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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX – AUGUST 2011

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 0.4 percent in August on a seasonally adjusted basis, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Over the last 12 months, the all items index increased 3.8 percent before seasonal adjustment.

The seasonally adjusted increase in the all items index was broad-based, with continuing increases in the indexes for gasoline, food, shelter, and apparel. The gasoline index rose for the 12th time in the last 14 months and led to a 1.2 percent increase in the energy index, while the food index rose 0.5 percent, its largest increase since March.

The index for all items less food and energy increased 0.2 percent in August, the same increase as the previous month. Shelter and apparel were the biggest contributors, though the indexes for most of its major components posted increases, including used cars and trucks, medical care, household furnishings and operations, recreation, tobacco, and personal care. The new vehicles index, unchanged for the second month in a row, was an exception.

The 12-month change in the all items index edged up to 3.8 percent after holding at 3.6 percent for three months, while the 12-month change for all items less food and energy reached 2.0 percent for the first time since November 2008. The energy index has risen 18.4 percent over the last year, while the food index has increased 4.6 percent.

Chart 1. One-month percent change in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), seasonally adjusted, Aug. 2010 - Aug. 2011
Percent change

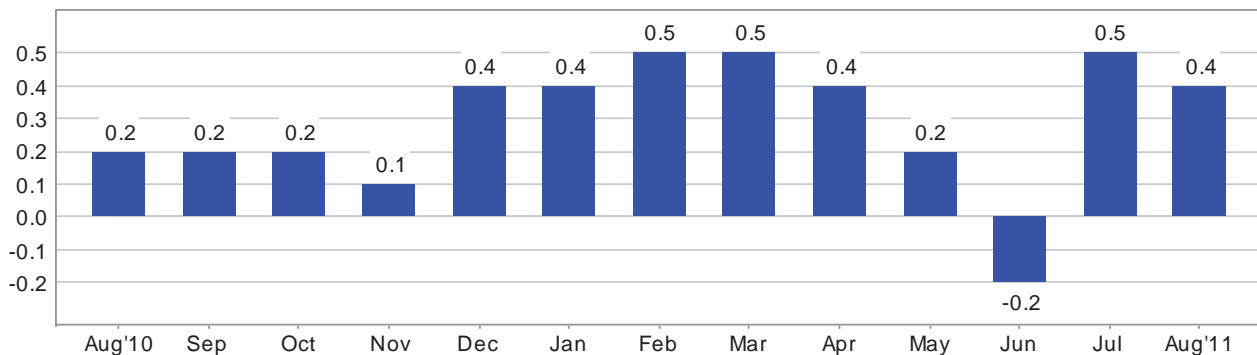


Chart 2. 12-month percent change in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), not seasonally adjusted, Aug. 2010 - Aug. 2011

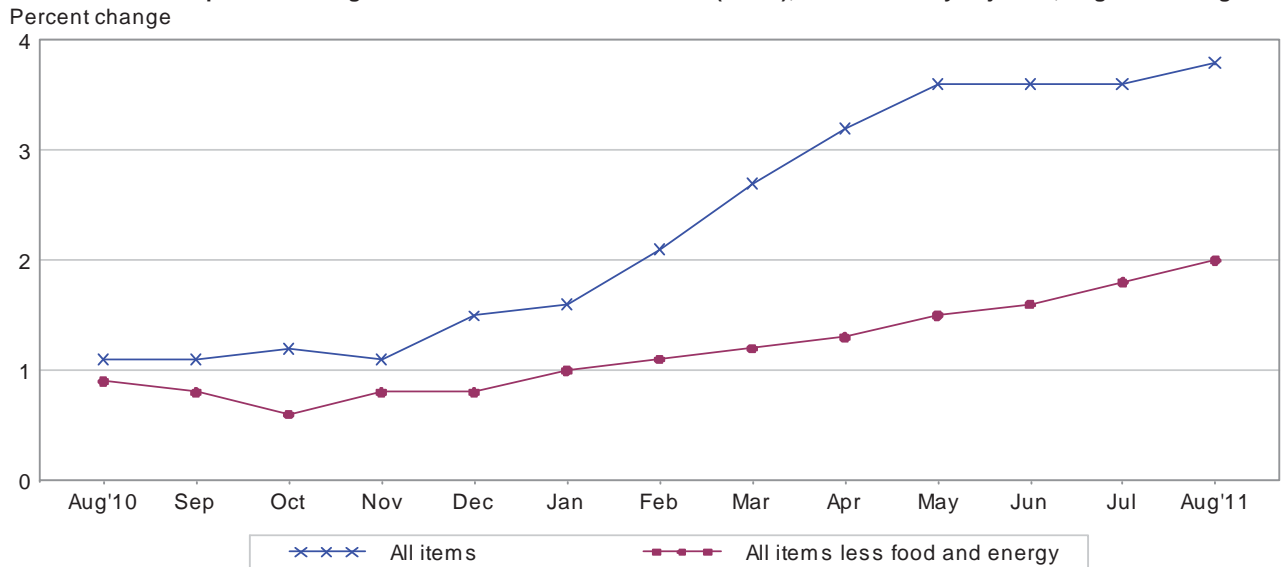


Table A. Percent changes in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average

	Seasonally adjusted changes from preceding month							Un-adjusted 12-mos. ended Aug. 2011
	Feb. 2011	Mar. 2011	Apr. 2011	May 2011	June 2011	July 2011	Aug. 2011	
All items .....	.5	.5	.4	.2	-.2	.5	.4	3.8
Food .....	.6	.8	.4	.4	.2	.4	.5	4.6
Food at home .....	.8	1.1	.5	.5	.2	.6	.6	6.0
Food away from home ¹ .....	.2	.3	.3	.2	.3	.2	.4	2.7
Energy	3.4	3.5	2.2	-1.0	-4.4	2.8	1.2	18.4
Energy commodities	4.8	5.5	3.1	-1.9	-6.3	4.3	1.6	32.1
Gasoline (all types)	4.7	5.6	3.3	-2.0	-6.8	4.7	1.9	32.4
Fuel oil ¹	5.8	6.2	3.2	-.8	-2.2	-1.7	-.4	35.4
Energy services	1.1	.2	.6	.6	-1.1	.4	.4	1.0
Electricity .....	.4	.7	.2	.8	-1.6	.8	-.1	1.9
Utility (piped) gas service	3.4	-1.4	1.9	-.3	.4	-1.2	2.2	-2.0
All items less food and energy .....	.2	.1	.2	.3	.3	.2	.2	2.0
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	.2	.1	.4	.5	.5	.3	.4	2.1
New vehicles	1.0	.7	.7	1.1	.6	.0	.0	3.8
Used cars and trucks .....	.1	.8	1.2	1.1	1.6	.7	.9	5.4
Apparel	-.9	-.5	.2	1.2	1.4	1.2	1.1	4.2
Medical care commodities ¹ .....	.7	.5	.5	.0	-.1	.0	.1	3.0
Services less energy services .....	.2	.2	.1	.2	.1	.2	.2	1.9
Shelter .....	.1	.1	.1	.2	.2	.3	.2	1.6
Transportation services .....	.5	.5	.2	.1	-.3	-.1	.2	3.1
Medical care services .....	.4	.1	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3	3.3

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

Consumer Price Index Data for August 2011

Food

The food index rose 0.5 percent in August after rising 0.4 percent in July. The food at home index repeated its July increase of 0.6 percent, with five of the six major grocery store food groups rising. The only exception was the index for nonalcoholic beverages, which declined slightly in August after rising in June and July. The cereals and bakery products index rose the most, increasing 1.1 percent, followed by a 0.9 percent increase in the index for dairy and related products. The index for other food at home rose 0.8 percent as the index for sugar and sweets rose sharply. The indexes for fruits and vegetables and for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs rose 0.6 percent and 0.4 percent, respectively. The food at home index has now risen 6.0 percent over the past 12 months, with all six groups rising at least 4.0 percent. The index for food away from home advanced 0.4 percent in August, its largest increase since October 2008, and has risen 2.7 percent over the last year.

