268.353	268.487	266.645	10.5	-5.6	6.5	-2.1	2.1	2.1
Medical care	406.100	407.721	409.115	410.534	4.1	3.0	3.6	4.4	3.5	4.0
Medical care commodities ¹	317.901	318.671	319.396	321.314	7.0	.2	2.5	4.4	3.6	3.4
Medical care services	432.160	434.106	435.752	436.902	3.2	3.9	3.9	4.5	3.5	4.2
Professional services	341.676	342.229	343.032	342.799	2.6	2.0	2.6	1.3	2.3	2.0

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 5. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—			6 months ended—		
	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Apr. 2011	July 2011	Oct. 2011	Jan. 2012	July 2011	Jan. 2012
Expenditure category										
Hospital and related services	654.029	657.880	660.972	662.755	5.1	6.8	4.6	5.4	6.0	5.0
Recreation ²	109.958	109.905	110.249	110.877	1.5	1.0	-.2	3.4	1.3	1.6
Video and audio ²	99.523	99.444	99.583	100.249	1.9	.4	1.5	3.0	1.2	2.2
Education and communication ²	125.980	126.135	126.323	126.612	.9	.7	1.7	2.0	.8	1.9
Education ²	207.396	208.259	208.927	209.422	3.9	4.4	4.7	4.0	4.1	4.3
Educational books and supplies	544.919	548.282	548.831	552.247	3.3	4.0	8.7	5.5	3.7	7.1
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	582.443	584.757	586.751	587.964	3.9	4.4	4.3	3.8	4.2	4.1
Communication ²	85.585	85.524	85.553	85.741	-.9	-1.7	-.2	.7	-1.3	.3
Information and information processing ²	83.222	83.151	83.179	83.377	-1.0	-1.7	-.3	.7	-1.4	.2
Telephone services ^{1 2}	100.616	100.620	100.764	101.014	-.9	-1.1	1.0	1.6	-1.0	1.3
Information technology, hardware and services ⁵	9.454	9.415	9.379	9.398	-1.3	-3.9	-5.1	-2.3	-2.6	-3.7
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁶	65.726	65.790	64.651	64.202	-10.8	-10.0	-14.5	-9.0	-10.4	-11.8
Other goods and services	419.250	420.462	420.998	421.681	.5	1.4	2.9	2.3	.9	2.6
Tobacco and smoking products ¹	847.868	848.791	852.435	856.419	-.4	2.8	4.9	4.1	1.2	4.5
Personal care	207.030	207.847	207.746	207.885	1.0	.6	1.7	1.7	.8	1.7
Personal care products ¹	160.970	161.716	160.954	161.473	1.6	-3.7	1.0	1.3	-1.1	1.1
Personal care services ¹	231.409	232.222	232.313	232.093	.8	.0	1.4	1.2	.4	1.3
Miscellaneous personal services	366.849	368.267	369.704	369.334	2.3	2.8	2.4	2.7	2.6	2.6
Commodity and service group										
Commodities	190.427	190.308	189.707	190.404	12.1	3.9	2.3	.0	7.9	1.1
Food and beverages	230.418	230.666	231.158	231.622	6.5	3.9	4.8	2.1	5.2	3.4
