

CPI Detailed Report

Data for March 2012

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Scheduled release dates

Consumer Price Index data are scheduled for initial release on the following dates:

<i>Index month</i>	<i>Release date</i>	<i>Index month</i>	<i>Release date</i>
April	May 15	July	August 15
May	June 14	August	September 14
June	July 17	September	October 16

CONSUMER PRICE MOVEMENTS MARCH 2012

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 0.3 percent in March on a seasonally adjusted basis, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Over the last 12 months, the all items index increased 2.7 percent before seasonal adjustment.

The indexes for food, energy, and all items less food and energy all increased in March. The gasoline index continued to rise, more than offsetting a decline in the household energy index and leading to a 0.9 percent increase in the energy index. The food index rose 0.2 percent as the index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs increased notably.

The index for all items less food and energy rose 0.2 percent in March after increasing 0.1 percent in February. Most of the major components increased in March, with the indexes for shelter and used cars and trucks accounting for about half the total increase for all items less food and energy. The indexes for medical care, apparel, recreation, new vehicles, and airline fares increased as well, while the indexes for tobacco and household furnishings and operations were among the few to decline in March.

The all items index has risen 2.7 percent over the last 12 months, a decline from last month's 2.9 percent figure. The energy index has risen 4.6 percent and the food index has increased 3.3 percent; both increases are smaller than last month. In contrast, the 12-month change in the index for all items less food and energy, which was 2.2 percent last month, edged up to 2.3 percent in March.

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 Mar. 2012
	Sep. 2011	Oct. 2011	Nov. 2011	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	
All items	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.3	2.7
Food .....	.4	.2	.1	.2	.2	.0	.2	3.3
Food at home .....	.6	.2	.0	.2	.0	.0	.1	3.6
Food away from home ¹ .....	.2	.2	.3	.2	.4	.1	.2	3.0
Energy	1.5	-1.8	-5	-1.3	.2	3.2	.9	4.6
Energy commodities	1.9	-2.6	-6	-2.0	.9	5.7	1.7	8.7
Gasoline (all types)	2.0	-2.8	-9	-2.1	.9	6.0	1.7	9.0
Fuel oil ¹	-.7	-.5	2.7	-1.0	1.4	2.8	2.7	5.3
Energy services .....	.8	-.4	-.4	-.2	-.8	-.8	-.4	-1.8
Electricity .....	.6	.2	.2	-.1	.0	.0	-.8	.6
Utility (piped) gas service	1.5	-2.6	-2.6	-.6	-2.9	-3.4	.9	-9.1
All items less food and energy .....	.1	.2	.2	.1	.2	.1	.2	2.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities	-.2	.0	.1	-.1	.2	.1	.2	2.1
New vehicles	-.1	-.2	-.2	-.2	.0	.6	.2	2.5
Used cars and trucks	-.5	-.4	-.4	-.7	-1.0	-.2	1.3	3.2
Apparel	-.7	.4	.5	-.1	.9	-.9	.5	4.9
Medical care commodities ¹ .....	.2	.3	.2	.2	.6	.8	.4	3.3
Services less energy services .....	.2	.2	.2	.2	.2	.1	.2	2.3
Shelter .....	.1	.2	.2	.2	.2	.2	.2	2.1
Transportation services .....	.4	.2	.0	.1	.0	-.2	.3	1.4
Medical care services .....	.2	.5	.4	.4	.2	.0	.3	3.5

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

Consumer Price Index Data for March 2012

Food

The food index rose 0.2 percent in March after being unchanged in February. The index for food at home, unchanged in February, rose 0.1 percent in March. The index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs rose 0.8 percent, its largest increase since May. The index for other food at home also rose in March, increasing 0.3 percent. The other four major grocery store food groups declined. The fruits and vegetables index fell 0.4 percent, its sixth consecutive decline, as the fresh vegetables index fell 1.6 percent. The index for cereals and bakery products fell 0.2 percent, as did the index for nonalcoholic beverages. The index for dairy and related products fell 0.1 percent, its fourth decline in five months. The food at home index has risen 3.6 percent over the last 12 months; this was its smallest 12-month change since last March. The fruits and vegetables index has declined 3.9 percent over that period, its largest 12-month decline since November 2009. The other five major grocery store food group indexes have increased over the past year, with the dairy group posting the largest increase at 6.3 percent. The index for food away from home rose 0.2 percent in March after a 0.1 percent increase in February and has risen 3.0 percent over the last 12 months.

Energy

The energy index, which rose 3.2 percent in February, increased 0.9 percent in March. The gasoline index rose 1.7 percent following its 6.0 percent February increase. (Before seasonal adjustment, gasoline prices increased 8.1 percent in March.) The fuel oil index also continued to rise, increasing 2.7 percent in March after rising 2.8 percent in February. In contrast, the index for energy services (comprised of electricity and natural gas) fell 0.4 percent. The natural gas index rose 0.9 percent after declining in each of the previous five months. The electricity index, however, fell 0.8 percent, its largest decline since June. Over the last 12 months, the gasoline index has risen 9.0 percent and the fuel oil index has increased 5.3 percent. The electricity index, however, has only increased 0.6 percent and the index for natural gas has declined 9.1 percent.

All items less food and energy

The index for all items less food and energy increased 0.2 percent in March after a 0.1 percent increase in February. The shelter index increased 0.2 percent, the sixth straight such increase, with the indexes for rent and owners' equivalent rent both increasing 0.2 percent. The index for used cars and trucks rose sharply in March, increasing 1.3 percent after declining in each of the previous six months. The medical care index rose 0.3 percent in March, with the index for medical care commodities increasing 0.4 percent and the medical care services index advancing 0.3 percent. The apparel index rose 0.5 percent after declining in February; similarly, the index for recreation rose 0.2 percent after a February decline as the index for recreation services rose 0.4 percent. Other increases in March included the indexes for new vehicles (0.2 percent), airline fares (0.4 percent), and personal care (0.4 percent). In contrast, the index for tobacco fell 0.3 percent in March, and the indexes for household furnishings and operations and for alcoholic beverages both declined 0.2 percent.

The index for all items less food and energy has risen 2.3 percent over the last 12 months. The index for shelter has risen 2.1 percent over the period. The apparel index has risen 4.9 percent, the medical care index has increased 3.5 percent, and the index for new vehicles has risen 2.5 percent.

Not seasonally adjusted CPI measures

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 2.7 percent over the last 12 months to an index level of 229.392 (1982-84=100). For the month, the index increased 0.8 percent prior to seasonal adjustment.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) increased 2.9 percent over the last 12 months to an index level of 226.304 (1982-84=100). For the month, the index increased 0.9 percent prior to seasonal adjustment.

The Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U) increased 2.4 percent over the last 12 months. For the month, the index increased 0.6 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 April 2012 is scheduled to be released on Tuesday, May 15, 2012, at 8:30 a.m. (EDT).

Redesigning the Consumer Price Index (CPI) Press Release Tables

The format of the tables contained in the CPI news release changed beginning with this CPI news release for March, 2012. News release tables are part of the news release pdf and html files, and are available independently in html format. The new tables are also 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.

In August 2009, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) restructured the text of the CPI news 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 news release text was also updated in August 2009 to reflect this new structure. Before August 2009, the text of the CPI news 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 news release was restructured in 2009, seven additional CPI news release tables continued to be published using the eight major groups. BLS has redesigned these news release tables, to reflect the focus on Food, Energy, and All items less food and energy. Within these three broad categories, CPI item series are further divided into commodities and services.

Beyond the redesign in the structure of the CPI news 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 shows 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 shows aggregate item series (e.g., Transportation) that do not fall under the Food, Energy, and All items less food and energy structure.

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

Table 5 shows 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 focuses on 1-month seasonally adjusted changes in the CPI-U, while table 7 focuses on 12-month not seasonally adjusted changes. Tables 6 and 7 present three additional pieces of data to help users better interpret index changes. First, these tables 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 are 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 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 previous tables showed the ‘relative importance’, or weight, of each item category as of the previous December. The relative importance columns in the new tables are improved in that they are updated monthly to reflect the change in relative prices over time.

Finally, there are no longer any news 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 news release, and a companion XLS file with CPI-W information will be available.

CPI-U 12-Month Changes, 2002 to Present

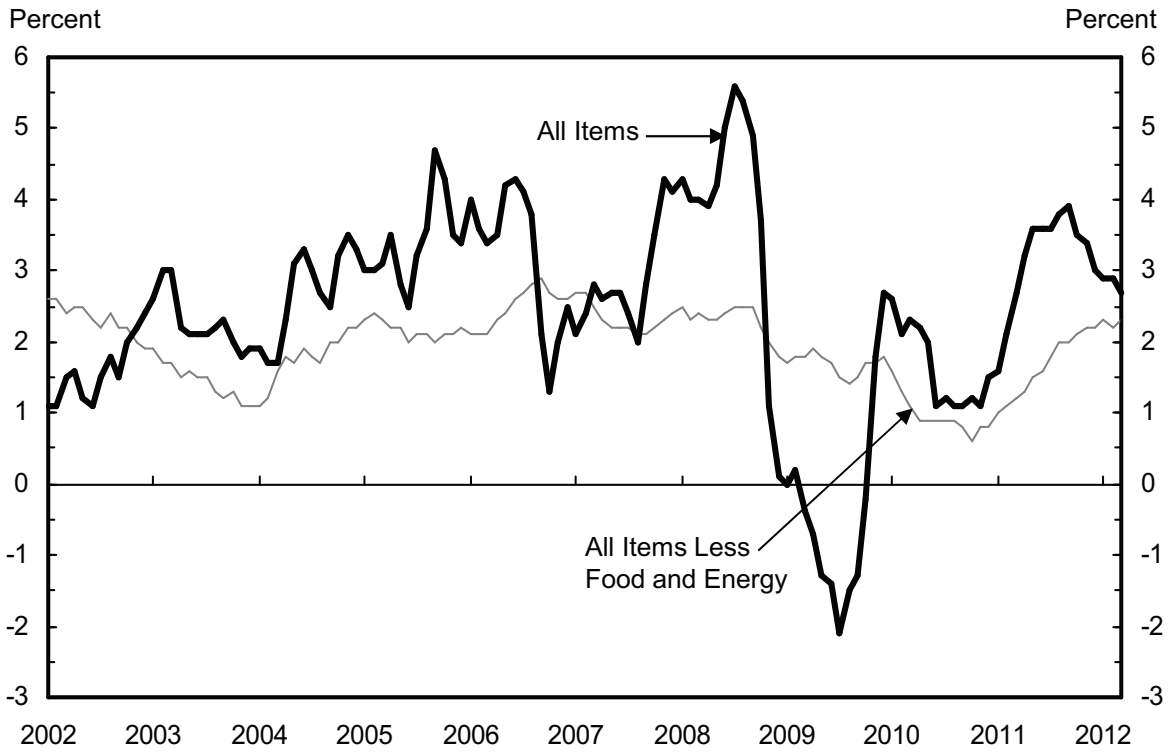


Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Relative importance, December 2011	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 2012 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category								
All items	100.000	227.663	229.392	2.7	0.8	0.2	0.4	0.3
All items (1967=100)	-	681.977	687.157	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	15.256	232.453	232.708	3.2	.1	.2	.1	.1
Food	14.308	232.486	232.792	3.3	.1	.2	.0	.2
Food at home	8.638	231.180	231.383	3.6	.1	.0	.0	.1
Cereals and bakery products	1.242	267.821	267.101	4.5	-.3	-.1	.2	-.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	1.960	228.610	230.485	5.3	.8	.2	-.2	.8
Dairy and related products ¹ .....	.916	219.377	219.131	6.3	-.1	.9	-.5	-.1
Fruits and vegetables	1.287	281.072	279.057	-3.9	-.7	-1.3	-.5	-.4
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	.961	169.758	169.513	2.7	-.1	-.3	.0	-.2
Other food at home	2.272	204.001	204.574	5.0	.3	.5	.4	.3
Sugar and sweets ¹ .....	.307	213.902	215.044	4.6	.5	1.4	.1	.5
Fats and oils .....	.263	233.196	233.411	8.9	.1	1.4	-.7	.8
Other foods	1.703	215.473	216.043	4.5	.3	.2	.6	.1
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2} .....	.627	127.193	126.856	3.4	-.3	-.6	1.3	-.3
Food away from home ¹	5.669	235.603	236.073	3.0	.2	.4	.1	.2
Other food away from home ^{1 2} .....	.361	165.566	165.367	2.2	-.1	1.1	-.2	-.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	.948	230.704	230.193	2.0	-.2	.8	.3	-.2
Housing	41.020	221.117	221.487	1.7	.2	.1	.1	.1
Shelter	31.539	254.931	255.609	2.1	.3	.2	.2	.2
Rent of primary residence ³	6.485	258.184	258.569	2.5	.1	.2	.2	.2
Lodging away from home ² .....	.749	136.832	141.314	3.5	3.3	.2	1.9	.3
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{1 3 4}	23.957	262.812	263.317	2.0	.2	.2	.1	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{1 3 4}	22.543	262.788	263.294	2.0	.2	.2	.1	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.348	129.158	129.978	3.3	.6	.3	-.6	.6
Fuels and utilities	5.372	217.189	216.667	.0	-.2	-.4	-.3	-.1
Household energy	4.216	188.393	187.591	-1.3	-.4	-.6	-.6	-.2
Fuel oil and other fuels ¹ .....	.343	350.482	356.637	4.3	1.8	1.2	1.7	1.8
Energy services ³	3.873	187.962	186.784	-1.8	-.6	-.8	-.8	-.4
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	1.156	185.499	186.280	4.8	.4	.3	.7	.6
Household furnishings and operations	4.109	126.180	126.107	1.1	-.1	.1	.3	-.2
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.727	154.198	154.374	2.5	.1	.6	.4	.1
Apparel	3.562	123.312	127.258	4.9	3.2	.9	-.9	.5
Men's and boys' apparel .....	.855	116.400	119.297	6.2	2.5	1.0	-1.7	.8
Women's and girls' apparel	1.507	110.044	115.566	5.5	5.0	1.3	-.8	.3
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.201	118.161	119.881	7.5	1.5	1.6	-.9	.2
Footwear .....	.678	127.668	130.077	1.2	1.9	-.3	.1	.6
Transportation	16.875	214.429	220.842	4.7	3.0	.3	2.1	.9
Private transportation	15.694	210.013	216.536	5.0	3.1	.4	2.2	.9
New and used motor vehicles ²	5.651	99.889	100.325	2.1	.4	-.4	.2	.6
New vehicles	3.195	144.326	144.350	2.5	.0	.0	.6	.2
Used cars and trucks	1.913	147.011	148.677	3.2	1.1	-1.0	-.2	1.3
Motor fuel	5.463	306.348	330.834	9.0	8.0	.8	6.0	1.7
Gasoline (all types)	5.273	305.076	329.780	9.0	8.1	.9	6.0	1.7
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹ .....	.438	148.230	148.298	5.4	.0	.4	.1	.0
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ¹	1.155	256.968	256.616	2.3	-.1	.3	.2	-.1
Public transportation	1.181	265.830	269.566	-3	1.4	-.8	-.2	.5
Medical care	7.061	410.466	411.498	3.5	.3	.3	.2	.3
Medical care commodities ¹	1.716	331.867	333.188	3.3	.4	.6	.8	.4
Medical care services	5.345	434.832	435.721	3.5	.2	.2	.0	.3
Professional services	3.005	339.136	339.389	1.4	.1	-.2	-.2	.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)

Item and group	Relative importance, December 2011	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 2012 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category								
Hospital and related services	1.732	664.591	664.855	4.8	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.2
Recreation ²	6.044	114.333	114.675	1.2	.3	.6	-.1	.2
Video and audio ²	1.924	99.371	99.856	1.2	.5	.6	.1	.1
Education and communication ²	6.797	133.199	133.235	2.0	.0	.3	.2	.2
Education ²	3.216	213.039	213.132	4.3	.0	.3	.3	.3
Educational books and supplies .....	.201	548.192	550.401	5.3	.4	.8	.1	.6
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	3.015	611.974	612.093	4.3	.0	.2	.3	.3
Communication ²	3.581	83.446	83.456	-.3	.0	.2	.2	.0
Information and information processing ²	3.436	79.928	79.939	-.5	.0	.3	.1	.0
Telephone services ^{1 2}	2.429	101.728	101.800	.5	.1	.3	.0	.1
Information technology, hardware and services ⁵	1.006	8.873	8.862	-3.6	-.1	.2	.1	-.2
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁶ .....	.269	64.686	64.086	-11.1	-.9	-.6	.2	-1.3
Other goods and services	3.385	391.236	392.364	1.7	.3	.2	-.1	.2
Tobacco and smoking products ¹ .....	.804	847.880	845.760	1.8	-.3	.5	-.4	-.3
Personal care	2.581	210.330	211.289	1.7	.5	.1	-.1	.4
Personal care products ¹ .....	.656	160.616	162.620	1.0	1.2	.3	-.4	1.2
Personal care services ¹ .....	.633	232.907	233.300	1.4	.2	-.1	.4	.2
Miscellaneous personal services	1.081	367.968	368.877	2.7	.2	-.1	-.1	.2
Commodity and service group								
Commodities	39.966	186.279	189.201	3.5	1.6	.3	.9	.4
Food and beverages	15.256	232.453	232.708	3.2	.1	.2	.1	.1
Commodities less food and beverages	24.710	161.451	165.413	3.8	2.5	.4	1.4	.6
Nondurables less food and beverages	15.742	211.182	219.086	5.3	3.7	.8	1.9	.9
Apparel	3.562	123.312	127.258	4.9	3.2	.9	-.9	.5
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	12.179	270.682	281.225	5.3	3.9	.6	2.8	1.1
Durables	8.968	112.780	112.926	1.1	.1	-.1	.2	.1
Services	60.034	268.819	269.396	2.1	.2	.2	.1	.2
Rent of shelter ⁴	31.190	265.628	266.323	2.1	.3	.1	.1	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.348	129.158	129.978	3.3	.6	.3	-.6	.6
Energy services ³	3.873	187.962	186.784	-1.8	-.6	-.8	-.8	-.4
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	1.156	185.499	186.280	4.8	.4	.3	.7	.6
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.727	154.198	154.374	2.5	.1	.6	.4	.1
Transportation services	5.797	269.535	270.604	1.4	.4	.0	-.2	.3
Medical care services	5.345	434.832	435.721	3.5	.2	.2	.0	.3
Other services	11.598	319.510	320.315	2.6	.3	.4	.1	.3
Special indexes								
All items less food	85.692	226.927	228.887	2.6	.9	.2	.5	.3
All items less shelter	68.461	219.580	221.744	2.9	1.0	.2	.5	.3
All items less medical care	92.939	218.737	220.483	2.6	.8	.2	.4	.3
Commodities less food	25.658	163.994	167.858	3.7	2.4	.5	1.4	.6
Nondurables less food	16.690	212.459	219.940	5.1	3.5	.8	1.9	.8
Nondurables less food and apparel	13.127	265.898	275.483	5.1	3.6	.7	2.7	1.0
Nondurables	30.997	222.634	227.039	4.2	2.0	.5	1.0	.6
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	28.844	293.406	293.886	2.0	.2	.1	-.1	.2
Services less medical care services	54.689	256.123	256.675	1.9	.2	.1	.0	.1
Energy	9.679	242.663	253.599	4.6	4.5	.2	3.2	.9
All items less energy	90.321	227.925	228.705	2.4	.3	.2	.1	.2
All items less food and energy	76.013	227.865	228.735	2.3	.4	.2	.1	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities	19.852	146.628	147.644	2.1	.7	.2	.1	.2
Energy commodities	5.806	310.685	334.427	8.7	7.6	.9	5.7	1.7
Services less energy services	56.161	277.027	277.780	2.3	.3	.2	.1	.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00)	-	\$.439	\$.436	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00)	-	\$.147	\$.146	-	-	-	-	-

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.

- 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)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	June 2011	Sep. 2011	Dec. 2011	Mar. 2012	Sep. 2011	Mar. 2012
Expenditure category										
All items	227.033	227.505	228.433	229.098	3.0	3.7	0.3	3.7	3.3	2.0
Food and beverages	231.610	232.080	232.208	232.529	3.9	5.4	2.0	1.6	4.7	1.8
Food	231.778	232.154	232.245	232.617	4.0	5.8	2.0	1.5	4.9	1.7
Food at home	230.805	230.851	230.784	231.095	4.6	7.6	1.7	.5	6.1	1.1
Cereals and bakery products	267.370	266.995	267.562	266.957	7.3	7.4	4.3	-.6	7.3	1.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	229.103	229.463	229.080	230.945	7.1	6.0	5.0	3.3	6.5	4.1
Dairy and related products ¹	218.458	220.492	219.377	219.131	12.4	14.1	-1.7	1.2	13.2	-2
Fruits and vegetables	283.333	279.700	278.347	277.308	-8.2	10.7	-7.8	-8.2	.8	-8.0
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	169.798	169.236	169.152	168.801	6.1	3.2	4.0	-2.3	4.7	.8
Other food at home	201.996	203.003	203.834	204.389	5.0	7.0	3.4	4.8	6.0	4.1
Sugar and sweets ¹	210.846	213.700	213.902	215.044	4.3	11.4	-4.6	8.2	7.8	1.6
Fats and oils	230.188	233.400	231.653	233.442	8.3	10.2	11.4	5.8	9.2	8.6
Other foods	213.648	214.073	215.460	215.778	4.6	5.6	3.7	4.0	5.1	3.9
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	126.293	125.536	127.193	126.856	3.4	4.4	4.1	1.8	3.9	2.9
Food away from home ¹	234.435	235.268	235.603	236.073	3.2	3.4	2.4	2.8	3.3	2.6
Other food away from home ^{1 2}	164.095	165.884	165.566	165.367	1.5	2.1	1.9	3.1	1.8	2.5
Alcoholic beverages	227.849	229.704	230.398	229.958	2.9	.3	1.1	3.8	1.6	2.4
Housing	221.005	221.246	221.490	221.751	1.4	2.4	1.7	1.4	1.9	1.6
Shelter	254.112	254.613	255.034	255.529	1.5	2.3	2.4	2.2	1.9	2.3
Rent of primary residence ³	256.894	257.285	257.867	258.303	1.5	3.3	3.1	2.2	2.4	2.7
Lodging away from home ²	137.482	137.802	140.404	140.763	9.6	-2.3	-2.4	9.9	3.5	3.6
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{1 3 4}	261.982	262.543	262.812	263.317	1.2	2.3	2.4	2.1	1.7	2.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{1 3 4}	261.960	262.522	262.788	263.294	1.2	2.2	2.4	2.1	1.7	2.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	129.480	129.929	129.158	129.978	4.2	2.4	5.0	1.5	3.3	3.2
Fuels and utilities	221.347	220.362	219.632	219.503	1.3	3.9	-1.8	-3.3	2.6	-2.6
Household energy	193.673	192.424	191.248	190.799	.5	3.7	-3.4	-5.8	2.1	-4.6
Fuel oil and other fuels ¹	340.512	344.644	350.482	356.637	-1.3	-6.9	7.1	20.3	-4.1	13.5
Energy services ³	194.233	192.643	191.073	190.280	.7	4.8	-4.3	-7.9	2.7	-6.1
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	183.235	183.712	184.996	186.072	4.5	4.3	4.2	6.3	4.4	5.3
Household furnishings and operations	125.646	125.732	126.072	125.778	1.2	1.5	1.3	.4	1.3	.9
Household operations ^{1 2}	152.729	153.634	154.198	154.374	3.2	.6	2.0	4.4	1.9	3.2
Apparel	124.539	125.646	124.534	125.175	9.3	4.8	3.6	2.1	7.1	2.8
Men's and boys' apparel	117.795	118.920	116.920	117.891	14.5	6.0	4.5	.3	10.2	2.4
Women's and girls' apparel	111.303	112.767	111.841	112.197	10.1	4.8	3.9	3.3	7.4	3.6
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	117.848	119.698	118.652	118.893	4.6	13.1	8.8	3.6	8.8	6.2
Footwear	128.846	128.516	128.605	129.435	3.0	2.3	-2.2	1.8	2.7	-2
Transportation	212.861	213.465	217.846	219.780	6.0	7.5	-7.5	13.6	6.7	2.5
Private transportation	208.050	208.812	213.445	215.398	6.9	7.6	-8.1	14.9	7.3	2.7
New and used motor vehicles ²	100.034	99.631	99.795	100.398	10.6	.1	-3.4	1.5	5.3	-1.0
New vehicles	142.470	142.407	143.277	143.604	9.8	-.6	-2.2	3.2	4.5	.5
Used cars and trucks	149.907	148.412	148.047	150.027	14.5	4.3	-5.3	.3	9.3	-2.6
Motor fuel	300.149	302.700	320.746	326.212	5.6	20.0	-20.2	39.5	12.6	5.5
Gasoline (all types)	298.833	301.449	319.615	325.028	5.7	20.4	-20.8	39.9	12.8	5.3
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹	147.499	148.126	148.230	148.298	11.7	2.9	5.2	2.2	7.2	3.7
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ¹	255.644	256.405	256.968	256.616	2.8	4.4	.6	1.5	3.6	1.1
Public transportation	271.330	269.105	268.594	269.973	-5.2	5.5	.8	-2.0	.0	-6
Medical care	406.879	408.096	408.930	410.169	3.3	2.8	4.5	3.3	3.0	3.9
Medical care commodities ¹	327.254	329.201	331.867	333.188	1.8	1.3	2.6	7.5	1.5	5.0
Medical care services	431.762	432.639	432.682	433.860	3.8	3.3	5.1	2.0	3.5	3.5
Professional services	339.288	338.778	338.091	338.600	1.6	2.1	2.8	-.8	1.8	1.0

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)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	June 2011	Sep. 2011	Dec. 2011	Mar. 2012	Sep. 2011	Mar. 2012
Expenditure category										
Hospital and related services	657.425	659.286	659.271	660.444	7.0	4.6	5.8	1.8	5.8	3.8
Recreation ²	113.753	114.448	114.365	114.566	1.3	-5	1.2	2.9	.4	2.1
Video and audio ²	98.759	99.306	99.433	99.563	-1.6	1.9	1.0	3.3	.2	2.1
Education and communication ²	132.569	132.930	133.226	133.433	1.3	1.6	2.3	2.6	1.4	2.4
Education ²	212.078	212.673	213.268	213.991	4.2	4.8	4.8	3.7	4.5	4.2
Educational books and supplies	541.542	545.675	546.465	549.522	4.1	6.8	4.2	6.0	5.4	5.1
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	609.518	611.041	612.808	614.792	4.2	4.6	4.8	3.5	4.4	4.2
Communication ²	83.050	83.255	83.398	83.390	-1.4	-1.3	-2	1.6	-1.4	.7
Information and information processing ²	79.619	79.842	79.890	79.877	-1.5	-1.6	-3	1.3	-1.5	.5
Telephone services ^{1 2}	101.397	101.687	101.728	101.800	-2	-5	1.2	1.6	-3	1.4
Information technology, hardware and services ⁵	8.827	8.849	8.859	8.838	-5.2	-4.8	-4.9	.5	-5.0	-2.2
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁶	64.590	64.192	64.297	63.449	-10.4	-15.7	-11.1	-6.9	-13.1	-9.0
Other goods and services	390.983	391.639	391.195	392.011	.9	2.9	2.1	1.1	1.9	1.6
Tobacco and smoking products ¹	847.063	851.016	847.880	845.760	-9	7.1	1.9	-.6	3.0	.6
Personal care	210.213	210.462	210.301	211.040	1.5	1.4	2.2	1.6	1.5	1.9
Personal care products ¹	160.825	161.256	160.616	162.620	-2.0	.0	1.7	4.5	-1.0	3.1
Personal care services ¹	232.302	232.039	232.907	233.300	1.0	.6	2.3	1.7	.8	2.0
Miscellaneous personal services	368.883	368.638	368.381	369.169	3.0	3.2	4.5	.3	3.1	2.4
Commodity and service group										
Commodities	185.269	185.883	187.596	188.435	4.7	5.3	-2.6	7.0	5.0	2.1
Food and beverages	231.610	232.080	232.208	232.529	3.9	5.4	2.0	1.6	4.7	1.8
Commodities less food and beverages	160.361	161.056	163.389	164.422	5.1	5.2	-5.1	10.5	5.2	2.4
Nondurables less food and beverages	209.290	210.895	215.005	216.891	5.3	7.8	-6.3	15.3	6.6	4.0
Apparel	124.539	125.646	124.534	125.175	9.3	4.8	3.6	2.1	7.1	2.8
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	266.827	268.523	276.068	279.137	3.7	9.2	-9.3	19.8	6.4	4.2
Durables	112.785	112.618	112.884	112.945	5.1	-.2	-1.4	.6	2.6	-.4
Services	268.503	268.937	269.085	269.611	1.8	2.5	2.3	1.7	2.1	2.0
Rent of shelter ⁴	265.018	265.379	265.702	266.108	1.5	2.5	2.7	1.7	2.0	2.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	129.480	129.929	129.158	129.978	4.2	2.4	5.0	1.5	3.3	3.2
Energy services ³	194.233	192.643	191.073	190.280	.7	4.8	-4.3	-7.9	2.7	-6.1
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	183.235	183.712	184.996	186.072	4.5	4.3	4.2	6.3	4.4	5.3
Household operations ^{1 2}	152.729	153.634	154.198	154.374	3.2	.6	2.0	4.4	1.9	3.2
Transportation services	270.283	270.368	269.913	270.731	1.2	2.4	1.4	.7	1.8	1.0
Medical care services	431.762	432.639	432.682	433.860	3.8	3.3	5.1	2.0	3.5	3.5
Other services	318.190	319.362	319.650	320.553	2.0	1.8	3.4	3.0	1.9	3.2
Special indexes										
All items less food	226.305	226.794	227.861	228.574	2.8	3.3	.0	4.1	3.1	2.0
All items less shelter	219.019	219.470	220.622	221.362	3.7	4.3	-.7	4.3	4.0	1.8
All items less medical care	218.228	218.669	219.595	220.233	3.0	3.7	.0	3.7	3.3	1.8
Commodities less food	162.849	163.582	165.883	166.882	5.0	5.0	-4.9	10.3	5.0	2.4
Nondurables less food	210.490	212.097	216.034	217.862	5.2	7.3	-5.8	14.8	6.2	4.0
Nondurables less food and apparel	262.078	263.793	270.788	273.566	3.7	8.4	-8.5	18.7	6.0	4.2
Nondurables	221.266	222.270	224.565	225.813	4.4	6.6	-2.2	8.5	5.5	3.0
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	293.840	294.175	294.003	294.501	2.0	2.6	2.6	.9	2.3	1.7
Services less medical care services	256.245	256.504	256.549	256.884	1.7	2.6	2.5	1.0	2.1	1.7
Energy	242.746	243.121	250.868	253.165	3.5	13.1	-13.8	18.3	8.2	1.0
All items less energy	227.246	227.722	227.924	228.423	2.9	2.7	2.0	2.1	2.8	2.0
All items less food and energy	227.188	227.684	227.907	228.432	2.7	2.1	2.0	2.2	2.4	2.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities	146.378	146.685	146.760	147.067	5.2	1.5	-.2	1.9	3.3	.9
Energy commodities	304.251	306.902	324.465	330.003	5.2	18.4	-18.9	38.4	11.6	5.9
Services less energy services	276.075	276.695	277.008	277.667	1.8	2.3	2.8	2.3	2.1	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): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and Group	Relative importance, December 2011	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 2012 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category								
All items	100.000	227.663	229.392	2.7	0.8	0.2	0.4	0.3
All items (1967=100)	-	681.977	687.157	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	15.256	232.453	232.708	3.2	.1	.2	.1	.1
Food	14.308	232.486	232.792	3.3	.1	.2	.0	.2
Food at home	8.638	231.180	231.383	3.6	.1	.0	.0	.1
Cereals and bakery products	1.242	267.821	267.101	4.5	-.3	-.1	.2	-.2
Cereals and cereal products .....	.482	233.362	232.660	4.1	-.3	.0	-.4	-.3
Flour and prepared flour mixes .....	.051	250.564	252.104	7.3	.6	-1.3	-.7	1.6
Breakfast cereal ¹ .....	.297	227.984	227.997	3.6	.0	-.3	-.3	.0
Rice, pasta, cornmeal ¹ .....	.134	242.217	238.975	3.9	-1.3	.3	-.3	-1.3
Rice ^{1 2 3}	-	169.290	166.926	3.5	-1.4	1.6	-.7	-1.4
Bakery products .....	.760	286.484	285.771	4.9	-.2	-.3	.8	-.2
Bread ² .....	.225	172.978	172.955	5.6	.0	-1.0	1.1	-.4
White bread ^{1 3}	-	315.076	313.338	5.0	-.6	-1.4	1.8	-.6
Bread other than white ^{1 3}	-	334.680	333.969	5.9	-.2	-2.4	1.8	-.2
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins ² .....	.114	168.364	168.406	3.9	.0	.4	.0	.1
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies .....	.186	265.139	265.139	5.6	.0	.3	.6	.3
Cookies ³	-	255.820	253.948	5.0	-.7	1.2	.4	-.6
Fresh cakes and cupcakes ^{1 3}	-	275.926	277.551	6.8	.6	-1.2	1.6	.6
Other bakery products .....	.235	261.074	259.021	3.9	-.8	.2	.6	-.6
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts ^{1 3}	-	275.640	275.308	7.8	-.1	1.9	.7	-.1
Crackers, bread, and cracker products ³	-	306.093	299.826	3.6	-2.0	-.8	1.6	-1.7
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers ³	-	268.575	269.880	3.0	.5	.6	-.5	.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	1.960	228.610	230.485	5.3	.8	.2	-.2	.8
Meats, poultry, and fish	1.846	229.530	231.452	5.4	.8	.1	.2	.7
Meats	1.201	230.595	232.344	5.4	.8	-.1	.4	.5
Beef and veal ¹ .....	.548	258.292	260.391	6.8	.8	1.1	.2	.8
Uncooked ground beef ¹ .....	.212	238.582	239.639	6.7	.4	1.8	1.0	.4
Uncooked beef roasts ^{1 2} .....	.081	189.733	189.709	5.9	.0	-.3	1.1	.0
Uncooked beef steaks ^{1 2} .....	.204	172.282	174.754	7.3	1.4	1.0	-.9	1.4
Uncooked other beef and veal ^{1 2} .....	.052	183.300	185.547	7.1	1.2	1.0	-.4	1.2
Pork .....	.379	207.227	208.706	3.4	.7	-1.1	.3	-.2
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products ² .....	.143	150.079	149.484	4.3	-.4	-.8	.8	.2
Bacon and related products ³	-	272.819	271.549	8.5	-.5	.0	.1	.5
Breakfast sausage and related products ^{1 2 3}	-	140.202	138.968	1.3	-.9	-.5	2.2	-.9
Ham .....	.080	195.138	204.357	3.0	4.7	-2.2	-.5	2.4
Ham, excluding canned ³	-	218.549	230.065	2.6	5.3	-2.0	-.9	2.5
Pork chops .....	.063	189.127	189.032	1.6	-.1	-.4	-2.2	-.4
Other pork including roasts and picnics ² .....	.094	131.830	131.292	3.6	-.4	-1.6	.3	-1.2
Other meats .....	.273	212.402	213.908	5.7	.7	-1.1	1.0	.7
Frankfurters ³	-	206.525	209.891	6.5	1.6	-3.5	2.3	.7
Lunchmeats ^{1 2 3}	-	137.307	137.625	4.5	.2	-.7	.4	.2
Lamb and organ meats ^{1 3}	-	330.147	330.791	5.4	.2	-.3	1.0	.2
Lamb and mutton ^{1 2 3}	-	216.580	217.629	15.4	.5	-3.1	3.4	.5
Poultry .....	.336	216.647	219.608	6.5	1.4	1.1	.3	1.4
Chicken ² .....	.263	137.554	139.363	5.3	1.3	1.2	.1	1.3
Fresh whole chicken ^{1 3}	-	226.622	230.086	8.7	1.5	-1.1	.6	1.5
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ^{1 3}	-	206.452	209.295	4.3	1.4	-.1	.4	1.4
Other poultry including turkey ² .....	.073	148.116	150.410	11.2	1.5	-.1	1.7	1.5
Fish and seafood .....	.308	262.899	264.372	3.9	.6	-.3	-.7	1.0
Fresh fish and seafood ^{1 2} .....	.159	156.717	158.184	1.9	.9	.6	-1.5	.9
Processed fish and seafood ² .....	.149	137.373	137.590	6.3	.2	.0	-.9	1.7
Shelf stable fish and seafood ^{1 3}	-	188.398	188.079	3.6	-.2	1.1	-.3	-.2
Frozen fish and seafood ^{1 3}	-	290.120	290.812	5.7	.2	-.6	-1.5	.2
Eggs .....	.114	213.580	214.704	5.1	.5	1.8	-6.4	2.3
Dairy and related products ¹ .....	.916	219.377	219.131	6.3	-.1	.9	-.5	-.1
Milk ^{1 2} .....	.299	147.868	147.211	4.0	-.4	.7	-1.3	-.4
Fresh whole milk ^{1 3}	-	210.853	210.533	3.7	-.2	.2	-1.1	-.2
Fresh milk other than whole ^{1 2 3}	-	151.971	151.213	4.1	-.5	1.1	-1.5	-.5
Cheese and related products .....	.291	226.319	225.783	8.7	-.2	.2	-.4	-.6
Ice cream and related products139	216.832	217.832	6.4	.5	.9	-1.4	1.8
Other dairy and related products ²187	146.181	146.451	6.2	.2	-.2	.5	.3