Energy

The energy index, which rose 2.8 percent in July, increased 1.2 percent in August. The gasoline index rose 1.9 percent in August after a 4.7 percent increase in July. (Before seasonal adjustment, gasoline prices fell 0.5 percent in August.) Over the past 12 months, the gasoline index has increased 32.4 percent. The household energy index rose modestly in August, increasing 0.4 percent. The indexes for electricity and for fuel oil both declined slightly, but the index for natural gas increased 2.2 percent in August after declining in July. Over the past year, the household energy index has increased 2.7 percent. The fuel oil index has risen 35.4 percent over that period, while the electricity index has risen 1.9 percent and the index for natural gas has declined, falling 2.0 percent.

All items less food and energy

The index for all items less food and energy increased 0.2 percent in August, the fifth month in a row that the increase has either been 0.2 percent or 0.3 percent. Similarly, the shelter index rose 0.2 percent in August, its fourth increase in a row of at least that size. The index for rent increased 0.4 percent in August, its largest increase since June 2008. The index for owners' equivalent rent rose 0.2 percent, and the index for lodging away from home turned down after recent increases, falling 1.8 percent. The index for apparel continued its string of substantial increases, rising 1.1 percent in August. The used cars and trucks index also continued to rise, increasing 0.9 percent. The medical care index increased 0.2 percent for the fourth month in a row, with medical care commodities rising 0.1 percent and medical care services increasing 0.3 percent. Also increasing were the indexes for household furnishings and operations (0.3 percent), airline fares (1.1 percent), recreation (0.1 percent), personal care (0.2 percent), and tobacco (0.5 percent). The index for new vehicles was unchanged for the second month in a row after a series of increases.

The index for all items less food and energy has risen 2.0 percent in the last 12 months. This 12-month change has been trending up since reaching a low of 0.6 percent for the 12 months ending October 2010. The 12-month change in the shelter index, which was negative through much of 2010, reached 1.6 percent in August. The 12-month change in the apparel index has now reached 4.2 percent after being negative as recently as March of this year. Major transportation indexes have risen strongly over the last 12 months, including used cars and trucks (5.4 percent), new vehicles (3.8 percent) and airline fares (9.5 percent).

Not seasonally adjusted CPI measures

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 3.8 percent over the last 12 months to an index level of 226.545 (1982-84=100). For the month, the index increased 0.3 percent prior to seasonal adjustment.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) increased 4.3 percent over the last 12 months to an index level of 223.326 (1982-84=100). For the month, the index increased 0.3 percent prior to seasonal adjustment.

The Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U) increased 3.6 percent over the last 12 months. For the month, the index increased 0.3 percent on a not seasonally adjusted basis. Please note that the indexes for the post-2009 period are subject to revision.

The Consumer Price Index for September 2011 is scheduled to be released on Wednesday, October 19, 2011, at 8:30 a.m. (EDT).

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Brief Explanation of the CPI

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time of goods and services purchased by households. The Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes CPIs for two population groups: (1) the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W), which covers households of wage earners and clerical workers that comprise approximately 32 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 87 percent of the total population and include in addition to wage earners and clerical worker households, groups such as professional, managerial, and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force.

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

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

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

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

Note on Sampling Error in the Consumer Price Index

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

Calculating Index Changes

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

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

Index Point Change

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

Percent Change

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

Regions Defined

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

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

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

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

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

A Note on Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted Data

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

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

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

Seasonal factors used in computing the seasonally adjusted indexes are derived by the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Method. Seasonally adjusted indexes and seasonal factors are computed annually. Each year, the last 5 years of seasonally adjusted data are revised. Data from January 2006 through December 2010 were replaced in January 2011. 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: 37 of the 82 components are not seasonally adjusted for 2011.

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 2011, BLS adjusted 29 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.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 2010	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Aug. 2011 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		July 2011	Aug. 2011	Aug. 2010	July 2011	May to June	June to July	July to Aug.
All items	100.000	225.922	226.545	3.8	0.3	-0.2	0.5	0.4
All items (1967=100)	-	676.762	678.628	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	14.792	228.323	229.490	4.4	.5	.2	.4	.5
Food	13.742	228.316	229.554	4.6	.5	.2	.4	.5
Food at home	7.816	226.891	228.354	6.0	.6	.2	.6	.6
Cereals and bakery products	1.090	260.921	262.970	5.3	.8	.6	-.1	1.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	1.813	224.394	225.651	8.0	.6	-.4	.5	.4
Dairy and related products ¹ .....	.839	214.781	216.720	9.1	.9	.5	1.2	.9
Fruits and vegetables	1.152	282.018	282.579	6.3	.2	-.3	1.2	.6
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	.926	167.802	168.268	4.0	.3	.3	.9	-.2
Other food at home	1.996	198.152	200.054	4.2	1.0	.5	.3	.8
Sugar and sweets ¹ .....	.297	207.321	209.780	4.7	1.2	1.2	-.2	1.2
Fats and oils .....	.232	221.325	223.509	10.8	1.0	1.0	.5	.9
Other foods	1.466	210.202	212.114	3.0	.9	.3	.4	.7
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2} .....	.432	124.418	125.193	2.8	.6	.3	.6	.6
Food away from home ¹	5.926	231.580	232.513	2.7	.4	.3	.2	.4
Other food away from home ^{1 2} .....	.329	162.971	163.468	2.5	.3	.0	.3	.3
Alcoholic beverages	1.051	226.908	227.126	1.6	.1	.1	-.2	.2
Housing	41.460	220.230	220.506	1.6	.1	.1	.2	.2
Shelter	31.955	252.155	252.546	1.6	.2	.2	.3	.2
Rent of primary residence ³	5.925	253.085	254.003	2.0	.4	.1	.3	.4
Lodging away from home ² .....	.776	150.095	145.100	3.6	-3.3	3.0	.9	-1.8
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{3 4}	24.905	259.573	260.178	1.4	.2	.2	.3	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	23.310	259.555	260.159	1.4	.2	.2	.3	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.349	127.278	127.581	.9	.2	.3	.1	.2
Fuels and utilities	5.096	226.643	226.493	3.1	-.1	-.8	.2	.3
Household energy	4.000	200.587	200.144	2.7	-.2	-.2	.2	.4
Fuel oil and other fuels ¹ .....	.309	336.894	335.995	27.7	-.3	-.8	-.1	-.3
Energy services ³	3.691	202.002	201.564	1.0	-.2	-.1	.4	.4
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	1.095	179.820	180.762	4.8	.5	.4	.2	.1
Household furnishings and operations	4.409	124.959	125.138	.1	.1	.0	.0	.3
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.772	151.908	152.066	1.0	.1	.0	.1	.1
Apparel	3.601	118.770	121.547	4.2	2.3	1.4	1.2	1.1
Men's and boys' apparel .....	.882	113.914	114.399	3.8	.4	2.6	1.7	-.2
Women's and girls' apparel	1.520	103.349	107.780	4.9	4.3	1.4	1.4	2.1
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.192	111.541	114.563	1.2	2.7	.6	3.6	.8
Footwear .....	.700	126.092	127.500	1.5	1.1	.4	.0	.6
Transportation	17.308	216.164	216.057	11.7	.0	-.9	1.5	.7
Private transportation	16.082	211.432	211.315	12.0	-.1	-.9	1.6	.7
New and used motor vehicles ²	6.333	101.442	101.524	3.7	.1	1.0	.1	.2
New vehicles	3.513	142.763	142.327	3.8	-.3	.6	.0	.0
Used cars and trucks	2.055	154.184	155.823	5.4	1.1	1.6	.7	.9
Motor fuel	5.079	313.488	311.962	32.4	-.5	-.6	4.6	1.7
Gasoline (all types)	4.865	312.760	311.269	32.4	-.5	-.8	4.7	1.9
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹ .....	.408	144.960	145.537	5.7	.4	.9	.2	.4
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ¹	1.172	252.769	253.337	2.0	.2	.1	.1	.2
Public transportation	1.227	272.868	272.949	7.2	.0	-.2	-.2	.6
Medical care	6.627	400.305	400.874	3.2	.1	.2	.2	.2
Medical care commodities ¹	1.633	324.159	324.395	3.0	.1	-.1	.0	.1
Medical care services	4.994	423.847	424.546	3.3	.2	.3	.3	.3
Professional services	2.830	336.150	336.378	2.1	.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)

