

Table 59. Composition of consumer unit: Shares of annual aggregate expenditures and sources of income, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2008

(Aggregates in millions of dollars, unless otherwise indicated)

Item	Aggregate	Husband and wife consumer units						One parent, at least one child under 18	Single person and other consumer units
		Total	Husband and wife only	Husband and wife with children			Other husband and wife consumer units		
				Oldest child under 6	Oldest child 6 to 17	Oldest child 18 or over			
Number of consumer units (in thousands)	120,770	61,244	26,919	5,343	15,479	8,982	4,521	6,977	52,550
Percent distribution of consumer units	100.0	50.7	22.3	4.4	12.8	7.4	3.7	5.8	43.5
Consumer unit characteristics (mean values):									
Income before taxes	\$63,563	\$85,829	\$75,312	\$81,190	\$97,616	\$97,702	\$89,986	\$37,100	\$41,125
Income after taxes	61,774	83,274	72,457	79,792	94,644	95,233	89,100	37,645	39,920
Age of reference person	49.1	49.4	57.6	32.1	40.1	51.7	48.7	38.8	50.0
Average number in consumer unit:									
Persons	2.5	3.2	2.0	3.5	4.2	3.9	4.9	2.9	1.6
Children under 186	.9	n.a.	1.5	2.2	.6	1.4	1.8	.2
Persons 65 and older3	.4	.7	(¹)	(¹)	.2	.5	(¹)	.3
Earners	1.3	1.7	1.2	1.6	1.8	2.5	2.3	1.0	1.0
Vehicles	2.0	2.6	2.4	2.1	2.5	3.2	2.8	1.1	1.3
Percent distribution:									
Sex of reference person:									
Male	47	53	58	50	48	52	44	15	44
Female	53	47	42	50	52	48	56	85	56
Housing tenure:									
Homeowner	66	83	86	67	82	88	78	40	51
With mortgage	42	57	45	61	71	63	55	33	27
Without mortgage	24	26	41	6	11	25	23	8	24
Renter	34	17	14	33	18	12	22	60	49
Race of reference person:									
Black or African-American	12	8	6	7	8	10	12	31	15
White, Asian, and all other races	88	92	94	93	92	90	88	69	85
Hispanic or Latino origin of reference person:									
Hispanic or Latino	12	12	6	16	17	14	25	16	10
Not Hispanic or Latino	88	88	94	84	83	86	75	84	90
Education of reference person:									
Elementary (1-8)	5	4	4	3	3	5	8	4	5
High school (9-12)	35	33	32	24	30	37	46	39	37
College	60	63	63	73	67	58	45	57	57
Never attended and other	(²)	(²)	(²)	(³)	(²)	(²)	1	(²)	(²)
At least one vehicle owned or leased	89	97	97	96	98	97	97	79	80
Annual aggregate expenditures	\$6,094,697	65.4	25.7	5.6	18.5	10.8	4.8	4.2	30.4
Food	776,825	65.3	23.7	5.4	19.8	11.3	5.2	4.4	30.2
Food at home	451,454	65.5	23.6	5.5	19.5	11.2	5.7	4.7	29.8
Cereals and bakery products	61,119	66.5	22.9	5.3	20.8	11.6	5.9	4.9	28.7
Cereals and cereal products	20,448	65.8	21.5	5.8	21.0	11.7	5.9	5.7	28.4
Bakery products	40,671	66.8	23.7	5.0	20.7	11.6	5.9	4.5	28.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	102,033	64.6	23.2	4.5	19.0	11.6	6.2	5.0	30.4
Beef	28,799	65.7	22.8	4.6	19.4	12.8	6.2	5.0	29.3
Pork	19,649	64.2	24.2	4.4	18.0	10.6	7.0	5.1	30.8
Other meats	12,837	66.5	24.8	4.2	19.9	12.3	5.3	4.7	28.8
Poultry	19,175	63.6	21.9	4.7	19.6	11.4	6.0	5.9	30.5
Fish and seafood	15,417	63.2	23.3	4.3	18.5	10.9	6.2	3.9	32.9
Eggs	6,156	63.4	22.8	4.8	18.6	10.9	6.3	5.0	31.6
Dairy products	51,786	66.4	23.9	6.0	20.3	10.8	5.4	4.6	28.9
Fresh milk and cream	20,269	65.1	21.5	6.5	21.0	10.6	5.5	5.1	29.8
Other dairy products	31,518	67.3	25.5	5.7	19.8	11.0	5.3	4.3	28.4