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Table 3. Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and Group	Relative importance, December 2011	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 2012 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category								
Fruits and vegetables	1.287	281.072	279.057	-3.9	-0.7	-1.3	-0.5	-0.4
Fresh fruits and vegetables .....	.983	319.145	316.764	-6.6	-7	-1.4	-1.0	-4
Fresh fruits .....	.508	328.316	326.876	.1	-4	-1.8	1.3	.7
Apples .....	.083	313.646	308.137	3.3	-1.8	.8	-.7	-1.5
Bananas .....	.082	207.079	206.616	-.4	-.2	-.6	-2.1	.6
Citrus fruits ² .....	.107	190.892	190.645	-5.4	-1	-2.3	-1.4	1.4
Oranges, including tangerines ³	-	369.559	371.108	.1	.4	-.9	-3.5	2.0
Other fresh fruits ² .....	.236	114.052	113.869	1.2	-.2	-3.1	4.8	1.5
Fresh vegetables .....	.475	308.151	304.836	-12.6	-1.1	-1.0	-3.5	-1.6
Potatoes .....	.080	329.608	332.347	1.0	.8	-1.6	1.3	-.3
Lettuce .....	.066	289.029	282.667	-20.5	-2.2	-1.5	-4.5	-.4
Tomatoes ¹ .....	.083	298.321	298.768	-28.8	.1	.1	-5.7	.1
Other fresh vegetables .....	.246	314.014	308.220	-7.9	-1.8	-2.8	-4.4	-.2
Processed fruits and vegetables ² .....	.304	157.451	156.464	5.5	-.6	-.8	1.2	-.2
Canned fruits and vegetables ² .....	.151	159.647	158.391	4.6	-.8	-.4	1.5	-.5
Canned fruits ^{2 3}	-	150.632	148.549	3.3	-1.4	-1.2	1.4	-1.0
Canned vegetables ^{2 3}	-	169.828	169.152	5.7	-.4	.2	1.0	.2
Frozen fruits and vegetables ² .....	.097	150.731	149.474	6.9	-.8	-1.7	1.1	-.4
Frozen vegetables ³	-	206.976	205.155	5.9	-.9	-2.1	1.0	-.8
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried ² .....	.056	160.704	160.957	5.9	.2	.6	1.2	.8
Dried beans, peas, and lentils ^{1 2 3}	-	198.901	197.776	15.4	-.6	-.2	1.8	-.6
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	.961	169.758	169.513	2.7	-.1	-.3	.0	-.2
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks ² .....	.716	128.766	128.658	2.0	-.1	-.3	.2	-.1
Carbonated drinks .....	.290	163.379	162.009	2.3	-.8	.4	-.1	-.8
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ^{1 2} .....	.014	170.742	171.466	11.3	.4	.4	.4	.4
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ^{1 2} .....	.412	116.581	117.101	1.5	.4	.3	-.5	.4
Beverage materials including coffee and tea ² .....	.246	125.249	124.849	4.7	-.3	-.6	-.8	-.4
Coffee .....	.150	221.665	221.680	9.8	.0	-.8	-.9	-.5
Roasted coffee ³	-	232.978	233.829	11.0	.4	-.7	-1.3	-.2
Instant and freeze dried coffee ^{1 3}	-	216.232	210.630	2.0	-2.6	-.3	-1.1	-2.6
Other beverage materials including tea ² .....	.095	126.446	125.388	-.6	-.8	-.6	-.5	-1.1
Other food at home	2.272	204.001	204.574	5.0	.3	.5	.4	.3
Sugar and sweets ¹ .....	.307	213.902	215.044	4.6	.5	1.4	.1	.5
Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....	.061	204.479	201.254	4.3	-1.6	.6	-.6	-1.0
Candy and chewing gum ^{1 2} .....	.183	139.448	141.613	5.2	1.6	.7	.2	1.6
Other sweets ² .....	.063	154.216	153.673	3.4	-.4	-.6	1.2	-1.2
Fats and oils .....	.263	233.196	233.411	8.9	.1	1.4	-.7	.8
Butter and margarine ² .....	.077	186.762	183.765	1.5	-1.6	-.4	-.3	.1
Butter ^{1 3}	-	202.297	195.231	-8.5	-3.5	3.7	-2.3	-3.5
Margarine ³	-	292.771	294.042	11.1	.4	-1.3	.1	1.7
Salad dressing ^{1 2} .....	.067	138.160	138.815	4.3	.5	1.4	-1.3	.5
Other fats and oils including peanut butter ² .....	.119	171.018	172.656	16.7	1.0	2.9	-.7	1.1
Peanut butter ^{1 2 3}	-	177.801	179.241	40.7	.8	6.9	2.8	.8
Other foods	1.703	215.473	216.043	4.5	.3	.2	.6	.1
Soups .....	.096	232.753	239.860	6.0	3.1	.8	1.1	1.5
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods ¹ .....	.305	169.360	171.008	3.0	1.0	.5	-.4	1.0
Snacks ¹ .....	.322	236.403	237.209	8.0	.3	1.0	1.1	.3
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces .....	.281	227.951	227.306	3.5	-.3	.2	.6	.0
Salt and other seasonings and spices ^{2 3}	-	139.874	138.012	7.6	-1.3	2.8	-.1	-1.0
Olives, pickles, relishes ^{1 2 3}	-	137.901	138.534	-.5	.5	8.9	-.9	.5
Sauces and gravies ^{2 3}	-	131.862	132.419	2.5	.4	-.4	1.2	.5
Other condiments ^{1 3}	-	270.615	268.047	4.2	-.9	4.5	.2	-.9
Baby food ^{1 2} .....	.073	148.659	148.656	6.1	.0	.5	-.1	.0
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2} .....	.627	127.193	126.856	3.4	-.3	-.6	1.3	-.3
Prepared salads ^{1 3 4}	-	110.109	110.430	3.1	.3	-.4	.0	.3
Food away from home ¹	5.669	235.603	236.073	3.0	.2	.4	.1	.2
Full service meals and snacks ^{1 2}	2.691	146.856	147.138	2.7	.2	.4	.2	.2
Limited service meals and snacks ^{1 2}	2.277	149.823	150.251	3.3	.3	.2	.1	.3
Food at employee sites and schools ² .....	.259	148.975	149.142	3.8	.1	.3	.3	.3
Food at elementary and secondary schools ^{1 3 5}	-	124.698	124.741	3.5	.0	.2	.0	.0
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors ^{1 2}082	139.481	139.132	4.0	-.3	.8	.0	-.3

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Item and Group	Relative importance, December 2011	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 2012 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category								
Other food away from home ^{1 2} .....	.361	165.566	165.367	2.2	-0.1	1.1	-0.2	-0.1
Alcoholic beverages .....	.948	230.704	230.193	2.0	-0.2	.8	.3	-0.2
Alcoholic beverages at home .....	.572	194.166	193.913	.9	-1.1	.8	-1.1	.0
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home .....	.273	208.928	209.012	2.5	.0	.8	.5	.1
Distilled spirits at home .....	.072	189.785	188.729	.3	-0.6	.6	-0.4	-0.3
Whiskey at home ³	-	199.341	197.259	1.2	-1.0	.9	-1.7	-1.2
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home ^{1 3}	-	184.769	184.736	.5	.0	1.2	.3	.0
Wine at home .....	.227	168.323	167.987	-1.1	-0.2	.6	-0.4	-0.1
Alcoholic beverages away from home ¹ .....	.376	308.371	307.258	3.6	-0.4	.8	.5	-0.4
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home ^{1 2 3}	-	152.412	152.396	1.7	.0	.2	.2	.0
Wine away from home ^{1 2 3}	-	166.368	166.585	2.7	.1	.7	.5	.1
Distilled spirits away from home ^{1 2 3}	-	162.237	160.912	4.2	-0.8	.8	.7	-0.8
Housing	41.020	221.117	221.487	1.7	.2	.1	.1	.1
Shelter	31.539	254.931	255.609	2.1	.3	.2	.2	.2
Rent of primary residence ⁶	6.485	258.184	258.569	2.5	.1	.2	.2	.2
Lodging away from home ² .....	.749	136.832	141.314	3.5	3.3	.2	1.9	.3
Housing at school, excluding board ^{6 7} .....	.155	454.636	454.636	3.8	.0	.2	.4	.3
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels .....	.594	284.183	295.734	3.4	4.1	.2	2.2	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{1 6 7}	23.957	262.812	263.317	2.0	.2	.2	.1	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{1 6 7}	22.543	262.788	263.294	2.0	.2	.2	.1	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.348	129.158	129.978	3.3	.6	.3	-0.6	.6
Fuels and utilities	5.372	217.189	216.667	.0	-0.2	-0.4	-0.3	-0.1
Household energy	4.216	188.393	187.591	-1.3	-0.4	-0.6	-0.6	-0.2
Fuel oil and other fuels ¹ .....	.343	350.482	356.637	4.3	1.8	1.2	1.7	1.8
Fuel oil ¹ .....	.229	384.747	395.016	5.3	2.7	1.4	2.8	2.7
Propane, kerosene, and firewood ⁸ .....	.114	357.651	357.087	2.4	-0.2	-1.3	.0	-0.1
Energy services ⁶	3.873	187.962	186.784	-1.8	-0.6	-0.8	-0.8	-0.4
Electricity ⁶	2.913	193.183	192.148	.6	-0.5	.0	.0	-0.8
Utility (piped) gas service ⁶ .....	.960	169.753	168.196	-0.9	-0.9	-0.9	-0.3	-0.9
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	1.156	185.499	186.280	4.8	.4	.3	.7	.6
Water and sewerage maintenance ⁶ .....	.866	418.722	420.614	5.6	.5	.3	.8	.7
Garbage and trash collection ^{1 9} .....	.290	400.381	401.692	2.5	.3	.0	.4	.3
Household furnishings and operations	4.109	126.180	126.107	1.1	-0.1	.1	.3	-0.2
Window and floor coverings and other linens ^{1 2} .....	.282	68.508	68.680	-1.4	.3	-0.2	.0	.3
Floor coverings ^{1 2} .....	.040	113.701	113.206	.3	-0.4	-0.6	-0.1	-0.4
Window coverings ^{1 2} .....	.077	74.454	73.794	-0.6	-0.9	.1	.5	-0.9
Other linens ^{1 2} .....	.165	56.565	57.104	-2.4	1.0	-0.3	-0.2	1.0
Furniture and bedding ¹ .....	.729	119.380	120.374	2.1	.8	-0.4	-0.2	.8
Bedroom furniture ¹ .....	.243	136.309	137.484	1.4	.9	-1.3	-1.2	.9
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture ^{1 2} .....	.343	89.791	90.367	3.2	.6	.3	.0	.6
Other furniture ² .....	.135	78.894	79.893	.6	1.3	-0.7	.1	-1.0
Infants' furniture ^{1 3 5}	-	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	-
Appliances ² .....	.285	88.984	88.920	4.6	-0.1	1.6	.9	.2
Major appliances ² .....	.161	101.983	102.688	9.0	.7	2.2	1.6	.7
Laundry equipment ³	-	116.784	118.099	11.5	1.1	2.9	2.0	1.1
Other appliances ^{1 2} .....	.120	72.909	72.102	-1.5	-1.1	1.6	.7	-1.1
Other household equipment and furnishings ^{1 2} .....	.501	66.972	66.058	-4.9	-1.4	.6	.8	-1.4
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items ¹ .....	.264	57.490	56.405	-7.1	-1.9	.8	.7	-1.9
Indoor plants and flowers ¹⁰ .....	.104	128.137	127.286	-1.3	-0.7	-0.9	.5	-0.9
Dishes and flatware ^{1 2} .....	.048	62.165	60.768	-7.3	-2.2	2.6	.3	-2.2
Nonelectric cookware and tableware ² .....	.085	97.246	97.184	-0.6	-0.1	.2	-1.2	-0.4
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies ² .....	.685	92.387	92.201	-0.3	-0.2	.5	.4	-0.7
Tools, hardware and supplies ^{1 2} .....	.173	99.771	99.607	2.6	-0.2	.4	.8	-0.2
Outdoor equipment and supplies ² .....	.364	88.745	88.585	-1.4	-0.2	.4	.5	-0.9
Housekeeping supplies ¹ .....	.902	190.532	190.230	3.7	-0.2	.1	.5	-0.2
Household cleaning products ^{1 2} .....	.370	123.958	123.988	2.9	.0	-0.3	.2	.0
Household paper products ^{1 2} .....	.242	167.111	167.395	4.6	.2	.4	.7	.2
Miscellaneous household products ^{1 2} .....	.290	121.512	120.706	3.8	-0.7	.3	.8	-0.7
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.727	154.198	154.374	2.5	.1	.6	.4	.1
Domestic services ^{1 2}251	146.471	146.446	1.2	.0	.4	.0	.0
Gardening and lawn care services ^{1 2}237	159.092	159.164	2.1	.0	1.0	.1	.0

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		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category								
Moving, storage, freight expense ^{1 2} .....	.089	128.740	129.397	4.5	0.5	0.3	2.6	0.5
Repair of household items ^{1 2} .....	.077	194.067	194.631	6.2	.3	.2	-.1	.3
Apparel	3.562	123.312	127.258	4.9	3.2	.9	-.9	.5
Men's and boys' apparel .....	.855	116.400	119.297	6.2	2.5	1.0	-1.7	.8
Men's apparel .....	.679	121.613	123.472	5.1	1.5	1.7	-1.7	-.2
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear .....	.124	114.095	117.054	5.1	2.6	6.3	-3.0	-.4
Men's furnishings .....	.179	148.183	149.106	5.5	.6	-.2	-1.7	-.5
Men's shirts and sweaters ² .....	.219	79.169	80.036	4.8	1.1	-.1	-1.9	-.8
Men's pants and shorts .....	.150	119.946	122.690	6.2	2.3	1.9	.1	-.1
Boys' apparel .....	.176	97.147	103.211	10.4	6.2	-.8	-.5	6.2
Women's and girls' apparel	1.507	110.044	115.566	5.5	5.0	1.3	-.8	.3
Women's apparel	1.246	111.650	117.389	4.9	5.1	1.2	-.5	.3
Women's outerwear .....	.096	93.266	94.265	3.1	1.1	.4	1.8	-3.4
Women's dresses .....	.157	115.541	137.535	15.3	19.0	-3.7	10.7	8.8
Women's suits and separates ² .....	.575	83.496	86.978	1.3	4.2	2.7	-1.5	-1.5
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories ² .....	.402	100.533	102.244	5.4	1.7	.8	-3.4	-1.1
Girls' apparel .....	.261	102.066	106.570	8.9	4.4	1.9	-2.6	.5
Footwear .....	.678	127.668	130.077	1.2	1.9	-.3	.1	.6
Men's footwear ¹ .....	.209	130.775	130.896	1.7	.1	-.3	.9	.1
Boys' and girls' footwear .....	.152	134.138	136.553	-.3	1.8	.0	-1.4	1.0
Women's footwear .....	.316	121.805	125.609	1.5	3.1	-.1	-.1	1.0
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.201	118.161	119.881	7.5	1.5	1.6	-.9	.2
Jewelry and watches ⁸ .....	.323	168.605	169.554	5.3	.6	.7	-1.0	.5
Watches ^{1 8} .....	.088	116.563	118.426	1.2	1.6	.6	.8	1.6
Jewelry ⁸ .....	.235	181.090	181.414	5.9	.2	1.6	-1.6	.2
Transportation	16.875	214.429	220.842	4.7	3.0	.3	2.1	.9
Private transportation	15.694	210.013	216.536	5.0	3.1	.4	2.2	.9
New and used motor vehicles ²	5.651	99.889	100.325	2.1	.4	-.4	.2	.6
New vehicles	3.195	144.326	144.350	2.5	.0	.0	.6	.2
New cars and trucks ^{2 3}	-	100.036	100.056	2.5	.0	.0	.6	.2
New cars ³	-	144.273	144.103	2.7	-.1	-.2	.5	.2
New trucks ^{3 9}	-	149.507	149.667	2.2	.1	.2	.6	.2
Used cars and trucks	1.913	147.011	148.677	3.2	1.1	-1.0	-.2	1.3
Leased cars and trucks ¹¹ .....	.403	90.385	90.388	-4.3	.0	-.5	-1.0	.0
Car and truck rental ² .....	.071	117.422	121.792	-1.7	3.7	-.6	-2.6	2.0
Motor fuel	5.463	306.348	330.834	9.0	8.0	.8	6.0	1.7
Gasoline (all types)	5.273	305.076	329.780	9.0	8.1	.9	6.0	1.7
Gasoline, unleaded regular ³	-	305.108	330.094	9.1	8.2	.9	6.1	1.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{3 12}	-	311.167	336.688	9.0	8.2	.8	5.7	2.0
Gasoline, unleaded premium ³	-	292.941	315.174	8.7	7.6	.7	5.8	1.7
Other motor fuels ² .....	.189	285.431	299.338	6.2	4.9	1.9	1.5	3.7
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹ .....	.438	148.230	148.298	5.4	.0	.4	.1	.0
Tires ¹ .....	.298	135.442	135.100	5.8	-.3	.7	.1	-.3
Vehicle accessories other than tires ^{1 2} .....	.140	157.225	158.305	4.6	.7	-.1	.0	.7
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires ^{1 3}	-	147.682	148.288	2.3	.4	-.1	.2	.4
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids ^{1 3}	-	353.098	359.590	15.2	1.8	.1	-.4	1.8
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ¹	1.155	256.968	256.616	2.3	-.1	.3	.2	-.1
Motor vehicle body work ¹ .....	.057	262.770	263.542	1.9	.3	.2	.2	.3
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing ¹ .....	.461	231.845	232.217	2.4	.2	.2	.2	.2
Motor vehicle repair ^{1 2} .....	.601	159.250	158.606	2.3	-.4	.4	.3	-.4
Motor vehicle insurance	2.426	395.516	396.393	2.8	.2	.1	-.2	.5
Motor vehicle fees ^{1 2} .....	.561	171.459	171.506	3.0	.0	1.4	-.1	.0
State motor vehicle registration and license fees ^{1 2 6} .....	.333	166.788	166.855	.9	.0	-.2	-.3	.0
Parking and other fees ^{1 2} .....	.206	179.503	179.518	6.4	.0	3.9	.2	.0
Parking fees and tolls ^{1 2 3}	-	196.079	196.178	8.8	.1	5.0	.3	.1
Automobile service clubs ^{1 2 3}	-	123.386	123.467	.9	.1	.8	-.1	.1
Public transportation	1.181	265.830	269.566	-.3	1.4	-.8	-.2	.5
Airline fare768	298.477	303.843	-.8	1.8	-.9	-.1	.4
Other intercity transportation152	148.550	149.394	-2.8	.6	-1.0	-.2	.1

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Expenditure category								
Intercity bus fare ^{1 3 4}	-	115.529	116.715	-	1.0	-1.2	-2.7	1.0
Intercity train fare ^{1 3 4}	-	100.625	105.113	-4.5	4.5	-5.9	-6	4.5
Ship fare ^{1 2 3}	-	62.315	62.142	-3.5	-3	-1.5	.0	-3
Intracity transportation ¹ .....	.259	277.207	279.208	3.0	.7	.0	.5	.7
Intracity mass transit ^{1 3 13}	-	109.865	109.880	2.0	.0	.1	.6	.0
Medical care	7.061	410.466	411.498	3.5	.3	.3	.2	.3
Medical care commodities ¹	1.716	331.867	333.188	3.3	.4	.6	.8	.4
Medicinal drugs ^{1 13}	1.637	108.056	108.524	3.4	.4	.6	.8	.4
Prescription drugs	1.320	438.453	439.761	4.2	.3	.3	.6	.3
Nonprescription drugs ^{1 13} .....	.317	98.161	99.154	.1	1.0	-4	-5	1.0
Medical equipment and supplies ^{1 13} .....	.079	100.387	100.047	.5	-3	-1	.7	-3
Medical care services	5.345	434.832	435.721	3.5	.2	.2	.0	.3
Professional services	3.005	339.136	339.389	1.4	.1	-2	-2	.2
Physicians' services ⁶	1.612	343.564	343.867	1.3	.1	-1	-5	.2
Dental services ⁶ .....	.761	414.354	414.686	2.2	.1	.1	-1	.2
Eyeglasses and eye care ⁸ .....	.252	179.107	178.931	.5	-1	.1	-2	.2
Services by other medical professionals ^{1 6 8} .....	.380	219.023	219.287	1.1	.1	.1	.3	.1
Hospital and related services	1.732	664.591	664.855	4.8	.0	.3	.0	.2
Hospital services ^{6 14}	1.510	250.560	250.638	5.2	.0	.3	-1	.2
Inpatient hospital services ^{3 6 14}	-	245.721	245.736	5.3	.0	.4	-5	.1
Outpatient hospital services ^{3 6 8}	-	567.506	567.836	4.9	.1	.4	.3	.2
Nursing homes and adult day services ^{6 14} .....	.135	187.345	187.612	3.3	.1	.5	.6	.3
Care of invalids and elderly at home ^{1 5} .....	.086	114.009	114.039	1.2	.0	.3	.0	.0
Health insurance ^{1 5} .....	.609	114.068	115.535	11.3	1.3	1.8	1.6	1.3
Recreation ²	6.044	114.333	114.675	1.2	.3	.6	-1	.2
Video and audio ²	1.924	99.371	99.856	1.2	.5	.6	.1	.1
Televisions .....	.178	5.876	5.786	-18.7	-1.5	-1.0	-1.9	-2.6
Cable and satellite television and radio service ⁹	1.371	390.450	393.939	4.4	.9	.8	.5	.5
Other video equipment ^{1 2} .....	.028	13.080	12.773	-11.4	-2.3	-1.4	1.5	-2.3
Video discs and other media, including rental of video and audio ^{1 2} .....	.114	79.621	79.875	3.4	.3	.6	-1.4	.3
Video discs and other media ^{1 2 3}	-	49.834	50.026	-6.9	.4	-9	-1.7	.4
Rental of video or audio discs and other media ^{1 2 3}	-	119.097	119.767	13.2	.6	1.7	-3	.6
Audio equipment ¹ .....	.075	43.232	42.997	-6.2	-5	.4	-8	-5
Audio discs, tapes and other media ^{1 2} .....	.045	89.896	89.704	-3.7	-2	.3	.2	-2
Pets, pet products and services ²	1.101	161.251	161.992	2.8	.5	.1	.2	.4
Pets and pet products ¹ .....	.692	198.617	199.630	2.6	.5	.2	.4	.5
Pet food ^{1 2 3}	-	149.015	149.873	3.2	.6	.6	.2	.6
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories ^{1 2 3}	-	117.896	118.548	1.1	.6	-9	.8	.6
Pet services including veterinary ² .....	.409	204.138	204.901	3.2	.4	.0	-3	.3
Pet services ^{1 2 3}	-	166.830	167.498	2.8	.4	.5	-1	.4
Veterinarian services ^{2 3}	-	211.977	212.424	2.8	.2	-1	-1	.1
Sporting goods ¹ .....	.464	118.586	118.241	-3	-3	.2	.6	-3
Sports vehicles including bicycles ¹ .....	.245	148.452	147.789	2.0	-4	-1	.5	-4
Sports equipment ¹ .....	.209	91.544	91.446	-3.1	-1	.6	.7	-1
Photography ² .....	.115	79.287	79.173	.5	-1	-7	.3	-3
Photographic equipment and supplies .....	.055	64.928	64.511	-2.4	-6	-1.5	.9	-1.0
Film and photographic supplies ^{1 2 3}	-	96.387	96.809	8.3	.4	-4	1.0	.4
Photographic equipment ^{2 3}	-	28.541	28.364	-4.6	-6	-2.0	.9	-7
Photographers and film processing ^{1 2} .....	.059	116.764	117.149	2.6	.3	-3	-2	.3
Photographer fees ^{1 2 3}	-	124.225	124.316	3.4	.1	.0	-5	.1
Film processing ^{1 2 3}	-	112.915	113.267	2.6	.3	-3	.1	.3
Other recreational goods ² .....	.473	55.378	54.985	-2.3	-7	.9	.7	-7
Toys ¹ .....	.352	55.634	55.107	-3.3	-9	1.1	1.1	-9
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment ^{1 2 3}	-	60.561	59.933	.2	-1.0	1.3	2.2	-1.0
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies ² .....	.061	97.802	98.408	1.8	.6	-8	-6	.6
Music instruments and accessories ^{1 2} .....	.040	95.075	94.838	-1.1	-2	.1	-3	-2
Other recreation services ²	1.742	146.706	147.284	1.6	.4	1.1	-8	.4
Club dues and fees for participant sports and group exercises ^{1 2}576	124.774	125.835	3.4	.9	.3	-8	.9
Admissions ¹627	326.477	326.671	.5	.1	2.1	-9	.1

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Table 3. Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and Group	Relative importance, December 2011	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 2012 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category								
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts ^{1 2 3}	-	157.399	157.287	0.3	-0.1	1.9	-1.0	-0.1
Admission to sporting events ^{1 2 3}	-	178.201	179.463	1.3	.7	3.0	-1.0	.7
Fees for lessons or instructions ^{1 8} .....	.231	269.770	269.472	.6	-.1	.4	.2	-.1
Recreational reading materials ¹ .....	.224	221.215	222.840	1.5	.7	.5	-.5	.7
Newspapers and magazines ^{1 2} .....	.120	139.934	141.423	4.8	1.1	1.3	-.7	1.1
Recreational books ^{1 2} .....	.100	101.803	102.155	-2.4	.3	-.4	-.2	.3
Education and communication ²	6.797	133.199	133.235	2.0	.0	.3	.2	.2
Education ²	3.216	213.039	213.132	4.3	.0	.3	.3	.3
Educational books and supplies .....	.201	548.192	550.401	5.3	.4	.8	.1	.6
College textbooks ^{1 3 11}	-	184.022	184.766	5.6	.4	1.4	.2	.4
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	3.015	611.974	612.093	4.3	.0	.2	.3	.3
College tuition and fees	1.695	690.527	690.570	5.4	.0	.2	.3	.5
Elementary and high school tuition and fees .....	.382	661.647	661.612	3.6	.0	.3	.4	.2
Child care and nursery school ¹⁰ .....	.775	250.962	251.085	2.4	.0	.4	.1	.2
Technical and business school tuition and fees ² .....	.059	217.689	218.059	6.4	.2	.3	1.0	.6
Communication ²	3.581	83.446	83.456	-.3	.0	.2	.2	.0
Postage and delivery services ² .....	.145	157.999	157.986	4.1	.0	-.2	2.8	.2
Postage .....	.135	247.741	247.741	3.9	.0	-.6	3.1	.2
Delivery services ^{1 2} .....	.010	264.020	263.709	6.7	-.1	4.6	-.8	-.1
Information and information processing ²	3.436	79.928	79.939	-.5	.0	.3	.1	.0
Telephone services ^{1 2}	2.429	101.728	101.800	.5	.1	.3	.0	.1
Wireless telephone services ^{1 2}	1.484	59.919	59.935	-.7	.0	.0	.0	.0
Land-line telephone services ^{1 13} .....	.945	105.040	105.184	2.1	.1	.8	.1	.1
Information technology, hardware and services ¹⁵	1.006	8.873	8.862	-3.6	-.1	.2	.1	-.2
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁴ .....	.269	64.686	64.086	-11.1	-.9	-.6	.2	-1.3
Computer software and accessories ^{1 2} .....	.050	42.379	42.023	-3.3	-.8	-.2	-1.7	-.8
Internet services and electronic information providers ^{1 2} .....	.584	76.621	76.865	.1	.3	.7	.2	.3
Telephone hardware, calculators, and other consumer information items ^{1 2} .....	.089	32.033	31.962	-4.4	-.2	.5	.5	-.2
Other goods and services	3.385	391.236	392.364	1.7	.3	.2	-.1	.2
Tobacco and smoking products ¹ .....	.804	847.880	845.760	1.8	-.3	.5	-.4	-.3
Cigarettes ^{1 2} .....	.744	345.259	344.284	1.7	-.3	.5	-.4	-.3
Tobacco products other than cigarettes ^{1 2} .....	.054	230.135	230.615	3.5	.2	.5	-.1	.2
Personal care	2.581	210.330	211.289	1.7	.5	.1	-.1	.4
Personal care products ¹ .....	.656	160.616	162.620	1.0	1.2	.3	-.4	1.2
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products ^{1 2} .....	.342	102.246	103.755	.8	1.5	.2	.0	1.5
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements ¹ .....	.307	184.612	186.468	1.1	1.0	.3	-.9	1.0
Personal care services ¹ .....	.633	232.907	233.300	1.4	.2	-.1	.4	.2
Haircuts and other personal care services ^{1 2} .....	.633	142.112	142.351	1.4	.2	-.1	.4	.2
Miscellaneous personal services	1.081	367.968	368.877	2.7	.2	-.1	-.1	.2
Legal services ^{1 8} .....	.297	300.865	301.696	2.0	.3	.2	.0	.3
Funeral expenses ⁸ .....	.159	292.975	291.449	1.9	-.5	.3	.2	-.5
Laundry and dry cleaning services ² .....	.241	145.685	145.714	1.6	.0	.1	.2	.1
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning ^{1 2} .....	.030	168.033	168.526	4.7	.3	.0	.1	.3
Financial services ^{1 8} .....	.212	280.796	283.675	5.7	1.0	.0	-.9	1.0
Checking account and other bank services ^{1 2 3}	-	138.424	138.607	8.9	.1	.0	2.0	.1
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees ^{1 2 3}	-	186.197	188.803	5.8	1.4	-.1	.5	1.4
Miscellaneous personal goods ² .....	.211	86.768	86.711	-.3	-.1	.7	-.2	-.5
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap ³	-	156.955	156.775	.4	-.1	.5	-.5	-.4
Infants' equipment ^{1 3 5}	-	92.027	92.231	-3.5	.2	-.2	-.1	.2
Special aggregate indexes								
Commodities	39.966	186.279	189.201	3.5	1.6	.3	.9	.4
Commodities less food and beverages	24.710	161.451	165.413	3.8	2.5	.4	1.4	.6
Nondurables less food and beverages	15.742	211.182	219.086	5.3	3.7	.8	1.9	.9
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	12.179	270.682	281.225	5.3	3.9	.6	2.8	1.1
Durables	8.968	112.780	112.926	1.1	.1	-.1	.2	.1
Services	60.034	268.819	269.396	2.1	.2	.2	.1	.2
Rent of shelter ⁷	31.190	265.628	266.323	2.1	.3	-.1	.1	.2
Transportation services	5.797	269.535	270.604	1.4	.4	.0	-.2	.3
Other services	11.598	319.510	320.315	2.6	.3	.4	.1	.3
All items less food	85.692	226.927	228.887	2.6	.9	.2	.5	.3
All items less shelter	68.461	219.580	221.744	2.9	1.0	.2	.5	.3

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Table 3. Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and Group	Relative importance, December 2011	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 2012 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Special aggregate indexes								
All items less medical care	92.939	218.737	220.483	2.6	0.8	0.2	0.4	0.3
Commodities less food	25.658	163.994	167.858	3.7	2.4	.5	1.4	.6
Nondurables less food	16.690	212.459	219.940	5.1	3.5	.8	1.9	.8
Nondurables less food and apparel	13.127	265.898	275.483	5.1	3.6	.7	2.7	1.0
Nondurables	30.997	222.634	227.039	4.2	2.0	.5	1.0	.6
Apparel less footwear	2.885	117.821	121.954	5.8	3.5	1.2	-1.1	.5
Services less rent of shelter ⁷	28.844	293.406	293.886	2.0	.2	.1	-.1	.2
Services less medical care services	54.689	256.123	256.675	1.9	.2	.1	.0	.1
Energy	9.679	242.663	253.599	4.6	4.5	.2	3.2	.9
All items less energy	90.321	227.925	228.705	2.4	.3	.2	.1	.2
All items less food and energy	76.013	227.865	228.735	2.3	.4	.2	.1	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities	19.852	146.628	147.644	2.1	.7	.2	.1	.2
Energy commodities	5.806	310.685	334.427	8.7	7.6	.9	5.7	1.7
Services less energy services	56.161	277.027	277.780	2.3	.3	.2	.1	.2
Domestically produced farm food ¹	7.287	237.911	238.154	3.7	.1	.7	-.1	.1
Utilities and public transportation	10.010	205.398	205.637	.5	.1	-.2	.0	.0
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00)	-	\$.439	\$.436	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00)	-	\$.147	\$.146	-	-	-	-	-

1 Not seasonally adjusted.
2 Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.
3 Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.
4 Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.
5 Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.
6 This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.
7 Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.
8 Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.
9 Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

10 Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.
11 Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.
12 Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.
13 Indexes on a December 2009=100 base.
14 Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.
15 Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.
NA Data not adequate for publication.
- Data not available.
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): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	June 2011	Sep. 2011	Dec. 2011	Mar. 2012	Sep. 2011	Mar. 2012
Expenditure category										
All items	227.033	227.505	228.433	229.098	3.0	3.7	0.3	3.7	3.3	2.0
Food and beverages	231.610	232.080	232.208	232.529	3.9	5.4	2.0	1.6	4.7	1.8
Food	231.778	232.154	232.245	232.617	4.0	5.8	2.0	1.5	4.9	1.7
Food at home	230.805	230.851	230.784	231.095	4.6	7.6	1.7	.5	6.1	1.1
Cereals and bakery products	267.370	266.995	267.562	266.957	7.3	7.4	4.3	-6	7.3	1.8
Cereals and cereal products	234.425	234.353	233.317	232.634	8.8	5.0	6.2	-3.0	6.9	1.5
Flour and prepared flour mixes	252.980	249.724	247.911	251.807	9.0	12.0	10.5	-1.8	10.5	4.1
Breakfast cereal ¹	229.277	228.664	227.984	227.997	11.1	2.3	3.5	-2.2	6.6	.6
Rice, pasta, cornmeal ¹	242.236	242.992	242.217	242.217	3.4	7.1	11.2	-5.3	5.2	2.6
Rice ^{1 2 3}	167.799	170.451	169.290	166.926	7.6	-7	9.7	-2.1	3.4	3.7
Bakery products	284.648	283.900	286.121	285.636	7.0	7.6	3.6	1.4	7.3	2.5
Bread ³	172.959	171.314	173.161	172.553	14.6	8.3	1.1	-9	11.4	.1
White bread ^{1 2}	313.739	309.413	315.076	313.338	17.1	-3.2	7.6	-5	6.5	3.4
Bread other than white ^{1 2}	336.796	328.723	334.680	333.969	15.1	12.2	.9	-3.3	13.6	-1.2
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins ³	166.877	167.471	167.538	167.656	4.9	11.3	-1.9	1.9	8.1	.0
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies	262.511	263.243	264.813	265.540	3.7	10.4	3.9	4.7	7.0	4.3
Cookies ²	252.211	255.178	256.102	254.462	2.6	8.1	5.8	3.6	5.3	4.7
Fresh cakes and cupcakes ^{1 2}	274.773	271.547	275.926	277.551	5.9	10.7	6.6	4.1	8.3	5.4
Other bakery products	258.535	258.994	260.423	258.829	6.8	2.4	6.0	.5	4.6	3.2
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts ^{1 2}	268.619	273.821	275.640	275.308	15.6	4.7	.9	10.3	10.0	5.5
Crackers, bread, and cracker products ²	302.386	299.968	304.764	299.592	7.3	-1.9	13.4	-3.6	2.6	4.5
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers ²	267.622	269.301	267.993	268.877	2.4	6.8	1.0	1.9	4.6	1.4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	229.103	229.463	229.080	230.945	7.1	6.0	5.0	3.3	6.5	4.1
Meats, poultry, and fish	230.062	230.267	230.728	232.412	5.9	5.1	6.4	4.1	5.5	5.3
Meats	231.020	230.818	231.786	232.901	6.2	5.5	6.8	3.3	5.8	5.0
Beef and veal ¹	254.850	257.747	258.292	260.391	5.8	5.1	7.2	9.0	5.5	8.1
Uncooked ground beef ¹	231.838	236.104	238.582	239.639	8.2	-2.0	6.9	14.2	3.0	10.5
Uncooked beef roasts ^{1 3}	188.284	187.714	189.733	189.709	1.1	7.0	13.0	3.1	4.0	7.9
Uncooked beef steaks ^{1 3}	172.004	173.762	172.282	174.754	3.7	13.5	5.7	6.6	8.5	6.1
Uncooked other beef and veal ^{1 3}	182.286	184.050	183.300	185.547	12.1	4.6	4.5	7.4	8.3	5.9
Pork	212.314	209.903	210.511	210.140	4.6	7.4	5.9	-4.0	6.0	.8
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products ³ ..	151.011	149.733	150.995	151.275	11.1	.6	5.1	.7	5.7	2.9
Bacon and related products ²	273.834	273.812	274.204	275.634	26.6	-2.3	9.0	2.7	11.2	5.8
Breakfast sausage and related products ^{1 2 3}	137.789	137.123	140.202	138.968	-1.0	4.7	-1.8	3.5	1.8	.8
Ham	205.125	200.682	199.594	204.461	5.0	7.8	.7	-1.3	6.4	-3
Ham, excluding canned ²	230.869	226.364	224.385	229.886	4.3	6.6	1.2	-1.7	5.4	-2
Pork chops	194.862	194.077	189.724	188.898	.0	13.6	6.0	-11.7	6.6	-3.3
Other pork including roasts and picnics ³	135.965	133.752	134.167	132.618	1.2	11.5	12.6	-9.5	6.2	1.0
Other meats	212.648	210.413	212.589	214.141	9.3	3.6	7.1	2.8	6.4	4.9
Frankfurters ²	209.054	201.737	206.331	207.683	1.4	18.5	9.9	-2.6	9.6	3.5
Lunchmeats ^{1 2 3}	137.693	136.751	137.307	137.625	8.1	4.3	5.9	-2	6.2	2.8
Lamb and organ meats ^{1 2}	327.846	326.935	330.147	330.791	7.8	11.4	-7	3.6	9.6	1.4
Lamb and mutton ^{1 2 3}	216.114	209.460	216.580	217.629	34.5	32.4	-3.0	2.8	33.4	-2
Poultry	214.811	217.143	217.727	220.776	3.8	4.1	6.9	11.6	4.0	9.2
Chicken ³	136.560	138.241	138.350	140.198	2.3	2.1	5.9	11.1	2.2	8.5
Fresh whole chicken ^{1 2}	227.648	225.192	226.622	230.086	15.4	1.4	14.6	4.4	8.1	9.4
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ^{1 2}	205.784	205.647	206.452	209.295	1.7	1.4	7.2	7.0	1.6	7.1
Other poultry including turkey ³	146.379	146.275	148.756	150.976	10.0	10.7	10.9	13.2	10.4	12.0
Fish and seafood	267.190	266.343	264.395	266.948	7.0	4.4	4.6	-4	5.7	2.1
Fresh fish and seafood ^{1 3}	158.030	159.030	156.717	158.184	10.2	-1.3	-1.2	.4	4.3	-4
Processed fish and seafood ³	139.033	139.039	137.821	140.145	11.8	3.6	6.9	3.2	7.6	5.1
Shelf stable fish and seafood ^{1 2}	186.889	189.013	188.398	188.079	1.8	9.1	1.3	2.6	5.4	1.9
Frozen fish and seafood ^{1 2}	296.058	294.405	290.120	290.812	28.4	-1.1	5.6	-6.9	12.7	-9
Eggs	212.506	216.255	202.502	207.251	32.6	23.3	-17.6	-9.5	27.9	-13.7
Dairy and related products ¹	218.458	220.492	219.377	219.131	12.4	14.1	-1.7	1.2	13.2	-2
Milk ^{1 3}	148.665	149.751	147.868	147.211	17.0	10.5	-6.0	-3.9	13.7	-5.0
Fresh whole milk ^{1 2}	212.882	213.209	210.853	210.533	21.5	6.5	-6.6	-4.3	13.7	-5.5
Fresh milk other than whole ^{1 2 3}	152.623	154.234	151.971	151.213	13.5	12.8	-4.7	-3.6	13.2	-4.2
Cheese and related products	226.039	226.525	225.615	224.347	22.0	20.8	-2.4	-3.0	21.4	-2.7
Ice cream and related products	215.592	217.439	214.479	218.238	6.2	9.5	5.1	5.0	7.9	5.0
Other dairy and related products ³	145.289	145.029	145.793	146.199	5.4	9.6	7.4	2.5	7.5	4.9