CPI-U	Relative importance, December 2010	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Aug. 2011 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		July 2011	Aug. 2011	Aug. 2010	July 2011	May to June	June to July	July to Aug.
Expenditure category								
Hospital and related services	1.703	641.712	643.600	6.2	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.5
Recreation ²	6.293	113.492	113.592	.1	.1	-.1	-.1	.1
Video and audio ²	1.816	98.672	98.222	-.6	-.5	-.5	.5	-.4
Education and communication ²	6.421	130.859	132.028	1.1	.9	.1	.2	.1
Education ²	3.107	206.158	210.266	4.4	2.0	.3	.7	.3
Educational books and supplies .....	.204	525.981	530.785	5.2	.9	.2	.2	.0
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	2.903	592.539	604.798	4.3	2.1	.3	.7	.3
Communication ²	3.313	83.211	83.077	-1.9	-2	-.1	-.2	-.1
Information and information processing ²	3.138	79.822	79.687	-2.3	-2	-.1	-.2	-.2
Telephone services ^{1 2}	2.334	100.961	101.006	-1.5	.0	.0	-.2	.0
Information technology, hardware and services ⁵ .....	.804	9.032	8.960	-4.5	-.8	-.4	-.1	-.8
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁶ .....	.228	68.788	66.753	-11.9	-3.0	-1.6	-.5	-2.7
Other goods and services	3.497	386.494	387.053	.9	.1	.3	.1	.3
Tobacco and smoking products ¹ .....	.906	833.067	837.427	1.8	.5	.4	.5	.5
Personal care	2.591	208.174	208.199	.6	.0	.3	.0	.2
Personal care products ¹ .....	.671	159.763	159.017	-1.4	-.5	.4	-.2	-.5
Personal care services ¹ .....	.638	230.454	230.779	.2	.1	.0	-.1	.1
Miscellaneous personal services	1.055	362.905	364.545	2.6	.5	.2	.4	.4
Commodity and service group								
Commodities	40.012	184.931	185.566	6.7	.3	-.6	.9	.6
Food and beverages	14.792	228.323	229.490	4.4	.5	.2	.4	.5
Commodities less food and beverages	25.219	161.222	161.621	8.1	.2	-1.1	1.2	.6
Nondurables less food and beverages	15.474	209.739	210.546	12.1	.4	-1.9	1.5	.8
Apparel	3.601	118.770	121.547	4.2	2.3	1.4	1.2	1.1
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	11.873	271.228	270.809	14.5	-.2	-2.9	1.5	.8
Durables	9.745	113.778	113.799	2.0	.0	.6	.1	.3
Services	59.988	266.660	267.271	1.8	.2	.1	.2	.2
Rent of shelter ⁴	31.607	262.747	263.152	1.6	.2	.1	.2	.3
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.349	127.278	127.581	.9	.2	.3	.1	.2
Energy services ³	3.691	202.002	201.564	1.0	-.2	-1.1	.4	.4
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	1.095	179.820	180.762	4.8	.5	.4	.2	.1
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.772	151.908	152.066	1.0	.1	.0	.1	.1
Transportation services	6.140	268.642	268.940	3.1	.1	-.3	-.1	.2
Medical care services	4.994	423.847	424.546	3.3	.2	.3	.3	.3
Other services	11.340	313.703	315.791	1.4	.7	.1	.2	.2
Special indexes								
All items less food	86.258	225.566	226.092	3.6	.2	-.3	.5	.4
All items less shelter	68.045	218.230	218.952	4.8	.3	-.4	.6	.5
All items less medical care	93.373	217.336	217.955	3.8	.3	-.3	.5	.4
Commodities less food	26.270	163.664	164.059	7.8	.2	-1.1	1.2	.6
Nondurables less food	16.525	210.867	211.642	11.4	.4	-1.9	1.4	.7
Nondurables less food and apparel	12.923	266.018	265.656	13.4	-.1	-2.7	1.4	.8
Nondurables	30.266	219.979	220.958	8.3	.4	-1.1	.9	.6
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	28.382	291.961	292.871	2.1	.3	-.1	.1	.3
Services less medical care services	54.994	254.487	255.085	1.7	.2	.0	.1	.3
Energy	9.079	252.661	251.706	18.4	-.4	-4.4	2.8	1.2
All items less energy	90.921	225.010	225.797	2.3	.3	.2	.3	.3
All items less food and energy	77.179	225.164	225.874	2.0	.3	.3	.2	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities	20.882	145.486	146.159	2.1	.5	.5	.3	.4
Energy commodities	5.388	316.835	315.330	32.1	-.5	-6.3	4.3	1.6
Services less energy services	56.297	273.327	274.038	1.9	.3	.1	.2	.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00)	-	\$.443	\$.441	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00)	-	\$.148	\$.147	-	-	-	-	-

¹ 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.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—			6 months ended—		
	May 2011	June 2011	July 2011	Aug. 2011	Nov. 2010	Feb. 2011	May 2011	Aug. 2011	Feb. 2011	Aug. 2011
Expenditure category										
All items	224.804	224.304	225.425	226.268	2.2	5.6	4.6	2.6	3.9	3.6
Food and beverages	227.137	227.585	228.453	229.589	2.3	4.7	6.1	4.4	3.5	5.3
Food	227.024	227.493	228.455	229.643	2.4	4.9	6.4	4.7	3.7	5.5
Food at home	225.440	225.818	227.131	228.508	2.8	7.2	8.7	5.6	5.0	7.1
Cereals and bakery products	258.365	259.833	259.615	262.369	2.9	5.0	7.0	6.3	3.9	6.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	224.390	223.561	224.610	225.514	7.7	7.4	15.5	2.0	7.6	8.6
Dairy and related products ¹	211.327	212.286	214.781	216.720	5.3	4.5	16.3	10.6	4.9	13.4
Fruits and vegetables	283.011	282.217	285.577	287.215	.1	22.9	-2.2	6.1	10.9	1.9
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	166.304	166.866	168.300	168.012	1.2	2.3	8.5	4.2	1.8	6.3
Other food at home	196.037	197.027	197.654	199.249	-2	3.3	7.1	6.7	1.5	6.9
Sugar and sweets ¹	205.285	207.672	207.321	209.780	.5	7.3	2.2	9.1	3.9	5.6
Fats and oils	217.141	219.368	220.368	222.384	5.6	10.9	16.9	10.0	8.2	13.4
Other foods	208.214	208.810	209.632	211.126	-1.3	1.4	6.6	5.7	.0	6.1
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	123.343	123.692	124.418	125.193	-3.8	2.7	6.4	6.1	-6	6.3
Food away from home ¹	230.501	231.097	231.580	232.513	1.9	1.9	3.4	3.5	1.9	3.4
Other food away from home ^{1 2}	162.483	162.494	162.971	163.468	2.2	3.7	1.6	2.4	2.9	2.0
Alcoholic beverages	227.134	227.306	226.915	227.345	1.3	1.7	3.1	.4	1.5	1.7
Housing	218.637	218.770	219.299	219.780	.4	2.0	2.0	2.1	1.2	2.1
Shelter	250.707	251.267	251.947	252.420	.9	1.4	1.4	2.8	1.1	2.1
Rent of primary residence ³	252.403	252.683	253.315	254.265	1.7	2.0	1.3	3.0	1.9	2.1
Lodging away from home ²	137.705	141.840	143.172	140.659	-7.8	-2	15.2	8.9	-4.1	12.0
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{3 4}	258.623	259.023	259.682	260.230	.9	1.3	.9	2.5	1.1	1.7
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	258.610	259.009	259.664	260.211	.9	1.3	.9	2.5	1.1	1.7
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	126.780	127.155	127.278	127.581	3.3	-3.0	.8	2.6	.1	1.7
Fuels and utilities	221.800	219.939	220.447	221.155	-5	8.0	6.7	-1.2	3.6	2.7
Household energy	195.475	193.171	193.621	194.359	-2.0	8.4	7.2	-2.3	3.1	2.4
Fuel oil and other fuels ¹	347.002	340.775	336.894	335.995	40.1	69.9	26.9	-12.1	54.3	5.6
Energy services ³	195.864	193.669	194.368	195.223	-4.6	4.3	5.6	-1.3	-2	2.1
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	178.806	179.574	179.974	180.159	4.9	6.5	4.8	3.1	5.7	3.9
Household furnishings and operations	124.859	124.813	124.870	125.275	-2.1	.1	1.2	1.3	-1.0	1.3
Household operations ^{1 2}	151.730	151.730	151.908	152.066	-1.2	3.2	1.0	.9	1.0	.9
Apparel	120.342	122.037	123.562	124.934	-2.6	.8	3.2	16.2	-9	9.5
Men's and boys' apparel	112.243	115.111	117.114	116.898	-3.5	-8	3.0	17.6	-2.2	10.1
Women's and girls' apparel	107.363	108.838	110.363	112.690	-4.0	1.3	2.8	21.4	-1.4	11.7
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	110.858	111.560	115.598	116.559	-7.1	-11.7	4.5	22.2	-9.5	13.0
Footwear	128.540	129.051	129.026	129.766	-1.7	1.1	2.7	3.9	-3	3.3
Transportation	214.457	210.317	213.484	215.052	9.6	22.7	14.2	1.1	16.0	7.5
Private transportation	209.664	205.663	209.018	210.575	9.5	22.7	15.0	1.7	15.9	8.2
New and used motor vehicles ²	99.997	100.992	101.140	101.297	-1.7	1.0	10.7	5.3	-4	8.0
New vehicles	142.637	143.501	143.549	143.572	-6	2.8	10.7	2.6	1.1	6.6
Used cars and trucks	148.264	150.707	151.827	153.211	-3.4	-9	12.9	14.0	-2.2	13.4
Motor fuel	310.990	290.494	303.903	309.112	33.2	81.2	30.3	-2.4	55.4	12.8
Gasoline (all types)	310.161	289.077	302.520	308.398	34.3	79.0	30.8	-2.3	55.0	13.1
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹	143.328	144.618	144.960	145.537	3.3	6.3	7.0	6.3	4.8	6.7
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ¹	252.376	252.529	252.769	253.337	2.4	1.6	2.5	1.5	2.0	2.0
Public transportation	272.417	266.349	265.862	267.455	11.5	22.2	4.2	-7.1	16.7	-1.6
Medical care	398.739	399.500	400.468	401.431	3.7	3.1	3.2	2.7	3.4	3.0
Medical care commodities ¹	324.399	324.102	324.159	324.395	2.5	5.7	4.1	.0	4.0	2.0
Medical care services	421.544	422.741	424.076	425.328	4.2	2.3	2.9	3.6	3.2	3.3
Professional services	334.323	335.125	335.831	336.426	2.8	2.2	1.0	2.5	2.5	1.8