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 59. Composition of consumer unit: Shares of annual aggregate expenditures and sources of income, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2008 — Continued

(Aggregates in millions of dollars, unless otherwise indicated)

Item	Aggregate	Husband and wife consumer units						One parent, at least one child under 18	Single person and other consumer units
		Total	Husband and wife only	Husband and wife with children			Other husband and wife consumer units		
				Oldest child under 6	Oldest child 6 to 17	Oldest child 18 or over			
Fruits and vegetables	\$79,194	66.7	25.1	6.0	18.8	11.0	5.7	3.8	29.5
Fresh fruits	26,756	67.9	25.2	6.6	19.7	10.9	5.4	3.4	28.7
Fresh vegetables	25,542	67.2	27.4	5.7	17.7	10.6	5.9	3.6	29.2
Processed fruits	14,032	64.5	21.9	6.6	18.9	11.6	5.5	4.5	31.0
Processed vegetables	12,864	65.4	23.8	5.1	19.0	11.3	6.2	4.6	30.0
Other food at home	157,321	64.7	23.1	5.9	19.5	10.9	5.3	5.0	30.3
Sugar and other sweets	15,580	66.1	24.8	4.6	20.3	11.1	5.3	4.4	29.5
Fats and oils	12,595	64.7	24.9	4.7	18.1	11.4	5.6	4.8	30.5
Miscellaneous foods	81,963	64.4	22.2	7.0	19.7	10.3	5.1	5.1	30.5
Nonalcoholic beverages	41,289	63.9	22.2	4.7	19.4	12.0	5.6	5.3	30.8
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips	5,894	72.3	34.6	4.6	18.9	10.6	3.6	3.2	24.6
Food away from home	325,371	65.2	23.9	5.2	20.0	11.5	4.6	4.0	30.8
Alcoholic beverages	53,558	57.4	27.9	4.4	12.9	8.6	3.6	2.4	40.2
Housing	2,065,912	62.2	23.8	6.4	18.1	9.3	4.7	5.0	32.8
Shelter	1,229,818	60.2	22.9	6.0	18.2	8.6	4.5	5.1	34.7
Owned dwellings	816,456	70.0	25.8	6.7	22.3	10.3	5.0	3.7	26.3
Mortgage interest and charges	462,120	71.6	21.7	8.4	26.0	9.8	5.6	4.3	24.1
Property taxes	212,347	69.6	29.8	5.1	19.2	11.1	4.4	3.4	27.0
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses	141,988	65.3	32.9	3.3	14.7	10.5	4.0	2.4	32.3
Rented dwellings	329,033	32.6	11.6	5.3	8.8	3.5	3.3	9.1	58.3
Other lodging	84,330	73.8	40.1	2.8	15.3	12.0	3.5	2.5	23.7
Utilities, fuels, and public services	440,720	62.0	24.6	4.7	16.9	10.5	5.3	5.2	32.7
Natural gas	64,158	62.7	25.1	4.6	17.3	10.8	4.9	4.6	32.7
Electricity	163,444	61.8	24.2	4.5	17.1	10.3	5.6	5.6	32.7
Fuel oil and other fuels	23,163	63.7	34.8	4.6	12.9	7.6	3.8	3.2	33.1
Telephone services	136,089	60.8	22.7	4.9	16.8	11.1	5.3	5.8	33.5
Water and other public services	53,865	64.6	25.7	4.7	17.8	10.8	5.5	4.7	30.8
Household operations	120,468	66.6	19.5	15.1	21.2	6.3	4.6	6.3	27.1
Personal services	46,280	71.4	4.6	31.4	28.5	1.6	5.3	10.2	18.4
Other household expenses	74,189	63.6	28.8	4.9	16.6	9.2	4.1	3.9	32.5
Housekeeping supplies	78,880	68.7	27.0	6.9	17.4	12.3	5.2	4.4	26.9
Laundry and cleaning supplies	17,821	65.7	22.9	5.3	20.1	11.4	6.0	5.7	28.6
Other household products	42,224	72.3	27.0	8.2	17.8	14.3	5.1	3.6	24.1
Postage and stationery	18,834	63.6	30.8	5.3	14.3	8.6	4.6	4.8	31.6
Household furnishings and equipment	196,026	69.6	28.9	7.1	18.0	11.1	4.5	3.6	26.8
Household textiles	15,234	69.3	32.2	4.6	17.8	8.9	5.8	4.7	26.0
Furniture	46,812	67.7	25.4	8.5	19.7	9.5	4.6	4.1	28.2
Floor coverings	5,383	74.3	35.1	8.1	18.3	11.3	1.4	3.8	22.0
Major appliances	24,651	71.7	29.6	7.1	18.7	11.6	4.8	3.7	24.6
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	13,616	67.3	32.9	6.1	12.8	12.1	3.5	2.1	30.6
Miscellaneous household equipment	90,330	70.0	28.9	6.9	17.8	12.0	4.4	3.3	26.7
Apparel and services	217,176	64.5	21.2	6.3	21.3	11.5	4.3	5.7	29.7
Men and boys	51,483	69.3	22.5	5.5	25.1	12.3	3.9	4.5	26.2
Men, 16 and over	41,502	69.1	26.4	5.3	20.2	13.6	3.6	1.7	29.2
Boys, 2 to 15	9,981	70.2	5.9	6.6	45.6	6.9	5.1	15.9	13.9
Women and girls	86,595	63.0	21.2	4.8	20.4	12.2	4.3	6.1	30.9
Women, 16 and over	71,960	61.2	23.9	4.5	15.9	12.8	4.1	4.7	34.1
Girls, 2 to 15	14,635	72.0	8.3	6.6	42.6	9.0	5.5	12.6	15.5
Children under 2	11,185	72.0	11.4	30.0	16.8	5.3	8.4	8.9	19.1
Footwear	37,909	62.7	19.6	5.2	23.5	10.8	3.6	7.2	30.1
Other apparel products and services	30,004	60.2	24.5	4.3	16.2	11.0	4.2	4.0	35.8