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Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued

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Expenditure category										
Fruits and vegetables	283.333	279.700	278.347	277.308	-8.2	10.7	-7.8	-8.2	0.8	-8.0
Fresh fruits and vegetables	323.217	318.600	315.306	313.999	-11.3	11.5	-12.9	-10.9	-6	-11.9
Fresh fruits	329.732	323.785	328.143	330.414	-3.7	19.5	-13.5	.8	7.3	-6.6
Apples	319.253	321.935	319.701	314.808	-3.3	39.5	-10.8	-5.5	16.2	-8.2
Bananas	208.772	207.486	203.115	204.324	-1.4	4.9	3.8	-8.3	1.7	-2.4
Citrus fruits ³	209.584	204.769	201.840	204.640	-16.6	18.0	-10.4	-9.1	-8	-9.7
Oranges, including tangerines ²	428.299	424.409	409.474	417.680	-7.2	16.1	3.1	-9.6	3.8	-3.4
Other fresh fruits ³	109.393	106.026	111.107	112.736	6.9	9.3	-20.5	12.8	8.1	-5.3
Fresh vegetables	314.721	311.616	300.647	295.748	-18.0	4.3	-12.3	-22.0	-7.5	-17.3
Potatoes	338.325	332.945	337.433	336.557	4.3	15.0	-11.4	-2.1	9.5	-6.8
Lettuce	296.065	291.645	278.582	277.364	-42.4	-1.6	-8.5	-23.0	-24.7	-16.0
Tomatoes ¹	315.907	316.247	298.321	298.768	-63.4	-15.6	3.7	-20.0	-44.4	-8.9
Other fresh vegetables	322.986	313.982	300.044	299.426	-6.2	4.8	-1.1	-26.1	-9	-14.5
Processed fruits and vegetables ³	156.331	155.131	157.064	156.678	3.0	8.2	10.3	.9	5.6	5.5
Canned fruits and vegetables ³	157.754	157.125	159.524	158.772	1.6	8.5	6.0	2.6	5.0	4.3
Canned fruits ^{2 3}	150.017	148.213	150.253	148.732	2.2	7.2	7.6	-3.4	4.7	2.0
Canned vegetables ^{2 3}	167.324	167.714	169.315	169.572	2.7	11.1	3.6	5.5	6.8	4.5
Frozen fruits and vegetables ³	151.248	148.613	150.203	149.614	6.7	9.1	17.2	-4.3	7.9	5.9
Frozen vegetables ²	209.120	204.829	206.852	205.282	9.9	6.4	16.0	-7.1	8.1	3.8
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried ³	157.808	158.684	160.535	161.770	-1.4	6.5	8.6	10.4	2.5	9.5
Dried beans, peas, and lentils ^{1 2 3}	195.782	195.343	198.901	197.776	9.4	14.1	36.4	4.1	11.7	19.2
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	169.798	169.236	169.152	168.801	6.1	3.2	4.0	-2.3	4.7	.8
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks ³	128.322	127.952	128.173	128.007	3.1	3.2	2.8	-1.0	3.1	.9
Carbonated drinks	161.412	162.010	161.895	160.545	3.3	5.1	3.1	-2.1	4.2	.4
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ^{1 3}	169.472	170.067	170.742	171.466	3.3	29.0	10.1	4.8	15.4	7.4
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ^{1 3}	116.896	117.200	116.581	117.101	-1.3	3.5	3.3	.7	1.1	2.0
Beverage materials including coffee and tea ³	126.446	125.687	124.671	124.169	18.1	4.6	4.8	-7.0	11.1	-1.3
Coffee	226.304	224.597	222.553	221.505	30.7	9.9	10.4	-8.2	19.8	.7
Roasted coffee ²	239.722	238.008	234.989	234.625	30.2	7.3	18.4	-8.2	18.2	4.2
Instant and freeze dried coffee ^{1 2}	219.097	218.542	216.232	210.630	6.3	11.3	7.2	-14.6	8.8	-4.3
Other beverage materials including tea ³	126.641	125.846	125.254	123.920	5.2	-1.3	2.5	-8.3	1.9	-3.1
Other food at home	201.996	203.003	203.834	204.389	5.0	7.0	3.4	4.8	6.0	4.1
Sugar and sweets ¹	210.846	213.700	213.902	215.044	4.3	11.4	-4.6	8.2	7.8	1.6
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	202.185	203.423	202.201	200.201	11.6	9.1	1.1	-3.9	10.3	-1.4
Candy and chewing gum ^{1 3}	138.172	139.150	139.448	141.613	3.9	13.7	-6.1	10.3	8.6	1.8
Other sweets ³	153.389	152.438	154.285	152.389	4.9	4.1	7.6	-2.6	4.5	2.4
Fats and oils	230.188	233.400	231.653	233.442	8.3	10.2	11.4	5.8	9.2	8.6
Butter and margarine ³	186.897	186.145	185.606	185.730	4.5	6.9	-2.4	-2.5	5.7	-2.4
Butter ^{1 2}	199.637	207.073	202.297	195.231	.3	3.8	-26.5	-8.5	2.0	-18.0
Margarine ²	292.750	289.003	289.163	293.954	9.8	24.5	9.8	1.7	16.9	5.7
Salad dressing ^{1 3}	138.083	140.029	138.160	138.815	2.5	7.9	4.9	2.1	5.1	3.5
Other fats and oils including peanut butter ³	166.131	170.955	169.674	171.535	11.5	16.2	25.8	13.7	13.8	19.6
Peanut butter ^{1 2 3}	161.810	172.918	177.801	179.241	15.3	31.1	72.0	50.6	23.0	60.9
Other foods	213.648	214.073	215.460	215.778	4.6	5.6	3.7	4.0	5.1	3.9
Soups	232.047	233.955	236.597	240.088	4.3	14.6	-7.9	14.6	9.4	2.7
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods ¹	169.202	170.113	169.360	171.008	8.6	2.2	-2.9	4.3	5.4	.6
Snacks ¹	231.599	233.842	236.403	237.209	4.0	11.0	7.0	10.0	7.4	8.5
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces	224.459	224.891	226.158	226.087	1.7	-8	10.4	2.9	.5	6.6
Salt and other seasonings and spices ^{2 3}	134.448	138.273	138.153	136.721	1.1	12.0	10.9	6.9	6.4	8.9
Olives, pickles, relishes ^{1 2 3}	127.752	139.105	137.901	138.534	-19.8	20.3	-26.4	38.3	-1.8	.9
Sauces and gravies ^{2 3}	130.588	130.014	131.607	132.330	3.0	-6.5	8.9	5.4	-1.9	7.2
Other condiments ^{1 2}	258.486	270.159	270.615	268.047	7.8	2.2	-7.4	15.6	4.9	3.5
Baby food ^{1 3}	148.108	148.830	148.659	148.656	5.3	10.3	7.6	1.5	7.8	4.5
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 3}	126.293	125.536	127.193	126.856	3.4	4.4	4.1	1.8	3.9	2.9
Prepared salads ^{1 2 4}	110.563	110.146	110.109	110.430	2.5	5.4	5.1	-5	4.0	2.3
Food away from home ¹	234.435	235.268	235.603	236.073	3.2	3.4	2.4	2.8	3.3	2.6
Full service meals and snacks ^{1 3}	146.057	146.570	146.856	147.138	2.8	2.7	2.2	3.0	2.7	2.6
Limited service meals and snacks ^{1 3}	149.265	149.622	149.823	150.251	4.6	2.0	3.9	2.7	3.3	3.3
Food at employee sites and schools ³	147.715	148.148	148.624	149.081	2.7	11.9	-2.6	3.8	7.2	.5
Food at elementary and secondary schools ^{1 2 5}	124.494	124.720	124.698	124.741	-2.9	23.7	-5.2	.8	9.6	-2.2
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors ^{1 3}	138.306	139.453	139.481	139.132	3.7	9.5	.6	2.4	6.6	1.5

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Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	June 2011	Sep. 2011	Dec. 2011	Mar. 2012	Sep. 2011	Mar. 2012
Expenditure category										
Other food away from home ^{1 3}	164.095	165.884	165.566	165.367	1.5	2.1	1.9	3.1	1.8	2.5
Alcoholic beverages	227.849	229.704	230.398	229.958	2.9	.3	1.1	3.8	1.6	2.4
Alcoholic beverages at home	191.986	193.433	193.279	193.358	.4	-8	1.0	2.9	-2	1.9
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home	205.209	206.931	207.961	208.146	1.3	1.8	1.1	5.8	1.6	3.5
Distilled spirits at home	189.067	190.209	189.480	188.931	2.5	-8	-1	-3	.8	-2
Whiskey at home ²	200.386	202.236	198.858	196.459	4.6	4.5	4.0	-7.6	4.5	-2.0
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home ^{1 2}	182.003	184.155	184.769	184.736	3.5	.8	-8.1	6.1	2.2	-1.2
Wine at home	167.434	168.421	167.766	167.583	-1.1	-5.4	1.9	.4	-3.3	1.1
Alcoholic beverages away from home ¹	304.349	306.773	308.371	307.258	7.8	2.0	.7	3.9	4.9	2.3
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home ^{1 2 3}	151.782	152.126	152.412	152.396	3.6	.6	1.1	1.6	2.1	1.4
Wine away from home ^{1 2 3}	164.439	165.620	166.368	166.585	2.4	4.2	-1.0	5.3	3.3	2.1
Distilled spirits away from home ^{1 2 3}	159.903	161.160	162.237	160.912	11.1	1.8	1.8	2.5	6.3	2.2
Housing	221.005	221.246	221.490	221.751	1.4	2.4	1.7	1.4	1.9	1.6
Shelter	254.112	254.613	255.034	255.529	1.5	2.3	2.4	2.2	1.9	2.3
Rent of primary residence ⁶	256.894	257.285	257.867	258.303	1.5	3.3	3.1	2.2	2.4	2.7
Lodging away from home ³	137.482	137.802	140.404	140.763	9.6	-2.3	-2.4	9.9	3.5	3.6
Housing at school, excluding board ^{6 7}	451.930	453.027	454.859	456.324	4.2	3.2	3.8	3.9	3.7	3.9
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels	286.479	286.926	293.356	294.061	11.0	-3.6	-3.8	11.0	3.4	3.3
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{1 6 7}	261.982	262.543	262.812	263.317	1.2	2.3	2.4	2.1	1.7	2.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{1 6 7}	261.960	262.522	262.788	263.294	1.2	2.2	2.4	2.1	1.7	2.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 3}	129.480	129.929	129.158	129.978	4.2	2.4	5.0	1.5	3.3	3.2
Fuels and utilities	221.347	220.362	219.632	219.503	1.3	3.9	-1.8	-3.3	2.6	-2.6
Household energy	193.673	192.424	191.248	190.799	.5	3.7	-3.4	-5.8	2.1	-4.6
Fuel oil and other fuels ¹	340.512	344.644	350.482	356.637	-1.3	-6.9	7.1	20.3	-4.1	13.5
Fuel oil ¹	369.085	374.377	384.747	395.016	.3	-11.0	5.1	31.2	-5.5	17.4
Propane, kerosene, and firewood ⁸	352.052	347.448	347.487	347.084	14.2	7.1	-4.7	-5.5	10.6	-5.1
Energy services ⁶	194.233	192.643	191.073	190.280	.7	4.8	-4.3	-7.9	2.7	-6.1
Electricity ⁶	198.575	198.476	198.437	198.843	.0	4.7	1.3	-3.4	2.3	-1.1
Utility (piped) gas service ⁶	177.840	172.628	166.794	168.263	2.8	5.1	-21.2	-19.9	3.9	-20.5
Water and sewer and trash collection services ³	183.235	183.712	184.996	186.072	4.5	4.3	4.2	6.3	4.4	5.3
Water and sewerage maintenance ⁶	412.466	413.875	417.211	419.989	4.8	5.1	5.0	7.5	5.0	6.2
Garbage and trash collection ^{1 9}	398.720	398.880	400.381	401.692	3.6	1.7	1.7	3.0	2.7	2.4
Household furnishings and operations	125.646	125.732	126.072	125.778	1.2	1.5	1.3	.4	1.3	.9
Window and floor coverings and other linens ^{1 3}	68.666	68.498	68.508	68.680	2.6	-3.5	-4.8	.1	-5	-2.4
Floor coverings ^{1 3}	114.497	113.846	113.701	113.206	8.0	2.3	-4.1	-4.4	5.1	-4.3
Window coverings ^{1 3}	73.982	74.075	74.454	73.794	-2.0	-1.5	2.0	-1.0	-1.8	.5
Other linens ^{1 3}	56.861	56.669	56.565	57.104	3.2	-6.1	-8.1	1.7	-1.5	-3.3
Furniture and bedding ¹	120.117	119.608	119.380	120.374	6.3	-5.2	6.9	.9	.4	3.8
Bedroom furniture ¹	139.848	137.971	136.309	137.484	-3.8	4.3	12.7	-6.6	.2	2.6
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture ^{1 3}	89.506	89.750	89.791	90.367	11.2	-2.7	.8	3.9	4.0	2.3
Other furniture ³	79.403	78.809	78.884	78.128	13.6	-12.4	9.8	-6.3	-2	1.4
Infants' furniture ^{1 2 5}	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-
Appliances ³	86.737	88.099	88.898	89.113	1.7	5.5	.1	11.4	3.6	5.6
Major appliances ³	98.205	100.403	101.960	102.647	5.8	9.2	2.5	19.4	7.5	10.6
Laundry equipment ²	111.085	114.350	116.616	117.844	7.3	14.5	-5	26.7	10.8	12.3
Other appliances ^{1 3}	71.208	72.373	72.909	72.102	-8	.3	-10.1	5.1	-2	-2.8
Other household equipment and furnishings ^{1 3}	66.048	66.470	66.972	66.058	-1.7	-10.4	-7.3	.1	-6.2	-3.7
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items ¹	56.640	57.094	57.490	56.405	-4.0	-14.0	-8.1	-1.6	-9.2	-4.9
Indoor plants and flowers ¹⁰	127.295	126.143	126.711	125.566	-5	-3.8	4.7	-5.3	-2.2	-4
Dishes and flatware ^{1 3}	60.432	61.979	62.165	60.768	7.1	-10.9	-24.5	2.2	-2.3	-12.1
Nonelectric cookware and tableware ³	97.942	98.164	97.026	96.680	3.1	.9	-1.3	-5.1	2.0	-3.2
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies ³	91.725	92.157	92.534	91.893	-5.0	4.7	-1.4	.7	-2	-3
Tools, hardware and supplies ^{1 3}	98.667	99.015	99.771	99.607	4.6	3.5	-1.5	3.9	4.1	1.2
Outdoor equipment and supplies ³	88.063	88.444	88.879	88.116	-6.7	3.7	-2.5	.2	-1.7	-1.1
Housekeeping supplies ¹	189.372	189.522	190.532	190.230	-3	9.3	4.0	1.8	4.4	2.9
Household cleaning products ^{1 3}	124.149	123.732	123.958	123.988	-2.9	10.4	5.2	-5	3.5	2.3
Household paper products ^{1 3}	165.304	165.973	167.111	167.395	-1	8.6	4.9	5.2	4.1	5.1
Miscellaneous household products ^{1 3}	120.085	120.488	121.512	120.706	2.9	8.6	1.8	2.1	5.7	1.9
Household operations ^{1 3}	152.729	153.634	154.198	154.374	3.2	.6	2.0	4.4	1.9	3.2
Domestic services ^{1 3}	145.843	146.471	146.471	146.446	1.0	1.5	.8	1.7	1.2	1.3
Gardening and lawn care services ^{1 3}	157.354	158.953	159.092	159.164	2.6	1.4	.0	4.7	2.0	2.3

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Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued

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	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	June 2011	Sep. 2011	Dec. 2011	Mar. 2012	Sep. 2011	Mar. 2012
Expenditure category										
Moving, storage, freight expense ^{1 3}	125.183	125.514	128.740	129.397	4.0	-4.5	5.2	14.2	-0.4	9.6
Repair of household items ^{1 3}	193.882	194.232	194.067	194.631	-	-	-	1.6	-	-
Apparel	124.539	125.646	124.534	125.175	9.3	4.8	3.6	2.1	7.1	2.8
Men's and boys' apparel	117.795	118.920	116.920	117.891	14.5	6.0	4.5	.3	10.2	2.4
Men's apparel	122.771	124.858	122.705	122.401	11.7	5.7	4.8	-1.2	8.7	1.7
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear	114.818	122.029	118.429	117.941	7.3	6.7	-4.2	11.3	7.0	3.3
Men's furnishings	150.395	150.033	147.431	146.623	13.2	13.0	7.4	-9.7	13.1	-1.5
Men's shirts and sweaters ³	82.540	82.641	81.087	80.422	11.6	8.0	11.2	-9.9	9.8	.1
Men's pants and shorts	116.155	118.394	118.528	118.463	11.8	1.4	3.8	8.2	6.5	6.0
Boys' apparel	97.764	97.010	96.517	102.504	14.8	4.9	2.0	20.9	9.8	11.0
Women's and girls' apparel	111.303	112.767	111.841	112.197	10.1	4.8	3.9	3.3	7.4	3.6
Women's apparel	112.965	114.335	113.810	114.132	9.0	3.0	3.4	4.2	6.0	3.8
Women's outerwear	95.702	96.091	97.805	94.492	8.1	3.9	6.0	-5.0	6.0	.4
Women's dresses	115.192	110.906	122.729	133.485	14.9	-12.5	-2.4	80.3	.3	32.7
Women's suits and separates ³	84.119	86.419	85.141	83.854	6.8	1.2	-1.2	-1.3	3.9	-1.2
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories ³	103.639	104.457	100.862	99.792	11.7	11.7	15.1	-14.0	11.7	-5
Girls' apparel	103.005	104.939	102.213	102.717	15.7	15.0	6.8	-1.1	15.4	2.8
Footwear	128.846	128.516	128.605	129.435	3.0	2.3	-2.2	1.8	2.7	-2
Men's footwear ¹	130.094	129.646	130.775	130.896	1.2	5.4	-2.3	2.5	3.3	.1
Boys' and girls' footwear	136.020	136.017	134.115	135.456	2.7	2.0	-4.1	-1.6	2.4	-2.9
Women's footwear	123.662	123.569	123.451	124.651	4.3	.8	-2.1	3.2	2.5	.5
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	117.848	119.698	118.652	118.893	4.6	13.1	8.8	3.6	8.8	6.2
Jewelry and watches ⁸	169.766	171.002	169.234	170.111	8.8	2.3	9.7	.8	5.5	5.1
Watches ^{1 8}	114.934	115.586	116.563	118.426	-2.1	5.0	-9.6	12.7	1.4	1.0
Jewelry ⁸	182.148	185.001	181.987	182.320	9.6	1.5	12.5	.4	5.5	6.3
Transportation	212.861	213.465	217.846	219.780	6.0	7.5	-7.5	13.6	6.7	2.5
Private transportation	208.050	208.812	213.445	215.398	6.9	7.6	-8.1	14.9	7.3	2.7
New and used motor vehicles ³	100.034	99.631	99.795	100.398	10.6	.1	-3.4	1.5	5.3	-1.0
New vehicles	142.470	142.407	143.277	143.604	9.8	-6	-2.2	3.2	4.5	.5
New cars and trucks ^{2 3}	98.749	98.730	99.289	99.526	9.8	-6	-2.2	3.2	4.5	.4
New cars ²	142.996	142.766	143.414	143.702	12.5	1.1	-4.1	2.0	6.7	-1.1
New trucks ^{2 9}	146.864	147.133	148.076	148.413	6.7	.1	-2.2	4.3	3.4	1.0
Used cars and trucks	149.907	148.412	148.047	150.027	14.5	4.3	-5.3	.3	9.3	-2.6
Leased cars and trucks ¹¹	92.422	91.978	91.084	91.044	3.4	-9.1	-5.4	-5.8	-3.1	-5.6
Car and truck rental ³	124.228	123.483	120.317	122.667	1.5	-5.8	2.8	-4.9	-2.2	-1.1
Motor fuel	300.149	302.700	320.746	326.212	5.6	20.0	-20.2	39.5	12.6	5.5
Gasoline (all types)	298.833	301.449	319.615	325.028	5.7	20.4	-20.8	39.9	12.8	5.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular ²	298.734	301.481	319.937	325.191	5.8	20.8	-21.0	40.4	13.0	5.3
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{2 12}	305.382	307.737	325.414	332.026	5.3	20.4	-20.4	39.7	12.6	5.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium ²	287.120	289.247	306.020	311.191	5.5	18.8	-19.4	38.0	11.9	5.5
Other motor fuels ³	292.806	298.388	302.754	313.998	-27.2	4.9	26.1	32.2	-12.6	29.2
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹	147.499	148.126	148.230	148.298	11.7	2.9	5.2	2.2	7.2	3.7
Tires ¹	134.417	135.310	135.442	135.100	12.6	.9	8.3	2.0	6.6	5.1
Vehicle accessories other than tires ^{1 3}	157.340	157.206	157.225	158.305	9.9	6.8	-5	2.5	8.3	1.0
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires ^{1 2}	147.661	147.448	147.682	148.288	6.6	1.7	-6	1.7	4.1	.6
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids ^{1 2}	354.170	354.378	353.098	359.590	26.4	30.3	.6	6.3	28.3	3.4
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ¹	255.644	256.405	256.968	256.616	2.8	4.4	.6	1.5	3.6	1.1
Motor vehicle body work ¹	261.779	262.293	262.770	263.542	1.6	1.8	1.7	2.7	1.7	2.2
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing ¹	231.079	231.441	231.845	232.217	1.2	5.3	1.2	2.0	3.2	1.6
Motor vehicle repair ^{1 3}	158.184	158.847	159.250	158.606	4.1	4.0	.1	1.1	4.1	.6
Motor vehicle insurance	394.204	394.695	394.078	395.994	3.4	3.0	3.1	1.8	3.2	2.5
Motor vehicle fees ^{1 3}	169.269	171.627	171.459	171.506	.5	2.4	3.8	5.4	1.4	4.6
State motor vehicle registration and license fees ^{1 3 6}	167.554	167.301	166.788	166.855	.7	1.0	3.7	-1.7	.8	1.0
Parking and other fees ^{1 3}	172.468	179.128	179.503	179.518	.1	4.7	4.0	17.4	2.4	10.5
Parking fees and tolls ^{1 2 3}	186.142	195.477	196.079	196.178	1.5	5.4	6.2	23.4	3.4	14.5
Automobile service clubs ^{1 2 3}	122.479	123.510	123.386	123.467	-3.9	5.6	-1.2	3.3	.7	1.0
Public transportation	271.330	269.105	268.594	269.973	-5.2	5.5	.8	-2.0	.0	-6
Airline fare	306.449	303.774	303.361	304.534	-8.5	7.9	.6	-2.5	-6	-9
Other intercity transportation	152.917	151.415	151.056	151.146	-3.4	-4.1	1.1	-4.6	-3.8	-1.8

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Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued

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Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
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	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	June 2011	Sep. 2011	Dec. 2011	Mar. 2012	Sep. 2011	Mar. 2012
Expenditure category										
Intercity bus fare ^{1 2 4}	120.111	118.674	115.529	116.715	-	-	18.8	-10.8	-	2.9
Intercity train fare ^{1 2 4}	107.558	101.248	100.625	105.113	39.0	-30.5	-5.6	-8.8	-1.7	-7.2
Ship fare ^{1 2 3}	63.221	62.286	62.315	62.142	-6.1	.6	-1.6	-6.7	-2.8	-4.2
Intracity transportation ¹	275.715	275.852	277.207	279.208	4.2	.4	2.5	5.2	2.3	3.8
Intracity mass transit ^{1 2 13}	109.135	109.212	109.865	109.880	2.6	.5	2.1	2.8	1.5	2.4
Medical care	406.879	408.096	408.930	410.169	3.3	2.8	4.5	3.3	3.0	3.9
Medical care commodities ¹	327.254	329.201	331.867	333.188	1.8	1.3	2.6	7.5	1.5	5.0
Medicinal drugs ^{1 13}	106.523	107.182	108.056	108.524	1.7	1.6	2.6	7.7	1.7	5.1
Prescription drugs	432.614	433.768	436.367	437.616	4.2	3.8	4.0	4.7	4.0	4.3
Nonprescription drugs ^{1 13}	99.089	98.645	98.161	99.154	-1.5	-2.9	4.9	.3	-2.2	2.5
Medical equipment and supplies ^{1 13}	99.594	99.688	100.387	100.047	2.6	-5.4	3.2	1.8	-1.5	2.5
Hospital and related services	431.762	432.639	432.682	433.860	3.8	3.3	5.1	2.0	3.5	3.5
Professional services	339.288	338.778	338.091	338.600	1.6	2.1	2.8	-8	1.8	1.0
Physicians' services ⁶	344.501	344.074	342.287	342.825	1.5	1.9	3.7	-1.9	1.7	.9
Dental services ⁶	413.029	413.590	413.081	413.821	2.6	2.2	3.1	.8	2.4	1.9
Eyeglasses and eye care ⁸	178.546	178.811	178.411	178.832	-1.4	4.6	-1.6	.6	1.5	-5
Services by other medical professionals ^{1 6 8}	218.223	218.444	219.023	219.287	1.4	-9	1.9	2.0	.2	1.9
Hospital and related services	657.425	659.286	659.271	660.444	7.0	4.6	5.8	1.8	5.8	3.8
Hospital services ^{6 14}	247.784	248.485	248.259	248.822	7.8	5.0	6.5	1.7	6.4	4.0
Inpatient hospital services ^{2 6 14}	243.868	244.739	243.597	243.813	8.0	5.2	8.3	-1	6.6	4.0
Outpatient hospital services ^{2 6 8}	559.018	561.045	562.789	563.861	6.9	4.2	4.9	3.5	5.5	4.2
Nursing homes and adult day services ^{6 14}	184.698	185.677	186.717	187.363	.6	3.6	3.2	5.9	2.1	4.6
Care of invalids and elderly at home ^{1 5}	113.724	114.016	114.009	114.039	3.5	-5	.9	1.1	1.5	1.0
Health insurance ^{1 5}	110.334	112.271	114.068	115.535	1.7	5.9	18.8	20.2	3.7	19.5
Recreation ³	113.753	114.448	114.365	114.566	1.3	-5	1.2	2.9	.4	2.1
Video and audio ³	98.759	99.306	99.433	99.563	-1.6	1.9	1.0	3.3	.2	2.1
Televisions	6.089	6.026	5.913	5.762	-20.6	-19.5	-14.7	-19.8	-20.1	-17.3
Cable and satellite television and radio service ⁹	385.555	388.605	390.485	392.530	1.6	4.0	4.7	7.4	2.8	6.1
Other video equipment ^{1 3}	13.066	12.881	13.080	12.773	-9.3	-11.0	-16.3	-8.7	-10.1	-12.6
Video discs and other media, including rental of video and audio ^{1 3}	80.274	80.716	79.621	79.875	-.7	14.9	2.2	-2.0	6.8	.1
Video discs and other media ^{1 2 3}	51.151	50.704	49.834	50.026	-7.2	-6.1	-5.5	-8.5	-6.7	-7.0
Rental of video or audio discs and other media ^{1 2 3}	117.446	119.478	119.097	119.767	5.4	29.5	11.2	8.1	16.8	9.7
Audio equipment ¹	43.415	43.585	43.232	42.997	-8.6	2.1	-13.7	-3.8	-3.4	-8.9
Audio discs, tapes and other media ^{1 3}	89.448	89.691	89.896	89.704	-4.1	-3.5	-8.0	1.1	-3.8	-3.6
Pets, pet products and services ³	160.810	160.994	161.266	161.958	2.8	3.9	1.8	2.9	3.4	2.3
Pets and pet products ¹	197.465	197.782	198.617	199.630	2.7	4.2	-7	4.5	3.4	1.8
Pet food ^{1 2 3}	147.809	148.702	149.015	149.873	2.9	6.5	-2.1	5.7	4.7	1.7
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories ^{1 2 3}	118.038	117.003	117.896	118.548	.3	.6	2.0	1.7	.4	1.9
Pet services including veterinary ³	204.624	204.716	204.187	204.784	3.0	3.5	6.1	.3	3.2	3.2
Pet services ^{1 2 3}	166.151	166.923	166.830	167.498	2.2	2.8	3.0	3.3	2.5	3.1
Veterinarian services ^{2 3}	212.485	212.190	211.886	212.034	3.3	3.8	5.2	-8	3.5	2.1
Sporting goods ¹	117.640	117.882	118.586	118.241	2.3	-3.7	-1.8	2.1	-7	.1
Sports vehicles including bicycles ¹	147.899	147.690	148.452	147.789	6.9	-1.6	3.2	-3	2.5	1.4
Sports equipment ¹	90.352	90.909	91.544	91.446	-2.9	-6.2	-7.8	4.9	-4.6	-1.6
Photography ³	80.113	79.536	79.780	79.544	2.9	.4	2.1	-2.8	1.6	-.4
Photographic equipment and supplies	66.208	65.211	65.775	65.148	2.7	-4.7	-1.3	-6.3	-1.0	-3.8
Film and photographic supplies ^{1 2 3}	95.798	95.444	96.387	96.809	-1.6	14.4	17.0	4.3	6.1	10.5
Photographic equipment ^{2 3}	29.293	28.707	28.977	28.786	3.8	-14.1	-.4	-6.7	-5.6	-3.6
Photographers and film processing ^{1 3}	117.366	117.015	116.764	117.149	3.0	3.8	4.4	-.7	3.4	1.8
Photographer fees ^{1 2 3}	124.788	124.789	124.225	124.316	10.9	1.1	3.5	-1.5	5.9	.9
Film processing ^{1 2 3}	113.184	112.797	112.915	113.267	2.2	3.6	4.4	.3	2.9	2.3
Other recreational goods ³	54.475	54.941	55.335	54.944	3.0	-7.9	-7.2	3.5	-2.6	-2.0
Toys ¹	54.433	55.048	55.634	55.107	4.2	-9.8	-11.4	5.0	-3.1	-3.5
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment ^{1 2 3}	58.505	59.257	60.561	59.933	9.5	-6.6	-10.6	10.1	1.2	-.8
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies ³	98.558	97.810	97.207	97.838	2.5	-4.6	13.0	-2.9	-1.1	4.8
Music instruments and accessories ^{1 3}	95.271	95.329	95.075	94.838	-3.7	2.3	-1.2	-1.8	-.7	-1.5
Other recreation services ³	146.309	147.907	146.706	147.284	2.7	-2.6	3.8	2.7	.0	3.2
Club dues and fees for participant sports and group exercises ^{1 3}	125.494	125.841	124.774	125.835	3.7	-6.3	16.4	1.1	-1.4	8.5
Admissions ¹	322.494	329.384	326.477	326.671	1.5	-.3	-4.3	5.3	.6	.4

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Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued

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	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	June 2011	Sep. 2011	Dec. 2011	Mar. 2012	Sep. 2011	Mar. 2012
Expenditure category										
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts ^{1 2 3}	156.006	159.002	157.399	157.287	2.2	-0.3	-3.9	3.3	0.9	-0.3
Admission to sporting events ^{1 2 3}	174.767	180.062	178.201	179.463	-2.2	-2	-3.2	11.2	-1.2	3.7
Fees for lessons or instructions ^{1 8}	268.184	269.239	269.770	269.472	2.2	-1.1	-5	1.9	.5	.7
Recreational reading materials ¹	221.146	222.235	221.215	222.840	-1.4	.0	4.5	3.1	-.7	3.8
Newspapers and magazines ^{1 3}	139.136	140.890	139.934	141.423	3.3	2.9	6.2	6.7	3.1	6.5
Recreational books ^{1 3}	102.471	102.020	101.803	102.155	-6.9	-3.5	2.3	-1.2	-5.2	.5
Education and communication ³	132.569	132.930	133.226	133.433	1.3	1.6	2.3	2.6	1.4	2.4
Education ³	212.078	212.673	213.268	213.991	4.2	4.8	4.8	3.7	4.5	4.2
Educational books and supplies	541.542	545.675	546.465	549.522	4.1	6.8	4.2	6.0	5.4	5.1
College textbooks ^{1 2 11}	181.172	183.625	184.022	184.766	.9	12.8	.9	8.2	6.7	4.5
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	609.518	611.041	612.808	614.792	4.2	4.6	4.8	3.5	4.4	4.2
College tuition and fees	687.957	689.612	691.842	695.040	5.0	6.7	5.8	4.2	5.8	5.0
Elementary and high school tuition and fees	658.699	660.839	663.259	664.476	3.9	3.0	4.0	3.6	3.5	3.8
Child care and nursery school ¹⁰	249.598	250.482	250.643	251.185	2.7	.7	3.7	2.6	1.7	3.1
Technical and business school tuition and fees ³	216.206	216.930	218.996	220.226	5.1	7.8	5.2	7.6	6.4	6.4
Communication ³	83.050	83.255	83.398	83.390	-1.4	-1.3	-2	1.6	-1.4	.7
Postage and delivery services ³	153.628	153.280	157.546	157.801	-5	3.4	2.3	11.3	1.4	6.7
Postage	241.021	239.628	246.978	247.429	-1.4	3.7	2.6	11.1	1.1	6.8
Delivery services ^{1 3}	254.464	266.283	264.020	263.709	15.7	-.5	-2.4	15.3	7.3	6.1
Information and information processing ³	79.619	79.842	79.890	79.877	-1.5	-1.6	-.3	1.3	-1.5	.5
Telephone services ^{1 3}	101.397	101.687	101.728	101.800	-.2	-.5	1.2	1.6	-.3	1.4
Wireless telephone services ^{1 3}	59.931	59.919	59.919	59.935	-.1	-3.1	.5	.0	-1.6	.3
Land-line telephone services ^{1 13}	104.131	104.932	105.040	105.184	-.4	2.5	2.1	4.1	1.1	3.1
Information technology, hardware and services ¹⁵	8.827	8.849	8.859	8.838	-5.2	-4.8	-4.9	.5	-5.0	-2.2
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁴	64.590	64.192	64.297	63.449	-10.4	-15.7	-11.1	-6.9	-13.1	-9.0
Computer software and accessories ^{1 3}	43.187	43.106	42.379	42.023	-5.3	-1.6	4.5	-10.4	-3.4	-3.2
Internet services and electronic information providers ^{1 3}	75.987	76.482	76.621	76.865	-2.6	.4	-2.0	4.7	-1.1	1.3
Telephone hardware, calculators, and other consumer information items ^{1 3}	31.733	31.877	32.033	31.962	-5.3	-4.6	-10.0	2.9	-5.0	-3.8
Other goods and services	390.983	391.639	391.195	392.011	.9	2.9	2.1	1.1	1.9	1.6
Tobacco and smoking products ¹	847.063	851.016	847.880	845.760	-9	7.1	1.9	-.6	3.0	.6
Cigarettes ^{1 3}	345.001	346.604	345.259	344.284	-1.4	7.5	1.7	-.8	2.9	.4
Tobacco products other than cigarettes ^{1 3}	229.262	230.381	230.135	230.615	6.2	1.7	3.9	2.4	3.9	3.1
Personal care	210.213	210.462	210.301	211.040	1.5	1.4	2.2	1.6	1.5	1.9
Personal care products ¹	160.825	161.256	160.616	162.620	-2.0	.0	1.7	4.5	-1.0	3.1
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products ^{1 3}	101.995	102.216	102.246	103.755	-3.1	-.7	.3	7.1	-1.9	3.7
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements ¹	185.648	186.245	184.612	186.468	-1.0	.7	2.9	1.8	-.2	2.4
Personal care services ¹	232.302	232.039	232.907	233.300	1.0	.6	2.3	1.7	.8	2.0
Haircuts and other personal care services ^{1 3}	141.742	141.582	142.112	142.351	1.0	.6	2.3	1.7	.8	2.0
Miscellaneous personal services	368.883	368.638	368.381	369.169	3.0	3.2	4.5	.3	3.1	2.4
Legal services ^{1 8}	300.480	301.013	300.865	301.696	1.3	3.9	1.4	1.6	2.6	1.5
Funeral expenses ⁸	291.440	292.278	292.928	291.505	2.6	2.9	2.1	.1	2.7	1.1
Laundry and dry cleaning services ³	145.410	145.605	145.855	145.947	.6	2.3	1.9	1.5	1.4	1.7
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning ^{1 3}	167.815	167.884	168.033	168.526	7.0	5.3	4.9	1.7	6.1	3.3
Financial services ^{1 8}	283.390	283.281	280.796	283.675	10.9	4.0	7.9	.4	7.4	4.1
Checking account and other bank services ^{1 2 3}	135.703	135.715	138.424	138.607	8.5	4.7	13.6	8.8	6.6	11.2
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees ^{1 2 3}	187.775	185.362	186.197	188.803	16.0	1.6	3.8	2.2	8.6	3.0
Miscellaneous personal goods ³	86.214	86.823	86.647	86.205	-.7	.4	-1.0	.0	-.1	-.5
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap ²	156.412	157.145	156.395	155.708	1.3	1.1	1.0	-1.8	1.2	-.4
Infants' equipment ^{1 2 5}	92.346	92.120	92.027	92.231	-2.3	-12.7	2.4	-.5	-7.7	.9
Special aggregate indexes										
Commodities	185.269	185.883	187.596	188.435	4.7	5.3	-2.6	7.0	5.0	2.1
Commodities less food and beverages	160.361	161.056	163.389	164.422	5.1	5.2	-5.1	10.5	5.2	2.4
Nondurables less food and beverages	209.290	210.895	215.005	216.891	5.3	7.8	-6.3	15.3	6.6	4.0
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	266.827	268.523	276.068	279.137	3.7	9.2	-9.3	19.8	6.4	4.2
Durables	112.785	112.618	112.884	112.945	5.1	.2	-1.4	.6	2.6	-.4
Services	268.503	268.937	269.085	269.611	1.8	2.5	2.3	1.7	2.1	2.0
Rent of shelter ⁷	265.018	265.379	265.702	266.108	1.5	2.5	2.7	1.7	2.0	2.2
Transportation services	270.283	270.368	269.913	270.731	1.2	2.4	1.4	.7	1.8	1.0