See footnotes at end of table.

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—			6 months ended—		
	May 2011	June 2011	July 2011	Aug. 2011	Nov. 2010	Feb. 2011	May 2011	Aug. 2011	Feb. 2011	Aug. 2011
Expenditure category										
Hospital and related services	637.925	641.042	643.675	647.003	8.2	4.5	6.4	5.8	6.4	6.1
Recreation ²	113.512	113.448	113.332	113.461	-1.4	.9	1.0	-.2	-.3	.4
Video and audio ²	98.424	97.922	98.435	98.047	-4	-7	.1	-1.5	-6	-7
Education and communication ²	131.168	131.300	131.598	131.685	.7	.8	1.3	1.6	.7	1.4
Education ²	206.559	207.115	208.477	209.073	2.9	5.4	4.2	5.0	4.2	4.6
Educational books and supplies	526.573	527.674	528.975	528.860	6.2	7.1	5.7	1.7	6.7	3.7
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	593.725	595.349	599.439	601.281	2.7	5.3	4.1	5.2	4.0	4.6
Communication ²	83.441	83.391	83.235	83.112	-1.3	-3.4	-1.4	-1.6	-2.3	-1.5
Information and information processing ²	80.056	80.004	79.846	79.722	-1.4	-4.4	-1.6	-1.7	-2.9	-1.6
Telephone services ^{1 2}	101.159	101.204	100.961	101.006	-8	-3.9	-.6	-.6	-2.4	-.6
Information technology, hardware and services ⁵	9.084	9.049	9.043	8.975	-3.0	-5.8	-4.5	-4.7	-4.4	-4.6
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁶	70.586	69.430	69.089	67.192	-4.1	-16.0	-9.1	-17.9	-10.2	-13.6
Other goods and services	384.959	386.068	386.568	387.673	-6	1.9	-.6	2.9	.6	1.1
Tobacco and smoking products ¹	825.690	828.860	833.067	837.427	-9	4.3	-1.8	5.8	1.7	1.9
Personal care	207.704	208.232	208.228	208.649	-5	1.0	-.2	1.8	.3	.8
Personal care products ¹	159.478	160.163	159.763	159.017	-2.3	2.3	-4.5	-1.2	.0	-2.8
Personal care services ¹	230.505	230.614	230.454	230.779	-1.3	1.0	.6	.5	-.2	.5
Miscellaneous personal services	361.046	361.765	363.086	364.537	2.0	1.9	2.4	3.9	2.0	3.2
Commodity and service group										
Commodities	184.226	183.042	184.701	185.783	3.8	11.2	8.4	3.4	7.4	5.9
Food and beverages	227.137	227.585	228.453	229.589	2.3	4.7	6.1	4.4	3.5	5.3
Commodities less food and beverages	160.735	158.934	160.855	161.879	4.6	15.2	9.7	2.9	9.8	6.2
Nondurables less food and beverages	210.446	206.462	209.517	211.198	9.7	25.4	12.9	1.4	17.3	7.0
Apparel	120.342	122.037	123.562	124.934	-2.6	.8	3.2	16.2	-.9	9.5
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	271.195	263.361	267.418	269.682	13.6	32.3	16.9	-2.2	22.6	6.9
Durables	112.843	113.560	113.697	114.000	-4.0	1.3	6.7	4.2	-1.4	5.4
Services	265.147	265.318	265.897	266.471	1.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.6	2.1
Rent of shelter ⁴	261.102	261.396	261.882	262.558	2.4	.8	.9	2.2	1.6	1.6
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	126.780	127.155	127.278	127.581	3.3	-3.0	.8	2.6	.1	1.7
Energy services ³	195.864	193.669	194.368	195.223	-4.6	4.3	5.6	-1.3	-2	2.1
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	178.806	179.574	179.974	180.159	4.9	6.5	4.8	3.1	5.7	3.9
Household operations ^{1 2}	151.730	151.730	151.908	152.066	-1.2	3.2	1.0	.9	1.0	.9
Transportation services	268.408	267.700	267.367	267.867	4.4	5.1	3.6	-.8	4.8	1.4
Medical care services	421.544	422.741	424.076	425.328	4.2	2.3	2.9	3.6	3.2	3.3
Other services	313.707	313.917	314.461	315.150	.4	1.4	2.0	1.9	.9	1.9
Special indexes										
All items less food	224.475	223.822	224.968	225.757	2.1	5.8	4.4	2.3	3.9	3.3
All items less shelter	217.230	216.303	217.613	218.612	2.8	7.7	6.2	2.6	5.2	4.4
All items less medical care	216.244	215.700	216.818	217.649	2.1	5.8	4.7	2.6	3.9	3.7
Commodities less food	163.195	161.441	163.305	164.317	4.5	14.7	9.4	2.8	9.5	6.1
Nondurables less food	211.633	207.713	210.536	212.073	9.8	23.4	12.6	.8	16.4	6.5
Nondurables less food and apparel	266.147	259.034	262.591	264.643	12.6	29.6	16.1	-2.2	20.8	6.5
Nondurables	220.165	217.801	219.814	221.179	6.6	14.3	10.7	1.9	10.4	6.2
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	290.391	290.050	290.297	291.055	1.5	3.1	3.0	.9	2.3	1.9
Services less medical care services	253.004	252.972	253.218	253.904	1.9	1.7	1.9	1.4	1.8	1.7
Energy	248.837	237.889	244.507	247.367	15.8	45.1	20.3	-2.3	29.6	8.4
All items less energy	224.157	224.711	225.284	225.930	.9	2.2	3.0	3.2	1.6	3.1
All items less food and energy	224.387	224.958	225.463	226.014	.7	1.8	2.5	2.9	1.2	2.7
Commodities less food and energy commodities	145.183	145.979	146.370	146.897	-1.5	1.2	3.9	4.8	-.2	4.4
Energy commodities	314.950	295.025	307.662	312.602	33.6	80.6	30.1	-2.9	55.3	12.4
Services less energy services	272.244	272.638	273.207	273.755	1.5	2.0	1.9	2.2	1.7	2.1