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 59. Composition of consumer unit: Shares of annual aggregate expenditures and sources of income, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2008 — Continued

(Aggregates in millions of dollars, unless otherwise indicated)

Item	Aggregate	Husband and wife consumer units						One parent, at least one child under 18	Single person and other consumer units
		Total	Husband and wife only	Husband and wife with children			Other husband and wife consumer units		
				Oldest child under 6	Oldest child 6 to 17	Oldest child 18 or over			
Transportation	\$1,038,811	67.5	26.5	5.4	18.0	12.3	5.4	4.0	28.5
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	332,698	68.5	26.5	5.9	18.4	12.1	5.7	3.9	27.5
Cars and trucks, new	157,600	71.8	30.0	6.8	18.1	10.3	6.7	2.8	25.3
Cars and trucks, used	158,872	65.0	23.3	5.1	17.7	14.2	4.7	5.3	29.7
Other vehicles	16,225	70.7	23.4	4.4	28.2	48.3	46.4	41.4	27.9
Gasoline and motor oil	327,872	66.6	24.7	5.4	18.9	12.0	5.7	4.4	29.0
Other vehicle expenses	316,280	67.4	27.2	5.3	17.0	13.0	4.9	3.6	29.0
Vehicle finance charges	37,717	69.9	23.7	7.0	21.2	11.8	6.2	4.4	25.7
Maintenance and repairs	88,214	65.0	27.2	4.4	16.4	11.8	5.2	4.0	31.0
Vehicle insurance	134,230	67.7	28.2	5.0	14.6	15.1	4.8	2.8	29.6
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, and other charges	56,120	68.8	27.4	6.3	20.6	10.7	3.9	4.5	26.7
Public transportation	61,961	68.2	32.1	4.1	16.0	11.7	4.3	3.2	28.6
Healthcare	359,365	67.9	35.4	3.9	14.5	9.9	4.2	3.0	29.1
Health insurance	199,678	67.0	35.6	4.0	13.7	9.5	4.2	2.8	30.2
Medical services	87,755	70.3	33.5	4.2	18.2	10.6	3.8	3.5	26.2
Drugs	58,197	67.5	38.5	2.8	11.1	10.0	5.0	2.5	30.0
Medical supplies	13,734	67.4	31.7	3.5	16.8	11.0	4.4	3.8	28.8
Entertainment	342,185	68.1	28.6	5.5	20.8	9.6	3.6	3.7	28.2
Fees and admissions	74,337	72.2	25.2	4.9	27.4	11.6	3.2	4.2	23.6
Audio and visual equipment and services	125,111	61.0	24.7	5.2	17.5	9.7	4.0	4.7	34.2
Pets, toys, hobbies, and playground equipment	84,872	68.3	33.1	5.3	17.3	8.6	3.9	2.8	29.0
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services	57,865	77.7	34.7	7.0	24.8	8.6	2.5	2.2	20.1
Personal care products and services	74,300	64.9	25.8	5.1	17.9	11.9	4.2	4.9	30.2
Reading	14,030	64.1	31.9	3.8	14.8	9.9	3.6	2.8	33.1
Education	126,275	68.1	17.8	1.9	21.6	22.7	4.1	3.6	28.3