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Special aggregate indexes										
Other services	318.190	319.362	319.650	320.553	2.0	1.8	3.4	3.0	1.9	3.2
All items less food	226.305	226.794	227.861	228.574	2.8	3.3	.0	4.1	3.1	2.0
All items less shelter	219.019	219.470	220.622	221.362	3.7	4.3	-7	4.3	4.0	1.8
All items less medical care	218.228	218.669	219.595	220.233	3.0	3.7	.0	3.7	3.3	1.8
Commodities less food	162.849	163.582	165.883	166.882	5.0	5.0	-4.9	10.3	5.0	2.4
Nondurables less food	210.490	212.097	216.034	217.862	5.2	7.3	-5.8	14.8	6.2	4.0
Nondurables less food and apparel	262.078	263.793	270.788	273.566	3.7	8.4	-8.5	18.7	6.0	4.2
Nondurables	221.266	222.270	224.565	225.813	4.4	6.6	-2.2	8.5	5.5	3.0
Apparel less footwear	119.012	120.390	119.060	119.637	10.9	5.4	5.0	2.1	8.1	3.6
Services less rent of shelter ⁷	293.840	294.175	294.003	294.501	2.0	2.6	2.6	.9	2.3	1.7
Services less medical care services	256.245	256.504	256.549	256.884	1.7	2.6	2.5	1.0	2.1	1.7
Energy	242.746	243.121	250.868	253.165	3.5	13.1	-13.8	18.3	8.2	1.0
All items less energy	227.246	227.722	227.924	228.423	2.9	2.7	2.0	2.1	2.8	2.0
All items less food and energy	227.188	227.684	227.907	228.432	2.7	2.1	2.0	2.2	2.4	2.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities	146.378	146.685	146.760	147.067	5.2	1.5	-2	1.9	3.3	.9
Energy commodities	304.251	306.902	324.465	330.003	5.2	18.4	-18.9	38.4	11.6	5.9
Services less energy services	276.075	276.695	277.008	277.667	1.8	2.3	2.8	2.3	2.1	2.6
Domestically produced farm food ¹	236.613	238.261	237.911	238.154	3.6	8.4	.3	2.6	6.0	1.5
Utilities and public transportation	207.299	206.821	206.738	206.837	1.7	2.3	-1.0	-9	2.0	-9

1 Not seasonally adjusted.
2 Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.
3 Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.
4 Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.
5 Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.
6 This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.
7 Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.
8 Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.
9 Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

10 Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.
11 Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.
12 Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.
13 Indexes on a December 2009=100 base.
14 Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.
15 Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.
NA Data not adequate for publication.
- Data not available.
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 5. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, unadjusted indexes for special detailed expenditure categories¹

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item	Indexes				1-month percent changes ended—				Percent change to Mar. 2012 from—
	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011
Food and beverages									
Rice ²	167.799	170.451	169.290	166.926	-0.7	1.6	-0.7	-1.4	3.5
White bread	313.739	309.413	315.076	313.338	1.3	-1.4	1.8	-6	5.0
Bread other than white	336.796	328.723	334.680	333.969	1.3	-2.4	1.8	-2	5.9
Fresh cakes and cupcakes	274.773	271.547	275.926	277.551	-1.0	-1.2	1.6	.6	6.8
Cookies	256.852	255.811	255.820	253.948	.5	-.4	.0	-.7	5.0
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts	268.619	273.821	275.640	275.308	-1.1	1.9	.7	-1	7.8
Crackers, bread, and cracker products	292.419	299.362	306.093	299.826	-.6	2.4	2.2	-2.0	3.6
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers	262.387	269.740	268.575	269.880	1.4	2.8	-.4	.5	3.0
Bacon and related products	270.693	272.199	272.819	271.549	-1.2	.6	.2	-.5	8.5
Breakfast sausage and related products ²	137.789	137.123	140.202	138.968	-.8	-.5	2.2	-.9	1.3
Ham, excluding canned	224.696	222.294	218.549	230.065	-2.6	-1.1	-1.7	5.3	2.6
Frankfurters	213.640	207.565	206.525	209.891	3.2	-2.8	-.5	1.6	6.5
Lunchmeats ²	137.693	136.751	137.307	137.625	.4	-.7	.4	.2	4.5
Lamb and organ meats	327.846	326.935	330.147	330.791	.2	-.3	1.0	.2	5.4
Lamb and mutton ²	216.114	209.460	216.580	217.629	.0	-3.1	3.4	.5	15.4
Fresh whole chicken	227.648	225.192	226.622	230.086	2.3	-1.1	.6	1.5	8.7
Fresh and frozen chicken parts	205.784	205.647	206.452	209.295	.2	-.1	.4	1.4	4.3
Shelf stable fish and seafood	186.889	189.013	188.398	188.079	.1	1.1	-.3	-.2	3.6
Frozen fish and seafood	296.058	294.405	290.120	290.812	1.7	-.6	-1.5	.2	5.7
Fresh whole milk	212.882	213.209	210.853	210.533	.2	.2	-1.1	-.2	3.7
Fresh milk other than whole ²	152.623	154.234	151.971	151.213	-.1	1.1	-1.5	-.5	4.1
Oranges, including tangerines	395.553	377.457	369.559	371.108	-10.3	-4.6	-2.1	.4	.1
Canned fruits ²	147.415	148.116	150.632	148.549	1.5	.5	1.7	-1.4	3.3
Canned vegetables ²	165.062	167.354	169.828	169.152	-.4	1.4	1.5	-.4	5.7
Frozen vegetables	206.012	207.156	206.976	205.155	1.0	.6	-.1	-.9	5.9
Dried beans, peas, and lentils ²	195.782	195.343	198.901	197.776	2.0	-.2	1.8	-.6	15.4
Roasted coffee	231.504	236.349	232.978	233.829	-1.6	2.1	-1.4	.4	11.0
Instant and freeze dried coffee	219.097	218.542	216.232	210.630	4.7	-.3	-1.1	-2.6	2.0
Butter	199.637	207.073	202.297	195.231	-.5	3.7	-2.3	-3.5	-8.5
Margarine	285.391	292.835	292.771	294.042	-.5	2.6	.0	.4	11.1
Peanut butter ²	161.810	172.918	177.801	179.241	7.4	6.9	2.8	.8	40.7
Salt and other seasonings and spices ²	132.684	138.383	139.874	138.012	.6	4.3	1.1	-1.3	7.6
Olives, pickles, relishes ²	127.752	139.105	137.901	138.534	-4.2	8.9	-.9	.5	-.5
Sauces and gravies ²	127.154	129.686	131.862	132.419	-.6	2.0	1.7	.4	2.5
Other condiments	258.486	270.159	270.615	268.047	-1.4	4.5	.2	-.9	4.2
Prepared salads ³	110.563	110.146	110.109	110.430	.9	-.4	.0	.3	3.1
Food at elementary and secondary schools ⁴	124.494	124.720	124.698	124.741	.0	.2	.0	.0	3.5
Whiskey at home	198.788	201.969	199.341	197.259	.6	1.6	-1.3	-1.0	1.2
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home	182.003	184.155	184.769	184.736	-1.1	1.2	.3	.0	.5
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home ²	151.782	152.126	152.412	152.396	.0	.2	.2	.0	1.7
Wine away from home ²	164.439	165.620	166.368	166.585	.2	.7	.5	.1	2.7
Distilled spirits away from home ²	159.903	161.160	162.237	160.912	.4	.8	.7	-.8	4.2
Housing									
Infants' furniture ⁴	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	-
Laundry equipment	110.060	113.779	116.784	118.099	1.0	3.4	2.6	1.1	11.5
Transportation									
New cars and trucks ²	99.085	99.435	100.036	100.056	.1	.4	.6	.0	2.5
New cars	143.619	143.698	144.273	144.103	.1	.1	.4	-.1	2.7
New trucks ⁵	147.210	148.269	149.507	149.667	.2	.7	.8	.1	2.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular	280.216	290.655	305.108	330.094	-4.1	3.7	5.0	8.2	9.1
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ⁶	287.561	296.954	311.167	336.688	-3.9	3.3	4.8	8.2	9.0
Gasoline, unleaded premium	271.078	279.459	292.941	315.174	-3.8	3.1	4.8	7.6	8.7
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires	147.661	147.448	147.682	148.288	.1	-.1	.2	.4	2.3
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids	354.170	354.378	353.098	359.590	.8	.1	-.4	1.8	15.2
Parking fees and tolls ²	186.142	195.477	196.079	196.178	.1	5.0	.3	.1	8.8
Automobile service clubs ²	122.479	123.510	123.386	123.467	-.6	.8	-.1	.1	.9
Intercity bus fare ³	120.111	118.674	115.529	116.715	4.0	-1.2	-2.7	1.0	-
Intercity train fare ³	107.558	101.248	100.625	105.113	2.9	-5.9	-.6	4.5	-4.5
Ship fare ²	63.221	62.286	62.315	62.142	-.3	-1.5	.0	-.3	-3.5
Intracity mass transit ⁷	109.135	109.212	109.865	109.880	.1	.1	.6	.0	2.0

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 5. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, unadjusted indexes for special detailed expenditure categories¹-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item	Indexes				1-month percent changes ended—				Percent change to Mar. 2012 from—
	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011
Medical care									
Inpatient hospital services ^{8 9}	242.364	244.411	245.721	245.736	-0.1	0.8	0.5	0.0	5.3
Outpatient hospital services ^{8 10}	556.975	561.735	567.506	567.836	.0	.9	1.0	.1	4.9
Recreation									
Video discs and other media ²	51.151	50.704	49.834	50.026	-3.1	-9	-1.7	.4	-6.9
Rental of video or audio discs and other media ²	117.446	119.478	119.097	119.767	-.3	1.7	-.3	.6	13.2
Pet food ²	147.809	148.702	149.015	149.873	-.1	.6	.2	.6	3.2
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories ²	118.038	117.003	117.896	118.548	-.7	-.9	.8	.6	1.1
Pet services ²	166.151	166.923	166.830	167.498	.3	.5	-.1	.4	2.8
Veterinarian services ²	211.015	211.331	211.977	212.424	.6	.1	.3	.2	2.8
Film and photographic supplies ²	95.798	95.444	96.387	96.809	-.4	-.4	1.0	.4	8.3
Photographic equipment ²	28.774	28.382	28.541	28.364	-2.6	-1.4	.6	-.6	-4.6
Photographer fees ²	124.788	124.789	124.225	124.316	.5	.0	-.5	.1	3.4
Film processing ²	113.184	112.797	112.915	113.267	-.1	-.3	.1	-.3	2.6
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment ²	58.505	59.257	60.561	59.933	-.2	1.3	2.2	-1.0	.2
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts ²	156.006	159.002	157.399	157.287	.3	1.9	-1.0	-.1	.3
Admission to sporting events ²	174.767	180.062	178.201	179.463	-.1	3.0	-1.0	.7	1.3
Education and communication									
College textbooks ¹¹	181.172	183.625	184.022	184.766	-.2	1.4	.2	.4	5.6
Other goods and services									
Checking account and other bank services ²	135.703	135.715	138.424	138.607	2.7	.0	2.0	.1	8.9
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees ²	187.775	185.362	186.197	188.803	-1.0	-1.3	.5	1.4	5.8
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap	157.573	157.451	156.955	156.775	.1	-.1	-.3	-.1	.4
Infants' equipment ⁴	92.346	92.120	92.027	92.231	.0	-.2	-.1	.2	-3.5

¹ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 2009=100 base.

⁸ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other

item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

¹⁰ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

¹¹ Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.

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): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Relative importance, December 2011	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 2012 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category								
All items	100.000	224.317	226.304	2.9	0.9	0.2	0.5	0.3
All items (1967=100)	-	668.171	674.090	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	15.940	231.971	232.240	3.3	.1	.2	.1	.1
Food	15.071	231.806	232.126	3.4	.1	.2	.0	.2
Food at home	9.460	230.148	230.377	3.6	.1	.0	.0	.1
Cereals and bakery products	1.338	268.245	267.790	4.5	-2	-1	.1	-1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.278	228.787	230.423	5.3	.7	.1	.0	.7
Dairy and related products ¹ .....	.991	218.218	217.975	6.2	-1	.8	-.4	-1
Fruits and vegetables	1.318	278.626	276.807	-3.9	-7	-1.2	-.6	-.4
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	1.093	168.825	168.498	2.4	-2	-.4	-.1	-.3
Other food at home	2.442	203.131	203.721	5.1	.3	.5	.3	.3
Sugar and sweets ¹ .....	.334	213.086	214.050	4.7	.5	1.5	.1	.5
Fats and oils .....	.291	234.241	234.763	9.5	.2	1.5	-.9	.8
Other foods	1.817	215.327	215.913	4.5	.3	.2	.6	.2
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2} .....	.633	127.047	126.611	3.1	-.3	-.7	1.3	-.3
Food away from home ¹	5.611	235.782	236.262	3.0	.2	.3	.2	.2
Other food away from home ^{1 2} .....	.352	165.955	165.661	1.7	-2	.6	-.2	-.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	.869	233.328	232.705	2.5	-.3	.9	.6	-.2
Housing	39.848	217.717	218.024	1.7	.1	.1	.1	.1
Shelter	30.486	248.868	249.453	2.1	.2	.2	.2	.2
Rent of primary residence ³	8.926	256.292	256.674	2.5	.1	.1	.2	.2
Lodging away from home ² .....	.433	137.590	142.514	3.2	3.6	-1	1.7	.6
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{1 3 4}	20.821	238.085	238.543	1.9	.2	.2	.1	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{1 3 4}	20.165	238.078	238.536	1.9	.2	.2	.1	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.306	130.565	131.427	3.6	.7	.4	-.5	.7
Fuels and utilities	5.903	215.460	214.848	.0	-.3	-.5	-.4	-.1
Household energy	4.676	186.170	185.276	-1.2	-.5	-.7	-.6	-.3
Fuel oil and other fuels ¹ .....	.282	350.169	355.613	4.2	1.6	1.1	1.8	1.6
Energy services ³	4.394	187.193	186.040	-1.6	-.6	-.8	-.8	-.4
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	1.227	185.943	186.775	4.9	.4	.4	.6	.6
Household furnishings and operations	3.458	122.201	122.236	1.2	.0	.1	.2	-.1
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.357	156.914	157.118	2.7	.1	.6	.1	.1
Apparel	3.618	123.044	126.940	5.7	3.2	.9	-.9	.7
Men's and boys' apparel .....	.882	117.088	120.808	7.5	3.2	.7	-1.5	1.7
Women's and girls' apparel	1.407	109.862	115.303	6.2	5.0	1.2	-1.1	.6
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.280	121.768	123.443	7.9	1.4	1.6	-1.1	.0
Footwear .....	.813	128.188	130.314	1.7	1.7	-.2	.0	.4
Transportation	19.031	215.665	222.947	5.3	3.4	.4	2.3	1.0
Private transportation	18.154	212.481	219.856	5.5	3.5	.4	2.4	1.0
New and used motor vehicles ²	6.239	99.279	99.800	2.5	.5	-.5	.2	.7
New vehicles	3.035	145.475	145.511	2.5	.0	-1	.7	.2
Used cars and trucks	2.736	148.055	149.726	3.2	1.1	-1.0	-.2	1.3
Motor fuel	7.015	307.606	332.384	9.0	8.1	.9	5.9	1.7
Gasoline (all types)	6.773	306.466	331.481	9.0	8.2	.9	6.0	1.7
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹ .....	.511	147.905	147.990	5.2	.1	.4	.1	.1
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ¹	1.153	259.689	259.389	2.4	-.1	.3	.2	-.1
Public transportation .....	.877	264.030	267.589	.3	1.3	-.7	-.1	.6
Medical care	5.670	413.022	414.116	3.7	.3	.3	.2	.3
Medical care commodities ¹	1.344	323.842	325.227	3.5	.4	.6	.8	.4
Medical care services	4.327	439.305	440.246	3.7	.2	.3	.1	.3
Professional services	2.390	342.887	343.092	1.4	.1	-.1	-.3	.1

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 6. 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)

Item and group	Relative importance, December 2011	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 2012 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category								
Hospital and related services	1.399	669.040	669.329	5.0	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.2
Recreation ²	5.579	110.881	111.200	1.2	.3	.6	.0	.1
Video and audio ²	2.060	100.192	100.754	1.4	.6	.7	.0	.2
Education and communication ²	6.800	126.853	126.905	1.5	.0	.2	.2	.1
Education ²	2.686	209.868	209.968	4.2	.0	.2	.2	.3
Educational books and supplies .....	.214	554.958	557.037	5.6	.4	.6	.1	.5
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	2.472	589.075	589.187	4.0	.0	.2	.3	.3
Communication ²	4.114	85.892	85.922	-.2	.0	.2	.1	.0
Information and information processing ²	3.999	83.455	83.486	-.4	.0	.2	.1	.0
Telephone services ^{1 2}	2.984	101.050	101.112	.4	.1	.2	.0	.1
Information technology, hardware and services ⁵	1.015	9.423	9.420	-3.2	.0	.2	.1	-.1
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁶ .....	.247	64.729	64.198	-10.1	-.8	-.7	.2	-1.2
Other goods and services	3.515	421.412	422.358	1.7	.2	.2	-.1	.2
Tobacco and smoking products ¹	1.227	853.214	851.360	1.9	-.2	.5	-.4	-.2
Personal care	2.288	207.958	208.918	1.5	.5	.1	.0	.4
Personal care products ¹ .....	.611	161.121	163.005	.8	1.2	.3	-.2	1.2
Personal care services ¹ .....	.577	232.964	233.362	1.4	.2	-.1	.4	.2
Miscellaneous personal services .....	.921	369.051	369.972	2.5	.2	-.1	.0	.2
Commodity and service group								
Commodities	42.665	190.816	194.276	4.0	1.8	.4	1.1	.5
Food and beverages	15.940	231.971	232.240	3.3	.1	.2	.1	.1
Commodities less food and beverages	26.725	168.180	172.900	4.4	2.8	.5	1.7	.8
Nondurables less food and beverages	17.285	223.359	232.634	5.9	4.2	.9	2.2	1.1
Apparel	3.618	123.044	126.940	5.7	3.2	.9	-.9	.7
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	13.667	290.400	303.181	5.9	4.4	.7	3.1	1.3
Durables	9.440	114.470	114.768	1.5	.3	-.2	.3	.2
Services	57.335	263.904	264.394	2.0	.2	.1	.0	.2
Rent of shelter ⁴	30.181	239.820	240.373	2.1	.2	.2	.1	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.306	130.565	131.427	3.6	.7	.4	-.5	.7
Energy services ³	4.394	187.193	186.040	-1.6	-.6	-.8	-.8	-.4
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	1.227	185.943	186.775	4.9	.4	.4	.6	.6
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.357	156.914	157.118	2.7	.1	.6	.1	.1
Transportation services	5.641	271.019	271.891	2.1	.3	.1	-.1	.3
Medical care services	4.327	439.305	440.246	3.7	.2	.3	.1	.3
Other services	10.903	303.908	304.690	2.2	.3	.3	.1	.3
Special indexes								
All items less food	84.929	222.792	225.059	2.8	1.0	.2	.6	.4
All items less shelter	69.514	217.801	220.347	3.2	1.2	.2	.6	.4
All items less medical care	94.330	216.699	218.700	2.8	.9	.2	.5	.3
Commodities less food	27.594	170.476	175.097	4.3	2.7	.5	1.6	.7
Nondurables less food	18.154	224.205	233.049	5.7	3.9	.9	2.1	1.0
Nondurables less food and apparel	14.536	284.362	296.105	5.7	4.1	.8	2.9	1.3
Nondurables	33.225	228.711	233.849	4.7	2.2	.5	1.2	.7
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	27.154	258.697	259.048	2.0	.1	.1	-.1	.1
Services less medical care services	53.008	251.882	252.344	1.9	.2	.1	.0	.2
Energy	11.691	245.158	256.979	5.0	4.8	.2	3.4	1.0
All items less energy	88.309	222.758	223.520	2.5	.3	.2	.1	.2
All items less food and energy	73.238	221.318	222.169	2.4	.4	.2	.1	.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities	20.297	149.277	150.368	2.4	.7	.2	.0	.3
Energy commodities	7.297	310.990	335.299	8.8	7.8	.9	5.8	1.7
Services less energy services	52.941	272.318	273.002	2.3	.3	.2	.1	.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00)	-	\$.446	\$.442	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00)	-	\$.150	\$.148	-	-	-	-	-

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.

- Data not available.

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

Table 7. 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)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	June 2011	Sep. 2011	Dec. 2011	Mar. 2012	Sep. 2011	Mar. 2012
Expenditure category										
All items	223.684	224.148	225.250	225.994	3.2	4.2	-0.1	4.2	3.7	2.0
Food and beverages	231.158	231.622	231.754	232.064	4.0	5.7	2.0	1.6	4.8	1.8
Food	231.162	231.529	231.594	231.954	4.1	6.0	2.1	1.4	5.0	1.7
Food at home	229.833	229.919	229.814	230.105	4.7	7.6	1.8	.5	6.1	1.2
Cereals and bakery products	268.006	267.803	268.004	267.629	7.3	7.5	4.0	-.6	7.4	1.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	229.098	229.355	229.260	230.867	7.4	5.7	4.9	3.1	6.6	4.0
Dairy and related products ¹	217.503	219.185	218.218	217.975	12.7	14.0	-1.6	.9	13.3	-4
Fruits and vegetables	281.176	277.918	276.351	275.240	-9.4	11.2	-7.2	-8.2	.4	-7.7
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	168.908	168.287	168.103	167.667	5.6	3.5	3.5	-2.9	4.6	.2
Other food at home	201.182	202.272	202.972	203.552	5.2	7.2	3.4	4.8	6.2	4.1
Sugar and sweets ¹	209.639	212.860	213.086	214.050	4.0	10.4	-3.6	8.7	7.2	2.3
Fats and oils	231.558	235.062	232.860	234.746	9.1	11.1	12.1	5.6	10.1	8.8
Other foods	213.598	214.023	215.306	215.674	4.7	5.9	3.4	3.9	5.3	3.7
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	126.235	125.367	127.047	126.611	3.5	4.1	3.5	1.2	3.8	2.3
Food away from home ¹	234.666	235.423	235.782	236.262	3.2	3.8	2.4	2.7	3.5	2.6
Other food away from home ^{1 2}	165.205	166.216	165.955	165.661	1.7	2.2	1.9	1.1	1.9	1.5
Alcoholic beverages	229.662	231.733	233.018	232.468	2.6	1.2	1.3	5.0	1.9	3.1
Housing	217.764	217.930	218.097	218.359	1.4	2.6	1.8	1.1	2.0	1.4
Shelter	248.039	248.481	248.869	249.355	1.3	2.4	2.6	2.1	1.9	2.4
Rent of primary residence ³	255.050	255.369	255.957	256.379	1.5	3.3	3.1	2.1	2.4	2.6
Lodging away from home ²	138.932	138.797	141.111	141.970	8.9	-3.2	-1.4	9.0	2.7	3.7
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{1 3 4}	237.350	237.848	238.085	238.543	1.1	2.2	2.5	2.0	1.6	2.3
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{1 3 4}	237.342	237.840	238.078	238.536	1.1	2.1	2.5	2.0	1.6	2.3
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	130.695	131.182	130.565	131.427	4.3	2.7	5.1	2.3	3.5	3.7
Fuels and utilities	219.922	218.917	218.074	217.836	1.9	3.9	-1.8	-3.7	2.9	-2.8
Household energy	191.695	190.399	189.184	188.611	1.2	3.8	-3.3	-6.3	2.5	-4.8
Fuel oil and other fuels ¹	340.375	344.055	350.169	355.613	-2.7	-5.5	7.4	19.1	-4.1	13.1
Energy services ³	193.537	191.946	190.425	189.616	1.5	4.6	-4.1	-7.9	3.1	-6.0
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	183.611	184.306	185.386	186.549	4.6	4.4	4.2	6.6	4.5	5.4
Household furnishings and operations	121.857	121.930	122.141	121.959	1.3	2.3	.9	.3	1.8	.6
Household operations ^{1 2}	155.744	156.727	156.914	157.118	4.3	4	2.7	3.6	2.3	3.1
Apparel	124.119	125.293	124.138	125.023	10.1	6.1	4.0	2.9	8.1	3.5
Men's and boys' apparel	118.421	119.207	117.459	119.499	13.8	6.8	6.0	3.7	10.2	4.9
Women's and girls' apparel	111.270	112.645	111.458	112.119	11.5	6.3	4.1	3.1	8.9	3.6
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	121.697	123.626	122.247	122.301	5.7	14.9	9.3	2.0	10.2	5.6
Footwear	129.348	129.142	129.127	129.698	5.0	2.4	-1.4	1.1	3.7	-2
Transportation	213.811	214.570	219.572	221.756	6.5	8.6	-8.4	15.7	7.5	3.0
Private transportation	210.392	211.254	216.417	218.609	7.0	8.7	-8.8	16.6	7.8	3.1
New and used motor vehicles ²	99.627	99.128	99.284	99.981	11.3	1.2	-3.5	1.4	6.1	-1.1
New vehicles	143.506	143.417	144.448	144.744	9.4	-3	-2.0	3.5	4.4	.7
Used cars and trucks	150.961	149.463	149.093	151.082	14.6	4.4	-5.3	.3	9.4	-2.5
Motor fuel	301.259	303.958	322.030	327.588	5.2	20.1	-20.2	39.8	12.4	5.6
Gasoline (all types)	300.075	302.847	321.034	326.534	5.4	20.5	-20.9	40.2	12.7	5.3
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹	147.223	147.804	147.905	147.990	11.1	3.3	4.4	2.1	7.2	3.2
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ¹	258.355	259.076	259.689	259.389	2.8	4.6	.5	1.6	3.7	1.1
Public transportation	268.487	266.645	266.487	268.082	-4.6	5.3	1.4	-6	.2	.4
Medical care	409.115	410.534	411.483	412.708	3.4	2.7	4.9	3.6	3.1	4.2
Medical care commodities ¹	319.396	321.314	323.842	325.227	1.9	1.5	3.2	7.5	1.7	5.3
Medical care services	435.752	436.902	437.159	438.282	3.9	3.1	5.5	2.3	3.5	3.9
Professional services	343.032	342.799	341.810	342.260	1.7	2.1	2.8	-.9	1.9	.9

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 7. 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)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	June 2011	Sep. 2011	Dec. 2011	Mar. 2012	Sep. 2011	Mar. 2012
Expenditure category										
Hospital and related services	660.972	662.755	663.750	665.013	6.9	4.5	6.3	2.5	5.7	4.4
Recreation ²	110.249	110.877	110.893	111.053	1.2	-3	1.0	2.9	.5	2.0
Video and audio ²	99.583	100.249	100.265	100.446	-1.9	2.0	1.9	3.5	.0	2.7
Education and communication ²	126.323	126.612	126.838	127.016	.9	.8	2.1	2.2	.8	2.1
Education ²	208.927	209.422	209.945	210.638	4.0	4.1	5.2	3.3	4.1	4.3
Educational books and supplies	548.831	552.247	552.720	555.676	4.5	7.4	5.3	5.1	6.0	5.2
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	586.751	587.964	589.517	591.357	4.0	3.8	5.2	3.2	3.9	4.2
Communication ²	85.553	85.741	85.854	85.869	-1.2	-1.3	.0	1.5	-1.2	.7
Information and information processing ²	83.179	83.377	83.424	83.435	-1.2	-1.5	-1	1.2	-1.3	.6
Telephone services ^{1 2}	100.764	101.014	101.050	101.112	-2	-7	1.2	1.4	-4	1.3
Information technology, hardware and services ⁵	9.379	9.398	9.409	9.397	-4.7	-4.1	-4.5	.8	-4.4	-1.9
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁶	64.651	64.202	64.338	63.559	-10.3	-14.5	-8.9	-6.6	-12.4	-7.7
Other goods and services	420.998	421.681	421.310	422.003	.5	3.5	1.8	1.0	2.0	1.4
Tobacco and smoking products ¹	852.435	856.419	853.214	851.360	-9	7.4	1.9	-.5	3.2	.7
Personal care	207.746	207.885	207.881	208.648	1.4	1.3	1.8	1.7	1.3	1.8
Personal care products ¹	160.954	161.473	161.121	163.005	-2.2	-4	.8	5.2	-1.3	3.0
Personal care services ¹	232.313	232.093	232.964	233.362	1.0	.6	2.0	1.8	.8	1.9
Miscellaneous personal services	369.704	369.334	369.317	370.042	3.1	2.9	3.7	.4	3.0	2.0
Commodity and service group										
Commodities	189.707	190.404	192.449	193.470	4.9	6.3	-3.1	8.2	5.6	2.4
Food and beverages	231.158	231.622	231.754	232.064	4.0	5.7	2.0	1.6	4.8	1.8
Commodities less food and beverages	166.976	167.752	170.554	171.848	5.4	6.6	-6.0	12.2	6.0	2.7
Nondurables less food and beverages	220.944	222.849	227.803	230.248	5.5	8.8	-7.3	17.9	7.1	4.6
Apparel	124.119	125.293	124.138	125.023	10.1	6.1	4.0	2.9	8.1	3.5
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	285.869	288.013	296.863	300.754	3.6	10.4	-10.3	22.5	6.9	4.8
Durables	114.642	114.372	114.741	114.977	5.8	.8	-1.7	1.2	3.3	-3
Services	263.648	264.025	264.147	264.641	1.7	2.5	2.4	1.5	2.1	1.9
Rent of shelter ⁴	239.075	239.434	239.753	240.205	1.4	2.5	2.6	1.9	2.0	2.3
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	130.695	131.182	130.565	131.427	4.3	2.7	5.1	2.3	3.5	3.7
Energy services ³	193.537	191.946	190.425	189.616	1.5	4.6	-4.1	-7.9	3.1	-6.0
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	183.611	184.306	185.386	186.549	4.6	4.4	4.2	6.6	4.5	5.4
Household operations ^{1 2}	155.744	156.727	156.914	157.118	4.3	.4	2.7	3.6	2.3	3.1
Transportation services	271.151	271.447	271.090	271.961	2.1	2.8	2.1	1.2	2.5	1.7
Medical care services	435.752	436.902	437.159	438.282	3.9	3.1	5.5	2.3	3.5	3.9
Other services	302.648	303.629	303.953	304.757	1.6	1.4	3.2	2.8	1.5	3.0
Special indexes										
All items less food	222.168	222.638	223.918	224.727	3.0	3.9	-.5	4.7	3.4	2.1
All items less shelter	217.207	217.699	219.101	219.953	4.0	5.0	-1.2	5.2	4.5	1.9
All items less medical care	216.172	216.604	217.704	218.427	3.2	4.3	-.4	4.2	3.7	1.9
Commodities less food	169.195	170.019	172.800	174.059	5.3	6.4	-5.8	12.0	5.9	2.7
Nondurables less food	221.670	223.594	228.396	230.790	5.3	8.4	-6.8	17.5	6.8	4.6
Nondurables less food and apparel	279.803	282.002	290.210	293.889	3.4	9.8	-9.5	21.7	6.5	4.9
Nondurables	227.001	228.186	230.923	232.570	4.6	7.1	-2.7	10.2	5.8	3.5
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	259.241	259.493	259.315	259.679	2.2	2.5	2.5	.7	2.3	1.6
Services less medical care services	251.921	252.171	252.218	252.602	1.7	2.5	2.3	1.1	2.1	1.7
Energy	244.867	245.461	253.802	256.268	3.7	13.7	-14.3	20.0	8.6	1.4
All items less energy	222.119	222.551	222.728	223.260	3.1	3.0	2.0	2.1	3.0	2.0
All items less food and energy	220.679	221.124	221.324	221.890	2.9	2.3	2.0	2.2	2.6	2.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities	149.158	149.414	149.453	149.906	5.7	2.3	-.3	2.0	3.9	.9
Energy commodities	304.362	307.238	325.037	330.628	4.9	18.9	-19.2	39.3	11.7	6.1
Services less energy services	271.297	271.896	272.205	272.852	1.8	2.3	2.9	2.3	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 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 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and Group	Relative importance, December 2011	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 2012 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category								
All items	100.000	224.317	226.304	2.9	0.9	0.2	0.5	0.3
All items (1967=100)	-	668.171	674.090	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	15.940	231.971	232.240	3.3	.1	.2	.1	.1
Food	15.071	231.806	232.126	3.4	.1	.2	.0	.2
Food at home	9.460	230.148	230.377	3.6	.1	.0	.0	.1
Cereals and bakery products	1.338	268.245	267.790	4.5	-2	-1	.1	-1
Cereals and cereal products .....	.533	233.650	233.151	4.1	-2	-1	-5	-3
Flour and prepared flour mixes .....	.061	248.279	250.010	7.1	.7	-1.7	-9	1.7
Breakfast cereal ¹ .....	.316	228.214	228.712	3.6	.2	-2	-4	.2
Rice, pasta, commmeal ¹ .....	.156	241.558	238.056	3.6	-1.4	.3	-3	-1.4
Bakery products .....	.805	287.592	287.186	4.9	-1	-1	.6	-1
Bread ² .....	.243	173.897	173.922	5.7	.0	-6	.8	-3
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins ² .....	.115	169.024	169.094	3.8	.0	.2	-1	.1
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies .....	.201	264.127	264.417	5.6	.1	.1	.6	.3
Other bakery products .....	.246	263.531	262.027	3.7	-6	.2	.3	-5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.278	228.787	230.423	5.3	.7	.1	.0	.7
Meats, poultry, and fish	2.141	229.883	231.557	5.3	.7	.1	.3	.6
Meats	1.421	232.160	233.612	5.5	.6	.0	.6	.3
Beef and veal ¹ .....	.635	260.108	262.037	6.7	.7	1.1	.4	.7
Uncooked ground beef ¹ .....	.265	238.841	240.026	6.7	.5	1.8	1.0	.5
Uncooked beef roasts ^{1 2} .....	.100	189.215	188.581	6.3	-3	-2	1.7	-3
Uncooked beef steaks ^{1 2} .....	.215	172.792	175.244	6.9	1.4	.8	-9	1.4
Uncooked other beef and veal ^{1 2} .....	.054	189.562	192.019	7.7	1.3	1.0	-1	1.3
Pork .....	.475	207.286	208.307	3.5	.5	-1.0	.5	-4
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products ² .....	.176	149.848	149.297	4.6	-4	-8	1.0	.2
Ham .....	.099	199.978	208.191	3.1	4.1	-1.6	.1	1.6
Pork chops .....	.083	189.796	189.573	2.0	-1	-1	-2.2	-7
Other pork including roasts and picnics ² .....	.117	129.487	128.441	3.3	-8	-1.8	1.1	-1.9
Other meats .....	.311	214.223	215.482	6.1	.6	-9	1.2	.5
Poultry .....	.390	215.639	218.344	6.3	1.3	1.1	.3	1.3
Chicken ² .....	.310	137.873	139.657	5.3	1.3	1.3	.1	1.4
Other poultry including turkey ² .....	.080	144.702	146.300	10.8	1.1	-3	1.7	.9
Fish and seafood .....	.331	262.549	263.966	3.6	.5	-8	-7	1.0
Fresh fish and seafood ^{1 2} .....	.161	155.958	157.599	2.0	1.1	.1	-1.5	1.1
Processed fish and seafood ² .....	.170	136.044	136.114	5.6	.1	-2	-9	1.6
Eggs .....	.137	213.061	214.140	5.0	.5	1.5	-6.4	2.3
Dairy and related products ¹ .....	.991	218.218	217.975	6.2	-1	.8	-4	-1
Milk ^{1 2} .....	.340	147.226	146.484	3.8	-5	.7	-1.4	-5
Cheese and related products .....	.308	225.026	224.490	9.0	-2	.0	-3	-5
Ice cream and related products .....	.144	217.117	218.144	6.2	.5	.5	-1.0	1.7
Other dairy and related products ² .....	.198	146.145	146.627	6.3	.3	-3	.7	.5
Fruits and vegetables	1.318	278.626	276.807	-3.9	-7	-1.2	-6	-4
Fresh fruits and vegetables .....	.987	316.125	313.966	-6.9	-7	-1.2	-1.2	-5
Fresh fruits .....	.504	325.611	324.076	.2	-5	-1.4	1.1	.6
Apples .....	.082	315.227	310.368	3.5	-1.5	1.0	-6	-1.4
Bananas .....	.091	210.170	210.226	.7	.0	-7	-2.2	.9
Citrus fruits ² .....	.116	187.185	186.258	-5.4	-5	-2.1	-1.5	.9
Other fresh fruits ² .....	.215	113.591	113.313	1.1	-2	-3.2	5.4	1.3
Fresh vegetables .....	.483	305.378	302.613	-13.0	-9	-1.0	-3.5	-1.7
Potatoes .....	.087	328.608	330.618	1.1	.6	-1.8	1.4	-1
Lettuce .....	.066	277.485	272.723	-20.7	-1.7	-1.5	-4.9	.2
Tomatoes ¹ .....	.093	290.746	291.498	-29.4	.3	-1	-6.1	.3
Other fresh vegetables .....	.238	315.745	310.332	-8.1	-1.7	-2.7	-4.3	-4
Processed fruits and vegetables ² .....	.331	156.389	155.503	5.5	-6	-9	1.3	-1
Canned fruits and vegetables ² .....	.164	159.267	158.072	4.6	-8	-6	1.6	-4
Frozen fruits and vegetables .....	.100	147.793	146.537	6.8	-8	-1.9	1.2	-6
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried ² .....	.066	160.178	160.678	5.9	.3	.3	.9	.9