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

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

⁴ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

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

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U	Pricing schedule 1	All items									
		Indexes				Percent change to Aug.2011 from—			Percent change to July2011 from—		
		May 2011	June 2011	July 2011	Aug. 2011	Aug. 2010	June 2011	July 2011	July 2010	May 2011	June 2011
U.S. city average	M	225.964	225.722	225.922	226.545	3.8	0.4	0.3	3.6	0.0	0.1
Region and area size²											
Northeast urban	M	241.566	241.690	242.282	243.033	3.8	.6	.3	3.6	.3	.2
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	242.976	243.257	243.806	244.601	3.6	.6	.3	3.4	.3	.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	144.697	144.525	144.952	145.339	4.3	.6	.3	4.1	.2	.3
Midwest urban	M	215.899	215.954	216.099	216.586	3.8	.3	.2	3.8	.1	.1
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	216.376	216.290	216.350	216.870	3.8	.3	.2	3.7	.0	.0
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	138.827	139.115	139.222	139.451	3.8	.2	.2	3.8	.3	.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	212.210	211.717	212.261	213.009	3.9	.6	.4	4.1	.0	.3
South urban	M	219.820	219.318	219.682	220.471	4.3	.5	.4	4.1	-.1	.2
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	220.982	220.481	220.897	221.685	4.1	.5	.4	3.9	.0	.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	139.833	139.639	139.783	140.378	4.5	.5	.4	4.2	.0	.1
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	225.416	223.675	224.681	224.613	4.3	.4	.0	4.7	-.3	.4
West urban	M	228.516	228.075	227.805	228.222	3.0	.1	.2	2.9	-.3	-.1
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	232.393	232.010	231.666	232.219	2.8	.1	.2	2.7	-.3	-.1
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	138.598	138.269	138.128	138.171	3.3	-.1	.0	3.3	-.3	-.1
Size classes											
A ⁴	M	205.944	205.792	205.928	206.524	3.5	.4	.3	3.4	.0	.1
B/C ³	M	140.062	139.935	140.057	140.440	4.1	.4	.3	3.9	.0	.1
D	M	219.873	218.862	219.465	219.856	3.9	.5	.2	4.1	-.2	.3
Selected local areas⁵											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	M	220.094	220.182	219.277	219.688	3.2	-.2	.2	3.2	-.4	-.4
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ...	M	233.367	232.328	231.303	231.833	2.4	-.2	.2	2.4	-.9	-.4
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	M	248.073	248.505	249.164	250.058	3.5	.6	.4	3.3	.4	.3
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1	244.574	-	244.256	-	-	-	-	3.4	-.1	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH	1	212.175	-	211.686	-	-	-	-	3.8	-.2	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1	208.794	-	208.602	-	-	-	-	4.2	-.1	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ⁶	1	147.554	-	147.747	-	-	-	-	4.1	.1	-
Atlanta, GA	2	-	211.074	-	212.335	3.8	.6	-	-	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	2	-	213.506	-	213.924	4.1	.2	-	-	-	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	-	201.309	-	202.445	3.7	.6	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	-	231.197	-	232.749	4.5	.7	-	-	-	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	2	-	234.463	-	236.196	3.4	.7	-	-	-	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2	-	233.646	-	234.608	2.9	.4	-	-	-	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2	-	233.250	-	233.810	2.7	.2	-	-	-	-

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

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

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

³ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁵ In addition, the following metropolitan areas are published semiannually and appear in Tables 34 and 39 of the January and July issues of the CPI Detailed Report: Anchorage, AK; Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN; Denver-Boulder-Greeley, CO; Honolulu, HI; Kansas City, MO-KS; Milwaukee-Racine, WI; Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI; Phoenix-Mesa, AZ; Pittsburgh, PA; Portland-Salem, OR-WA; St. Louis, MO-IL; San Diego, CA;

Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL.

⁶ Indexes on a November 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Local area indexes are byproducts of the national CPI program. Each local index has a smaller sample size than the national index and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in their escalator clauses.

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

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 2010	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Aug. 2011 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		July 2011	Aug. 2011	Aug. 2010	July 2011	May to June	June to July	July to Aug.
All items	100.000	222.686	223.326	4.3	0.3	-0.3	0.6	0.4
All items (1967=100)	-	663.314	665.221	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	16.401	227.701	228.957	4.5	.6	.2	.4	.5
Food	15.315	227.585	228.911	4.7	.6	.2	.4	.6
Food at home	8.906	225.889	227.388	6.1	.7	.1	.6	.6
Cereals and bakery products	1.236	261.564	263.608	5.3	.8	.6	-.1	1.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.227	224.421	225.682	8.1	.6	-.4	.4	.4
Dairy and related products ¹ .....	.917	213.957	215.910	9.2	.9	.4	1.2	.9
Fruits and vegetables	1.219	279.494	280.617	6.3	.4	-.5	1.2	.7
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	1.091	166.890	167.391	3.7	.3	.3	.8	-.1
Other food at home	2.217	197.389	199.201	4.2	.9	.5	.4	.8
Sugar and sweets ¹ .....	.324	206.103	208.537	4.9	1.2	1.1	-.1	1.2
Fats and oils .....	.258	221.982	224.327	11.2	1.1	1.3	.7	1.0
Other foods	1.635	210.318	212.092	2.9	.8	.2	.4	.7
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2} .....	.463	124.607	125.327	2.9	.6	.2	.6	.6
Food away from home ¹	6.409	231.603	232.682	2.7	.5	.3	.2	.5
Other food away from home ^{1 2} .....	.326	164.167	164.551	2.9	.2	.0	.4	.2
Alcoholic beverages	1.086	227.956	228.213	1.5	.1	.1	-.2	.2
Housing	39.228	216.917	217.235	1.7	.1	.0	.3	.2
Shelter	29.811	245.705	246.187	1.6	.2	.2	.2	.2
Rent of primary residence ³	8.396	251.271	252.195	2.0	.4	.1	.2	.4
Lodging away from home ² .....	.436	151.939	146.163	3.7	-3.8	2.6	.8	-1.9
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{3 4}	20.672	235.116	235.645	1.4	.2	.1	.2	.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	19.942	235.110	235.638	1.4	.2	.1	.2	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.306	128.377	128.727	.9	.3	.3	.1	.3
Fuels and utilities	5.633	225.589	225.399	3.1	-.1	-.8	.3	.3
Household energy	4.476	198.857	198.396	2.7	-.2	-1.1	.3	.4
Fuel oil and other fuels ¹ .....	.301	335.796	334.935	26.4	-.3	-1.9	-1.0	-.3
Energy services ³	4.175	201.547	201.084	1.2	-.2	-1.0	.5	.4
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	1.157	180.170	181.099	4.7	.5	.4	.2	.1
Household furnishings and operations	3.784	121.185	121.325	.3	.1	-.1	.2	.3
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.364	154.670	154.879	.9	.1	.1	.1	.1
Apparel	3.668	117.830	120.624	4.3	2.4	1.4	1.2	1.0
Men's and boys' apparel .....	.921	113.565	114.068	3.7	.4	2.3	1.6	-.3
Women's and girls' apparel	1.502	102.841	107.359	5.8	4.4	1.4	1.4	2.0
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.280	114.220	118.265	1.9	3.5	.6	3.2	1.6
Footwear .....	.750	126.679	128.108	2.0	1.1	.5	-.1	.7
Transportation	19.418	217.466	217.491	12.9	.0	-2.2	1.8	.9
Private transportation	18.631	214.119	214.131	13.1	.0	-2.2	1.9	.9
New and used motor vehicles ²	6.914	101.093	101.393	4.1	.3	1.1	.3	.3
New vehicles	3.320	143.687	143.276	3.7	-.3	.5	.1	.0
Used cars and trucks	3.003	155.201	156.860	5.4	1.1	1.7	.8	.9
Motor fuel	6.470	314.806	313.307	32.5	-.5	-6.7	4.7	1.7
Gasoline (all types)	6.193	314.232	312.768	32.5	-.5	-6.9	4.9	1.8
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹ .....	.479	144.840	145.390	5.7	.4	.8	.3	.4
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ¹	1.184	255.509	256.077	2.0	.2	.0	.1	.2
Public transportation .....	.787	269.003	269.427	7.1	.2	-2.1	-.1	.7
Medical care	5.355	402.160	402.783	3.3	.2	.2	.3	.2
Medical care commodities ¹	1.318	315.957	316.299	3.2	.1	-.1	.1	.1
Medical care services	4.038	427.464	428.190	3.3	.2	.3	.3	.3
Professional services	2.220	339.756	340.053	2.2	.1	.2	.2	.2

