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Number of consumer units (in thousands)	90,223	51,315	19,337	6,637	13,320	8,107	3,914	5,086	33,821
Number of sample interviews	37,709	21,013	7,682	2,744	5,529	3,482	1,576	2,222	14,474
Consumer unit characteristics:									
Income before taxes ¹	\$23,464	\$29,360	\$25,899	\$27,290	\$31,034	\$36,306	\$29,659	\$14,969	\$15,809
Income after taxes ¹	21,237	26,625	23,487	24,661	28,139	32,906	27,095	13,982	14,164
Average number of persons in consumer unit	2.6	3.3	2	3.5	4.2	4	5.1	3	1.5
Age of reference person	46.7	46.8	55.1	29.7	38.8	52.7	50.1	36.4	48
Average number in consumer unit:									
Earners	1.4	1.7	1.1	1.6	1.8	2.7	2.3	1.0	0.9
Vehicles	1.9	2.5	2.1	2.1	2.6	3.4	2.8	1.1	1.1
Children under 18	0.7	1.0	0.0	1.5	2.2	0.6	1.6	1.8	0.1
Persons 65 and over	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.6	0.0	0.3
Percent distribution:									
Sex of reference person:									
Male	69	91	91	90	92	93	90	14	42
Female	31	9	9	10	8	7	10	86	58
Housing tenure:									
Homeowner with mortgage	38	53	38	59	67	60	51	32	16
Homeowner without mortgage	25	26	42	7	10	30	28	8	25
Renter	38	21	20	34	23	10	21	60	59
Race of reference person:									
Black	10	7	5	5	8	7	20	25	13
White and other	90	93	95	95	92	93	80	75	87
Education of reference person:									
Elementary (1-8)	13	11	15	4	6	14	20	7	15
High school (9-12)	43	45	43	40	47	47	48	55	39
College	43	43	41	56	47	38	30	37	44
Never attended and other	1	1	1	0	1	1	3	1	1
At least one vehicle owned	85	95	94	96	97	98	93	70	70
Average annual expenditures:	\$21,975	\$27,164	\$23,147	\$24,794	\$29,970	\$33,424	\$28,567	\$16,836	\$14,788

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Food	3,290	4,099	3,140	3,482	4,863	5,328	4,786	2,634	2,111
Food at home	1,970	2,511	1,791	2,279	2,972	3,293	3,319	1,723	1,147
Cereals and bakery products	262	333	230	310	405	431	432	242	154
Cereals and cereal products	84	107	67	105	141	131	136	97	46
Bakery products	178	226	163	205	264	300	296	145	108
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	586	752	528	590	884	1,083	1,016	550	327
Beef	199	257	188	208	299	373	301	191	109
Pork	119	154	109	116	189	207	221	112	62
Other meats	81	105	69	89	122	158	146	72	44
Poultry	85	105	75	87	129	125	157	91	52
Fish and seafood	67	86	55	53	94	163	118	47	38
Eggs	35	44	31	37	51	57	72	37	22
Dairy products	253	323	219	309	401	414	403	224	146
Fresh milk and cream	128	161	98	165	207	205	217	129	74
Other dairy products	125	162	121	144	195	209	186	95	72
Fruits and vegetables	313	395	317	342	440	490	532	252	193
Fresh fruits	93	119	104	92	122	151	168	64	58
Fresh vegetables	92	114	93	89	125	148	155	76	58
Processed fruits	72	91	69	92	107	106	116	61	43
Processed vegetables	56	71	51	70	86	85	93	52	34
Other food at home	526	667	457	697	792	826	899	446	313
Sugar and other sweets	74	94	65	90	114	119	127	60	44
Fats and oils	56	70	51	64	84	88	85	46	34
Miscellaneous foods	218	281	176	355	334	326	401	179	123
Nonalcoholic beverages	178	222	165	188	260	294	287	161	112
Food prep by cu. out-of-town trips	30	42	39	30	50	47	36	9	14
Food away from home	1,320	1,588	1,349	1,203	1,891	2,035	1,467	910	964
Alcoholic beverages	275	303	292	233	257	401	448	134	254
Housing	6,674	8,043	7,091	8,548	9,158	8,216	7,729	5,791	4,718
Shelter	3,489	4,045	3,585	4,622	4,674	3,826	3,649	3,130	2,699
Owned dwellings	2,062	2,816	2,366	3,199	3,320	2,850	2,601	1,364	1,023
Mortgage interest and charges	1,251	1,779	1,246	2,529	2,365	1,596	1,530	954	493
Property taxes	421	542	557	325	521	687	607	205	271
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses	390	495	564	346	433	566	464	204	260
Rented dwellings	1,070	767	729	1,167	865	407	696	1,536	1,460
Other lodging	357	462	490	256	490	569	352	230	216
Utilities, fuels, and public services	1,638	1,965	1,711	1,637	2,145	2,402	2,254	1,506	1,162
Natural gas	297	346	303	230	366	469	430	307	220
Electricity	629	791	677	686	890	946	874	563	394
Fuel oil and other fuels	140	167	171	111	167	195	189	82	106
Telephone services	435	485	415	466	510	587	563	430	360
Water and other public services	138	176	145	144	211	205	197	125	82