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and Group	Relative importance, December 2011	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 2012 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category								
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	1.093	168.825	168.498	2.4	-0.2	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks ² .....	.846	129.739	129.565	1.8	-1	-3	.0	-2
Carbonated drinks .....	.351	164.608	163.454	2.3	-7	.3	-2	-7
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ^{1 2} .....	.015	170.678	170.968	10.4	.2	-2	.8	.2
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ^{1 2} .....	.480	116.818	117.148	1.3	.3	.4	-7	.3
Beverage materials including coffee and tea ² .....	.247	124.632	124.133	4.3	-4	-8	-4	-7
Coffee .....	.138	221.908	221.759	9.6	-1	-9	-7	-6
Other beverage materials including tea ² .....	.109	125.772	124.736	-7	-8	-1.1	.1	-1.3
Other food at home	2.442	203.131	203.721	5.1	.3	.5	.3	.3
Sugar and sweets ¹ .....	.334	213.086	214.050	4.7	.5	1.5	.1	.5
Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....	.074	204.635	201.487	4.3	-1.5	.5	-7	-8
Candy and chewing gum ^{1 2} .....	.191	138.357	140.463	5.2	1.5	.9	.3	1.5
Other sweets ² .....	.069	154.333	153.806	3.6	-3	-4	1.2	-1.1
Fats and oils .....	.291	234.241	234.763	9.5	.2	1.5	-9	.8
Butter and margarine ² .....	.083	186.764	183.900	1.3	-1.5	-4	-7	-1.1
Salad dressing ^{1 2} .....	.078	138.855	140.109	4.6	.9	1.3	-1.7	.9
Other fats and oils including peanut butter ² .....	.131	172.899	174.479	17.5	.9	3.3	-8	1.1
Other foods	1.817	215.327	215.913	4.5	.3	.2	.6	.2
Soups .....	.102	235.556	242.916	6.4	3.1	.4	1.6	1.5
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods ¹ .....	.346	165.920	167.308	2.8	.8	.4	-3	.8
Snacks ¹ .....	.329	236.929	238.226	8.6	.5	1.3	1.1	.5
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces .....	.297	229.144	228.471	3.6	-3	.3	.6	.0
Baby food ^{1 2} .....	.111	150.137	150.316	6.3	.1	.6	-2	.1
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2} .....	.633	127.047	126.611	3.1	-3	-7	1.3	-3
Food away from home ¹	5.611	235.782	236.262	3.0	.2	.3	.2	.2
Full service meals and snacks ^{1 2}	2.269	146.685	146.974	2.7	.2	.4	.2	.2
Limited service meals and snacks ^{1 2}	2.584	149.723	150.165	3.3	.3	.2	.1	.3
Food at employee sites and schools ² .....	.290	149.400	149.539	4.0	.1	.4	.4	.3
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors ^{1 2} .....	.116	139.261	138.901	3.9	-3	.9	.0	-3
Other food away from home ^{1 2} .....	.352	165.955	165.661	1.7	-2	.6	-2	-2
Alcoholic beverages .....	.869	233.328	232.705	2.5	-3	.9	.6	-2
Alcoholic beverages at home .....	.519	200.691	200.205	1.8	-2	1.0	.3	-1
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home .....	.323	211.115	211.107	3.0	.0	1.1	.8	.0
Distilled spirits at home .....	.058	188.121	187.380	.8	-4	.8	-4	-2
Wine at home .....	.138	165.762	164.538	-1.3	-7	.6	-5	-6
Alcoholic beverages away from home ¹ .....	.350	306.554	305.621	3.5	-3	.7	.6	-3
Housing	39.848	217.717	218.024	1.7	.1	.1	.1	.1
Shelter	30.486	248.868	249.453	2.1	.2	.2	.2	.2
Rent of primary residence ³	8.926	256.292	256.674	2.5	.1	.1	.2	.2
Lodging away from home ² .....	.433	137.590	142.514	3.2	3.6	-1	1.7	.6
Housing at school, excluding board ^{3 4} .....	.099	463.038	463.037	3.7	.0	.1	.4	.3
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels .....	.334	282.187	295.079	3.1	4.6	-1	2.0	.7
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{1 3 4}	20.821	238.085	238.543	1.9	.2	.2	.1	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{1 3 4}	20.165	238.078	238.536	1.9	.2	.2	.1	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.306	130.565	131.427	3.6	.7	.4	-5	.7
Fuels and utilities	5.903	215.460	214.848	.0	-3	-5	-4	-1
Household energy	4.676	186.170	185.276	-1.2	-5	-7	-6	-3
Fuel oil and other fuels ¹ .....	.282	350.169	355.613	4.2	1.6	1.1	1.8	1.6
Fuel oil ¹ .....	.180	387.851	397.238	5.3	2.4	1.4	2.9	2.4
Propane, kerosene, and firewood ⁵ .....	.102	360.982	360.881	2.1	.0	-1.5	-1	.3
Energy services ³	4.394	187.193	186.040	-1.6	-6	-8	-8	-4
Electricity ³	3.366	191.350	190.321	.7	-5	.0	.0	-8
Utility (piped) gas service ³	1.028	169.545	168.044	-9.2	-9	-3.1	-3.5	1.0
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	1.227	185.943	186.775	4.9	.4	.4	.6	.6
Water and sewerage maintenance ³ .....	.949	411.619	413.540	5.6	.5	.5	.7	.7
Garbage and trash collection ^{1 6} .....	.277	400.675	402.200	2.5	.4	.1	.3	.4
Household furnishings and operations	3.458	122.201	122.236	1.2	.0	.1	.2	-1
Window and floor coverings and other linens ^{1 2} .....	.261	67.986	68.585	-2.2	.9	-3	-6	.9
Floor coverings ^{1 2} .....	.029	112.495	112.646	.5	.1	-7	.2	.1
Window coverings ^{1 2} .....	.056	73.324	72.538	-2.3	-1.1	.1	.0	-1.1
Other linens ^{1 2} .....	.176	56.369	57.294	-2.6	1.6	-4	-8	1.6
Furniture and bedding ¹ .....	.726	116.218	116.999	2.5	.7	-2	-3	.7
Bedroom furniture ¹ .....	.247	134.434	135.622	1.2	.9	-1.4	-1.2	.9
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture ^{1 2}355	89.379	89.871	4.0	.6	.5	.1	.6

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Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued

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Item and Group	Relative importance, December 2011	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 2012 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category								
Other furniture ² .....	.105	77.909	78.369	1.3	0.6	-0.2	-0.6	-1.7
Appliances ² .....	.286	89.707	89.624	4.8	-1	1.7	1.1	.2
Major appliances ² .....	.168	102.973	103.629	8.9	.6	2.2	1.7	.6
Other appliances ^{1 2} .....	.113	72.804	71.915	-1.4	-1.2	1.7	.9	-1.2
Other household equipment and furnishings ^{1 2} .....	.381	68.328	67.576	-4.9	-1.1	.4	.8	-1.1
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items ¹ .....	.202	56.128	55.531	-6.9	-1.1	-3	.5	-1.1
Indoor plants and flowers ⁷ .....	.087	133.063	131.682	-2.9	-1.0	-5	.5	-1.3
Dishes and flatware ^{1 2} .....	.038	64.598	62.913	-5.3	-2.6	4.3	.4	-2.6
Nonelectric cookware and tableware ² .....	.054	97.587	97.352	-2	-2	-2	-6	-4
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies ² .....	.514	93.411	93.267	-2	-2	.6	.5	-7
Tools, hardware and supplies ^{1 2} .....	.157	100.603	100.331	2.2	-3	.4	.6	-3
Outdoor equipment and supplies ² .....	.241	87.578	87.490	-1.6	-1	.3	.6	-7
Housekeeping supplies ¹ .....	.933	191.851	191.584	3.5	-1	.0	.6	-1
Household cleaning products ^{1 2} .....	.397	125.022	125.052	2.9	.0	-5	.1	.0
Household paper products ^{1 2} .....	.255	166.442	166.700	4.3	.2	.3	.9	.2
Miscellaneous household products ^{1 2} .....	.281	120.659	119.897	3.5	-6	.3	.9	-6
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.357	156.914	157.118	2.7	.1	.6	.1	.1
Domestic services ^{1 2} .....	.081	144.788	144.626	1.3	-1	.4	.0	-1
Gardening and lawn care services ^{1 2} .....	.103	161.360	161.457	2.4	.1	1.1	.0	.1
Moving, storage, freight expense ^{1 2} .....	.077	128.111	128.673	2.4	.4	.6	.5	.4
Repair of household items ^{1 2} .....	.057	198.040	198.350	5.5	.2	.1	-1	.2
Apparel	3.618	123.044	126.940	5.7	3.2	.9	-.9	.7
Men's and boys' apparel .....	.882	117.088	120.808	7.5	3.2	.7	-1.5	1.7
Men's apparel .....	.670	123.259	125.905	6.6	2.1	1.5	-1.8	.5
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear .....	.105	113.073	118.256	6.5	4.6	4.6	-3.5	2.0
Men's furnishings .....	.182	150.855	152.568	7.7	1.1	-2	-1.2	-1
Men's shirts and sweaters ² .....	.203	81.956	82.417	4.9	.6	.8	-2.9	-7
Men's pants and shorts .....	.169	117.471	121.553	7.4	3.5	1.2	-2	1.4
Boys' apparel .....	.212	98.687	105.098	10.5	6.5	-1.3	-7	6.6
Women's and girls' apparel	1.407	109.862	115.303	6.2	5.0	1.2	-1.1	.6
Women's apparel	1.084	110.960	116.930	5.4	5.4	1.1	-.8	.8
Women's outerwear .....	.085	94.095	95.138	-1.7	1.1	.0	-7	-3.2
Women's dresses .....	.171	112.865	134.309	15.7	19.0	-3.1	7.5	11.9
Women's suits and separates ² .....	.466	84.953	88.149	1.9	3.8	2.6	-.9	-2.1
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories ² .....	.345	100.498	101.988	5.6	1.5	1.1	-4.0	-.6
Girls' apparel .....	.324	105.438	109.109	10.1	3.5	2.2	-2.0	-.2
Footwear .....	.813	128.188	130.314	1.7	1.7	-2	.0	.4
Men's footwear ¹ .....	.263	129.010	128.892	1.9	-1	-5	.9	-1
Boys' and girls' footwear .....	.228	136.078	138.274	2.0	1.6	.0	-.6	.8
Women's footwear .....	.322	121.704	125.513	1.4	3.1	.0	-4	1.1
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.280	121.768	123.443	7.9	1.4	1.6	-1.1	.0
Jewelry and watches ⁵ .....	.236	167.943	167.954	6.4	.0	3.1	-1.0	-.6
Watches ^{1 5} .....	.056	110.653	109.598	-1.8	-1.0	.7	1.0	-1.0
Jewelry ⁵ .....	.180	186.319	186.872	8.7	.3	4.4	-1.6	-.4
Transportation	19.031	215.665	222.947	5.3	3.4	.4	2.3	1.0
Private transportation	18.154	212.481	219.856	5.5	3.5	.4	2.4	1.0
New and used motor vehicles ²	6.239	99.279	99.800	2.5	.5	-.5	.2	.7
New vehicles	3.035	145.475	145.511	2.5	.0	-1	.7	.2
Used cars and trucks	2.736	148.055	149.726	3.2	1.1	-1.0	-.2	1.3
Leased cars and trucks ⁸ .....	.332	88.940	88.877	-4.0	-1	-4	-1.3	.0
Car and truck rental ² .....	.043	114.571	118.490	-1.6	3.4	-2.1	-2.8	2.3
Motor fuel	7.015	307.606	332.384	9.0	8.1	.9	5.9	1.7
Gasoline (all types)	6.773	306.466	331.481	9.0	8.2	.9	6.0	1.7
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁹	-	306.345	331.631	9.1	8.3	1.0	6.1	1.7
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{9 10}	-	312.761	338.636	8.9	8.3	.8	5.7	2.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁹	-	293.976	316.451	8.6	7.6	.8	5.8	1.7
Other motor fuels ² .....	.242	286.066	299.914	6.1	4.8	1.9	1.5	3.7
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹ .....	.511	147.905	147.990	5.2	.1	.4	.1	.1
Tires ¹ .....	.323	134.348	133.985	5.6	-3	.6	.1	-3
Vehicle accessories other than tires ^{1 2} .....	.188	156.495	157.473	4.6	.6	.0	.0	.6
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ¹	1.153	259.689	259.389	2.4	-1	.3	.2	-1
Motor vehicle body work ¹050	265.300	266.515	2.2	.5	.1	.3	.5
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing ¹456	234.673	235.065	2.4	.2	.1	.2	.2

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		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Expenditure category								
Motor vehicle repair ^{1 2} .....	.600	159.207	158.599	2.4	-0.4	0.4	0.3	-0.4
Motor vehicle insurance	2.726	398.400	399.325	3.1	.2	.1	-.1	.5
Motor vehicle fees ^{1 2} .....	.511	170.419	170.479	2.5	.0	1.2	-.2	.0
State motor vehicle registration and license fees ^{1 2 3} .....	.342	166.511	166.582	.7	.0	-.2	-.4	.0
Parking and other fees ^{1 2} .....	.156	178.820	178.857	6.5	.0	4.1	.2	.0
Public transportation .....	.877	264.030	267.589	.3	1.3	-.7	-.1	.6
Airline fare .....	.495	294.769	299.811	-.9	1.7	-.8	-.1	.3
Other intercity transportation .....	.083	149.064	150.302	-1.3	.8	-.9	.2	.4
Intracity transportation ¹ .....	.297	274.278	276.714	3.3	.9	.0	.5	.9
Medical care	5.670	413.022	414.116	3.7	.3	.3	.2	.3
Medical care commodities ¹	1.344	323.842	325.227	3.5	.4	.6	.8	.4
Medicinal drugs ^{1 11}	1.297	108.286	108.778	3.6	.5	.6	.8	.5
Prescription drugs	1.033	437.099	438.462	4.5	.3	.3	.6	.3
Nonprescription drugs ^{1 11} .....	.264	98.089	99.098	.2	1.0	-.5	-.5	1.0
Medical equipment and supplies ^{1 11} .....	.047	100.817	100.507	.7	-.3	.0	.8	-.3
Medical care services	4.327	439.305	440.246	3.7	.2	.3	.1	.3
Professional services	2.390	342.887	343.092	1.4	.1	-.1	-.3	.1
Physicians' services ³	1.328	346.849	347.084	1.3	.1	-.1	-.5	.1
Dental services ³ .....	.625	415.757	416.110	2.3	.1	.2	.0	.1
Eyeglasses and eye care ⁵ .....	.190	179.278	178.984	.4	-.2	-.2	-.3	.2
Services by other medical professionals ^{1 3 5} .....	.246	224.792	225.081	1.0	.1	.1	.3	.1
Hospital and related services	1.399	669.040	669.329	5.0	.0	.3	.2	.2
Hospital services ^{3 12}	1.328	249.998	250.092	5.2	.0	.3	.1	.2
Inpatient hospital services ^{3 9 12}	-	243.930	243.967	5.3	.0	.3	-.3	.1
Outpatient hospital services ^{3 5 9}	-	570.101	570.393	4.7	.1	.4	.4	.2
Nursing homes and adult day services ^{3 12} .....	.063	199.823	200.135	3.5	.2	.5	.4	.3
Care of invalids and elderly at home ^{1 13} .....	.008	113.648	113.772	1.8	.1	.2	.0	.1
Health insurance ^{1 13} .....	.538	114.856	116.368	11.0	1.3	1.8	1.7	1.3
Recreation ²	5.579	110.881	111.200	1.2	.3	.6	.0	.1
Video and audio ²	2.060	100.192	100.754	1.4	.6	.7	.0	.2
Televisions .....	.185	5.900	5.824	-18.7	-1.3	-1.0	-1.8	-2.3
Cable and satellite television and radio service ⁶	1.500	390.049	393.567	4.2	.9	.9	.3	.5
Other video equipment ^{1 2} .....	.025	12.888	12.571	-11.4	-2.5	-1.3	1.9	-2.5
Video discs and other media, including rental of video and audio ^{1 2} .....	.132	78.698	79.039	3.5	.4	.4	-1.4	.4
Audio equipment ¹ .....	.067	42.364	42.225	-5.5	-.3	.5	-.8	-.3
Audio discs, tapes and other media ^{1 2} .....	.049	90.317	90.032	-3.4	-.3	.3	.2	-.3
Pets, pet products and services ²	1.146	158.753	159.308	3.2	.3	.0	.1	.3
Pets and pet products ¹ .....	.786	199.315	200.125	2.8	.4	.2	.4	.4
Pet services including veterinary ² .....	.360	205.988	206.449	4.0	.2	-.4	-.6	.2
Sporting goods ¹ .....	.519	117.794	117.520	.1	-.2	.1	.7	-.2
Sports vehicles including bicycles ¹ .....	.325	144.195	143.965	2.2	-.2	-.3	.6	-.2
Sports equipment ¹ .....	.191	88.814	88.491	-3.5	-.4	.8	.8	-.4
Photography ² .....	.116	80.655	80.917	.5	.3	-1.1	.3	.2
Photographic equipment and supplies .....	.044	65.154	64.595	-3.7	-.9	-1.4	.6	-1.1
Photographers and film processing ^{1 2} .....	.069	115.665	116.970	2.7	1.1	-1.2	.0	1.1
Other recreational goods ² .....	.474	53.551	53.055	-2.5	-.9	.7	.8	-.9
Toys ¹ .....	.373	57.073	56.455	-3.1	-1.1	.9	1.0	-1.1
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies ² .....	.037	96.338	96.738	1.6	.4	-.8	-.8	.5
Music instruments and accessories ^{1 2} .....	.037	94.717	94.326	-2.3	-.4	.0	.0	-.4
Other recreation services ²	1.118	148.006	148.611	1.2	.4	1.2	-.7	.4
Club dues and fees for participant sports and group exercises ^{1 2} .....	.372	124.525	125.732	3.8	1.0	.3	-.6	1.0
Admissions ¹ .....	.490	322.470	322.608	.5	.0	2.1	-.9	.0
Fees for lessons or instructions ^{1 5} .....	.131	269.046	268.274	.5	-.3	.3	.2	-.3
Recreational reading materials ¹ .....	.145	225.038	226.821	1.6	.8	.5	-.5	.8
Newspapers and magazines ^{1 2} .....	.078	139.860	141.271	5.0	1.0	1.4	-.7	1.0
Recreational books ^{1 2} .....	.068	102.338	102.889	-2.5	.5	-.5	-.3	.5
Education and communication ²	6.800	126.853	126.905	1.5	.0	.2	.2	.1
Education ²	2.686	209.868	209.968	4.2	.0	.2	.2	.3
Educational books and supplies .....	.214	554.958	557.037	5.6	.4	.6	.1	.5
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	2.472	589.075	589.187	4.0	.0	.2	.3	.3
College tuition and fees	1.387	696.473	696.525	5.5	.0	.3	.4	.5
Elementary and high school tuition and fees265	659.335	659.341	3.9	.0	.3	.4	.2

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Expenditure category								
Child care and nursery school ⁷711	250.332	250.439	2.5	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.2
Technical and business school tuition and fees ² .....	.035	220.117	220.399	4.5	.1	.3	.7	.4
Communication ²	4.114	85.892	85.922	-2	.0	.2	.1	.0
Postage and delivery services ² .....	.116	157.467	157.466	4.0	.0	-1	2.7	.2
Postage .....	.106	248.442	248.442	3.9	.0	-5	3.0	.2
Delivery services ^{1 2} .....	.009	261.739	261.718	6.9	.0	4.6	-1.0	.0
Information and information processing ²	3.999	83.455	83.486	-4	.0	.2	.1	.0
Telephone services ^{1 2}	2.984	101.050	101.112	.4	.1	.2	.0	.1
Wireless telephone services ^{1 2}	1.987	60.797	60.814	-7	.0	.0	.0	.0
Land-line telephone services ^{1 11} .....	.997	105.068	105.203	2.1	.1	.8	.1	.1
Information technology, hardware and services ¹⁴	1.015	9.423	9.420	-3.2	.0	.2	.1	-1
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ¹⁵ .....	.247	64.729	64.198	-10.1	-8	-7	.2	-1.2
Computer software and accessories ^{1 2} .....	.041	41.686	41.269	-3.7	-1.0	-7	-1.3	-1.0
Internet services and electronic information providers ^{1 2} ...	.639	77.116	77.361	.0	.3	.6	.2	.3
Telephone hardware, calculators, and other consumer information items ^{1 2} .....	.075	35.438	35.440	-4.4	.0	.4	.2	.0
Other goods and services	3.515	421.412	422.358	1.7	.2	.2	-1	.2
Tobacco and smoking products ¹	1.227	853.214	851.360	1.9	-2	.5	-4	-2
Cigarettes ^{1 2}	1.152	346.230	345.361	1.8	-3	.5	-4	-3
Tobacco products other than cigarettes ^{1 2} .....	.067	231.755	232.611	3.6	.4	.3	-1	.4
Personal care	2.288	207.958	208.918	1.5	.5	.1	.0	.4
Personal care products ¹ .....	.611	161.121	163.005	.8	1.2	.3	-2	1.2
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products ^{1 2} .....	.336	102.714	104.032	.5	1.3	.3	.2	1.3
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements ¹ .....	.263	186.347	188.314	1.0	1.1	.3	-8	1.1
Personal care services ¹ .....	.577	232.964	233.362	1.4	.2	-1	.4	.2
Haircuts and other personal care services ^{1 2} .....	.577	141.992	142.234	1.4	.2	-1	.4	.2
Miscellaneous personal services .....	.921	369.051	369.972	2.5	.2	-1	.0	.2
Legal services ^{1 5} .....	.307	300.634	301.425	1.7	.3	.2	-1	.3
Funeral expenses ⁵ .....	.085	301.687	300.217	2.0	-5	.3	.2	-5
Laundry and dry cleaning services ² .....	.257	145.253	145.266	1.5	.0	.1	.2	.1
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning ^{1 2} ...	.020	170.305	170.812	5.1	.3	.0	.1	.3
Financial services ^{1 5} .....	.180	292.915	295.468	6.2	.9	.0	-4	.9
Miscellaneous personal goods ² .....	.179	86.452	86.517	-3	.1	.6	-3	-4
Special aggregate indexes								
Commodities	42.665	190.816	194.276	4.0	1.8	.4	1.1	.5
Commodities less food and beverages	26.725	168.180	172.900	4.4	2.8	.5	1.7	.8
Nondurables less food and beverages	17.285	223.359	232.634	5.9	4.2	.9	2.2	1.1
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	13.667	290.400	303.181	5.9	4.4	.7	3.1	1.3
Durables	9.440	114.470	114.768	1.5	.3	-2	.3	.2
Services	57.335	263.904	264.394	2.0	.2	.1	.0	.2
Rent of shelter ⁴	30.181	239.820	240.373	2.1	.2	.2	.1	.2
Transportation services	5.641	271.019	271.891	2.1	.3	.1	-1	.3
Other services	10.903	303.908	304.690	2.2	.3	.3	.1	.3
All items less food	84.929	222.792	225.059	2.8	1.0	.2	.6	.4
All items less shelter	69.514	217.801	220.347	3.2	1.2	.2	.6	.4
All items less medical care	94.330	216.699	218.700	2.8	.9	.2	.5	.3
Commodities less food	27.594	170.476	175.097	4.3	2.7	.5	1.6	.7
Nondurables less food	18.154	224.205	233.049	5.7	3.9	.9	2.1	1.0
Nondurables less food and apparel	14.536	284.362	296.105	5.7	4.1	.8	2.9	1.3
Nondurables	33.225	228.711	233.849	4.7	2.2	.5	1.2	.7

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and Group	Relative importance, December 2011	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 2012 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Dec. to Jan.	Jan. to Feb.	Feb. to Mar.
Special aggregate indexes								
Apparel less footwear	2.805	117.216	121.439	6.8	3.6	1.3	-1.2	0.8
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	27.154	258.697	259.048	2.0	.1	.1	-.1	.1
Services less medical care services	53.008	251.882	252.344	1.9	.2	.1	.0	.2
Energy	11.691	245.158	256.979	5.0	4.8	.2	3.4	1.0
All items less energy	88.309	222.758	223.520	2.5	.3	.2	.1	.2
All items less food and energy	73.238	221.318	222.169	2.4	.4	.2	.1	.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities	20.297	149.277	150.368	2.4	.7	.2	.0	.3
Energy commodities	7.297	310.990	335.299	8.8	7.8	.9	5.8	1.7
Services less energy services	52.941	272.318	273.002	2.3	.3	.2	.1	.2
Domestically produced farm food ¹	7.945	236.997	237.287	3.8	.1	-.7	-.1	.1
Utilities and public transportation	10.981	201.276	201.390	.6	.1	-.2	-.1	.0
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00)	-	\$.446	\$.442	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00)	-	\$.150	\$.148	-	-	-	-	-

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 1986=100 base.
⁶ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.
⁷ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.
⁸ Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.

⁹ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.
¹⁰ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.
¹¹ Indexes on a December 2009=100 base.
¹² Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.
¹³ Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.
¹⁴ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.
¹⁵ 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 9. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	June 2011	Sep. 2011	Dec. 2011	Mar. 2012	Sep. 2011	Mar. 2012
Special aggregate indexes										
Apparel less footwear	118.223	119.726	118.311	119.247	11.4	7.1	5.4	3.5	9.2	4.5
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	259.241	259.493	259.315	259.679	2.2	2.5	2.5	.7	2.3	1.6
Services less medical care services	251.921	252.171	252.218	252.602	1.7	2.5	2.3	1.1	2.1	1.7
Energy	244.867	245.461	253.802	256.268	3.7	13.7	-14.3	20.0	8.6	1.4
All items less energy	222.119	222.551	222.728	223.260	3.1	3.0	2.0	2.1	3.0	2.0
All items less food and energy	220.679	221.124	221.324	221.890	2.9	2.3	2.0	2.2	2.6	2.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities	149.158	149.414	149.453	149.906	5.7	2.3	-.3	2.0	3.9	.9
Energy commodities	304.362	307.238	325.037	330.628	4.9	18.9	-19.2	39.3	11.7	6.1
Services less energy services	271.297	271.896	272.205	272.852	1.8	2.3	2.9	2.3	2.0	2.6
Domestically produced farm food ¹	235.646	237.294	236.997	237.287	3.8	8.5	.2	2.8	6.1	1.5
Utilities and public transportation	203.112	202.730	202.605	202.667	2.3	2.1	-.9	-.9	2.2	-.9

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 1986=100 base.
⁶ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.
⁷ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.
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¹³ Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.
¹⁴ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.
¹⁵ 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 10. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, all items index

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Pricing schedule 1	All items									
		Indexes				Percent change to Mar. 2012 from—			Percent change to Feb. 2012 from—		
		Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Feb. 2011	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012
U.S. city average	M	225.672	226.665	227.663	229.392	2.7	1.2	0.8	2.9	0.9	0.4
Region and area size²											
Northeast urban	M	241.987	242.879	243.850	245.125	2.5	.9	.5	2.8	.8	.4
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	243.328	244.296	245.179	246.473	2.4	.9	.5	2.7	.8	.4
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	145.062	145.456	146.217	146.961	2.8	1.0	.5	3.3	.8	.5
Midwest urban	M	215.173	216.368	216.855	218.975	2.8	1.2	1.0	2.7	.8	.2
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	215.633	216.883	217.320	219.269	2.7	1.1	.9	2.8	.8	.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	138.186	138.903	139.191	140.921	3.0	1.5	1.2	2.6	.7	.2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	212.505	213.649	214.524	215.784	2.9	1.0	.6	3.1	1.0	.4
South urban	M	219.469	220.497	221.802	223.314	2.8	1.3	.7	3.3	1.1	.6
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	220.152	221.185	222.711	224.250	2.7	1.4	.7	3.0	1.2	.7
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	139.838	140.388	141.133	142.056	2.8	1.2	.7	3.3	.9	.5
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	224.892	226.902	228.117	229.953	3.5	1.3	.8	4.3	1.4	.5
West urban	M	228.117	228.980	229.995	232.039	2.4	1.3	.9	2.5	.8	.4
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	232.106	233.044	234.173	236.249	2.4	1.4	.9	2.5	.9	.5
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	138.017	138.465	138.997	140.235	2.2	1.3	.9	2.3	.7	.4
Size classes											
A ⁴	M	205.636	206.562	207.469	209.011	2.5	1.2	.7	2.7	.9	.4
B/C ³	M	139.881	140.418	141.040	142.146	2.7	1.2	.8	3.0	.8	.4
D	M	219.950	221.362	222.324	224.029	3.2	1.2	.8	3.5	1.1	.4
Selected local areas⁵											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	M	218.180	219.585	219.626	222.351	2.1	1.3	1.2	1.6	.7	.0
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ...	M	231.567	233.441	234.537	236.941	2.0	1.5	1.0	2.1	1.3	.5
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	M	248.307	249.322	250.285	251.887	2.6	1.0	.6	2.6	.8	.4
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1	-	245.891	-	247.166	1.8	.5	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH	1	-	211.985	-	214.743	2.6	1.3	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1	-	209.203	-	212.618	2.7	1.6	-	-	-	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ⁶	1	-	148.163	-	150.074	2.8	1.3	-	-	-	-
Atlanta, GA	2	208.590	-	210.600	-	-	-	-	2.4	1.0	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	2	213.505	-	214.836	-	-	-	-	3.9	.6	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	200.477	-	204.291	-	-	-	-	3.6	1.9	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	231.794	-	234.043	-	-	-	-	2.9	1.0	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	2	234.312	-	235.857	-	-	-	-	2.2	.7	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2	234.327	-	236.880	-	-	-	-	3.0	1.1	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2	234.812	-	235.744	-	-	-	-	2.7	.4	-

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 map in 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 11. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Regions¹, 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—		
		Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012		Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012		Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012
Commodity and service group													
Other services	341.662	2.7	0.0	311.097	2.8	0.5	309.631	2.2	0.3	318.321	2.7	0.3	
Special aggregate indexes													
All items less medical care	236.759	2.5	.6	209.789	2.8	1.0	213.726	2.7	.7	223.384	2.4	.9	
All items less food	246.599	2.4	.6	217.704	2.7	1.1	221.735	2.7	.8	231.888	2.4	1.0	
All items less shelter	226.730	2.6	.6	216.450	3.3	1.3	222.351	3.1	.9	222.470	2.6	1.2	
Commodities less food	171.658	3.6	1.7	166.217	4.6	2.8	171.838	3.6	2.1	161.959	3.3	2.9	
Nondurables	230.913	3.9	1.3	223.535	5.1	2.5	230.296	4.4	1.8	223.008	3.7	2.3	
Nondurables less food	221.319	4.4	2.4	219.023	6.4	4.4	227.227	5.1	3.2	210.971	4.5	4.2	
Nondurables less food and apparel	282.176	4.4	2.0	276.547	5.9	4.8	276.928	5.3	3.1	266.503	4.7	4.6	
Services less rent of shelter ³	297.327	1.4	.1	285.473	2.0	.3	290.574	2.5	.1	303.741	2.0	.2	
Services less medical care services	283.026	1.8	.2	240.254	1.7	.3	241.865	2.1	.2	262.586	1.9	.2	
Energy	248.826	2.1	2.6	247.130	5.4	6.6	243.392	4.6	3.2	285.654	6.0	6.5	
All items less energy	247.083	2.6	.3	218.415	2.5	.3	221.623	2.6	.4	229.693	2.1	.4	
All items less food and energy	250.152	2.4	.4	217.671	2.3	.3	220.157	2.4	.4	229.601	1.9	.4	
Commodities less food and energy													
commodities	152.344	2.3	.8	146.553	2.8	.4	150.320	2.1	.8	141.865	1.2	.7	
Energy commodities	329.366	7.5	4.2	339.601	10.0	11.1	331.969	8.0	5.9	338.634	9.8	10.3	
Services less energy services	304.709	2.4	.2	264.168	2.1	.3	264.592	2.5	.3	278.672	2.2	.3	

¹ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

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

³ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

⁵ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

Table 12. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Population size classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Size class A ²			Size class B/C ³			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012
Expenditure category									
All items ⁴	209.011	2.5	0.7	142.146	2.7	0.8	224.029	3.2	0.8
All items (December 1977=100)	209.011	-	-	-	-	-	361.302	-	-
Food and beverages	209.623	3.0	.0	146.062	3.4	.2	232.366	3.7	.1
Food	209.728	3.1	.1	146.435	3.5	.3	232.426	3.8	.1
Food at home	213.323	3.3	.0	145.040	3.9	.2	227.810	4.0	.1
Food away from home	203.640	2.8	.2	148.474	3.0	.3	241.840	3.5	.1
Alcoholic beverages	206.302	2.1	-.2	141.253	1.8	-.3	230.863	2.7	-.2
Housing	204.621	1.8	.2	134.803	1.7	-.1	198.600	1.6	.3
Shelter	222.989	2.3	.3	136.333	1.9	.2	222.741	1.6	.4
Rent of primary residence ⁵	224.200	2.8	.2	142.753	2.0	.1	221.746	2.6	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{5 6}	222.211	2.1	.2	135.312	1.9	.1	232.224	1.3	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{5 6}	222.192	2.1	.2	135.300	1.9	.1	232.241	1.3	.2
Fuels and utilities	220.178	-.6	.1	163.702	.5	-.7	216.895	1.2	.1
Household energy	210.453	-2.3	.0	159.036	-.5	-1.1	180.874	.8	.0
Energy services ⁵	195.168	-2.9	-.1	148.513	-.8	-1.4	191.458	.4	.0
Electricity ⁵	197.493	.3	.0	145.479	.8	-1.3	199.034	1.6	.3
Utility (piped) gas service ⁵	176.907	-10.4	-.5	147.524	-7.4	-1.7	155.278	-5.3	-1.3
Household furnishings and operations	118.460	.5	-.2	100.362	1.8	.2	127.946	1.7	.0
Apparel	122.287	4.0	3.5	91.414	5.4	3.7	122.166	11.1	-1.7
Transportation	215.785	4.5	2.8	155.300	4.7	3.1	225.577	5.8	3.5
Private transportation	215.813	5.0	3.0	155.164	4.9	3.2	221.050	6.2	3.7
New and used motor vehicles ³	100.163	1.9	.3	100.345	2.2	.6	100.915	3.1	.6
New vehicles	125.576	2.7	-.1	100.594	2.0	.1	153.871	4.1	.0
New cars and trucks ^{3 7}	98.839	2.6	-.1	100.667	2.0	.1	106.250	4.1	.0
New cars ⁷	125.987	2.7	-.2	102.619	2.4	-.1	153.943	5.5	.0
Used cars and trucks	143.373	3.6	1.2	99.771	3.0	1.1	133.689	1.9	1.2
Motor fuel	484.313	9.6	8.2	326.136	8.4	7.9	315.740	8.2	7.5
Gasoline (all types)	482.679	9.6	8.3	327.392	8.4	8.0	313.463	8.2	7.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁷	495.509	9.7	8.4	335.263	8.5	8.0	300.341	8.0	7.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{7 8}	327.325	9.4	8.2	320.056	8.4	8.3	354.740	8.8	7.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁷	426.394	9.2	7.7	305.574	7.9	7.4	316.054	8.3	7.3
Medical care	324.672	3.6	.3	173.995	3.3	.2	401.416	3.7	.4
Medical care commodities	261.366	2.7	.4	157.689	4.2	.3	331.045	1.3	1.0
Medical care services	343.512	3.8	.3	179.756	3.0	.1	426.283	4.5	.2
Professional services	265.879	1.5	.1	158.353	1.3	.0	348.214	1.3	.2
Recreation ³	114.606	1.4	.3	114.032	1.0	.2	117.115	1.4	.7
Education and communication ³	135.288	1.6	.0	128.570	2.2	.1	140.444	3.8	-.1
Other goods and services	302.784	1.7	.5	177.461	1.6	.1	424.807	2.9	-.4
Commodity and service group									
All items ⁴	209.011	2.5	.7	142.146	2.7	.8	224.029	3.2	.8
Commodities	179.786	3.3	1.5	133.983	3.7	1.7	193.327	4.3	1.3
Commodities less food and beverages	161.863	3.6	2.5	127.394	3.9	2.5	173.751	4.7	1.9
Nondurables less food and beverages	221.808	4.9	3.9	168.415	5.5	3.8	227.918	6.0	2.7
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	295.615	5.2	4.0	206.564	5.5	3.8	283.301	5.1	3.7
Durables	104.336	1.0	.0	88.278	1.1	.2	119.963	2.1	.3
Services	232.186	2.1	.2	145.442	2.0	.1	257.877	2.5	.4
Rent of shelter ⁶	223.802	2.3	.3	136.443	1.9	.2	230.253	1.6	.4
Transportation services	218.476	1.0	.3	148.664	1.8	.5	288.030	3.6	1.0

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 12. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Population size classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Size class A ²			Size class B/C ³			Size class D			
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		
		Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012		Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012
Commodity and service group										
Other services	261.603	2.5	0.3	148.765	2.5	0.2	322.775	3.7	0.4	
Special aggregate indexes										
All items less medical care	203.486	2.5	.8	138.003	2.7	.8	212.900	3.2	.8	
All items less food	209.020	2.5	.9	139.175	2.6	.9	222.572	3.2	.9	
All items less shelter	203.150	2.7	1.0	141.904	3.0	1.0	226.807	3.9	.9	
Commodities less food	164.049	3.5	2.4	127.817	3.8	2.4	175.326	4.6	1.8	
Nondurables	216.003	4.0	2.0	157.091	4.5	2.1	231.654	4.9	1.6	
Nondurables less food	221.209	4.8	3.6	166.735	5.3	3.6	227.886	5.9	2.6	
Nondurables less food and apparel	285.024	5.0	3.6	200.845	5.3	3.6	278.950	5.0	3.5	
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	242.548	1.8	.2	155.192	2.1	.0	301.092	3.3	.4	
Services less medical care services	224.538	1.9	.2	142.308	1.9	.1	241.086	2.2	.4	
Energy	321.280	4.5	4.8	232.059	4.6	4.2	247.940	5.1	4.5	
All items less energy	201.568	2.3	.3	133.154	2.4	.4	221.871	3.0	.2	
All items less food and energy	200.312	2.2	.4	130.740	2.2	.4	220.483	2.8	.3	
Commodities less food and energy commodities	133.028	1.8	.8	104.367	2.3	.7	154.278	3.1	-.1	
Energy commodities	487.126	9.2	7.8	332.034	8.2	7.6	313.351	8.0	7.1	
Services less energy services	234.813	2.4	.3	145.154	2.2	.2	265.308	2.6	.4	

¹ See region and area size on Table 10 for information about population size classes.

² Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

⁴ The 'All items' index size B/C is on a December 1996=100 base.