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 2010	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Aug. 2011 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—			
		July 2011	Aug. 2011	Aug. 2010	July 2011	May to June	June to July	July to Aug.	
Hospital and related services	1.414	644.693	646.560	6.5	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.5	
Recreation ²	5.862	110.134	110.146	.2	.0	-.1	.0	.0	
Video and audio ²	1.959	99.417	98.939	-.4	-.5	-.5	.6	-.5	
Education and communication ²	6.118	124.994	125.797	.3	.6	.1	.1	.0	
Education ²	2.380	203.181	206.790	4.2	1.8	.2	.5	.3	
Educational books and supplies .....	.199	529.929	536.250	5.5	1.2	.2	.1	.2
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	2.181	570.995	581.447	4.0	1.8	.2	.5	.3	
Communication ²	3.738	85.628	85.545	-2.1	-.1	.0	-.2	-.1	
Information and information processing ²	3.605	83.282	83.198	-2.4	-.1	.0	-.2	-.1	
Telephone services ^{1 2}	2.823	100.366	100.405	-1.8	.0	.0	-.3	.0	
Information technology, hardware and services ⁵ .....	.782	9.573	9.514	-4.4	-.6	-.3	.0	-.6
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁶ .....	.208	68.230	66.530	-12.3	-2.5	-1.5	-.3	-2.3
Other goods and services	3.950	416.166	416.896	1.1	.2	.3	.2	.3	
Tobacco and smoking products ¹	1.450	837.692	842.479	1.8	.6	.4	.5	.6	
Personal care	2.500	206.069	205.957	.7	-.1	.3	.0	.2	
Personal care products ¹ .....	.717	160.567	159.655	-1.1	-.6	.4	-.1	-.6
Personal care services ¹ .....	.572	230.579	230.907	.1	.1	.0	-.1	.1
Miscellaneous personal services	1.027	364.597	365.826	2.6	.3	.1	.3	.3	
Commodity and service group									
Commodities	43.898	189.508	190.217	7.5	.4	-.8	1.1	.7	
Food and beverages	16.401	227.701	228.957	4.5	.6	.2	.4	.5	
Commodities less food and beverages	27.497	168.166	168.623	9.3	.3	-1.4	1.5	.7	
Nondurables less food and beverages	17.244	221.945	222.704	13.5	.3	-2.1	1.4	.9	
Apparel	3.668	117.830	120.624	4.3	2.4	1.4	1.2	1.0	
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	13.576	291.265	290.820	16.0	-.2	-3.2	1.8	1.0	
Durables	10.253	115.866	116.037	2.6	.1	.7	.2	.3	
Services	56.102	261.777	262.344	1.8	.2	.0	.2	.2	
Rent of shelter ⁴	29.504	236.781	237.244	1.6	.2	.1	.2	.3	
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.306	128.377	128.727	.9	.3	.3	.1	.3
Energy services ³	4.175	201.547	201.084	1.2	-.2	-1.0	.5	.4	
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	1.157	180.170	181.099	4.7	.5	.4	.2	.1	
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.364	154.670	154.879	.9	.1	.1	.1	.1
Transportation services	5.994	268.170	268.778	3.0	.2	-.1	-.1	.3	
Medical care services	4.038	427.464	428.190	3.3	.2	.3	.3	.3	
Other services	10.563	299.077	300.411	1.0	.4	.0	.1	.1	
Special indexes									
All items less food	84.685	221.625	222.144	4.2	.2	-.4	.6	.4	
All items less shelter	70.189	216.683	217.387	5.4	.3	-.6	.7	.5	
All items less medical care	94.645	215.361	215.996	4.3	.3	-.4	.6	.4	
Commodities less food	28.583	170.311	170.764	9.0	.3	-1.3	1.4	.7	
Nondurables less food	18.329	222.537	223.269	12.7	.3	-2.0	1.3	.9	
Nondurables less food and apparel	14.662	284.603	284.219	14.9	-.1	-3.0	1.6	.9	
Nondurables	33.644	225.916	226.913	9.0	.4	-1.3	1.0	.7	
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	26.598	257.932	258.552	2.0	.2	-.1	.1	.2	
Services less medical care services	52.065	250.237	250.789	1.7	.2	.0	.1	.2	
Energy	10.946	255.169	254.191	19.3	-.4	-4.6	3.0	1.2	
All items less energy	89.054	219.748	220.587	2.4	.4	.2	.3	.3	
All items less food and energy	73.739	218.548	219.290	2.0	.3	.3	.2	.3	
Commodities less food and energy commodities	21.812	148.206	149.003	2.4	.5	.6	.3	.4	
Energy commodities	6.771	317.281	315.799	32.3	-.5	-6.5	4.5	1.7	
Services less energy services	51.927	268.303	268.988	1.8	.3	.1	.2	.2	
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00)	-	\$.449	\$.448	-	-	-	-	-	
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00)	-	\$.151	\$.150	-	-	-	-	-	