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Household operations	315	408	309	749	490	259	344	401	162
Personal services	128	180	35	619	269	35	145	298	25
Other household expenses	187	228	274	130	221	223	199	103	137
Housekeeping supplies	307	395	336	420	421	453	439	194	183
Laundry and cleaning supplies	87	112	81	110	135	138	139	68	50
Other household products	134	178	143	224	179	206	204	79	72
Postage and stationery	86	105	111	86	107	110	97	47	62
Household furnishings and equipment	926	1,231	1,149	1,120	1,429	1,277	1,042	560	512
Household textiles	86	104	101	97	117	101	86	94	57
Furniture	270	350	373	366	362	305	268	196	158
Floor coverings	78	119	89	51	221	77	116	17	22
Major appliances	143	189	186	185	185	220	155	107	80
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	67	87	85	60	90	118	62	42	40
Miscellaneous household equipment	282	382	315	360	454	456	355	103	154
Apparel and services	1,319	1,619	1,256	1,545	1,930	1,917	1,866	1,320	848
Men and boys	350	450	309	392	611	560	462	301	199
Men, 16 and over	280	353	294	307	373	497	369	156	183
Boys, 2 to 15	70	97	16	84	237	63	92	145	16
Women and girls	524	643	552	462	760	777	736	563	330
Women, 16 and over	444	535	538	390	484	707	610	358	314
Girls, 2 to 15	79	108	14	72	275	70	126	205	16
Children under 2	50	74	27	286	54	31	96	40	14
Footwear	185	223	164	192	262	272	334	247	115
Other apparel products and services	211	229	203	214	243	277	238	169	190
Transportation	4,304	5,442	4,602	4,630	5,513	7,628	6,191	2,812	2,802
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	1,813	2,357	1,961	1,990	2,299	3,491	2,789	1,113	1,093
Cars and trucks, new	1,030	1,368	1,269	1,101	1,328	1,867	1,409	565	588
Cars and trucks, used	756	963	680	860	948	1,562	1,348	536	476
Other vehicles	27	27	12	30	22	62	32	11	29
Gasoline and motor oil	1,058	1,338	1,068	1,224	1,423	1,823	1,564	701	687
Other vehicle expenses	1,178	1,474	1,260	1,240	1,557	1,984	1,592	798	785
Vehicle finance charges	213	286	208	259	340	378	348	143	112
Maintenance and repairs	481	573	514	497	595	729	590	332	365
Vehicle insurance	349	445	385	352	415	684	510	230	221
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges	134	170	153	132	207	193	144	94	87
Public transportation	255	272	313	176	234	330	246	200	238
Health care	1,049	1,318	1,455	1,023	1,157	1,451	1,416	587	709
Health insurance	370	473	579	325	370	484	527	179	242
Medical services	454	576	536	538	588	673	597	306	292
Drugs	167	201	250	125	146	218	240	74	128
Medical supplies	58	68	90	35	53	76	52	28	47