Commodities less food and beverages	168.296	168.025	166.976	167.752	15.5	3.8	.9	-1.3	9.5	-.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	222.938	222.755	220.944	222.849	20.1	3.5	1.4	-.2	11.5	.6
Apparel	123.271	123.937	124.119	125.293	-1.0	12.7	3.3	6.7	5.6	5.0
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	289.927	289.013	285.869	288.013	26.4	.9	1.8	-2.6	12.9	-.5
Durables	114.901	114.733	114.642	114.372	5.8	4.7	-.8	-1.8	5.2	-1.3
Services	262.626	263.053	263.648	264.025	2.1	1.8	2.6	2.1	2.0	2.4
Rent of shelter ⁴	238.071	238.554	239.075	239.434	1.2	1.8	2.6	2.3	1.5	2.5
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	129.562	129.912	130.695	131.182	-.1	2.3	3.7	5.1	1.1	4.4
Energy services ³	194.717	193.891	193.537	191.946	5.8	.3	2.3	-5.6	3.0	-1.7
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	182.263	182.744	183.611	184.306	5.9	4.2	4.4	4.6	5.0	4.5
Household operations ^{1 2}	155.235	155.567	155.744	156.727	.9	2.0	1.5	3.9	1.4	2.7
Transportation services	270.414	270.697	271.151	271.447	3.9	.9	3.9	1.5	2.4	2.7
Medical care services	432.160	434.106	435.752	436.902	3.2	3.9	3.9	4.5	3.5	4.2
Other services	300.990	301.510	302.648	303.629	1.6	1.5	2.0	3.6	1.6	2.8
Special indexes										
All items less food	222.164	222.296	222.168	222.638	6.4	2.5	2.0	.9	4.4	1.4
All items less shelter	217.427	217.444	217.207	217.699	8.7	3.1	2.5	.5	5.9	1.5
All items less medical care	216.144	216.248	216.172	216.604	6.6	2.7	2.4	.9	4.6	1.6
Commodities less food	170.469	170.210	169.195	170.019	15.0	3.7	.9	-1.1	9.2	-.1
Nondurables less food	223.529	223.365	221.670	223.594	19.1	3.3	1.4	.1	10.9	.8
Nondurables less food and apparel	283.447	282.638	279.803	282.002	24.7	.8	1.7	-2.0	12.1	-.2
Nondurables	227.671	227.760	227.001	228.186	14.0	3.3	2.9	.9	8.5	1.9
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	258.157	258.482	259.241	259.493	3.0	1.6	2.9	2.1	2.3	2.5
Services less medical care services	250.900	251.317	251.921	252.171	1.9	1.6	2.7	2.0	1.7	2.4
Energy	249.674	248.293	244.867	245.461	35.6	.0	1.3	-6.6	16.5	-2.7
All items less energy	221.407	221.742	222.119	222.551	3.1	3.1	2.6	2.1	3.1	2.4
All items less food and energy	219.973	220.326	220.679	221.124	2.3	2.9	2.1	2.1	2.6	2.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities	149.205	149.269	149.158	149.414	3.3	5.3	.9	.6	4.3	.7
Energy commodities	312.582	310.638	304.362	307.238	55.8	-.1	.9	-6.7	24.7	-3.0
Services less energy services	270.027	270.595	271.297	271.896	1.9	1.9	2.7	2.8	1.9	2.7