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—			6 months ended—		
	May 2011	June 2011	July 2011	Aug. 2011	Nov. 2010	Feb. 2011	May 2011	Aug. 2011	Feb. 2011	Aug. 2011
Expenditure category										
All items	221.529	220.768	222.077	223.010	2.5	6.6	5.3	2.7	4.5	4.0
Food and beverages	226.540	226.929	227.802	229.016	2.4	4.6	6.4	4.4	3.5	5.4
Food	226.319	226.723	227.692	228.952	2.5	4.9	6.6	4.7	3.7	5.7
Food at home	224.492	224.769	226.069	227.458	2.8	7.3	9.0	5.4	5.0	7.2
Cereals and bakery products	259.020	260.567	260.242	263.058	2.9	5.1	6.9	6.4	4.0	6.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	224.521	223.720	224.657	225.516	7.7	7.6	16.1	1.8	7.6	8.7
Dairy and related products ¹	210.488	211.374	213.957	215.910	5.0	4.6	17.1	10.7	4.8	13.9
Fruits and vegetables	280.367	278.965	282.395	284.468	.0	24.2	-2.8	6.0	11.4	1.5
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	165.582	166.036	167.414	167.199	1.4	1.6	8.2	4.0	1.5	6.1
Other food at home	195.230	196.198	196.955	198.478	-6	3.6	7.1	6.8	1.5	7.0
Sugar and sweets ¹	204.161	206.402	206.103	208.537	1.4	7.9	1.6	8.9	4.6	5.1
Fats and oils	216.992	219.872	221.486	223.640	5.2	11.2	15.7	12.8	8.2	14.2
Other foods	208.363	208.866	209.767	211.152	-1.9	1.6	6.9	5.5	-2	6.2
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	123.673	123.911	124.607	125.327	-3.5	3.0	7.0	5.5	-3	6.2
Food away from home ¹	230.521	231.112	231.603	232.682	2.1	1.7	3.4	3.8	1.9	3.6
Other food away from home ^{1 2}	163.498	163.524	164.167	164.551	4.0	3.3	1.9	2.6	3.6	2.3
Alcoholic beverages	228.327	228.503	227.990	228.514	1.1	.9	3.8	.3	1.0	2.1
Housing	215.372	215.369	215.909	216.430	.6	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.4	2.0
Shelter	244.622	245.029	245.635	246.170	1.1	1.5	1.2	2.6	1.3	1.9
Rent of primary residence ³	250.687	250.938	251.517	252.486	1.7	2.1	1.3	2.9	1.9	2.1
Lodging away from home ²	139.738	143.333	144.542	141.783	-5.8	-7	16.6	6.0	-3.3	11.2
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{3 4}	234.326	234.643	235.213	235.681	1.0	1.4	.9	2.3	1.2	1.6
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	234.320	234.639	235.206	235.674	1.0	1.4	.9	2.3	1.2	1.6
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	127.859	128.242	128.377	128.727	3.3	-1.6	-.5	2.7	.8	1.1
Fuels and utilities	220.111	218.367	219.074	219.783	-9	7.3	6.8	-6	3.1	3.0
Household energy	193.096	190.982	191.649	192.373	-2.2	7.6	7.2	-1.5	2.6	2.8
Fuel oil and other fuels ¹	345.830	339.095	335.796	334.935	39.7	66.1	25.2	-12.0	52.3	4.9
Energy services ³	194.818	192.818	193.693	194.520	-4.5	4.3	5.9	-6	-2	2.6
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	179.223	179.953	180.357	180.557	4.8	6.1	5.0	3.0	5.5	4.0
Household furnishings and operations	121.006	120.881	121.083	121.447	-1.7	-2	1.8	1.5	-9	1.6
Household operations ^{1 2}	154.378	154.581	154.670	154.879	-2.0	2.4	1.8	1.3	.2	1.5
Apparel	119.528	121.203	122.700	123.897	-1.9	.9	3.9	15.4	-5	9.5
Men's and boys' apparel	112.512	115.078	116.888	116.537	-2.9	.8	2.6	15.1	-1.1	8.7
Women's and girls' apparel	106.951	108.462	109.948	112.099	-1.2	1.5	3.5	20.7	.2	11.7
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	113.863	114.525	118.190	120.035	-5.7	-11.6	4.7	23.5	-8.7	13.7
Footwear	128.720	129.412	129.250	130.189	-3.6	2.5	4.9	4.6	-6	4.8
Transportation	215.500	210.835	214.617	216.457	10.1	25.2	15.6	1.8	17.4	8.5
Private transportation	212.103	207.502	211.387	213.215	10.2	25.3	16.1	2.1	17.5	8.9
New and used motor vehicles ²	99.292	100.337	100.613	100.947	-2.0	.9	11.2	6.8	-.5	9.0
New vehicles	143.630	144.411	144.489	144.511	-9	3.0	10.6	2.5	1.0	6.4
Used cars and trucks	149.198	151.670	152.817	154.229	-3.2	-9	12.7	14.2	-2.0	13.5
Motor fuel	312.340	291.497	305.332	310.629	32.5	82.5	30.3	-2.2	55.5	12.9
Gasoline (all types)	311.697	290.345	304.500	310.120	32.2	82.1	30.9	-2.0	55.1	13.3
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹	143.257	144.458	144.840	145.390	3.1	6.2	7.3	6.1	4.6	6.7
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ¹	255.042	255.133	255.509	256.077	2.5	1.5	2.4	1.6	2.0	2.0
Public transportation	269.065	263.506	263.228	264.968	9.4	22.2	4.5	-6.0	15.6	-9
Medical care	400.682	401.374	402.449	403.355	3.8	3.4	3.3	2.7	3.6	3.0
Medical care commodities ¹	316.099	315.710	315.957	316.299	2.4	5.9	4.3	.3	4.1	2.3
Medical care services	425.316	426.464	427.870	428.997	4.3	2.6	3.0	3.5	3.5	3.2
Professional services	337.966	338.809	339.447	340.063	2.8	2.5	1.1	2.5	2.6	1.8

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

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CPI-W	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	May 2011	June 2011	July 2011	Aug. 2011	3 months ended—			6 months ended—		
					Nov. 2010	Feb. 2011	May 2011	Aug. 2011	Feb. 2011	Aug. 2011
Expenditure category										
Hospital and related services	641.005	644.001	647.029	650.044	8.6	5.0	6.6	5.8	6.8	6.2
Recreation ²	110.076	110.001	109.989	110.007	-2.1	1.9	1.2	-.3	-.2	.5
Video and audio ²	99.080	98.575	99.198	98.741	-4	-3	.2	-1.4	-.3	-6
Education and communication ²	125.340	125.440	125.517	125.576	.1	-.6	.8	.8	-.2	.8
Education ²	203.768	204.259	205.277	205.796	2.9	5.4	4.3	4.0	4.1	4.2
Educational books and supplies	531.355	532.591	532.994	534.305	5.8	9.1	5.1	2.2	7.4	3.6
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	572.656	574.039	577.124	578.589	2.6	5.0	4.2	4.2	3.8	4.2
Communication ²	85.857	85.836	85.644	85.568	-1.6	-4.2	-1.4	-1.3	-2.9	-1.4
Information and information processing ²	83.513	83.492	83.298	83.221	-1.6	-4.9	-1.5	-1.4	-3.3	-1.4
Telephone services ^{1 2}	100.610	100.657	100.366	100.405	-1.0	-4.7	-.6	-.8	-2.9	-.7
Information technology, hardware and services ⁵	9.612	9.584	9.582	9.527	-3.7	-5.8	-4.4	-3.5	-4.7	-4.0
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁶	69.761	68.685	68.476	66.880	-5.7	-16.6	-10.9	-15.5	-11.3	-13.3
Other goods and services	414.012	415.446	416.213	417.579	-.7	2.7	-1.2	3.5	1.0	1.1
Tobacco and smoking products ¹	830.137	833.452	837.692	842.479	-9	4.3	-2.0	6.1	1.6	2.0
Personal care	205.463	206.112	206.107	206.492	-5	1.8	-.7	2.0	.7	.7
Personal care products ¹	160.083	160.780	160.567	159.655	-1.4	2.9	-4.6	-1.1	.7	-2.8
Personal care services ¹	230.709	230.814	230.579	230.907	-1.3	1.0	.5	.3	-.2	.4
Miscellaneous personal services	363.012	363.440	364.641	365.672	2.5	2.6	2.3	3.0	2.5	2.6
Commodity and service group										
Commodities	188.580	187.064	189.046	190.282	4.3	12.7	9.3	3.7	8.5	6.4
Food and beverages	226.540	226.929	227.802	229.016	2.4	4.6	6.4	4.4	3.5	5.4
Commodities less food and beverages	167.363	165.079	167.478	168.690	5.5	17.8	10.9	3.2	11.5	7.0
Nondurables less food and beverages	222.447	217.845	220.896	222.967	12.1	28.1	14.3	.9	19.8	7.4
Apparel	119.528	121.203	122.700	123.897	-1.9	.9	3.9	15.4	-.5	9.5
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	290.849	281.604	286.641	289.480	15.2	34.7	18.8	-1.9	24.6	8.0
Durables	114.560	115.400	115.677	116.073	-4.3	1.5	8.0	5.4	-1.4	6.7
Services	260.366	260.433	260.993	261.562	1.1	2.1	2.2	1.9	1.6	2.0
Rent of shelter ⁴	235.649	235.908	236.372	237.045	1.8	1.3	.9	2.4	1.6	1.7
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	127.859	128.242	128.377	128.727	3.3	-1.6	-.5	2.7	.8	1.1
Energy services ³	194.818	192.818	193.693	194.520	-4.5	4.3	5.9	-.6	-.2	2.6
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	179.223	179.953	180.357	180.557	4.8	6.1	5.0	3.0	5.5	4.0
Household operations ^{1 2}	154.378	154.581	154.670	154.879	-2.0	2.4	1.8	1.3	.2	1.5
Transportation services	268.275	267.896	267.720	268.407	3.9	4.1	4.0	.2	4.0	2.1
Medical care services	425.316	426.464	427.870	428.997	4.3	2.6	3.0	3.5	3.5	3.2
Other services	299.096	299.140	299.585	299.911	.1	.9	1.8	1.1	.5	1.4
Special indexes										
All items less food	220.488	219.523	220.891	221.765	2.5	6.9	5.0	2.3	4.7	3.7
All items less shelter	215.486	214.295	215.872	216.959	3.0	8.8	7.0	2.8	5.9	4.9
All items less medical care	214.223	213.426	214.730	215.656	2.4	6.8	5.4	2.7	4.6	4.0
Commodities less food	169.536	167.311	169.640	170.837	5.3	17.1	10.6	3.1	11.1	6.8
Nondurables less food	223.118	218.640	221.553	223.538	11.4	26.3	13.9	.8	18.6	7.1
Nondurables less food and apparel	284.399	275.970	280.419	283.019	14.1	31.9	18.0	-1.9	22.7	7.6
Nondurables	226.125	223.294	225.476	226.992	7.2	16.0	11.8	1.5	11.5	6.5
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	256.332	255.986	256.220	256.800	1.2	2.9	3.1	.7	2.0	1.9
Services less medical care services	248.874	248.840	249.178	249.772	1.4	1.9	2.0	1.5	1.6	1.7
Energy	251.126	239.606	246.895	249.914	16.4	47.6	21.0	-1.9	31.1	8.9
All items less energy	218.935	219.475	220.065	220.749	.9	2.3	3.3	3.4	1.6	3.3
All items less food and energy	217.826	218.395	218.908	219.477	.6	1.7	2.6	3.1	1.2	2.8
Commodities less food and energy commodities	147.607	148.509	148.996	149.589	-1.6	1.3	4.4	5.5	-.1	4.9
Energy commodities	315.284	294.876	308.122	313.210	32.8	81.7	30.1	-2.6	55.4	12.6
Services less energy services	267.500	267.802	268.327	268.865	1.5	1.9	1.9	2.1	1.7	2.0