⁵ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means

estimator.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁷ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

Table 13. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of regions and population size classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Northeast					
	Size class A			Size class B/C ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012
Expenditure category						
All items ³	246.473	2.4	0.5	146.961	2.8	0.5
All items (December 1977=100)	380.849	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	237.738	3.3	-1	149.839	3.6	.4
Food	237.483	3.4	-2	150.227	3.7	.4
Food at home	238.868	3.7	-3	147.969	4.2	.4
Food away from home	238.936	3.0	.1	153.673	2.9	.4
Alcoholic beverages	240.062	1.6	.1	143.022	2.3	-3
Housing	253.691	1.7	.3	143.416	1.8	.0
Shelter	304.603	2.3	.3	142.458	2.6	.1
Rent of primary residence ⁴	306.377	2.4	.2	150.016	2.0	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{4 5}	312.252	2.1	.3	141.377	3.0	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{4 5}	312.182	2.1	.3	141.377	3.0	.2
Fuels and utilities	214.023	-2.4	.6	183.880	-2.5	-5
Household energy	201.825	-3.5	.7	180.644	-4.0	-6
Energy services ⁴	185.434	-5.5	.5	139.239	-7.8	-2.0
Electricity ⁴	185.306	-1.5	-2	125.905	-7.9	-2.6
Utility (piped) gas service ⁴	177.311	-13.1	1.9	150.849	-7.7	-4
Household furnishings and operations	125.545	1.2	-3	107.339	3.4	-2
Apparel	129.968	3.5	4.6	92.293	6.6	1.9
Transportation	219.056	3.9	1.5	150.963	4.2	2.0
Private transportation	212.589	4.4	1.4	151.527	4.2	2.1
Motor fuel	310.458	8.2	4.6	317.813	7.5	5.1
Gasoline (all types)	308.817	8.3	4.6	318.352	7.5	5.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁶	311.155	8.2	4.6	324.416	7.5	5.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{6 7}	307.377	8.4	4.6	314.600	7.7	5.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁶	295.540	8.2	4.3	297.340	7.5	4.8
Medical care	434.296	3.4	.1	180.136	3.1	.0
Recreation ²	119.054	2.7	-1	120.064	1.5	-2
Education and communication ²	136.973	1.1	.0	128.024	.5	.1
Other goods and services	406.562	2.6	.4	194.882	4.3	.6
Commodity and service group						
All items ³	246.473	2.4	.5	146.961	2.8	.5
Commodities	193.769	3.3	1.0	141.858	3.9	1.2
Commodities less food and beverages	165.517	3.4	1.8	136.686	4.1	1.6
Nondurables less food and beverages	212.598	4.1	2.6	181.187	5.4	2.4
Durables	110.288	2.1	.2	91.534	2.0	.2
Services	294.737	1.9	.3	147.614	1.9	.0
Special aggregate indexes						
All items less medical care	238.302	2.4	.6	142.887	2.7	.5
All items less shelter	225.681	2.5	.6	146.067	2.9	.7
Commodities less food	168.550	3.3	1.7	136.988	4.1	1.5
Nondurables	226.988	3.6	1.2	165.057	4.6	1.5
Nondurables less food	214.321	3.9	2.4	178.551	5.3	2.3
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	294.455	1.5	.2	152.956	1.2	-1
Services less medical care services	283.978	1.8	.3	144.646	1.8	.0
Energy	247.079	2.1	2.6	238.031	2.2	2.5
All items less energy	248.710	2.5	.3	137.554	2.8	.2
All items less food and energy	252.354	2.3	.4	135.134	2.7	.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 13. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of regions and population size classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	West					
	Size class A			Size class B/C ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012
Expenditure category						
All items ³	236.249	2.4	0.9	140.235	2.2	0.9
All items (December 1977=100)	385.236	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	235.134	2.5	.2	144.923	2.7	.2
Food	235.416	2.7	.2	144.342	2.9	.2
Food at home	238.227	2.5	.3	142.016	2.1	.1
Food away from home	230.206	3.0	.2	147.680	4.1	.5
Alcoholic beverages	228.782	.1	-.4	153.630	-.5	-.1
Housing	243.820	2.1	.2	132.582	1.3	.1
Shelter	273.623	2.4	.3	132.569	1.5	.0
Rent of primary residence ⁴	286.850	3.1	.2	142.740	.9	-.1
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{4 5}	288.749	2.1	.2	132.592	1.5	.0
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{4 5}	288.735	2.1	.2	132.592	1.5	.0
Fuels and utilities	253.194	1.2	.0	169.718	.4	-.2
Household energy	224.906	-1.7	-.4	165.562	.1	-.3
Energy services ⁴	225.791	-1.8	-.5	161.915	.1	-.3
Electricity ⁴	258.929	-.4	.1	160.431	1.3	.4
Utility (piped) gas service ⁴	176.853	-5.8	-2.1	158.094	-3.2	-2.3
Household furnishings and operations	130.873	.9	-.1	104.486	1.2	.7
Apparel	121.975	2.1	3.3	98.702	7.0	3.4
Transportation	218.630	4.1	3.7	154.868	4.5	4.2
Private transportation	214.097	4.6	4.0	153.968	5.0	4.5
Motor fuel	336.665	10.4	10.3	303.629	8.5	10.7
Gasoline (all types)	334.804	10.3	10.4	306.261	8.6	11.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁶	338.111	10.5	10.6	307.978	8.9	11.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{6 7}	306.827	9.9	10.2	299.367	8.1	10.0
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁶	317.948	9.9	9.6	286.699	7.5	9.9
Medical care	408.865	3.2	.3	178.282	2.7	.2
Recreation ²	112.394	.6	.1	97.675	.2	-.1
Education and communication ²	135.664	1.9	.1	124.783	2.9	.4
Other goods and services	384.718	.8	.2	169.518	-.4	-.1
Commodity and service group						
All items ³	236.249	2.4	.9	140.235	2.2	.9
Commodities	185.079	2.8	1.9	130.300	3.1	2.0
Commodities less food and beverages	156.856	3.0	3.1	122.816	3.7	3.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	203.875	4.4	4.6	160.745	5.4	4.7
Durables	111.050	.3	.3	88.919	.5	.5
Services	281.154	2.2	.2	142.701	1.6	.1
Special aggregate indexes						
All items less medical care	228.608	2.4	.9	135.087	2.2	.9
All items less shelter	222.138	2.4	1.2	139.616	2.5	1.3
Commodities less food	160.212	2.9	3.0	123.757	3.5	3.1
Nondurables	221.414	3.4	2.4	152.879	4.0	2.4
Nondurables less food	206.575	4.1	4.3	160.754	5.1	4.5
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	303.240	1.9	.2	154.792	1.6	.1
Services less medical care services	271.238	2.0	.2	139.078	1.5	.1
Energy	288.998	6.3	6.7	237.518	5.1	6.2
All items less energy	234.401	2.1	.4	130.796	1.8	.3
All items less food and energy	235.023	1.9	.4	128.525	1.6	.3

¹ See region and area size on Table 10 for information about cross classifications.
² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.
³ The 'All items' index size B/C is on a December 1996=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 Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.
⁷ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.
 - Data not available.
 NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 17. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, all items index

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	All items										
	Pricing schedule 1	Indexes				Percent change to Mar. 2012 from—			Percent change to Feb. 2012 from—		
		Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2012	Feb. 2011	Dec. 2011	Jan. 2012
U.S. city average	M	222.166	223.216	224.317	226.304	2.9	1.4	0.9	3.1	1.0	0.5
Region and area size²											
Northeast urban	M	240.431	241.321	242.371	243.768	2.7	1.0	.6	3.1	.8	.4
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	240.148	241.066	242.040	243.433	2.6	1.0	.6	2.9	.8	.4
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	146.432	146.923	147.685	148.541	2.9	1.1	.6	3.5	.9	.5
Midwest urban	M	211.459	212.756	213.248	215.788	3.2	1.4	1.2	3.0	.8	.2
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	210.962	212.309	212.714	215.108	3.1	1.3	1.1	3.0	.8	.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	138.741	139.595	139.934	141.956	3.5	1.7	1.4	3.0	.9	.2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	211.040	212.052	212.902	214.565	3.1	1.2	.8	3.2	.9	.4
South urban	M	217.463	218.571	220.080	221.792	3.0	1.5	.8	3.6	1.2	.7
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	218.603	219.705	221.592	223.295	3.1	1.6	.8	3.5	1.4	.9
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	139.299	139.863	140.726	141.793	2.9	1.4	.8	3.5	1.0	.6
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	225.422	227.762	228.966	231.031	3.6	1.4	.9	4.4	1.6	.5
West urban	M	222.968	223.849	224.956	227.271	2.5	1.5	1.0	2.5	.9	.5
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	225.267	226.277	227.609	230.059	2.4	1.7	1.1	2.6	1.0	.6
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	138.157	138.578	139.050	140.393	2.2	1.3	1.0	2.4	.6	.3
Size classes											
A ⁴	M	204.954	205.939	206.988	208.811	2.8	1.4	.9	3.0	1.0	.5
B/C ³	M	139.931	140.506	141.179	142.445	2.9	1.4	.9	3.2	.9	.5
D	M	218.780	220.339	221.349	223.270	3.4	1.3	.9	3.7	1.2	.5
Selected local areas⁵											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	M	212.597	214.298	214.022	217.065	2.3	1.3	1.4	1.9	.7	-.1
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ...	M	224.444	226.245	227.585	230.281	2.0	1.8	1.2	2.1	1.4	.6
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	M	244.586	245.541	246.539	248.152	2.7	1.1	.7	2.8	.8	.4
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1	-	247.006	-	248.800	1.8	.7	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH	1	-	203.575	-	206.615	2.7	1.5	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1	-	214.557	-	218.793	3.6	2.0	-	-	-	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ⁶	1	-	148.489	-	150.619	2.8	1.4	-	-	-	-
Atlanta, GA	2	207.654	-	210.269	-	-	-	-	2.8	1.3	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	2	210.199	-	212.037	-	-	-	-	4.5	.9	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	199.480	-	203.603	-	-	-	-	4.1	2.1	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	230.394	-	232.605	-	-	-	-	3.2	1.0	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	2	235.194	-	236.815	-	-	-	-	2.4	.7	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2	231.109	-	234.648	-	-	-	-	3.5	1.5	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2	231.297	-	232.081	-	-	-	-	2.8	.3	-

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 map in 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 18. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Regions¹, 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—	
	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012
Special aggregate indexes												
Commodities less food	182.827	4.1	1.8	172.696	5.5	3.4	178.353	4.2	2.4	168.228	3.5	3.3
Nondurables	239.485	4.4	1.4	231.473	5.8	3.1	236.197	4.6	2.0	228.547	3.9	2.6
Nondurables less food	236.969	5.1	2.5	232.429	7.5	5.2	240.131	5.5	3.4	221.540	4.9	4.7
Nondurables less food and apparel	306.122	4.9	2.2	294.555	6.9	5.7	297.374	5.8	3.5	285.529	5.3	5.3
Services less rent of shelter ³	258.971	1.3	.1	253.423	2.0	.2	259.943	2.5	.1	265.405	1.7	.2
Services less medical care services	280.277	1.8	.2	234.317	1.7	.3	240.629	2.2	.1	256.662	1.8	.2
Energy	249.908	2.5	2.7	252.063	5.8	7.1	246.906	4.9	3.4	292.266	6.5	7.0
All items less energy	244.304	2.7	.3	212.861	2.8	.3	218.094	2.7	.4	222.509	2.0	.3
All items less food and energy	247.077	2.5	.4	210.328	2.6	.3	215.668	2.5	.4	220.387	1.8	.4
Commodities less food and energy												
commodities	160.346	2.7	.8	149.299	3.3	.5	151.587	2.5	.8	143.026	1.0	.7
Energy commodities	327.502	7.7	4.3	341.877	10.2	11.3	331.199	8.0	6.0	340.055	9.9	10.4
Services less energy services	301.502	2.5	.2	256.939	2.2	.3	263.667	2.5	.3	271.611	2.1	.2

¹ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

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

³ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁴ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

⁵ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

Table 19. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Population size classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Size class A ²			Size class B/C ³			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012		Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012
Expenditure category									
All items ⁴	208.811	2.8	0.9	142.445	2.9	0.9	223.270	3.4	0.9
All items (December 1977=100)	208.811	-	-	-	-	-	360.842	-	-
Food and beverages	209.671	3.1	.0	146.231	3.5	.2	231.741	3.9	.2
Food	209.580	3.1	.0	146.508	3.6	.2	231.441	3.9	.2
Food at home	213.075	3.3	.0	145.141	3.9	.2	225.220	4.0	.2
Food away from home	203.616	2.9	.2	148.580	3.1	.3	243.430	3.8	.1
Alcoholic beverages	208.606	2.5	-.4	142.796	2.4	-.2	235.015	3.2	-.1
Housing	204.105	1.8	.2	135.598	1.7	.0	203.065	1.5	.2
Shelter	222.254	2.3	.3	136.888	2.0	.2	230.702	1.7	.3
Rent of primary residence ⁵	222.277	2.7	.2	142.671	2.1	.1	222.346	2.6	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{5 6}	221.225	2.1	.2	135.107	1.9	.1	217.498	1.2	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{5 6}	221.212	2.1	.2	135.108	1.9	.1	217.504	1.2	.2
Fuels and utilities	216.538	-.5	.1	163.899	.4	-.8	218.207	1.1	.1
Household energy	206.211	-2.2	.0	159.140	-.5	-1.2	180.172	.7	.1
Energy services ⁵	193.212	-2.7	-.1	149.474	-.7	-1.4	190.561	.5	.1
Electricity ⁵	195.345	.4	.0	145.344	.8	-1.3	197.441	1.5	.3
Utility (piped) gas service ⁵	176.249	-10.6	-.4	147.432	-7.5	-1.6	157.639	-5.0	-1.1
Household furnishings and operations	114.510	.5	-.1	99.152	2.1	.2	121.340	1.1	-.1
Apparel	120.957	4.8	3.3	93.112	6.5	3.8	122.055	9.5	-1.0
Transportation	222.963	5.4	3.4	155.351	4.9	3.3	223.027	6.5	3.6
Private transportation	223.358	5.7	3.5	155.234	5.0	3.4	220.011	6.7	3.7
New and used motor vehicles ³	100.377	2.4	.4	99.235	2.4	.7	99.273	3.1	.5
New vehicles	126.281	2.8	.0	100.638	2.0	.1	155.006	3.9	-.1
Used cars and trucks	143.477	3.5	1.1	100.082	3.2	1.1	135.754	2.4	1.1
Motor fuel	486.877	9.6	8.4	327.544	8.4	7.9	317.774	8.1	7.1
Gasoline (all types)	485.433	9.6	8.5	328.847	8.4	8.0	315.545	8.1	7.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁷	498.070	9.7	8.6	337.002	8.5	8.1	302.685	7.9	7.3
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{7 8}	330.167	9.4	8.5	320.999	8.4	8.3	355.459	8.6	7.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁷	428.453	9.2	7.9	306.620	7.9	7.4	315.706	8.2	6.9
Medical care	326.617	3.8	.3	175.789	3.4	.2	398.184	4.1	.4
Medical care commodities	255.805	2.8	.4	156.583	4.5	.3	318.703	2.0	1.1
Medical care services	347.656	4.1	.3	181.753	3.1	.1	422.814	4.7	.2
Professional services	269.153	1.5	.1	158.951	1.3	.0	345.937	1.4	.2
Recreation ³	111.721	1.3	.3	110.111	1.2	.2	111.909	1.2	.5
Education and communication ³	128.477	1.0	.0	123.024	1.7	.1	134.810	3.3	-.1
Other goods and services	322.717	1.5	.4	195.534	1.7	.1	462.503	2.9	-.5
Commodity and service group									
All items ⁴	208.811	2.8	.9	142.445	2.9	.9	223.270	3.4	.9
Commodities	187.088	3.9	1.8	136.599	4.0	1.8	195.990	4.5	1.5
Commodities less food and beverages	172.505	4.3	3.0	131.494	4.3	2.8	177.903	4.8	2.1
Nondurables less food and beverages	238.496	5.6	4.4	177.759	6.0	4.1	239.423	6.0	3.1
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	324.616	5.8	4.6	220.570	5.9	4.2	303.273	5.8	4.0
Durables	108.835	1.4	.2	89.527	1.5	.3	119.622	2.2	.3
Services	229.366	2.0	.2	145.050	1.9	.1	259.718	2.5	.4
Rent of shelter ⁶	223.065	2.3	.3	137.000	1.9	.2	215.534	1.7	.3
Transportation services	223.011	1.8	.2	149.612	1.9	.4	288.144	4.9	1.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 19. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Population size classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Size class A ²			Size class B/C ³			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012		Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012
Commodity and service group									
Other services	250.727	2.1	0.3	143.801	2.2	0.2	306.169	3.0	0.3
Special aggregate indexes									
All items less medical care	204.156	2.7	.9	138.947	2.8	.9	214.301	3.4	.9
All items less food	208.688	2.7	1.0	139.740	2.7	1.0	221.697	3.3	1.0
All items less shelter	203.954	3.0	1.2	142.301	3.2	1.2	222.990	4.0	1.1
Commodities less food	174.309	4.2	2.9	131.802	4.3	2.7	179.579	4.8	2.1
Nondurables	223.977	4.5	2.3	161.213	4.8	2.3	238.188	5.1	1.8
Nondurables less food	237.266	5.6	4.1	175.497	5.8	3.9	239.359	6.0	2.9
Nondurables less food and apparel	312.108	5.7	4.3	213.434	5.7	4.0	298.054	5.7	3.8
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	237.084	1.7	.2	153.448	1.9	.0	265.596	3.3	.4
Services less medical care services	222.251	1.9	.2	142.093	1.8	.1	245.035	2.3	.4
Energy	328.410	5.0	5.2	236.656	4.8	4.4	251.607	5.3	4.5
All items less energy	199.234	2.4	.3	132.478	2.5	.4	218.615	3.0	.2
All items less food and energy	197.221	2.3	.4	129.623	2.3	.4	216.805	2.8	.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities	137.458	2.0	.8	106.384	2.6	.8	153.708	3.0	.0
Energy commodities	489.007	9.4	8.1	331.518	8.3	7.7	315.659	8.0	6.9
Services less energy services	232.260	2.4	.3	144.586	2.2	.2	267.770	2.7	.4

¹ See region and area size on Table 10 for information about population size classes.

² Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

⁴ The 'All items' index size B/C is on a December 1996=100 base.

⁵ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item

stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁷ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Northeast					
	Size class A			Size class B/C ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012
Expenditure category						
All items ³	243.433	2.6	0.6	148.541	2.9	0.6
All items (December 1977=100)	371.979	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	236.693	3.4	-1	149.631	3.8	.4
Food	236.553	3.5	-1	149.848	3.9	.5
Food at home	236.948	3.7	-3	147.465	4.5	.5
Food away from home	238.622	3.1	.1	153.513	2.8	.3
Alcoholic beverages	237.092	1.8	-1	144.932	2.8	-2
Housing	248.306	1.6	.3	144.364	1.4	-1
Shelter	296.464	2.3	.3	143.159	2.6	.1
Rent of primary residence ⁴	303.207	2.3	.2	150.016	2.0	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{4 5}	276.722	2.2	.3	141.377	3.0	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{4 5}	276.683	2.2	.3	141.377	3.0	.2
Fuels and utilities	209.048	-2.4	.6	181.544	-3.4	-9
Household energy	197.343	-3.4	.7	177.047	-5.2	-1.1
Energy services ⁴	185.081	-5.3	.5	139.737	-7.8	-2.0
Electricity ⁴	184.915	-1.3	.0	125.905	-7.9	-2.6
Utility (piped) gas service ⁴	176.897	-13.0	1.5	150.849	-7.7	-4
Household furnishings and operations	117.468	.7	-4	106.299	2.3	-2
Apparel	129.478	4.7	4.9	94.296	7.1	1.1
Transportation	224.130	4.7	1.7	151.561	4.5	2.2
Private transportation	219.163	5.2	1.7	151.896	4.5	2.2
Motor fuel	311.133	8.2	4.5	317.812	7.5	5.1
Gasoline (all types)	309.645	8.2	4.6	318.352	7.5	5.1
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁶	311.645	8.2	4.6	324.416	7.5	5.2
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{6 7}	308.626	8.4	4.6	314.600	7.7	5.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁶	296.390	8.1	4.3	297.340	7.5	4.8
Medical care	429.597	3.4	.1	181.524	3.2	.1
Recreation ²	120.127	2.5	-1	121.873	2.1	-1
Education and communication ²	131.691	.8	-1	118.239	.2	.1
Other goods and services	456.985	2.5	.3	223.574	4.2	.6
Commodity and service group						
All items ³	243.433	2.6	.6	148.541	2.9	.6
Commodities	200.612	3.7	1.1	145.876	4.2	1.2
Commodities less food and beverages	175.293	3.9	1.9	143.118	4.3	1.6
Nondurables less food and beverages	222.938	4.7	2.8	198.041	5.9	2.4
Durables	113.251	2.4	.3	93.182	1.9	.4
Services	289.819	1.9	.2	147.174	1.7	.0
Special aggregate indexes						
All items less medical care	236.656	2.6	.6	145.157	2.9	.6
All items less shelter	225.570	2.8	.7	148.089	3.0	.7
Commodities less food	177.840	3.8	1.9	143.299	4.3	1.6
Nondurables	232.228	4.1	1.3	172.763	5.0	1.6
Nondurables less food	224.282	4.6	2.6	194.331	5.8	2.4
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	255.577	1.4	.2	151.350	.9	-2
Services less medical care services	280.141	1.8	.3	144.506	1.6	-1
Energy	245.777	2.5	2.7	241.070	2.3	2.6
All items less energy	244.779	2.6	.3	138.230	2.9	.3
All items less food and energy	247.910	2.4	.4	136.079	2.7	.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Midwest								
	Size class A			Size class B/C ²			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012		Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012
Expenditure category									
All items ³	215.108	3.1	1.1	141.956	3.5	1.4	214.565	3.1	0.8
All items (December 1977=100)	351.660	-	-	-	-	-	347.649	-	-
Food and beverages	229.365	3.4	.1	144.896	3.9	.6	230.550	4.1	.2
Food	228.935	3.3	.1	145.224	3.9	.6	230.037	4.1	.3
Food at home	227.187	3.5	.0	143.049	4.6	.8	218.389	4.9	.4
Food away from home	231.409	3.0	.4	148.247	3.0	.3	249.880	3.0	.0
Alcoholic beverages	232.781	4.5	-1.1	144.480	3.4	-1	237.298	2.5	-8
Housing	195.845	1.4	.2	128.690	1.7	.1	196.857	.9	.2
Shelter	223.595	1.9	.2	128.581	1.7	.4	222.659	1.2	.1
Rent of primary residence ⁴	239.649	2.3	.2	131.636	1.9	.1	210.900	2.0	.0
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{4 5}	221.376	1.8	.2	127.088	1.5	.2	218.185	.9	.1
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{4 5}	221.379	1.8	.2	127.088	1.5	.2	218.185	.9	.1
Fuels and utilities	196.883	-8	.0	164.482	.1	-7	211.940	1.5	1.0
Household energy	167.651	-2.7	-1	162.792	-6	-9	165.295	1.3	1.1
Energy services ⁴	168.754	-2.8	-1	156.267	-5	-1.1	172.379	1.4	1.1
Electricity ⁴	171.483	3.3	.2	154.702	3.3	-8	172.035	4.4	1.5
Utility (piped) gas service ⁴	148.151	-12.5	-5	150.853	-9.4	-1.7	163.929	-5.7	.2
Household furnishings and operations	112.548	.8	.1	96.346	3.8	-4	121.514	-1.1	.1
Apparel	116.618	8.7	2.2	90.650	10.1	5.6	130.744	14.7	-1.5
Transportation	222.579	5.9	4.5	166.179	6.9	5.3	206.537	5.3	3.5
Private transportation	219.879	6.3	4.7	166.221	7.2	5.4	201.423	5.6	3.6
Motor fuel	348.946	10.8	11.7	351.398	10.7	12.2	291.920	7.2	8.6
Gasoline (all types)	347.835	10.9	12.0	352.907	10.8	12.5	287.988	7.1	8.7
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁶	348.550	11.1	12.1	361.276	11.2	12.8	277.188	6.9	8.8
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{6 7}	367.163	10.5	11.6	345.194	9.2	11.5	336.078	7.4	8.5
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁶	328.164	10.3	11.6	327.302	10.6	12.2	293.133	6.9	8.5
Medical care	413.269	3.8	.3	180.950	3.9	.2	381.693	2.1	.0
Recreation ²	114.835	2.2	.6	113.130	1.2	-1	106.757	2.4	.6
Education and communication ²	129.556	1.3	.0	128.082	1.9	.0	129.401	2.2	.0
Other goods and services	387.524	1.6	.4	199.472	.4	.1	449.788	6.1	.0
Commodity and service group									
All items ³	215.108	3.1	1.1	141.956	3.5	1.4	214.565	3.1	.8
Commodities	188.221	4.7	2.3	137.862	5.2	2.9	195.205	4.6	1.4
Commodities less food and beverages	165.539	5.3	3.5	134.048	6.0	4.1	178.387	4.9	2.1
Nondurables less food and beverages	226.327	7.6	5.5	181.570	7.7	6.2	238.215	6.5	3.3
Durables	109.377	1.8	.2	89.324	2.4	.2	116.495	1.6	-4
Services	246.844	1.8	.3	143.696	2.0	.2	239.920	1.7	.2
Special aggregate indexes									
All items less medical care	207.721	3.0	1.2	138.422	3.4	1.5	206.485	3.2	.8
All items less shelter	214.545	3.6	1.5	145.160	4.1	1.8	214.084	3.8	1.0
Commodities less food	168.260	5.3	3.3	134.146	6.0	4.0	179.894	4.9	2.0
Nondurables	230.310	5.8	3.0	162.960	6.0	3.7	235.365	5.4	1.9
Nondurables less food	227.609	7.6	5.2	178.332	7.6	5.9	238.057	6.4	3.1
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	254.451	1.8	.3	159.145	2.3	.1	234.813	2.3	.4
Services less medical care services	234.706	1.7	.2	139.973	1.9	.3	224.846	1.7	.3
Energy	250.486	5.5	7.2	249.399	6.8	7.5	229.361	4.8	5.7
All items less energy	212.350	2.7	.3	131.585	2.9	.5	212.458	2.8	.0
All items less food and energy	209.185	2.5	.3	128.808	2.7	.5	209.228	2.5	.0

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	South								
	Size class A			Size class B/C ²			Size class D		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012		Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012
Expenditure category									
All items ³	223.295	3.1	0.8	141.793	2.9	0.8	231.031	3.6	0.9
All items (December 1977=100)	361.738	-	-	-	-	-	373.988	-	-
Food and beverages	229.180	3.0	.0	146.656	3.6	.0	229.727	3.8	.1
Food	229.869	3.0	-.1	147.208	3.7	.1	229.213	3.7	.1
Food at home	225.225	3.5	-.1	146.876	4.3	.0	230.485	3.5	.0
Food away from home	239.010	2.3	.0	147.394	2.8	.2	231.504	4.2	.2
Alcoholic beverages	219.508	3.8	.4	137.121	2.0	-.2	233.931	4.9	.4
Housing	208.560	1.9	.1	136.494	2.1	.0	208.149	1.5	.1
Shelter	231.158	2.4	.2	140.206	2.1	.2	242.001	1.8	.3
Rent of primary residence ⁴	233.379	3.1	.1	145.394	2.8	.1	227.273	2.6	.3
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{4 5}	222.589	2.2	.2	138.374	1.9	.1	222.890	1.3	.3
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{4 5}	222.573	2.2	.2	138.374	1.9	.1	222.890	1.3	.3
Fuels and utilities	207.671	.2	-.5	155.153	2.1	-1.0	214.492	.5	-1.1
Household energy	182.767	-.8	-.6	148.135	1.2	-1.6	180.250	.2	-.2
Energy services ⁴	186.183	-.8	-.6	144.804	1.2	-1.7	186.180	.1	-.2
Electricity ⁴	181.595	.4	-.2	142.775	2.4	-1.7	188.648	.3	-1.1
Utility (piped) gas service ⁴	176.677	-7.7	-3.3	137.734	-8.5	-1.9	142.155	-4.2	-1.8
Household furnishings and operations	128.545	.4	-.1	97.061	1.7	.2	116.454	1.7	-.3
Apparel	152.920	5.4	3.0	90.572	4.0	4.1	122.326	5.1	.1
Transportation	233.103	6.3	2.7	152.499	4.6	2.7	238.195	7.4	3.3
Private transportation	233.072	6.7	2.8	152.113	4.6	2.7	236.752	7.4	3.3
Motor fuel	340.535	9.0	6.3	325.298	7.6	6.1	313.783	7.4	5.3
Gasoline (all types)	337.610	9.0	6.3	326.257	7.6	6.2	310.457	7.4	5.3
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁶	341.016	9.3	6.5	336.370	7.7	6.2	301.260	7.3	5.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{6 7}	335.278	8.3	5.9	315.735	7.5	6.1	363.164	7.9	5.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁶	326.181	8.3	5.8	306.463	7.3	5.8	318.990	7.5	4.9
Medical care	389.729	4.4	.6	169.936	3.5	.2	394.045	5.4	.8
Recreation ²	105.704	.7	.7	113.773	1.4	.7	112.543	.0	.5
Education and communication ²	120.921	.9	-.1	121.511	1.7	.1	133.743	4.8	-.2
Other goods and services	369.830	1.6	1.0	189.554	2.1	.0	454.331	.7	-.1
Commodity and service group									
All items ³	223.295	3.1	.8	141.793	2.9	.8	231.031	3.6	.9
Commodities	198.025	4.1	1.6	135.376	3.8	1.6	201.909	4.6	1.5
Commodities less food and beverages	180.673	4.8	2.6	129.764	3.8	2.4	186.414	4.8	2.1
Nondurables less food and beverages	242.992	5.7	3.9	175.140	5.4	3.6	249.881	5.6	2.8
Durables	118.606	1.8	-.2	88.858	1.0	.3	123.435	3.0	.6
Services	253.283	2.3	.2	145.880	2.2	.1	270.345	2.8	.4
Special aggregate indexes									
All items less medical care	215.943	3.0	.8	138.645	2.9	.8	220.650	3.5	.9
All items less shelter	222.542	3.4	1.0	140.581	3.2	1.0	229.952	4.2	1.1
Commodities less food	182.378	4.8	2.6	129.936	3.8	2.4	187.550	4.9	2.1
Nondurables	235.614	4.6	2.0	160.163	4.6	2.0	243.477	5.1	1.8
Nondurables less food	241.838	5.8	3.7	172.964	5.2	3.4	248.641	5.6	2.7
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	256.108	2.3	.1	151.552	2.3	-.1	274.454	3.7	.5
Services less medical care services	240.906	2.2	.1	143.370	2.1	.1	254.536	2.4	.4
Energy	256.646	5.4	3.7	227.405	4.7	3.2	243.208	4.7	3.3
All items less energy	219.826	2.7	.3	132.044	2.6	.4	225.152	3.2	.4
All items less food and energy	217.907	2.6	.4	128.938	2.4	.5	225.135	3.1	.4

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes¹, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	West					
	Size class A			Size class B/C ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012
Expenditure category						
All items ³	230.059	2.4	1.1	140.393	2.2	1.0
All items (December 1977=100)	372.420	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	236.019	2.6	.2	144.432	2.7	.2
Food	235.593	2.8	.2	144.075	2.9	.2
Food at home	238.248	2.5	.3	142.065	2.0	.0
Food away from home	231.006	3.2	.2	147.874	4.0	.5
Alcoholic beverages	236.140	.2	-.5	152.006	-.4	.0
Housing	237.053	2.1	.2	134.464	1.2	.1
Shelter	260.687	2.4	.2	134.453	1.4	.0
Rent of primary residence ⁴	289.231	2.9	.2	142.287	.9	-.1
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{4 5}	250.369	2.1	.2	132.702	1.5	.0
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{4 5}	250.358	2.1	.2	132.702	1.5	.0
Fuels and utilities	249.853	1.3	.1	168.467	.3	-.1
Household energy	224.261	-1.6	-.3	164.249	.1	-.2
Energy services ⁴	225.669	-1.7	-.3	162.332	.1	-.3
Electricity ⁴	258.465	-.3	.1	159.865	1.1	.4
Utility (piped) gas service ⁴	176.584	-6.0	-1.7	158.121	-3.2	-2.3
Household furnishings and operations	129.223	.0	-.1	102.511	1.3	1.0
Apparel	122.341	1.0	2.9	98.683	7.4	3.4
Transportation	221.900	4.9	4.5	154.951	3.9	4.1
Private transportation	218.636	5.2	4.6	154.803	4.1	4.3
Motor fuel	338.870	10.3	10.3	304.083	8.7	10.8
Gasoline (all types)	337.124	10.2	10.4	306.416	8.6	11.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁶	340.137	10.4	10.6	308.105	8.9	11.3
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{6 7}	309.207	9.9	10.2	299.885	8.1	10.0
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁶	320.464	9.8	9.7	286.972	7.5	9.9
Medical care	407.967	3.6	.4	181.077	2.7	.2
Recreation ²	105.493	-.4	.0	94.063	-.1	-.1
Education and communication ²	130.224	1.1	.1	125.368	2.9	.4
Other goods and services	381.747	.5	.3	177.439	-.5	-.2
Commodity and service group						
All items ³	230.059	2.4	1.1	140.393	2.2	1.0
Commodities	191.354	3.1	2.3	131.530	3.1	2.0
Commodities less food and beverages	165.229	3.4	3.7	124.875	3.5	3.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	218.364	4.8	5.3	162.721	5.3	4.9
Durables	113.918	.2	.3	89.459	.7	.7
Services	270.793	2.0	.2	143.075	1.4	.1
Special aggregate indexes						
All items less medical care	223.758	2.4	1.1	135.758	2.2	1.0
All items less shelter	219.661	2.5	1.5	139.100	2.5	1.3
Commodities less food	168.357	3.3	3.6	125.614	3.4	3.1
Nondurables	229.751	3.8	2.8	152.643	3.9	2.4
Nondurables less food	221.112	4.6	5.0	162.272	5.0	4.6
Services less rent of shelter ⁵	261.984	1.5	.2	153.083	1.5	.2
Services less medical care services	261.586	1.9	.2	139.764	1.4	.1
Energy	298.170	6.9	7.3	239.742	5.3	6.4
All items less energy	225.408	1.9	.4	130.376	1.9	.3
All items less food and energy	223.555	1.7	.4	127.538	1.6	.4

¹ See region and area size on Table 10 for information about cross classifications.
² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.
³ The 'All items' index size B/C is on a December 1996=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 Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.
⁷ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.
 - Data not available.
 NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 23. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Monthly cities and pricing schedule ¹					
	New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA			Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ²		
	Index	Percent change from—		Index	Percent change from—	
		Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011		Jan. 2012	Mar. 2011	Jan. 2012
Expenditure category						
All items ³	248.152	2.7	1.1	150.619	2.8	1.4
All items (1967=100)	706.550	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages ³	239.810	3.2	-1	146.618	2.5	.1
Food ³	239.936	3.4	-1	147.939	2.4	.1
Food at home	239.068	3.5	-4	144.063	2.2	.0
Food away from home ⁴	246.384	3.1	.3	150.528	2.7	.2
Alcoholic beverages ⁴	235.979	.7	-1.0	128.647	3.3	.7
Housing ³	259.001	1.3	.2	160.744	2.0	.4
Shelter	316.711	2.2	.4	168.551	2.9	.7
Rent of primary residence ^{3 5}	321.338	2.1	.1	182.024	3.6	.6
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{5 6}	294.323	2.0	.3	165.024	2.5	.7
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{5 6}	294.225	2.0	.3	165.021	2.5	.7
Fuels and utilities	190.747	-4.1	-5	169.772	-2.6	-1.3
Household energy	188.923	-5.0	-5	165.686	-4.2	-1.6
Energy services ⁵	174.479	-7.0	-1.7	160.481	-4.5	-1.6
Electricity ⁵	175.447	-2.9	-1.4	164.929	-3.4	.4
Utility (piped) gas service ⁵	166.575	-14.5	-2.2	124.891	-7.1	-8.7
Household furnishings and operations	110.386	-5	-2	90.629	-1	-4
Apparel ³	118.751	2.0	6.1	103.538	6.8	8.8
Transportation ³	231.135	5.5	3.3	154.750	4.9	4.3
Private transportation	223.004	6.2	3.5	155.133	5.2	4.4
Motor fuel	302.029	8.4	9.9	319.197	9.0	12.8
Gasoline (all types)	300.907	8.5	10.0	319.110	9.0	13.0
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁷	305.112	8.4	10.3	326.013	9.2	13.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{7 8}	300.180	8.5	9.4	312.737	8.5	12.2
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁷	291.908	8.7	9.0	310.885	8.5	11.9
Medical care ³	406.744	4.9	.4	161.153	4.6	1.7
Recreation ⁹	119.584	4.6	1.5	112.738	-8	.8
Education and communication ⁹	133.962	1.7	.0	125.642	1.3	-3
Other goods and services ³	446.170	2.6	.9	198.695	3.1	1.1
Commodity and service group						
All items ³	248.152	2.7	1.1	150.619	2.8	1.4
Commodities	198.831	3.6	2.1	135.139	3.4	3.1
Commodities less food and beverages	169.118	3.8	3.7	129.194	4.0	5.1
Nondurables less food and beverages	214.191	4.3	5.3	172.711	5.4	7.6
Durables	107.292	2.7	.3	84.498	.2	-7
Services	298.424	2.1	.4	163.127	2.4	.5
Special aggregate indexes						
All items less medical care ³	242.258	2.6	1.1	150.021	2.7	1.4
All items less shelter	223.043	2.9	1.4	142.517	2.7	1.8
Commodities less food	171.814	3.7	3.5	129.298	4.1	5.0
Nondurables	229.583	3.8	2.5	157.501	4.1	4.0
Nondurables less food	215.827	4.2	5.0	169.266	5.4	7.4
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	251.180	2.1	.5	157.446	1.8	.1
Services less medical care services	290.298	2.0	.4	163.243	2.3	.4
Energy ³	237.685	1.8	4.8	234.706	3.3	6.8
All items less energy	250.738	2.7	.6	143.430	2.8	.8
All items less food and energy ³	254.374	2.6	.8	143.349	2.8	1.0