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	38,244	52.4	21.1	3.2	12.2	9.4	6.4	4.5	43.2
Miscellaneous	101,374	60.7	25.3	4.3	15.6	10.5	5.0	4.3	35.0
Cash contributions	209,721	66.6	33.1	3.5	15.6	10.6	3.8	2.5	30.9
Personal insurance and pensions	676,923	70.8	27.0	6.2	21.0	11.5	5.1	3.0	26.2
Life and other personal insurance	38,264	79.4	37.6	4.0	19.9	12.3	5.6	2.5	18.1
Pensions and Social Security	638,659	70.3	26.4	6.4	21.0	11.5	5.0	3.0	26.7
Sources of income and personal taxes:									
Money income before taxes	7,676,460	68.5	26.4	5.7	19.7	11.4	5.3	3.4	28.2
Wages and salaries	6,160,177	70.3	23.2	6.6	22.5	12.4	5.6	3.3	26.5
Self-employment income	388,778	73.1	30.6	5.3	22.3	10.2	4.8	3.2	23.7
Social Security, private and government retirement	794,300	60.3	48.5	4.1	1.5	5.9	4.3	.8	38.9
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	182,259	63.5	43.0	2.3	8.0	8.6	1.7	3.0	33.5
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits	27,198	59.6	23.3	2.3	12.8	16.6	4.6	4.9	35.4
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps	44,800	30.4	9.3	1.5	7.4	5.8	6.4	17.2	52.3
Regular contributions for support	53,864	18.2	3.6	41.4	9.7	41.1	2.4	43.1	38.7
Other income	25,084	38.7	15.7	4.4	5.6	8.1	5.0	9.2	52.0

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 59. Composition of consumer unit: Shares of annual aggregate expenditures and sources of income, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2008 — Continued

(Aggregates in millions of dollars, unless otherwise indicated)

Item	Aggregate	Husband and wife consumer units						One parent, at least one child under 18	Single person and other consumer units
		Total	Husband and wife only	Husband and wife with children			Other husband and wife consumer units		
				Oldest child under 6	Oldest child 6 to 17	Oldest child 18 or over			
Personal taxes	\$216,057	72.4	35.6	3.5	21.3	10.3	1.9	-1.8	29.3
Federal income taxes	219,443	71.6	33.2	4.3	21.1	10.3	2.7	-3	28.8
2008 Tax stimulus (new UCC Q20082)	-94,645	69.1	24.9	6.8	21.2	11.1	5.1	4.9	26.0
State and local income taxes	65,485	71.8	28.7	5.3	24.1	10.5	3.2	1.7	26.5
Other taxes	25,774	69.1	34.0	3.8	15.9	12.3	3.1	1.8	29.1
Income after taxes	7,460,402	68.4	26.1	5.7	19.6	11.5	5.4	3.5	28.1

¹ Value less than 0.05.

² Value less than or equal to 0.5.

³ No data reported.

⁴ Data are likely to have large sampling errors.