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Entertainment	1,055	1,339	1,050	1,176	1,795	1,491	1,173	699	677
Fees and admissions	313	379	338	239	490	455	289	250	223
Television, radios, sound equipment	322	390	292	312	567	397	382	210	235
Pets, toys, and playground equipment	190	248	185	290	330	213	280	159	106
Other supplies, equipment, and services	230	322	235	335	409	425	222	80	113
Personal care products and services	289	359	318	286	391	469	359	228	188
Reading	132	155	150	134	161	182	137	86	104
Education	303	348	208	100	408	824	265	295	237
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	228	274	235	224	279	349	381	191	165
Miscellaneous	451	474	375	550	519	522	576	380	429
Cash contributions	706	859	883	489	748	1,330	775	693	475
Personal insurance and pensions	1,897	2,532	2,093	2,376	2,792	3,314	2,463	988	1,071
Life and other personal insurance	300	413	358	352	463	484	470	154	150
Pensions and Social Security	1,598	2,119	1,735	2,024	2,329	2,830	1,993	835	921
Sources of income and taxes: ¹									
Money income before taxes	23,464	29,360	25,899	27,290	31,034	36,306	29,659	14,969	15,809
Wages and salaries	18,178	23,510	17,103	25,169	28,610	29,490	21,748	11,232	11,145
Self-employment income	1,123	1,499	1,345	1,178	734	2,926	2,477	451	654
Social Security, private and government retirement	2,420	2,668	5,311	48	359	2,225	3,318	695	2,306
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	938	984	1,643	284	583	806	775	237	974
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits	282	369	275	317	350	545	612	154	169
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps	252	153	54	124	191	137	580	1,284	245
Regular contributions for support	191	98	91	90	115	113	56	878	227
Other income	81	80	77	80	91	63	93	40	89
Personal taxes ¹	2,227	2,735	2,412	2,629	2,894	3,400	2,564	987	1,645
Federal income taxes	1,733	2,113	1,868	2,005	2,231	2,651	1,981	793	1,298
State and local income taxes	431	538	457	578	575	636	539	180	305
Other taxes	63	83	88	46	89	112	44	14	41

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Income after taxes ¹	21,237	26,625	23,487	24,661	28,139	32,906	27,095	13,982	14,164
Addenda:									
Net change in total assets	2,391	3,064	2,247	7,719	3,144	3,251	-1,460	1,072	1,569
Net change in total liabilities	1,201	1,505	1,049	4,782	855	648	2,186	852	793
Other financial information									
Other money receipts	247	256	219	208	274	422	114	314	223
Mortgage principal paid on owned property	-365	-525	-363	-431	-656	-725	-625	-258	-137
Estimated market value of owned home	47,269	62,816	63,667	42,162	62,999	78,138	61,268	27,792	26,610
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home	292	384	370	300	403	459	374	191	168
Gifts of goods and services									
Clothing, males 2 and over	54	58	71	46	42	75	45	58	47
Clothing, females 2 and over	67	73	95	32	48	87	98	55	59
Clothing, infants less than 2	20	28	27	37	23	30	29	12	8
Jewelry and watches	22	12	13	7	8	19	16	14	37
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares	20	27	29	16	26	38	12	9	11
Household textiles	10	12	13	10	9	13	16	8	9
All other gifts	503	598	602	339	539	915	569	407	372

¹ Components of income and taxes are derived from "complete income reporters" only; see glossary at <http://stats.bls.gov/csxgloss.htm>

Note: All values have been rounded, and therefore some rounded values equal zero. When data are not reported or are not applicable (i.e., missing values), values are set to zero.

Note: Some data are likely to have large sampling errors