¹ Areas on pricing schedule 2 (see Table 10) will appear next month.
² For Washington-Baltimore, indexes are on a December 1997=100 base unless otherwise noted.
³ For Washington-Baltimore, index is on a November 1996=100 base.
⁴ For Washington-Baltimore, index is on a November 1997=100 base.
⁵ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base
⁷ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.
⁸ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.
⁹ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.
 - Data not available.
 NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 24. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U. S. city average, all items-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Year	Semiannual averages		Annual avg.	Percent change from previous	
	1st half	2nd half		Dec.	Annual avg.
1913	-	-	9.9	-	-
1914	-	-	10.0	1.0	1.0
1915	-	-	10.1	2.0	1.0
1916	-	-	10.9	12.6	7.9
1917	-	-	12.8	18.1	17.4
1918	-	-	15.1	20.4	18.0
1919	-	-	17.3	14.5	14.6
1920	-	-	20.0	2.6	15.6
1921	-	-	17.9	-10.8	-10.5
1922	-	-	16.8	-2.3	-6.1
1923	-	-	17.1	2.4	1.8
1924	-	-	17.1	.0	.0
1925	-	-	17.5	3.5	2.3
1926	-	-	17.7	-1.1	1.1
1927	-	-	17.4	-2.3	-1.7
1928	-	-	17.1	-1.2	-1.7
1929	-	-	17.1	.6	.0
1930	-	-	16.7	-6.4	-2.3
1931	-	-	15.2	-9.3	-9.0
1932	-	-	13.7	-10.3	-9.9
1933	-	-	13.0	.8	-5.1
1934	-	-	13.4	1.5	3.1
1935	-	-	13.7	3.0	2.2
1936	-	-	13.9	1.4	1.5
1937	-	-	14.4	2.9	3.6
1938	-	-	14.1	-2.8	-2.1
1939	-	-	13.9	.0	-1.4
1940	-	-	14.0	.7	.7
1941	-	-	14.7	9.9	5.0
1942	-	-	16.3	9.0	10.9
1943	-	-	17.3	3.0	6.1
1944	-	-	17.6	2.3	1.7
1945	-	-	18.0	2.2	2.3
1946	-	-	19.5	18.1	8.3
1947	-	-	22.3	8.8	14.4
1948	-	-	24.1	3.0	8.1
1949	-	-	23.8	-2.1	-1.2
1950	-	-	24.1	5.9	1.3
1951	-	-	26.0	6.0	7.9
1952	-	-	26.5	.8	1.9
1953	-	-	26.7	.7	.8
1954	-	-	26.9	-.7	.7
1955	-	-	26.8	.4	-.4
1956	-	-	27.2	3.0	1.5
1957	-	-	28.1	2.9	3.3
1958	-	-	28.9	1.8	2.8
1959	-	-	29.1	1.7	.7
1960	-	-	29.6	1.4	1.7
1961	-	-	29.9	.7	1.0
1962	-	-	30.2	1.3	1.0
1963	-	-	30.6	1.6	1.3
1964	-	-	31.0	1.0	1.3
1965	-	-	31.5	1.9	1.6
1966	-	-	32.4	3.5	2.9
1967	-	-	33.4	3.0	3.1
1968	-	-	34.8	4.7	4.2
1969	-	-	36.7	6.2	5.5

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 24. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U. S. city average, all items-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1970	37.8	38.0	38.2	38.5	38.6	38.8	39.0	39.0	39.2	39.4	39.6	39.8
1971	39.8	39.9	40.0	40.1	40.3	40.6	40.7	40.8	40.8	40.9	40.9	41.1
1972	41.1	41.3	41.4	41.5	41.6	41.7	41.9	42.0	42.1	42.3	42.4	42.5
1973	42.6	42.9	43.3	43.6	43.9	44.2	44.3	45.1	45.2	45.6	45.9	46.2
1974	46.6	47.2	47.8	48.0	48.6	49.0	49.4	50.0	50.6	51.1	51.5	51.9
1975	52.1	52.5	52.7	52.9	53.2	53.6	54.2	54.3	54.6	54.9	55.3	55.5
1976	55.6	55.8	55.9	56.1	56.5	56.8	57.1	57.4	57.6	57.9	58.0	58.2
1977	58.5	59.1	59.5	60.0	60.3	60.7	61.0	61.2	61.4	61.6	61.9	62.1
1978	62.5	62.9	63.4	63.9	64.5	65.2	65.7	66.0	66.5	67.1	67.4	67.7
1979	68.3	69.1	69.8	70.6	71.5	72.3	73.1	73.8	74.6	75.2	75.9	76.7
1980	77.8	78.9	80.1	81.0	81.8	82.7	82.7	83.3	84.0	84.8	85.5	86.3
1981	87.0	87.9	88.5	89.1	89.8	90.6	91.6	92.3	93.2	93.4	93.7	94.0
1982	94.3	94.6	94.5	94.9	95.8	97.0	97.5	97.7	97.9	98.2	98.0	97.6
1983	97.8	97.9	97.9	98.6	99.2	99.5	99.9	100.2	100.7	101.0	101.2	101.3
1984	101.9	102.4	102.6	103.1	103.4	103.7	104.1	104.5	105.0	105.3	105.3	105.3
1985	105.5	106.0	106.4	106.9	107.3	107.6	107.8	108.0	108.3	108.7	109.0	109.3
1986	109.6	109.3	108.8	108.6	108.9	109.5	109.5	109.7	110.2	110.3	110.4	110.5
1987	111.2	111.6	112.1	112.7	113.1	113.5	113.8	114.4	115.0	115.3	115.4	115.4
1988	115.7	116.0	116.5	117.1	117.5	118.0	118.5	119.0	119.8	120.2	120.3	120.5
1989	121.1	121.6	122.3	123.1	123.8	124.1	124.4	124.6	125.0	125.6	125.9	126.1
1990	127.4	128.0	128.7	128.9	129.2	129.9	130.4	131.6	132.7	133.5	133.8	133.8
1991	134.6	134.8	135.0	135.2	135.6	136.0	136.2	136.6	137.2	137.4	137.8	137.9
1992	138.1	138.6	139.3	139.5	139.7	140.2	140.5	140.9	141.3	141.8	142.0	141.9
1993	142.6	143.1	143.6	144.0	144.2	144.4	144.4	144.8	145.1	145.7	145.8	145.8
1994	146.2	146.7	147.2	147.4	147.5	148.0	148.4	149.0	149.4	149.5	149.7	149.7
1995	150.3	150.9	151.4	151.9	152.2	152.5	152.5	152.9	153.2	153.7	153.6	153.5
1996	154.4	154.9	155.7	156.3	156.6	156.7	157.0	157.3	157.8	158.3	158.6	158.6
1997	159.1	159.6	160.0	160.2	160.1	160.3	160.5	160.8	161.2	161.6	161.5	161.3
1998	161.6	161.9	162.2	162.5	162.8	163.0	163.2	163.4	163.6	164.0	164.0	163.9
1999	164.3	164.5	165.0	166.2	166.2	166.2	166.7	167.1	167.9	168.2	168.3	168.3
2000	168.8	169.8	171.2	171.3	171.5	172.4	172.8	172.8	173.7	174.0	174.1	174.0
2001	175.1	175.8	176.2	176.9	177.7	178.0	177.5	177.5	178.3	177.7	177.4	176.7
2002	177.1	177.8	178.8	179.8	179.8	179.9	180.1	180.7	181.0	181.3	181.3	180.9
2003	181.7	183.1	184.2	183.8	183.5	183.7	183.9	184.6	185.2	185.0	184.5	184.3
2004	185.2	186.2	187.4	188.0	189.1	189.7	189.4	189.5	189.9	190.9	191.0	190.3
2005	190.7	191.8	193.3	194.6	194.4	194.5	195.4	196.4	198.8	199.2	197.6	196.8
2006	198.3	198.7	199.8	201.5	202.5	202.9	203.5	203.9	202.9	201.8	201.5	201.8
2007	202.416	203.499	205.352	206.686	207.949	208.352	208.299	207.917	208.490	208.936	210.177	210.036
2008	211.080	211.693	213.528	214.823	216.632	218.815	219.964	219.086	218.783	216.573	212.425	210.228
2009	211.143	212.193	212.709	213.240	213.856	215.693	215.351	215.834	215.969	216.177	216.330	215.949
2010	216.687	216.741	217.631	218.009	218.178	217.965	218.011	218.312	218.439	218.711	218.803	219.179
2011	220.223	221.309	223.467	224.906	225.964	225.722	225.922	226.545	226.889	226.421	226.230	225.672
2012	226.665	227.663	229.392	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 24. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U. S. city average, all items-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Year	Semiannual averages		Annual avg.	Percent change from previous	
	1st half	2nd half		Dec.	Annual avg.
1970	-	-	38.8	5.6	5.7
1971	-	-	40.5	3.3	4.4
1972	-	-	41.8	3.4	3.2
1973	-	-	44.4	8.7	6.2
1974	-	-	49.3	12.3	11.0
1975	-	-	53.8	6.9	9.1
1976	-	-	56.9	4.9	5.8
1977	-	-	60.6	6.7	6.5
1978	-	-	65.2	9.0	7.6
1979	-	-	72.6	13.3	11.3
1980	-	-	82.4	12.5	13.5
1981	-	-	90.9	8.9	10.3
1982	-	-	96.5	3.8	6.2
1983	-	-	99.6	3.8	3.2
1984	102.9	104.9	103.9	3.9	4.3
1985	106.6	108.5	107.6	3.8	3.6
1986	109.1	110.1	109.6	1.1	1.9
1987	112.4	114.9	113.6	4.4	3.6
1988	116.8	119.7	118.3	4.4	4.1
1989	122.7	125.3	124.0	4.6	4.8
1990	128.7	132.6	130.7	6.1	5.4
1991	135.2	137.2	136.2	3.1	4.2
1992	139.2	141.4	140.3	2.9	3.0
1993	143.7	145.3	144.5	2.7	3.0
1994	147.2	149.3	148.2	2.7	2.6
1995	151.5	153.2	152.4	2.5	2.8
1996	155.8	157.9	156.9	3.3	3.0
1997	159.9	161.2	160.5	1.7	2.3
1998	162.3	163.7	163.0	1.6	1.6
1999	165.4	167.8	166.6	2.7	2.2
2000	170.8	173.6	172.2	3.4	3.4
2001	176.6	177.5	177.1	1.6	2.8
2002	178.9	180.9	179.9	2.4	1.6
2003	183.3	184.6	184.0	1.9	2.3
2004	187.6	190.2	188.9	3.3	2.7
2005	193.2	197.4	195.3	3.4	3.4
2006	200.6	202.6	201.6	2.5	3.2
2007	205.709	208.976	207.342	4.1	2.8
2008	214.429	216.177	215.303	.1	3.8
2009	213.139	215.935	214.537	2.7	-4
2010	217.535	218.576	218.056	1.5	1.6
2011	223.598	226.280	224.939	3.0	3.2
2012	-	-	-	-	-

- Data not available.

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

Table 25. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes								Mar. 2012
	December								
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	
Special aggregate indexes									
Durables	115.5	114.9	113.3	112.093	108.811	111.477	110.512	112.277	112.926
Services	224.6	233.2	241.2	249.225	256.731	259.055	262.074	267.737	269.396
Rent of shelter ⁶	228.9	235.0	245.0	252.669	257.567	258.303	259.418	264.341	266.323
Transportation services	221.8	227.8	230.8	236.504	246.287	256.014	263.264	269.858	270.604
Other services	264.3	272.3	280.9	289.945	300.067	306.436	310.824	318.043	320.315
All items less food	190.6	197.4	202.6	210.610	208.855	215.703	218.921	224.805	228.887
All items less shelter	180.9	187.7	191.1	199.734	198.127	205.888	209.996	217.260	221.744
All items less medical care	183.9	190.0	194.8	202.600	202.442	207.860	210.712	216.875	220.483
Commodities less food	139.3	143.3	144.7	152.344	138.536	151.052	154.443	160.453	167.858
Nondurables less food	159.5	168.1	172.7	189.844	165.032	187.864	195.703	205.966	219.940
Nondurables less food and apparel	185.1	199.2	205.8	233.014	194.403	229.250	242.401	255.567	275.483
Nondurables	173.3	180.1	184.5	198.422	189.557	202.064	208.028	218.411	227.039
Apparel less footwear	114.1	112.3	113.3	112.990	111.235	112.993	111.887	117.890	121.954
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	236.5	248.8	254.9	263.966	275.370	279.896	285.481	292.487	293.886
Services less medical care services	216.0	224.2	231.7	238.894	246.090	247.793	250.191	255.271	256.675
Energy	153.7	180.0	185.2	217.506	171.158	202.301	217.953	232.300	253.599
All items less energy	195.8	200.1	205.1	210.890	215.930	219.048	221.045	226.795	228.705
All items less food and energy	197.8	202.1	207.3	212.356	216.100	220.025	221.795	226.740	228.735
Commodities less food and energy commodities ..	139.8	140.1	139.9	140.014	139.228	143.383	142.830	145.929	147.644
Energy commodities	163.4	190.7	202.4	261.976	155.745	228.186	259.903	287.363	334.427
Services less energy services	231.9	238.7	247.5	255.785	262.636	266.237	269.572	275.643	277.780
Domestically produced farm food	194.4	196.9	199.2	211.109	224.865	218.813	223.186	236.613	238.154
Utilities and public transportation	168.3	183.5	185.2	191.955	201.511	199.834	201.759	205.245	205.637

1 Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.
 2 Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.
 3 Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.
 4 Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.
 5 This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.
 6 Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.
 7 Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.
 8 Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

9 Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.
 10 Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.
 11 Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.
 12 Indexes on a December 2009=100 base.
 13 Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.
 14 Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.
 NA Data not adequate for publication.
 - Data not available.
 NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 26. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued

Item and group	Percent change from previous December								
	December								Mar. 2012
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	
Special aggregate indexes									
Durables	0.4	-0.5	-1.4	-1.1	-2.9	2.5	-0.9	1.6	0.6
Services	3.1	3.8	3.4	3.3	3.0	.9	1.2	2.2	.6
Rent of shelter ⁶	2.7	2.7	4.3	3.1	1.9	.3	.4	1.9	.7
Transportation services	1.9	2.7	1.3	2.5	4.1	3.9	2.8	2.5	.3
Other services	2.7	3.0	3.2	3.2	3.5	2.1	1.4	2.3	.7
All items less food	3.4	3.6	2.6	4.0	-.8	3.3	1.5	2.7	1.8
All items less shelter	3.5	3.8	1.8	4.5	-.8	3.9	2.0	3.5	2.1
All items less medical care	3.2	3.3	2.5	4.0	-.1	2.7	1.4	2.9	1.7
Commodities less food	4.1	2.9	1.0	5.3	-9.1	9.0	2.2	3.9	4.6
Nondurables less food	6.9	5.4	2.7	9.9	-13.1	13.8	4.2	5.2	6.8
Nondurables less food and apparel	9.7	7.6	3.3	13.2	-16.6	17.9	5.7	5.4	7.8
Nondurables	4.8	3.9	2.4	7.5	-4.5	6.6	3.0	5.0	4.0
Apparel less footwear	-.6	-1.6	.9	-.3	-1.6	1.6	-1.0	5.4	3.4
Services less rent of shelter ⁶	3.5	5.2	2.5	3.6	4.3	1.6	2.0	2.5	.5
Services less medical care services	2.9	3.8	3.3	3.1	3.0	.7	1.0	2.0	.6
Energy	16.6	17.1	2.9	17.4	-21.3	18.2	7.7	6.6	9.2
All items less energy	2.2	2.2	2.5	2.8	2.4	1.4	.9	2.6	.8
All items less food and energy	2.2	2.2	2.6	2.4	1.8	1.8	.8	2.2	.9
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	.6	.2	-.1	.1	-.6	3.0	-.4	2.2	1.2
Energy commodities	26.7	16.7	6.1	29.4	-40.5	46.5	13.9	10.6	16.4
Services less energy services	2.8	2.9	3.7	3.3	2.7	1.4	1.3	2.3	.8
Domestically produced farm food	2.6	1.3	1.2	6.0	6.5	-2.7	2.0	6.0	.7
Utilities and public transportation	3.1	9.0	.9	3.6	5.0	-.8	1.0	1.7	.2

¹ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.

⁵ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator.

All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

¹⁰ Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.

¹¹ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹² Indexes on a December 2009=100 base.

¹³ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

¹⁴ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

Table 27. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U. S. city average, all items-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Year	Semiannual averages		Annual avg.	Percent change from previous	
	1st half	2nd half		Dec.	Annual avg.
1913	-	-	10.0	-	-
1914	-	-	10.1	1.0	1.0
1915	-	-	10.2	2.0	1.0
1916	-	-	11.0	11.5	7.8
1917	-	-	12.9	19.0	17.3
1918	-	-	15.1	20.3	17.1
1919	-	-	17.4	14.5	15.2
1920	-	-	20.1	2.6	15.5
1921	-	-	18.0	-10.8	-10.4
1922	-	-	16.9	-2.3	-6.1
1923	-	-	17.2	2.4	1.8
1924	-	-	17.2	.0	.0
1925	-	-	17.6	3.4	2.3
1926	-	-	17.8	-1.1	1.1
1927	-	-	17.5	-2.2	-1.7
1928	-	-	17.2	-1.1	-1.7
1929	-	-	17.2	.6	.0
1930	-	-	16.8	-6.4	-2.3
1931	-	-	15.3	-9.3	-8.9
1932	-	-	13.7	-10.2	-10.5
1933	-	-	13.0	.0	-5.1
1934	-	-	13.5	2.3	3.8
1935	-	-	13.8	3.0	2.2
1936	-	-	13.9	1.4	.7
1937	-	-	14.4	2.8	3.6
1938	-	-	14.2	-2.8	-1.4
1939	-	-	14.0	-.7	-1.4
1940	-	-	14.1	1.4	.7
1941	-	-	14.8	9.2	5.0
1942	-	-	16.4	9.7	10.8
1943	-	-	17.4	2.9	6.1
1944	-	-	17.7	2.3	1.7
1945	-	-	18.1	2.2	2.3
1946	-	-	19.6	18.0	8.3
1947	-	-	22.5	9.3	14.8
1948	-	-	24.2	2.5	7.6
1949	-	-	24.0	-1.7	-.8
1950	-	-	24.2	5.5	.8
1951	-	-	26.1	6.0	7.9
1952	-	-	26.7	1.1	2.3
1953	-	-	26.9	.4	.7
1954	-	-	27.0	-.4	.4
1955	-	-	26.9	.4	-.4
1956	-	-	27.3	3.0	1.5
1957	-	-	28.3	2.9	3.7
1958	-	-	29.1	1.7	2.8
1959	-	-	29.3	1.4	.7
1960	-	-	29.8	1.7	1.7
1961	-	-	30.1	.7	1.0
1962	-	-	30.4	1.3	1.0
1963	-	-	30.8	1.6	1.3
1964	-	-	31.2	1.0	1.3
1965	-	-	31.7	1.9	1.6
1966	-	-	32.6	3.4	2.8
1967	-	-	33.6	3.0	3.1
1968	-	-	35.0	4.7	4.2
1969	-	-	36.9	6.2	5.4

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 27. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U. S. city average, all items-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Year	Semiannual averages		Annual avg.	Percent change from previous	
	1st half	2nd half		Dec.	Annual avg.
1970	-	-	39.0	5.5	5.7
1971	-	-	40.7	3.3	4.4
1972	-	-	42.1	3.4	3.4
1973	-	-	44.7	8.9	6.2
1974	-	-	49.6	12.3	11.0
1975	-	-	54.1	6.9	9.1
1976	-	-	57.2	4.8	5.7
1977	-	-	60.9	6.8	6.5
1978	-	-	65.6	9.0	7.7
1979	-	-	73.1	13.4	11.4
1980	-	-	82.9	12.6	13.4
1981	-	-	91.4	8.6	10.3
1982	-	-	96.9	3.8	6.0
1983	-	-	99.8	3.3	3.0
1984	102.1	104.4	103.3	3.6	3.5
1985	106.0	107.8	106.9	3.6	3.5
1986	108.2	109.0	108.6	.6	1.6
1987	111.2	113.7	112.5	4.5	3.6
1988	115.5	118.4	117.0	4.4	4.0
1989	121.3	123.9	122.6	4.5	4.8
1990	127.1	131.0	129.0	6.1	5.2
1991	133.3	135.2	134.3	2.8	4.1
1992	137.1	139.3	138.2	2.9	2.9
1993	141.3	142.9	142.1	2.5	2.8
1994	144.5	146.8	145.6	2.7	2.5
1995	148.9	150.6	149.8	2.5	2.9
1996	153.1	155.2	154.1	3.3	2.9
1997	157.0	158.1	157.6	1.5	2.3
1998	159.0	160.3	159.7	1.6	1.3
1999	162.0	164.5	163.2	2.7	2.2
2000	167.6	170.2	168.9	3.4	3.5
2001	173.2	173.8	173.5	1.3	2.7
2002	174.9	176.9	175.9	2.4	1.4
2003	179.3	180.3	179.8	1.6	2.2
2004	183.2	185.8	184.5	3.4	2.6
2005	188.8	193.2	191.0	3.5	3.5
2006	196.3	198.0	197.1	2.4	3.2
2007	201.069	204.466	202.767	4.3	2.9
2008	210.309	211.796	211.053	-.5	4.1
2009	207.883	211.377	209.630	3.4	-.7
2010	213.426	214.507	213.967	1.7	2.1
2011	220.196	222.954	221.575	3.2	3.6
2012	-	-	-	-	-

- Data not available.

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

Table 28. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes								Mar. 2012
	December								
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	
Special aggregate indexes									
Services less medical care services	212.4	220.6	227.6	234.468	242.079	243.838	246.115	251.150	252.344
Energy	153.3	179.3	184.7	218.104	168.726	202.398	218.896	233.943	256.979
All items less energy	191.0	194.9	199.6	205.155	210.168	213.780	215.786	221.735	223.520
All items less food and energy	192.0	195.9	200.7	205.377	208.925	213.572	215.303	220.325	222.169
Commodities less food and energy commodities ..	139.9	140.4	140.4	140.815	139.731	145.253	145.037	148.692	150.368
Energy commodities	163.4	190.7	202.1	261.928	154.744	228.303	260.026	287.221	335.299
Services less energy services	228.1	234.6	243.0	250.925	258.039	261.871	265.062	271.036	273.002
Domestically produced farm food	193.6	196.0	198.1	210.009	223.608	217.384	221.962	235.646	237.287
Utilities and public transportation	166.4	181.4	183.0	189.083	198.746	196.776	197.935	201.072	201.390

1 Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.
2 This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.
3 Indexes on a December 1984=100 base
4 Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.
5 Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.
6 Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.
7 Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.
8 Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

9 Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.
10 Indexes on a December 2009=100 base.
11 Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.
12 Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.
13 Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.
14 Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.
NA Data not adequate for publication.
- Data not available.
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories

Item and group	Percent change from previous December								
	December								Mar. 2012
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	
Expenditure category									
All items	3.4	3.5	2.4	4.3	-0.5	3.4	1.7	3.2	1.9
Food and beverages	2.6	2.2	2.1	4.9	5.9	-5	1.5	4.6	.7
Food	2.6	2.3	2.0	5.0	6.0	-7	1.6	4.8	.7
Food at home	2.3	1.7	1.3	5.7	6.5	-2.5	1.7	6.1	.6
Cereals and bakery products	1.7	1.0	3.3	5.3	11.9	-9	-1	6.1	.4
Cereals and cereal products .....	.9	-3	2.3	4.3	13.5	-1.5	-9	7.3	-3
Flour and prepared flour mixes	-3.8	3.8	3.0	7.5	20.5	-4.6	-1.1	12.2	3.2
Breakfast cereal	1.2	-2.3	.5	3.1	4.9	.1	-1.4	6.5	-4
Rice, pasta, cornmeal	2.5	1.4	5.1	4.9	26.3	-3.0	-1	6.9	-1.4
Bakery products	2.1	1.7	3.7	5.9	11.1	-5	.4	5.5	.8
Bread	4.4	2.6	5.4	10.4	12.7	-3.5	1.5	6.4	.3
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins	2.3	2.5	6.2	4.3	13.5	-2.2	1.9	6.5	.1
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies	1.9	2.3	1.1	5.9	8.6	2.8	-4	4.5	-3
Other bakery products .....	.0	-3	3.7	2.3	10.7	.6	-8	5.1	2.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	1.2	1.3	1.3	5.6	5.1	-3.8	5.6	8.0	.7
Meats, poultry, and fish	2.3	1.4	.7	4.2	6.1	-3.7	5.6	8.1	1.0
Meats	1.6	1.2	.7	3.3	6.0	-5.1	7.4	9.6	1.1
Beef and veal	-8	2.4	.5	5.2	6.5	-4.8	6.3	11.6	2.2
Uncooked ground beef	3.1	3.3	.7	5.5	11.0	-6.3	6.3	12.3	3.3
Uncooked beef roasts	-1.1	1.4	.0	4.5	5.2	-3.0	5.1	12.9	1.1
Uncooked beef steaks	-3.6	1.8	-4	5.4	1.6	-4.7	5.4	10.7	1.4
Uncooked other beef and veal	-5.6	3.1	4.6	4.5	6.4	-1.5	11.1	9.4	2.2
Pork	4.8	-2	.2	1.5	5.0	-7.7	11.3	8.2	.4
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products	5.9	-3.8	1.6	3.3	2.3	-5.5	12.2	8.4	.8
Ham	4.3	2.4	.5	1.5	5.4	-7.9	12.0	5.4	2.8
Pork chops	2.4	.3	-1.2	.9	6.1	-8.0	7.5	8.9	-1.2
Other pork including roasts and picnics	6.5	1.7	-4	-5	7.4	-10.5	12.9	10.0	-1.1
Other meats	2.8	.8	2.1	1.5	6.2	-2.0	4.1	7.0	.0
Poultry	5.5	-2	-1.2	6.8	5.8	-1.5	1.0	4.4	2.3
Chicken	6.2	-6	-1.4	7.8	5.4	-2.1	1.1	2.8	1.7
Other poultry including turkey	2.3	1.4	-1	2.0	7.3	1.2	.5	12.4	4.4
Fish and seafood	1.9	3.9	3.4	5.1	7.3	-1	4.2	6.8	-9
Fresh fish and seafood	2.1	5.9	4.0	5.7	5.5	-1.3	7.8	6.3	-3
Processed fish and seafood	1.6	1.0	2.4	4.2	9.5	1.3	.5	7.3	-1.4
Eggs	-20.0	1.7	14.6	33.2	-9.3	-6.8	6.2	6.4	-4.5
Dairy and related products	4.2	1.7	-1.5	13.8	2.3	-7.8	3.8	8.2	.2
Milk	5.6	3.5	-2.9	19.5	-3.4	-10.5	5.2	9.2	-1.1
Cheese and related products	5.4	.3	-2.2	13.5	8.3	-9.4	4.5	8.0	1.0
Ice cream and related products	-1	-1	2.1	3.1	5.6	-2.3	2.6	9.0	-4
Other dairy and related products	2.8	1.6	.0	11.7	2.7	-3.9	1.2	6.0	1.7
Fruits and vegetables	8.2	.4	2.0	5.8	3.5	-3.1	1.4	2.5	-1.4
Fresh fruits and vegetables	10.0	-7	1.8	6.3	.5	-3.9	2.2	.9	-2.4
Fresh fruits	7.1	1.2	4.8	5.4	-1.4	-4.1	3.5	-.5	-1.7
Apples .....	.8	4.3	10.1	6.0	3.4	-9.6	4.0	6.8	1.5
Bananas	-2.5	7.1	2.9	5.0	15.7	-8.6	1.9	4.6	1.7
Citrus fruits	11.4	7.0	6.3	.1	-.7	.0	9.8	-4.0	-2.9
Other fresh fruits	11.7	-4.4	2.7	7.8	-9.0	-1.9	1.5	-3.0	-3.7
Fresh vegetables	12.7	-2.5	-1.0	7.2	2.5	-3.7	.9	2.3	-3.0
Potatoes	7.5	9.7	5.7	3.4	20.3	-16.7	5.8	7.4	5.2
Lettuce	-8.1	-6.5	7.8	4.8	1.9	9.2	-7.1	-1.0	-7.0
Tomatoes	49.1	-19.0	-7.6	19.6	-10.6	2.5	-10.6	1.3	-5.9
Other fresh vegetables	4.6	4.6	-2.4	3.8	3.2	-4.8	6.7	1.9	-3.9
Processed fruits and vegetables	1.9	5.0	2.6	4.2	13.8	-.5	-1.2	7.1	1.5
Canned fruits and vegetables	2.7	5.7	2.6	4.2	16.6	.9	-2.0	5.8	1.9
Frozen fruits and vegetables	-5	4.2	2.4	2.9	8.1	-3.5	-2	10.0	.1
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried	3.3	4.4	3.1	5.8	15.2	.5	-4	6.0	2.6
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	1.0	3.5	2.0	3.4	6.1	-.9	-1.3	5.6	.5
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks .....	.8	3.2	1.9	3.5	7.4	-1.2	-1.9	4.4	.8
Carbonated drinks	2.4	4.5	.7	3.2	9.5	.2	-1.3	6.0	2.0
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks	-2.1	-3	13.5	13.0	4.1	1.1	-6	12.7	.7
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks	-7	1.8	2.9	3.2	5.3	-2.9	-2.4	2.8	.0

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued

Item and group	Percent change from previous December								
	December								Mar. 2012
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	
Expenditure category									
Beverage materials including coffee and tea	1.3	4.2	2.2	3.3	3.4	-0.4	0.7	10.0	-0.3
Coffee	1.4	12.1	2.0	5.1	6.4	-2.3	2.5	19.3	.3
Other beverage materials including tea	1.3	.3	2.3	2.5	1.9	.5	-7	2.2	-1.1
Other food at home .....	.4	2.4	.6	3.2	9.2	-2	.0	5.6	2.0
Sugar and sweets .....	.1	3.9	2.6	3.4	8.5	2.7	2.5	3.7	2.1
Sugar and artificial sweeteners	-.3	8.3	5.8	-.5	6.3	3.9	6.8	4.1	.8
Candy and chewing gum .....	.0	3.3	1.3	4.5	8.9	2.6	1.5	2.8	2.7
Other sweets	-.7	1.3	4.0	3.6	9.5	1.7	.9	6.2	1.9
Fats and oils	6.1	-1.0	1.0	5.6	17.4	-4.5	1.4	14.0	2.5
Butter and margarine	13.8	-2.9	-1.4	6.3	18.6	-7.6	9.2	11.1	-1
Salad dressing .....	.6	-4.0	3.5	3.3	10.8	.4	1.9	8.1	.5
Other fats and oils including peanut butter	4.6	2.0	1.1	6.7	20.7	-5.6	-2.8	19.2	5.3
Other foods	-.8	2.9	.0	2.7	8.1	.0	-.7	4.6	1.9
Soups	-.1	1.4	.0	.1	8.3	-1.3	-1.4	3.0	5.7
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods	-.6	.7	-1.6	3.5	6.5	-1.0	-1.4	2.9	1.0
Snacks	-2.4	5.9	-1.1	4.4	13.1	1.6	.4	7.4	2.9
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces	-2.8	4.0	-.1	3.6	6.5	2.2	-1.1	5.1	4.6
Baby food	2.5	3.4	1.0	4.2	5.8	-.9	-1.4	7.4	.5
Other miscellaneous foods .....	.9	1.4	2.1	.3	7.3	-1.1	-.4	3.2	.3
Food away from home	3.0	3.2	3.2	3.9	5.2	1.9	1.3	3.0	.7
Full service meals and snacks	2.8	2.8	3.4	3.9	4.0	1.8	1.3	2.9	.8
Limited service meals and snacks	3.1	3.4	3.0	4.1	6.0	1.8	.9	3.1	.7
Food at employee sites and schools	3.0	2.6	3.6	3.0	5.7	2.8	2.8	3.5	.6
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors	2.2	2.7	1.9	3.3	7.1	2.3	2.0	2.6	.7
Other food away from home	3.2	5.2	3.8	4.1	6.4	2.1	3.1	2.2	.3
Alcoholic beverages	2.8	1.1	2.4	3.9	4.6	2.2	1.1	1.7	1.4
Alcoholic beverages at home	2.4	.1	1.7	3.6	4.7	2.1	.3	.9	1.7
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home	3.2	-.3	1.6	4.2	5.3	2.8	.9	1.5	2.2
Distilled spirits at home .....	.9	.7	.7	1.0	2.5	1.9	-.2	.1	.9
Wine at home	-.2	1.5	3.0	3.5	3.4	-.1	-1.5	-.8	.9
Alcoholic beverages away from home	3.6	2.9	4.1	4.7	4.4	2.2	2.2	2.9	1.0
Housing	3.0	4.2	3.2	3.1	2.8	-.1	.3	1.9	.5
Shelter	2.5	2.7	4.2	3.1	2.2	.5	.5	1.9	.6
Rent of primary residence ¹	2.9	3.1	4.3	4.0	3.3	.6	.7	2.4	.5
Lodging away from home	4.6	3.2	3.8	4.8	-2.4	-4.4	2.5	1.9	9.8
Housing at school, excluding board ¹	6.0	5.9	5.2	5.6	4.6	5.2	4.1	4.0	.1
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels	4.4	3.0	3.7	4.8	-3.1	-5.5	2.1	1.3	12.7
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ¹	2.2	2.5	4.2	2.7	2.1	.7	.3	1.7	.5
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ¹	2.2	2.5	4.2	2.7	2.1	.7	.3	1.7	.5
Tenants' and household insurance	3.9	-2.1	.9	.0	2.5	3.4	2.6	2.4	.6
Fuels and utilities	7.6	15.5	.4	5.2	6.5	-3.1	1.7	2.5	-.6
Household energy	8.1	17.8	-.5	5.2	6.5	-4.9	.8	1.9	-1.2
Fuel oil and other fuels	34.7	24.0	2.1	28.6	-12.9	1.9	13.0	13.6	4.5
Fuel oil	40.3	26.9	2.1	33.2	-21.4	7.3	16.2	18.3	6.9
Propane, kerosene, and firewood	24.7	18.1	2.2	19.9	.2	-4.5	8.3	6.3	.3
Energy services ¹	6.7	17.3	-.7	3.4	7.9	-5.3	.0	1.1	-1.6
Electricity ¹	2.1	10.5	7.2	5.0	8.8	-.7	.7	2.3	-.3
Utility (piped) gas service ¹	16.7	30.3	-14.6	-.4	5.6	-18.1	-2.7	-3.6	-5.8
Water and sewer and trash collection services	5.5	5.3	4.8	5.4	6.6	5.7	5.5	4.7	2.0
Water and sewerage maintenance ¹	6.3	5.5	4.7	5.6	7.1	6.8	6.5	5.2	2.3
Garbage and trash collection	3.4	4.3	5.2	4.9	5.0	2.3	2.4	2.7	.7
Household furnishings and operations .....	.7	.5	.6	-.6	2.0	-.9	-2.6	1.2	.7
Window and floor coverings and other linens	-1.4	-1.9	-4.3	-3.4	-4.8	-3.0	-7.8	-.6	.0
Floor coverings .....	.4	5.8	3.1	.4	2.4	-3.4	-3.4	.3	-.4
Window coverings	-3.0	-1.5	1.4	-1.3	.0	-7.5	-10.6	-1.7	-1.0
Other linens	-1.4	-3.8	-8.4	-5.3	-8.5	-1.2	-7.9	-.5	.4
Furniture and bedding .....	.0	.5	-.8	-2.0	-.3	-.1	-4.8	2.6	.1
Bedroom furniture	5.2	4.2	-1.5	-.7	.3	-2.7	-1.3	2.0	-1.7
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture	-1.9	-1.8	-.3	-2.5	-1.6	2.1	-3.7	2.7	1.2
Other furniture	-3.8	.2	-.4	-3.2	1.9	-.2	-14.0	3.7	.9
Appliances	-3.4	3.3	1.1	1.7	1.7	-3.1	-4.1	1.5	3.8
Major appliances	-2.8	6.0	3.5	2.7	2.1	-3.0	-4.5	3.1	5.5

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Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued

Item and group	Percent change from previous December								
	December								Mar. 2012
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	
Expenditure category									
State motor vehicle registration and license fees ¹	9.9	1.7	2.4	1.2	2.4	13.4	1.3	1.2	-0.5
Parking and other fees	5.4	4.5	1.7	3.9	6.0	5.6	1.3	3.0	4.2
Public transportation .....	.3	6.1	.4	6.4	1.7	3.5	4.5	4.0	1.2
Airline fare	-1.8	6.7	-1.0	10.5	1.0	4.2	5.6	4.6	1.5
Other intercity transportation	-1.2	4.8	2.2	1.3	-1.7	-3.5	2.0	-3	-1.6
Intracity transportation	3.8	5.6	1.9	1.9	5.3	5.2	3.1	4.3	1.5
Medical care	4.3	4.4	3.6	5.2	2.7	3.5	3.5	3.6	1.5
Medical care commodities	1.9	3.6	1.9	2.4	1.5	3.3	3.0	3.4	1.8
Medicinal drugs ³	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.1	3.5	1.9
Prescription drugs	3.5	4.4	1.9	3.1	1.2	4.4	4.2	4.4	2.3
Nonprescription drugs ³	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.0	.0	.0
Medical equipment and supplies ³	-	-	-	-	-	-	.0	.0	.5
Medical care services	5.1	4.6	4.1	6.0	3.1	3.6	3.7	3.7	1.4
Professional services	4.0	3.7	2.5	4.3	3.0	2.6	2.9	2.3	.4
Physicians' services ¹	4.0	3.1	1.6	4.1	2.9	2.6	3.5	2.7	.2
Dental services ¹	5.0	5.5	4.9	6.2	3.5	3.3	2.9	2.3	.9
Eyeglasses and eye care	3.0	2.9	2.1	1.1	.2	1.5	.3	.6	.4
Services by other medical professionals ¹	2.5	2.6	2.9	3.3	4.0	1.9	1.8	1.3	.5
Hospital and related services	5.2	5.2	6.0	8.0	5.7	7.5	7.4	5.4	1.8
Hospital services ¹	5.2	5.2	6.1	8.0	5.9	7.8	7.8	5.6	1.8
Inpatient hospital services ^{1 2}	5.6	5.3	6.5	7.4	5.7	7.8	9.4	6.2	1.4
Outpatient hospital services ^{1 2}	4.4	5.1	4.9	9.6	5.7	8.5	5.2	4.6	2.0
Nursing homes and adult day services ¹	3.7	4.4	4.5	5.6	3.2	3.7	2.8	3.1	2.1
Care of invalids and elderly at home ⁴	-	-	3.0	3.5	1.1	.8	1.9	2.4	.4
Health insurance ⁴	-	-	6.8	9.3	-3.4	-2.9	-4.0	5.6	4.8
Recreation .....	.6	.9	.9	.6	1.6	-6	-1.2	1.3	1.1
Video and audio .....	.7	.0	-.8	.1	-.7	-1.4	-2.6	1.3	1.7
Televisions	-12.5	-13.6	-22.7	-17.3	-19.5	-27.3	-19.1	-17.3	-3.7
Cable and satellite television and radio service	4.1	3.3	2.6	2.5	1.7	2.2	.2	3.6	2.8
Other video equipment	-14.5	-10.8	-14.1	-12.9	-15.4	-9.5	-12.9	-11.5	-1.9
Video discs and other media, including rental of video and audio	-1.3	-.6	1.2	.7	1.9	-3.7	-3.7	6.9	-.6
Audio equipment	-5.5	-10.1	-5.1	-5.2	-4.0	-4.6	-3.9	-5.4	-.7
Audio discs, tapes and other media	3.7	.1	-2.6	-.2	-1.2	-9.3	-2.6	-2.5	.2
Pets, pet products and services	4.2	2.8	3.6	5.4	10.2	1.5	.4	4.4	.9
Pets and pet products	3.2	1.5	3.3	5.1	12.3	.7	-.9	3.2	1.0
Pet services including veterinary	6.2	5.0	4.1	6.1	6.2	3.2	3.3	7.0	.5
Sporting goods	-1.2	1.2	1.2	-2.7	2.5	-1.6	-.3	1.2	.5
Sports vehicles including bicycles	1.5	3.5	3.1	-3.0	-.1	-2.0	2.3	4.6	.2
Sports equipment	-4.2	-1.8	-.7	-2.3	5.6	-1.4	-4.3	-4.4	1.2
Photography	-3.7	-2.9	-4.5	-3.1	-1.7	1.0	-2.9	1.8	-.5
Photographic equipment and supplies	-7.8	-4.8	-10.6	-6.6	-5.9	-2.0	-10.0	-1.6	-1.1
Photographers and film processing .....	.2	-1.5	1.8	-.1	1.8	3.2	1.0	3.4	.0
Other recreational goods	-4.6	-4.0	-3.4	-4.9	-5.2	-3.5	-4.6	-2.7	.7
Toys	-6.1	-4.5	-4.7	-5.4	-7.1	-5.6	-5.6	-3.8	.9
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies .....	.0	-2.2	1.1	-6.0	.2	4.8	.6	4.4	.4
Music instruments and accessories	1.2	-2.9	1.7	.3	2.0	.0	-3.0	-1.3	-.4
Other recreation services	2.1	3.1	4.2	2.1	2.4	.1	1.0	.3	.9
Club dues and fees for participant sports and group exercises	-.3	2.7	2.5	1.0	1.3	-2.3	.1	2.3	.7
Admissions	3.3	3.3	5.2	2.2	2.8	.6	1.5	-.5	1.2
Fees for lessons or instructions	2.7	2.6	3.2	3.9	3.4	2.2	1.2	.2	.3
Recreational reading materials	2.3	.6	.9	1.2	3.7	3.0	-.3	.8	.8
Newspapers and magazines	3.4	1.8	1.2	1.2	4.9	5.0	.3	3.0	1.7
Recreational books .....	.1	-1.5	.4	1.1	2.1	.3	-1.0	-2.1	-.2
Education and communication .....	.7	1.9	2.0	2.6	3.4	1.9	.8	1.1	.4
Education	6.2	5.9	6.4	5.3	5.8	4.6	4.0	4.5	.2
Educational books and supplies	4.0	5.0	7.1	8.8	6.8	6.9	3.3	6.1	1.7
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	6.4	5.9	6.3	5.0	5.7	4.3	4.1	4.3	.1
College tuition and fees	8.8	6.7	7.3	5.9	6.2	6.0	4.2	6.1	-.1