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁵ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

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

Table 6. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, all items index

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W	Pricing schedule 1	All items									
		Indexes				Percent change to Jan.2012 from—			Percent change to Dec.2011 from—		
		Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Jan. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011	Dec. 2010	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011
U.S. city average	M	223.043	222.813	222.166	223.216	3.1	0.2	0.5	3.2	-0.4	-0.3
Region and area size²											
Northeast urban	M	241.549	241.167	240.431	241.321	3.2	.1	.4	3.2	-5	-3
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	241.355	240.912	240.148	241.066	3.1	.1	.4	3.0	-5	-3
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	146.999	146.843	146.432	146.923	3.3	.1	.3	3.4	-4	-3
Midwest urban	M	212.038	211.969	211.459	212.756	3.2	.4	.6	3.1	-3	-2
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	211.604	211.505	210.962	212.309	3.1	.4	.6	3.0	-3	-3
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	139.157	139.048	138.741	139.595	3.2	.4	.6	3.2	-3	-2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	211.193	211.533	211.040	212.052	3.1	.2	.5	3.4	-1	-2
South urban	M	218.109	218.030	217.463	218.571	3.5	.2	.5	3.6	-3	-3
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	219.075	219.215	218.603	219.705	3.1	.2	.5	3.3	-2	-3
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	139.879	139.721	139.299	139.863	3.4	.1	.4	3.6	-4	-3
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	225.364	225.404	225.422	227.762	4.9	1.0	1.0	4.1	.0	.0
West urban	M	224.268	223.785	222.968	223.849	2.7	.0	.4	2.8	-6	-4
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	226.759	226.250	225.267	226.277	2.6	.0	.4	2.7	-7	-4
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	138.884	138.587	138.157	138.578	2.7	.0	.3	2.9	-5	-3
Size classes											
A ⁴	M	205.846	205.627	204.954	205.939	3.0	.2	.5	3.0	-4	-3
B/C ³	M	140.505	140.330	139.931	140.506	3.2	.1	.4	3.4	-4	-3
D	M	218.914	218.973	218.780	220.339	3.9	.6	.7	3.7	-1	-1
Selected local areas⁵											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	M	214.145	213.704	212.597	214.298	2.5	.3	.8	2.5	-7	-5
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ...	M	226.116	225.786	224.444	226.245	2.1	.2	.8	2.2	-7	-6
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	M	246.297	245.546	244.586	245.541	3.0	.0	.4	3.0	-7	-4
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1	-	246.349	-	247.006	2.7	.3	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH	1	-	202.824	-	203.575	2.0	.4	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1	-	214.581	-	214.557	3.7	.0	-	-	-	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ⁶	1	-	148.038	-	148.489	2.7	.3	-	-	-	-
Atlanta, GA	2	208.362	-	207.654	-	-	-	-	3.1	-3	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	2	209.427	-	210.199	-	-	-	-	3.9	.4	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	200.464	-	199.480	-	-	-	-	3.4	-5	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	230.728	-	230.394	-	-	-	-	3.5	-1	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	2	236.478	-	235.194	-	-	-	-	3.1	-5	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2	232.371	-	231.109	-	-	-	-	3.1	-5	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2	232.697	-	231.297	-	-	-	-	3.8	-6	-

¹ 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.

² Regions defined as the four Census regions. See technical notes.

³ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁵ 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.

⁶ 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 7. Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(December 1999=100, unless otherwise noted)

C-CPI-U	Relative importance, 2009-2010	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 2012 from—	
		Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Jan. 2011	Dec. 2011
		Expenditure category			
All items	100.000	129.586	130.104	2.7	0.4
Food and beverages	15.084	134.086	134.898	4.1	.6
Food	14.112	134.406	135.182	4.3	.6
Food at home	8.447	129.886	130.832	5.2	.7
Food away from home	5.665	140.455	140.953	3.1	.4
Alcoholic beverages .....	.971	130.201	131.515	1.4	1.0
Housing	41.994	130.451	130.806	1.8	.3
Shelter	32.159	133.904	134.278	2.0	.3
Fuels and utilities	5.481	159.748	160.015	1.5	.2
Household furnishings and operations	4.355	92.620	92.940	.7	.3
Apparel	3.613	92.768	91.559	3.9	-1.3
Transportation	15.647	139.751	141.008	4.6	.9
Private transportation	14.521	140.542	142.034	4.9	1.1
Public transportation	1.126	130.513	129.003	1.1	-1.2
Medical care	6.942	156.729	157.640	3.6	.6
Medical care commodities	1.697	137.504	138.286	3.1	.6
Medical care services	5.245	163.793	164.751	3.7	.6
Recreation	6.393	102.027	102.670	.5	.6
Education and communication	6.936	113.553	113.826	1.2	.2
Education	3.074	196.084	196.362	4.4	.1
Communication	3.862	70.480	70.705	-1.2	.3
Other goods and services	3.391	144.129	144.296	2.7	.1
Commodity and service group					
Services	60.782	138.791	139.177	2.2	.3
Commodities	39.218	118.553	119.250	3.5	.6
Durables	9.295	80.509	80.586	.6	.1
Nondurables	29.924	138.216	139.240	4.4	.7
All items less food and energy	77.054	122.634	122.897	2.1	.2
Energy	8.833	195.290	198.687	5.2	1.7

Indexes for 2012 are initial estimates. Indexes for 2011 are interim adjustments.
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.