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

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

⁴ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁵ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

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

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

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W	Pricing schedule 1	All items										
		Indexes				Percent change to Aug.2011 from—			Percent change to July2011 from—			
		May 2011	June 2011	July 2011	Aug. 2011	Aug. 2010	June 2011	July 2011	July 2010	May 2011	June 2011	
U.S. city average	M	222.954	222.522	222.686	223.326	4.3	0.4	0.3	4.1	-0.1	0.1	
Region and area size²												
Northeast urban	M	240.209	240.158	240.707	241.431	4.2	.5	.3	4.0	.2	.2	
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	239.852	239.972	240.475	241.191	4.0	.5	.3	3.8	.3	.2	
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	146.390	146.144	146.536	146.985	4.7	.6	.3	4.5	.1	.3	
Midwest urban	M	212.572	212.556	212.718	213.212	4.4	.3	.2	4.3	.1	.1	
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	212.272	212.147	212.211	212.589	4.4	.2	.2	4.4	.0	.0	
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	139.532	139.738	139.835	140.207	4.3	.3	.3	4.2	.2	.1	
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	211.052	210.516	211.120	211.873	4.4	.6	.4	4.5	.0	.3	
South urban	M	218.437	217.722	218.087	218.947	4.9	.6	.4	4.6	-.2	.2	
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	219.971	219.263	219.543	220.583	4.6	.6	.5	4.3	-.2	.1	
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	139.744	139.407	139.584	140.190	5.1	.6	.4	4.8	-.1	.1	
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	226.539	224.807	225.923	225.793	4.8	.4	-.1	5.2	-.3	.5	
West urban	M	223.944	223.237	222.815	223.204	3.3	.0	.2	3.2	-.5	-.2	
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	226.399	225.670	225.152	225.662	3.1	.0	.2	3.0	-.6	-.2	
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	138.816	138.392	138.151	138.255	3.6	-.1	.1	3.5	-.5	-.2	
Size classes												
A ⁴	M	205.758	205.415	205.474	206.077	4.0	.3	.3	3.8	-.1	.0	
B/C ³	M	140.412	140.179	140.288	140.723	4.6	.4	.3	4.4	-.1	.1	
D	M	219.159	218.067	218.791	219.093	4.4	.5	.1	4.6	-.2	.3	
Selected local areas⁵												
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	M	215.358	215.325	214.437	214.740	4.1	-.3	.1	3.9	-.4	-.4	
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ...	M	226.842	225.461	224.277	224.665	2.7	-.4	.2	2.7	-1.1	-.5	
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	M	244.316	244.601	245.265	246.025	3.9	.6	.3	3.8	.4	.3	
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1	246.825	-	245.949	-	-	-	-	3.9	-.4	-	
Cleveland-Akron, OH	1	204.105	-	203.660	-	-	-	-	4.2	-.2	-	
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1	214.038	-	213.480	-	-	-	-	4.9	-.3	-	
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ⁶	1	148.638	-	148.294	-	-	-	-	4.5	-.2	-	
Atlanta, GA	2	-	210.598	-	212.325	4.2	.8	-	-	-	-	
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	2	-	210.354	-	210.377	4.5	.0	-	-	-	-	
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	-	200.444	-	201.772	4.4	.7	-	-	-	-	
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	-	229.353	-	231.448	4.8	.9	-	-	-	-	
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	2	-	234.965	-	236.583	3.5	.7	-	-	-	-	
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2	-	230.605	-	231.445	3.2	.4	-	-	-	-	
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2	-	230.072	-	230.558	3.2	.2	-	-	-	-	

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

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

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

³ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁵ In addition, the following metropolitan areas are published semiannually and appear in Tables 34 and 39 of the January and July issues of the CPI Detailed Report: Anchorage, AK; Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN; Denver-Boulder-Greeley, CO; Honolulu, HI; Kansas City, MO-KS; Milwaukee-Racine, WI; Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI; Phoenix-Mesa, AZ; Pittsburgh, PA; Portland-Salem, OR-WA; St. Louis, MO-IL; San Diego, CA;

Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL.

⁶ Indexes on a November 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Local area indexes are byproducts of the national CPI program. Each local index has a smaller sample size than the national index and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in their escalator clauses.

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

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

(December 1999=100, unless otherwise noted)

C-CPI-U	Relative importance, 2007-2008	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Aug. 2011 from—	
		July 2011	Aug. 2011	Aug. 2010	July 2011
Expenditure category					
All items	100.000	129.930	130.258	3.6	0.3
Food and beverages	14.519	132.832	133.489	4.4	.5
Food	13.493	133.064	133.764	4.7	.5
Food at home	7.780	129.069	129.875	5.9	.6
Food away from home	5.712	138.500	139.045	3.0	.4
Alcoholic beverages	1.027	130.514	130.624	1.4	.1
Housing	42.074	130.366	130.528	1.5	.1
Shelter	32.119	133.109	133.331	1.6	.2
Fuels and utilities	5.231	165.819	165.667	2.8	-.1
Household furnishings and operations	4.724	92.533	92.610	-.3	.1
Apparel	3.772	88.719	90.756	3.6	2.3
Transportation	17.199	145.528	145.446	11.9	-.1
Private transportation	16.013	146.471	146.382	12.2	-.1
Public transportation	1.186	133.536	133.531	7.1	.0
Medical care	6.294	154.776	154.976	3.0	.1
Medical care commodities	1.570	136.465	136.516	2.8	.0
Medical care services	4.723	161.498	161.756	3.0	.2
Recreation	6.625	102.413	102.354	-.8	-.1
Education and communication	6.288	112.666	113.465	.5	.7
Education	2.804	190.158	193.837	4.2	1.9
Communication	3.484	71.181	70.991	-2.5	-.3
Other goods and services	3.229	142.265	142.415	1.9	.1
Commodity and service group					
Services	59.383	138.211	138.512	1.8	.2
Commodities	40.617	120.021	120.385	6.3	.3
Durables	10.376	81.997	81.898	1.1	-.1
Nondurables	30.241	139.905	140.534	8.2	.4
All items less food and energy	76.901	121.821	122.166	1.7	.3
Energy	9.606	214.070	213.270	18.1	-.4

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