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Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued

Item and group	Percent change from previous December								
	December								Mar. 2012
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	
Expenditure category									
Elementary and high school tuition and fees	7.2	5.7	5.8	5.4	6.0	3.9	3.8	4.1	0.1
Child care and nursery school	3.4	5.1	5.3	3.7	5.1	2.4	4.0	2.2	.6
Technical and business school tuition and fees	8.3	6.8	4.9	5.4	4.3	4.1	4.3	4.0	.7
Communication	-3.0	-9	-1.2	.7	1.9	.1	-1.2	-1.1	.5
Postage and delivery services .....	.4	.4	5.0	4.4	3.1	4.9	1.7	4.4	3.7
Postage .....	.0	.0	5.3	3.9	3.1	5.1	1.2	4.1	3.7
Delivery services	13.7	9.4	.9	11.3	4.3	1.8	12.1	11.5	3.6
Information and information processing	-3.2	-1.1	-1.3	.5	1.8	-1	-1.3	-1.3	.4
Telephone services	-2.5	.3	1.7	2.1	2.9	.9	-1.2	-.6	.3
Wireless telephone services	-1.3	-1.5	-2	-.9	.6	-1.1	-3.6	-2.4	.0
Land-line telephone services ³	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.2	1.9	1.0
Information technology, hardware and services	-6.3	-8.1	-14.7	-7.6	-2.9	-4.5	-1.7	-4.1	.5
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁵	-13.7	-15.4	-12.1	-13.0	-11.8	-11.7	-6.1	-11.8	-.3
Computer software and accessories	-5.2	-4.3	-8.0	-6.3	-.3	-2.2	-10.1	-1.9	-3.0
Internet services and electronic information providers	-.8	-2.6	-18.5	-4.6	3.3	-.2	1.2	-.6	1.1
Telephone hardware, calculators, and other consumer information items	-6.9	-7.8	-5.4	-5.0	-.8	-3.3	-3.7	-5.1	.6
Other goods and services	2.5	3.4	2.8	3.9	4.1	11.3	2.5	1.7	.3
Tobacco and smoking products	3.0	6.0	2.6	7.5	6.6	30.3	5.5	2.4	-.1
Cigarettes	2.8	6.1	2.6	7.8	6.5	30.7	5.6	2.2	-.2
Tobacco products other than cigarettes	6.1	4.6	2.0	3.5	6.7	22.4	4.6	4.4	.6
Personal care	2.3	2.1	2.9	2.3	2.8	1.3	.8	1.3	.6
Personal care products	-.1	1.0	2.1	-.1	1.8	.6	-.6	-.2	1.3
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products	-.8	.4	2.1	.0	.9	-.1	-.7	-1.8	1.8
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements .....	.7	2.0	2.1	-.3	2.8	1.4	-.5	1.6	.6
Personal care services	3.5	2.5	2.8	3.4	3.0	.9	.8	.9	.5
Haircuts and other personal care services	3.5	2.5	2.9	3.4	3.0	.9	.8	.9	.5
Miscellaneous personal services	4.1	2.9	3.8	3.8	3.5	2.1	2.4	2.9	.3
Legal services	6.3	3.3	4.0	3.7	4.8	1.8	3.7	2.4	.3
Funeral expenses	3.9	5.0	4.5	5.1	5.5	3.2	1.9	2.5	.3
Laundry and dry cleaning services	3.0	1.9	3.2	3.0	4.8	2.3	2.2	1.3	.2
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning ..	2.6	4.7	5.1	3.4	6.9	4.2	3.1	5.6	.4
Financial services	3.8	1.4	4.0	4.4	-2.6	1.4	.4	7.3	.5
Miscellaneous personal goods	-3.2	.5	.8	.5	1.9	.5	-2.3	-.6	-.2
Special aggregate indexes									
Commodities	3.9	2.9	1.4	5.8	-5.0	6.6	2.4	4.5	3.6
Commodities less food and beverages	4.8	3.3	1.1	6.3	-11.1	11.3	2.9	4.5	5.4
Nondurables less food and beverages	8.0	6.2	3.1	11.7	-16.2	17.5	5.0	6.0	8.0
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	11.4	8.9	3.8	15.8	-20.7	23.4	6.9	6.2	9.3
Durables	1.0	-.2	-1.4	-.8	-3.4	3.3	-.3	2.1	.6
Services	2.9	3.9	3.2	3.2	3.2	.9	1.1	2.2	.5
Rent of shelter	2.5	2.7	4.2	3.2	2.2	.5	.4	1.9	.6
Transportation services	2.2	2.5	1.4	2.0	4.2	4.1	3.0	2.9	.3
Other services	2.2	2.7	2.8	2.9	3.4	1.8	1.0	2.0	.8
All items less food	3.5	3.7	2.5	4.2	-1.6	4.1	1.7	2.9	2.1
All items less shelter	3.7	3.8	1.7	4.9	-1.7	4.7	2.2	3.7	2.4
All items less medical care	3.4	3.4	2.4	4.3	-.6	3.4	1.6	3.2	1.9
Commodities less food	4.6	3.3	1.2	6.2	-10.5	11.0	2.9	4.4	5.3
Nondurables less food	7.6	5.8	3.1	11.2	-15.0	16.4	4.7	5.7	7.7
Nondurables less food and apparel	10.6	8.2	3.7	14.9	-18.9	21.4	6.4	5.8	8.8
Nondurables	5.1	4.1	2.6	8.2	-5.6	7.8	3.3	5.3	4.5
Apparel less footwear	-.5	-1.9	1.2	-.4	-1.6	1.2	-1.4	5.9	3.5
Services less rent of shelter	3.4	5.3	2.1	3.3	4.4	1.4	1.9	2.4	.4

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Item and group	Percent change from previous December								
	December								Mar. 2012
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	
Special aggregate indexes									
Services less medical care services	2.8	3.9	3.2	3.0	3.2	0.7	0.9	2.0	0.5
Energy	16.9	17.0	3.0	18.1	-22.6	20.0	8.2	6.9	9.8
All items less energy	2.2	2.0	2.4	2.8	2.4	1.7	.9	2.8	.8
All items less food and energy	2.1	2.0	2.5	2.3	1.7	2.2	.8	2.3	.8
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	.9	.4	.0	.3	-.8	4.0	-.1	2.5	1.1
Energy commodities	26.7	16.7	6.0	29.6	-40.9	47.5	13.9	10.5	16.7
Services less energy services	2.7	2.8	3.6	3.3	2.8	1.5	1.2	2.3	.7
Domestically produced farm food	2.6	1.2	1.1	6.0	6.5	-2.8	2.1	6.2	.7
Utilities and public transportation	3.2	9.0	.9	3.3	5.1	-1.0	.6	1.6	.2

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

² Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

³ Indexes on a December 2009=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.

⁵ 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 P1. Average residential prices for utility (piped) gas, electricity, and fuel oil, U.S. city average and selected areas

Area, region and population size class	Utility (piped) gas				Electricity		Fuel oil #2	
	per 40 therms		per 100 therms		per 500 KWH		per gallon (3.785 liters)	
	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012
U.S. city average	\$47.035	\$46.720	\$98.476	\$97.851	\$67.353	\$67.054	\$3.804	\$3.909
Region and area size ¹								
Northeast urban	56.008	56.731	116.572	118.320	84.253	83.613	3.784	3.871
Size A - More than 1,500,000	55.681	56.701	117.709	120.123	90.093	90.086	3.812	3.873
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	56.983	56.821	113.060	112.747	73.534	71.733	3.725	3.866
Midwest urban	43.473	43.285	85.090	84.646	64.789	64.840	3.569	3.844
Size A - More than 1,500,000	43.729	43.801	84.100	84.211	66.139	66.301	3.588	3.890
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	44.236	43.595	88.230	86.751	64.095	63.794	3.550	3.800
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	40.052	39.977	80.872	80.705	60.782	61.597	NA	NA
South urban	48.742	47.688	101.220	98.893	63.940	63.421	4.225	4.364
Size A - More than 1,500,000	51.330	49.792	105.738	102.765	69.784	69.685	4.268	4.325
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	47.787	46.972	99.224	97.078	59.854	58.981	4.189	4.397
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	43.786	43.307	94.376	93.701	66.705	66.655	NA	NA
West urban	42.910	41.788	104.925	102.405	62.522	62.580	3.823	4.194
Size A - More than 1,500,000	42.081	40.927	105.470	102.830	67.766	67.800	4.086	4.455
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	44.676	43.771	104.514	102.732	60.760	60.876	NA	NA
Size classes								
A	47.607	47.505	100.431	100.361	73.396	73.412	3.830	3.902
B/C	47.351	46.702	97.649	96.136	62.707	61.975	3.765	3.918
D	41.562	41.111	87.355	86.391	59.921	60.081	3.599	3.990
Selected local areas								
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	40.661	40.428	72.860	72.116	70.871	70.786	-	-
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA	35.213	35.233	93.126	93.178	79.091	79.091	-	-
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	54.545	56.795	116.777	122.273	97.934	98.096	-	-
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	63.805	63.811	126.234	126.248	80.797	81.465	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH	42.562	41.603	74.473	72.078	64.741	64.741	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	37.234	34.672	81.776	75.309	67.511	68.153	-	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV	54.469	51.729	116.624	112.593	67.680	67.296	-	-
Atlanta, GA	68.137	67.694	135.057	133.941	66.268	66.268	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	45.568	45.460	97.492	97.291	71.849	72.170	-	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	39.831	39.851	77.273	77.313	85.903	85.391	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	60.829	60.829	120.358	120.358	57.073	57.073	-	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	56.215	54.948	124.711	121.557	84.646	83.649	-	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	43.175	38.034	120.967	107.962	74.168	74.329	-	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	55.163	55.163	121.750	121.750	42.348	42.411	-	-

¹ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.
 NA Data not adequate for publication.

Table P2. Average residential unit prices and consumption ranges for utility (piped) gas and electricity for U.S. city average and selected areas

Area, region and population size class	Average price per therm of utility (piped) gas		Range of therm consumption for Mar.2012		Average price per KWH of electricity		Range of KWH consumption for Mar.2012	
	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Low	High	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Low	High
U.S. city average	\$0.986	\$0.978	4	987	\$0.128	\$0.127	11	9,890
Region and area size ¹								
Northeast urban	1.139	1.154	4	987	.158	.156	129	8,494
Size A - More than 1,500,000	1.146	1.168	4	987	.171	.171	129	8,494
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	1.118	1.113	25	422	.134	.131	233	4,762
Midwest urban .....	.841	.835	17	712	.120	.120	11	9,890
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	.819	.816	17	581	.129	.129	11	9,890
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....	.883	.868	18	712	.113	.112	70	3,932
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	.832	.834	25	323	.107	.108	230	3,529
South urban	1.062	1.036	7	522	.113	.112	164	8,744
Size A - More than 1,500,000	1.089	1.052	7	522	.125	.125	244	8,744
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	1.054	1.033	11	298	.106	.104	225	5,000
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	.999	.981	25	364	.114	.114	164	4,883
West urban	1.066	1.038	7	851	.142	.143	153	7,471
Size A - More than 1,500,000	1.071	1.043	7	851	.159	.159	153	7,471
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	1.061	1.038	8	364	.134	.134	236	4,232
Size classes								
A .....	.991	.987	4	987	.145	.145	11	9,890
B/C .....	.994	.978	8	712	.115	.114	70	5,000
D .....	.907	.897	19	364	.107	.108	163	4,883
Selected local areas								
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI .....	.704	.689	17	581	.153	.153	11	2,751
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA .....	.931	.931	16	851	.204	.204	258	7,471
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	1.112	1.162	4	987	.186	.186	129	4,706
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1.240	1.240	24	642	.152	.153	384	8,494
Cleveland-Akron, OH .....	.731	.707	19	410	.122	.122	48	3,300
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	.808	.743	31	490	.112	.113	348	3,889
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV	1.157	1.092	15	371	.124	.124	551	4,132
Atlanta, GA	1.364	1.352	15	308	.113	.113	244	4,110
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI .....	.958	.956	34	509	.153	.154	94	2,833
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	.847	.848	17	230	.157	.155	438	4,494
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1.402	1.402	7	522	.114	.114	373	5,813
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	1.223	1.198	37	752	.164	.162	430	3,810
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	1.187	1.055	13	257	.207	.209	178	2,448
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	1.253	1.253	12	241	.089	.089	313	5,882

¹ Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

Table P3. Average prices for gasoline, U.S. city average and selected areas

Area, region and population size class	Gasoline All types ¹		Gasoline Unleaded regular		Gasoline Unleaded midgrade		Gasoline Unleaded premium		Automotive Diesel fuel	
	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012
U.S. city average	\$3.622	\$3.918	\$3.572	\$3.868	\$3.698	\$3.995	\$3.840	\$4.138	\$3.981	\$4.166
Region and area size ²										
Northeast urban	3.698	3.875	3.652	3.828	3.782	3.964	3.915	4.094	4.135	4.243
Size A - More than 1,500,000	3.697	3.870	3.649	3.821	3.787	3.964	3.918	4.094	4.160	4.254
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	3.700	3.889	3.657	3.846	3.770	3.963	3.909	4.093	4.086	4.221
Midwest urban	3.496	3.922	3.458	3.890	3.538	3.928	3.696	4.136	3.865	4.054
Size A - More than 1,500,000	3.527	3.979	3.483	3.935	3.613	4.051	3.726	4.190	3.867	4.062
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	3.440	3.884	3.401	3.857	3.489	3.888	3.634	4.085	3.842	4.027
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	3.484	3.791	3.465	3.775	3.473	3.771	3.669	3.981	3.887	4.067
South urban	3.547	3.758	3.493	3.704	3.642	3.853	3.779	3.992	3.869	4.034
Size A - More than 1,500,000	3.588	3.818	3.528	3.761	3.695	3.917	3.819	4.049	3.921	4.094
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	3.516	3.730	3.462	3.676	3.604	3.819	3.735	3.948	3.815	3.991
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	3.557	3.746	3.507	3.695	3.656	3.846	3.819	4.010	3.883	4.036
West urban	3.764	4.153	3.711	4.101	3.857	4.250	3.954	4.333	4.165	4.411
Size A - More than 1,500,000	3.878	4.261	3.825	4.208	3.968	4.361	4.070	4.443	4.256	4.460
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000	3.548	3.936	3.503	3.899	3.665	4.034	3.690	4.054	4.061	4.318
Size classes										
A	3.702	4.020	3.648	3.966	3.797	4.117	3.917	4.238	4.075	4.249
B/C	3.536	3.816	3.489	3.772	3.613	3.888	3.737	4.008	3.912	4.101
D	3.552	3.817	3.507	3.768	3.609	3.886	3.788	4.065	3.927	4.121
Selected local areas										
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	3.635	4.215	3.585	4.173	3.710	4.272	3.806	4.367	-	-
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA	4.013	4.394	3.964	4.343	4.080	4.479	4.176	4.548	-	-
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	3.767	3.930	3.719	3.880	3.856	4.019	3.975	4.145	-	-
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	3.623	3.773	3.569	3.720	3.733	3.879	3.827	3.980	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH	3.451	3.834	3.423	3.812	3.552	3.898	3.657	4.015	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	3.525	3.766	3.468	3.712	3.615	3.842	3.772	4.007	-	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV	3.647	3.892	3.590	3.837	3.732	3.971	3.857	4.107	-	-
Atlanta, GA	3.565	3.767	3.498	3.701	3.664	3.861	3.801	3.994	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	3.514	3.927	3.487	3.901	3.633	4.020	3.660	4.094	-	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	3.456	3.705	3.412	3.661	3.568	3.817	3.695	3.945	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	3.763	3.942	3.702	3.881	3.878	4.050	3.968	4.156	-	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	3.586	3.777	3.552	3.741	3.688	3.882	3.809	4.003	-	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	4.040	4.375	3.996	4.331	4.115	4.450	4.207	4.542	-	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	3.625	4.046	3.572	3.998	3.720	4.133	3.822	4.226	-	-

¹ Also includes types of gasoline not shown separately.

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

Table 1C. 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)

Item and group	Relative importance, 2009-2010	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Mar. 2012 from—	
		Feb. 2012	Mar. 2012	Mar. 2011	Feb. 2012
Expenditure category					
All items	100.000	130.569	131.388	2.4	0.6
Food and beverages	15.084	134.845	134.986	3.1	.1
Food	14.112	135.085	135.253	3.2	.1
Food at home	8.447	130.552	130.647	3.4	.1
Food away from home	5.665	141.152	141.434	2.9	.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	.971	132.083	131.865	1.5	-.2
Housing	41.994	130.960	131.163	1.6	.2
Shelter	32.159	134.556	134.912	2.1	.3
Fuels and utilities	5.481	159.024	158.544	-5	-.3
Household furnishings and operations	4.355	93.305	93.231	.7	-.1
Apparel	3.613	92.435	95.405	4.0	3.2
Transportation	15.647	143.078	146.650	4.0	2.5
Private transportation	14.521	144.205	147.932	4.3	2.6
Public transportation	1.126	129.890	131.669	-5	1.4
Medical care	6.942	158.549	158.948	3.5	.3
Medical care commodities	1.697	139.368	139.924	3.2	.4
Medical care services	5.245	165.592	165.930	3.6	.2
Recreation	6.393	102.766	103.012	.4	.2
Education and communication	6.936	113.938	113.956	1.4	.0
Education	3.074	196.339	196.424	4.3	.0
Communication	3.862	70.836	70.832	-9	.0
Other goods and services	3.391	144.210	144.649	2.7	.3
Commodity and service group					
Services	60.782	139.330	139.620	2.0	.2
Commodities	39.218	120.135	121.671	2.9	1.3
Durables	9.295	80.826	80.888	.2	.1
Nondurables	29.924	140.466	142.791	3.7	1.7
All items less food and energy	77.054	123.217	123.675	2.1	.4
Energy	8.833	202.464	209.988	3.5	3.7

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

Table 24C. Historical Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U): U. S. city average, all items

(December 1999=100, unless otherwise noted)

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Annual avg.	Percent change from previous	
														Dec.	Annual avg.
1999	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	-	-	-
2000	100.3	100.9	101.6	101.6	101.7	102.1	102.3	102.3	102.8	102.9	102.8	102.6	102.0	2.6	-
2001	103.3	103.7	103.9	104.2	104.6	104.8	104.5	104.6	104.9	104.7	104.4	103.9	104.3	1.3	2.3
2002	104.2	104.5	105.1	105.6	105.6	105.6	105.7	106.0	106.3	106.4	106.3	106.0	105.6	2.0	1.2
2003	106.5	107.3	107.9	107.7	107.5	107.6	107.7	108.2	108.5	108.4	108.0	107.8	107.8	1.7	2.1
2004	108.5	109.1	109.7	110.0	110.6	110.8	110.7	110.7	111.0	111.6	111.6	111.2	110.5	3.2	2.5
2005	111.3	111.9	112.6	113.4	113.3	113.2	113.7	114.3	115.6	115.7	114.9	114.4	113.7	2.9	2.9
2006	115.2	115.4	116.0	116.9	117.5	117.7	118.1	118.3	117.8	117.1	116.9	117.0	117.0	2.3	2.9
2007	117.330	117.877	118.913	119.666	120.292	120.439	120.377	120.288	120.638	120.885	121.481	121.295	119.957	3.7	2.5
2008	121.867	122.250	123.323	124.116	125.171	126.307	126.918	126.594	126.551	125.500	123.044	121.557	124.433	.2	3.7
2009	122.095	122.598	122.803	123.053	123.427	124.485	124.293	124.620	124.706	124.791	124.788	124.544	123.850	2.5	-5
2010	124.987	124.972	125.442	125.620	125.678	125.521	125.536	125.756	125.830	125.969	125.920	126.143	125.615	1.3	1.4
2011	126.700	127.286	128.353	129.062	129.548	129.531	129.636	129.974	130.196	129.997	129.856	129.586	129.144	2.7	2.8
2012	130.104	130.569	131.388	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Data not available.

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

Table 25C. Historical Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories

(December 1999=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Unadjusted indexes											
	December										Mar. 2012	
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011		
Expenditure category												
All items	106.0	107.8	111.2	114.4	117.0	121.295	121.557	124.544	126.143	129.586	131.388	
Food and beverages	106.3	109.5	111.7	114.0	116.3	121.475	128.111	126.966	128.465	134.086	134.986	
Food	106.2	109.5	111.7	114.0	116.3	121.531	128.286	126.936	128.467	134.406	135.253	
Food at home	104.8	108.6	110.0	111.5	112.7	118.145	125.333	121.543	122.780	129.886	130.647	
Food away from home	108.1	110.6	113.9	117.5	121.2	125.875	132.107	134.469	136.483	140.455	141.434	
Alcoholic beverages	107.2	109.1	111.9	113.5	116.4	121.101	126.277	128.044	129.119	130.201	131.865	
Housing	109.1	111.6	115.1	118.6	122.1	125.272	128.495	127.826	128.180	130.451	131.163	
Shelter	110.7	113.0	116.4	119.3	124.1	127.742	130.352	130.869	131.421	133.904	134.912	
Fuels and utilities	110.9	119.7	128.4	143.2	142.8	150.342	161.108	153.898	156.644	159.748	158.544	
Household furnishings and operations	97.5	95.9	96.3	96.3	96.1	94.348	95.958	94.667	92.022	92.620	93.231	
Apparel	92.2	90.1	89.6	89.0	89.0	87.875	87.730	89.988	89.133	92.768	95.405	
Transportation	103.3	103.4	110.2	114.5	117.0	127.515	109.300	126.503	133.060	139.751	146.650	
Private transportation	103.4	103.5	111.0	115.2	117.8	128.558	108.760	127.002	133.674	140.542	147.932	
Public transportation	101.0	101.9	101.3	107.1	106.8	114.506	116.641	120.092	125.953	130.513	131.669	
Medical care	114.3	118.3	123.2	128.4	133.0	139.266	142.786	147.227	151.479	156.729	158.948	
Medical care commodities	110.7	112.7	114.9	119.0	121.2	124.391	126.200	130.060	133.390	137.504	139.924	
Medical care services	115.5	120.2	126.0	131.6	137.2	144.675	148.866	153.523	158.117	163.793	165.930	
Recreation	102.7	103.3	104.3	104.8	104.8	104.464	105.539	103.552	101.858	102.027	103.012	
Education and communication	99.5	99.9	101.2	103.0	104.2	106.207	110.077	111.744	112.518	113.553	113.956	
Education	119.7	128.7	137.9	146.5	155.5	163.716	172.978	180.752	187.549	196.084	196.424	
Communication	85.7	81.2	78.2	76.5	74.1	73.258	73.930	73.056	71.831	70.480	70.832	
Other goods and services	110.9	112.2	114.9	118.3	121.7	125.479	128.660	137.908	140.477	144.129	144.649	
Commodity and service group												
Services	110.7	113.9	117.5	121.5	125.3	129.271	133.381	134.455	135.915	138.791	139.620	
Commodities	100.0	100.2	103.3	105.7	106.7	111.498	107.102	112.588	114.336	118.553	121.671	
Durables	91.7	88.0	88.7	87.5	85.5	83.597	80.520	81.325	79.980	80.509	80.888	
Nondurables	103.6	105.8	110.2	114.8	117.4	125.732	120.876	128.755	132.078	138.216	142.791	
All items less food and energy	105.8	106.6	109.0	111.0	113.4	115.627	117.623	119.451	120.171	122.634	123.675	
Energy	108.6	116.4	134.4	154.5	158.1	185.912	146.392	172.282	184.714	195.290	209.988	

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Table 26C. Historical Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories

Item and group	Percent change from previous December										Mar. 2012
	December										
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	
Expenditure category											
All items	2.0	1.7	3.2	2.9	2.3	3.7	0.2	2.5	1.3	2.7	1.4
Food and beverages	1.2	3.0	2.0	2.1	2.0	4.4	5.5	-9	1.2	4.4	.7
Food	1.1	3.1	2.0	2.1	2.0	4.5	5.6	-1.1	1.2	4.6	.6
Food at home .....	.2	3.6	1.3	1.4	1.1	4.8	6.1	-3.0	1.0	5.8	.6
Food away from home	2.4	2.3	3.0	3.2	3.1	3.9	5.0	1.8	1.5	2.9	.7
Alcoholic beverages	2.3	1.8	2.6	1.4	2.6	4.0	4.3	1.4	.8	.8	1.3
Housing	2.2	2.3	3.1	3.0	3.0	2.6	2.6	-5	.3	1.8	.5
Shelter	2.9	2.1	3.0	2.5	4.0	2.9	2.0	.4	.4	1.9	.8
Fuels and utilities .....	.9	7.9	7.3	11.5	-3	5.3	7.2	-4.5	1.8	2.0	-8
Household furnishings and operations	-1.8	-1.6	.4	.0	-2	-1.8	1.7	-1.3	-2.8	.6	.7
Apparel	-2.9	-2.3	-6	-7	.0	-1.3	-2	2.6	-1.0	4.1	2.8
Transportation	3.6	.1	6.6	3.9	2.2	9.0	-14.3	15.7	5.2	5.0	4.9
Private transportation	3.9	.1	7.2	3.8	2.3	9.1	-15.4	16.8	5.3	5.1	5.3
Public transportation	-8	.9	-6	5.7	-3	7.2	1.9	3.0	4.9	3.6	.9
Medical care	5.0	3.5	4.1	4.2	3.6	4.7	2.5	3.1	2.9	3.5	1.4
Medical care commodities	3.1	1.8	2.0	3.6	1.8	2.6	1.5	3.1	2.6	3.1	1.8
Medical care services	5.7	4.1	4.8	4.4	4.3	5.4	2.9	3.1	3.0	3.6	1.3
Recreation .....	.6	.6	1.0	.5	.0	-3	1.0	-1.9	-1.6	.2	1.0
Education and communication	1.6	.4	1.3	1.8	1.2	1.9	3.6	1.5	.7	.9	.4
Education	6.8	7.5	7.1	6.2	6.1	5.3	5.7	4.5	3.8	4.6	.2
Communication	-2.7	-5.3	-3.7	-2.2	-3.1	-1.1	.9	-1.2	-1.7	-1.9	.5
Other goods and services	3.1	1.2	2.4	3.0	2.9	3.1	2.5	7.2	1.9	2.6	.4
Commodity and service group											
Services	3.1	2.9	3.2	3.4	3.1	3.2	3.2	.8	1.1	2.1	.6
Commodities .....	.7	.2	3.1	2.3	.9	4.5	-3.9	5.1	1.6	3.7	2.6
Durables	-3.8	-4.0	.8	-1.4	-2.3	-2.2	-3.7	1.0	-1.7	.7	.5
Nondurables	2.7	2.1	4.2	4.2	2.3	7.1	-3.9	6.5	2.6	4.6	3.3
All items less food and energy	1.6	.8	2.3	1.8	2.2	2.0	1.7	1.6	.6	2.0	.8
Energy	10.5	7.2	15.5	15.0	2.3	17.6	-21.3	17.7	7.2	5.7	7.5

Indexes for 2012 are initial estimates. Indexes for 2011 are interim adjustments. Indexes for 2010 and earlier are final.
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Technical Notes

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 U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) 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 28 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 earner 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 through personal visits or telephone calls by BLS trained representatives.

In calculating the index, price changes for the various items in each location are averaged together with weights that 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 also are 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 measure only 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 is subject to two annual revisions.

The index measures price change from a designated reference date. For the CPI-U and the CPI-W, the reference base is 1982–84 = 100.0. The reference base for the C-CPI-U is December 1999=100.0. An increase of 16.5 percent from the reference base, for example, is shown as 116.5. This change also can 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 homepage on the Internet at <http://www.bls.gov/cpi> or contact our CPI Information and Analysis Section at (202) 691-7000.

Calculating index changes

Movements of the indexes from one month to another usually are 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, whereas percent changes are not. The example shown in the box on this page 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	0.003 x 100
Equals percent change	0.3

Regions defined

The states in the four regions 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.

Energy prices

Prices usually are available for the U.S. city average, 13 large metropolitan areas, the 4 census regions, 3 size classifications, and 10 areas reflecting the 4 census regions cross-classified by the 3 population sizes. However, not all energy commodities and services are used in every area of the country. Fuel oil, for example, is not a common heating fuel in some urban areas, particularly in the South and West. Where no average prices are available, the designation NA appears. This designation also appears if the data sufficiency criteria have not been met in any given month. For example, if there are fewer than five usable fuel oil prices for a published city or region size class, no fuel oil prices for the area will be published.

All prices are collected monthly by BLS representatives in the urban areas priced for the CPI. Prices for natural gas and electricity include fuel and purchased gas adjustments and all applicable taxes. Fuel oil and gasoline prices include applicable Federal, State, and local taxes.

Natural gas and electricity. Natural gas prices are reported in therms, which are a measure of heating value. Electricity prices are given in kilowatt hours (kwh). For both utility services, the consumption ranges specified in table P2 are the upper and lower limits of the bill sizes priced for the CPI. The average prices per therm and per kilowatt hour are calculated from bills priced within these ranges. It should be noted that bills priced for the CPI not only are for different consumption amounts, but may also be calculated from different types of residential rate schedules. *The average prices per therm and per kilowatt hour are not, therefore, generally suitable for use in place-to-place price comparisons.* The average prices for 40 and 100 therms of natural gas, and for 500 kilowatt hours of electricity (shown in table P1) are calculated from a special price collection program. They are not used in the calculation of the CPI. Because heating and air-conditioning requirements vary by geographic location, climate, and weather conditions, it cannot be inferred that these consumption amounts represent those used by a typical residential consumer. These bills are used merely to track price changes over time for constant amounts of consumption, and to provide continuity with prices of natural gas and electricity formerly published in conjunction with the unrevised CPI.

Fuel oil. Only #2 fuel oil (home heating oil) is priced. (See table P1.) Prices are collected, in most cases, for quantities greater than 1 gallon. These prices are converted to a gallon price for this program. Fuel oil prices reflect discounts for quantity or quick payment.

Gasoline and automotive diesel fuel. Gasoline and diesel prices, shown in table P3, are collected at the pump from a sample of full service, miniservice, and self-service gas stations. Approximate British Thermal Unit (BTU) values for some energy items are as follows, according to the source indicated:

1 therm = 100,000 BTUs (U.S. Department of Energy)

1 kwh = 3,412 BTUs (Edison Electric Institute)

1 gallon #2 fuel oil = 140,000 BTUs (U.S. Department of Energy)

Food and beverage prices

Actual weighted average prices for food and beverages are calculated each month at the national level and for the four census geographic regions, as shown in table P4. As a result of changes in price collection methodology and sample sizes, average prices for individual cities cannot, in general, be produced. It is hoped, however, that regional average prices will help to satisfy the need for local area data. It should be noted that the average prices for food in this report reflect variations in brand, quality, and size among geographic areas. Users of average food prices should be aware that these differences exist.

Because a number of food commodities are not available in all areas on a year-round basis, prices will not appear in some months for some regions or for the U.S. city average. In other instances, sufficient prices may not be available due to temporary disruptions in supplies. Where no average prices are available, the designation NA appears. When a price is not available from an individual store in any month, an estimated price will be calculated for the missing item and used in computing the average price. For cases in which the proportion of estimated prices used to calculate the average is considered too high, the average price is not published, and NA appears for that item in the table.

Because of space limitations in the table, the description for each item is abbreviated. Detailed specifications are available from BLS information offices or from the Washington office, upon request.

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.

Metropolitan areas

BLS publishes price indexes for three major metropolitan areas monthly:

Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA
New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island,
NY-NJ-CT-PA

Data for an additional 11 metropolitan areas are published every other month [on an odd- (January, March, etc.) or even- (February, April, and so forth) month schedule] for the following areas:

Atlanta, GA	-even
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA- NH -ME-CT	-odd
Cleveland-Akron, OH	-odd
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	-odd
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	-even
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	-even
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	-even
Philadelphia-Wilmington -Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	-even
San Francisco-Oakland -San Jose, CA	-even
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	-even
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV	-odd

(Note: The designation even or odd refers to the month during which the area's price change is measured. Due to the time needed for processing, data are released 2 to 3 weeks into the following month.)

Data are published for another group of 13 metropolitan areas on a semiannual basis. These indexes, which refer to the arithmetic average for the 6-month periods from January through June and July through December, are published with release of the CPI for July and January, respectively, in August and February for

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
San Diego, CA
St. Louis, MO-IL
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL

How to Obtain Consumer Price Index Information

CPI information is available from BLS electronically, through publication subscriptions, and via telephone and fax through automated recordings. Information specialists also are available in the national and information offices to provide help and to respond to questions.

Electronic access to CPI data

BLS on the Internet. Through the Internet, BLS provides free, continuous access to published CPI data and press releases. The most recent month's CPI is made available immediately at the time of release. Additionally, a database called LABSTAT, containing current and historical data for the CPI, is accessible.

World Wide Web. BLS maintains a Web site at <http://www.bls.gov> on the Internet. This BLS homepage provides access to LABSTAT, as well as links to program-specific homepages. The CPI homepage <http://www.bls.gov/cpi/> provides other CPI information, as well as indexes. This includes a brief explanation of methodology, frequently asked questions and answers, contacts for further information, and explanations of how the CPI program handles special items, such as medical care and housing. In addition, CPI press releases and historical data for metropolitan areas can be accessed by linking to the regional office home pages from the main BLS Web site listed above.

Recorded CPI data

Summary CPI data are provided on 24-hour recorded messages. Detailed CPI information may be obtained by calling (202) 691-5200. A touch-tone telephone is recommended, as this system allows the user to select specific indexes from lists of available data.

Recorded summaries of CPI data also may be obtained by calling any one of the metropolitan area CPI hotlines listed next. These hotline summaries typically include data for the U.S. city average, as well as for the specified area. The recordings are approximately 3 minutes in length, do not require a touch-tone telephone, and are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

<i>Area</i>	<i>Hotline number</i>
Anchorage	(907) 271-2770
Atlanta	(404) 893-4222
Baltimore	(410) 962-4898
Boston	(617) 565-2327
Chicago	(312) 353-1880
Cincinnati	(513) 684-2349
Cleveland	(216) 522-3852
Dallas	(214) 767-6970
Denver	(816) 285-7000
Detroit	(313) 226-7558
Honolulu	(808) 541-2808
Houston	(214) 767-6970
Indianapolis	(317) 226-7885
Kansas City	(816) 285-7000
Los Angeles	(310) 235-6884
Milwaukee	(414) 276-2579
Minneapolis-St. Paul	(612) 725-3580
New York	(646) 264-3600
Philadelphia	(215) 656-3948
Phoenix-Mesa	(480) 503-9075
Pittsburgh	(412) 644-2900
Portland	(503) 326-5818
San Diego	(619) 557-6538
San Francisco	(415) 625-2270
Seattle	(206) 553-0645
St. Louis	(816) 285-7000
Washington, DC	(202) 691-6994

Other sources of CPI data

Fax-on-Demand. This fax service has been discontinued as of April 27, 2007.

Technical information may be obtained during normal working hours, Monday through Friday, by calling the Washington, DC national office at (202) 691-7000 or any of the information offices listed below.

<i>Office</i>	<i>Telephone</i>
Atlanta	(404) 331-3415
Boston	(617) 565-2327
Chicago	(312) 353-1880
Dallas	(214) 767-6970
Kansas City	(816) 285-7000
New York	(212) 337-2400
Philadelphia	(215) 597-3282
San Francisco	(415) 625-2270
Washington, DC	(202) 691-7000

Historical tables. These include all published indexes for each of the detailed CPI components. These tables may be obtained via the Internet, by calling (202) 691-7000 in the national office, or by contacting any of the information offices just listed.

Descriptive publications. These publications describe the CPI and ways in which to use it. They include simple factsheets discussing specific topics about the CPI, a broader, non-technical overview of the CPI in a question-and-answer format, and a technical and thorough description of the CPI and its methodology. These publications may be obtained by calling (202) 691-7000, and many are included on the CPI homepage on the Internet.

Special publications. Also available are various special publications, such as *Relative Importance of Components in the Consumer Price Index* and materials describing the annual revisions of seasonally adjusted CPI data. For more information, call (202) 691-7000.

Further information can be obtained by writing the Office of Prices and Living Conditions, Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., Room 3615, Washington, DC 20212-0001, or by calling any of the information offices listed earlier.