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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX – MAY 2011

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 0.2 percent in May on a seasonally adjusted basis, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Over the last 12 months, the all items index increased 3.6 percent before seasonal adjustment.

The index for all items less food and energy increased 0.3 percent in May, its largest increase since July 2008. The indexes for apparel, shelter, new vehicles, and recreation all contributed to the acceleration, rising more in May than in April. These increases more than offset declines in the indexes for airline fare, tobacco, and personal care.

The food index rose in May as well. The food at home index repeated its April increase of 0.5 percent as four of the six major grocery store food group indexes increased, with the index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs rising the most. In contrast, the energy index, which had been rising sharply, declined in May. The gasoline index decreased for the first time since last June, although the index for household energy increased.

The upward trend among the 12 month increases of major indexes continued in May. The 12 month change in the all items index, which was 1.1 percent as recently as November, reached 3.6 percent in May. The energy index has increased 21.5 percent over the last 12 months, the food index has risen 3.5 percent and the index for all items less food and energy has increased 1.5 percent. All of these figures have been rising in recent months.

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

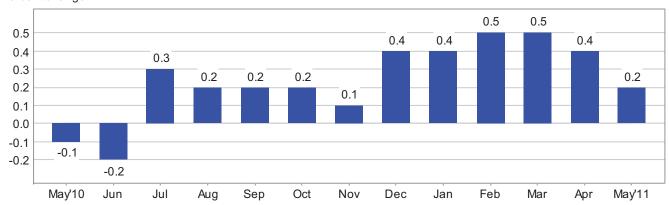


Chart 2. 12-month percent change in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), not seasonally adjusted, May 2010 - May 2011 Percent change

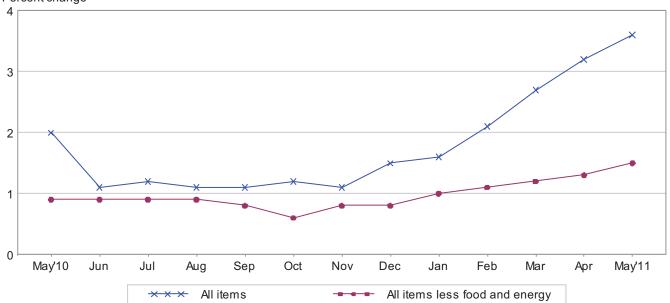


Table A. Percent changes in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average

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	Nov. 2010							adjusted 12-mos. ended May 2011				
All items	.1	.4	.4	.5	.5	.4	.2	3.6				
Food	.2	.1	.5	.6	.8	.4	.4	3.5				
Food at home	.2	.2	.7	.8	1.1	.5	.5	4.4				
Food away from home 1	.1	.1	.2	.2	.3	.3	.2	2.2				
Energy	.1	4.0		3.4	3.5	2.2	-1.0	21.5				
Energy commodities	.7	6.4	4.0				-1.9	36.2				
Gasoline (all types)		6.7				3.3		36.9				
Fuel oil 1	4.2	4.9	6.8	5.8	6.2	3.2	8	36.0				
Energy services	8	.6	6	1.1	.2	.6	.6	1.1				
Electricity	.6	.3	5	.4	.7	.2	.8	1.8				
Utility (piped) gas service	-5.3	1.7	-1.2	3.4	-1.4	1.9	3	-1.2				
All items less food and energy	.1	.1	.2	.2	.1	.2	.3	1.5				
Commodities less food and energy	•	••	· -	·-		·						
commodities	.0	1	.2	.2	.1	.4	.5	1.2				
New vehicles	2	1	1	1.0	.7	7	1.1	3.4				
Used cars and trucks	.1	1	3	.1	.8	1.2	1.1	4.1				
Apparel			1.0	9	5	.2	1.2	1.0				
Medical care commodities 1	.2	1	.5	.7	.5	.5	.0	3.0				
Services less energy services	.2	.1	.1	.2	.2	.1	.2	1.6				
Shelter	1	1	.1	.1	.1	.1	.2	1.1				
Transportation services	.4	.1	.6	.5	.5	.1	.1	3.3				
Medical care services	.7	.3	.0 1	.4	.1	.3	.3	3.0				
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¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

Consumer Price Index Data for May 2011

Food

The food index rose 0.4 percent in May, the same increase as in April. The food at home index increased 0.5 percent and has risen 3.7 percent since December. Among major grocery store food groups, the index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs rose 1.5 percent and the cereals and bakery products index increased 1.0 percent. The dairy and related products index and the index for other food at home posted smaller increases, while the index for nonalcoholic beverages was unchanged. The only group to decline was the fruits and vegetables index, which declined 1.3 percent as a sharp decline in the index for tomatoes caused the fresh vegetables index to fall for the second straight month after sharp increases early in the year. The food at home index has risen 4.4 percent over the last 12 months with all major grocery store food groups posting increases. The index for food away from home rose 0.2 percent in May after rising 0.3 percent in each of the previous two months.

Energy

The energy index declined 1.0 percent in May ending a series of ten consecutive advances. After a series of several sharp increases, the gasoline index declined 2.0 percent in May. (Before seasonal adjustment, gasoline prices rose 3.6 percent in May.) Despite the May decline, the gasoline index has increased 23.7 percent over the past six months. The index for household energy increased in May, rising 0.5 percent after a 0.7 percent increase in April. The index for electricity rose 0.8 percent, more than offsetting a 0.8 percent decline in the fuel oil index and a 0.3 percent decrease in the index for natural gas. The household energy index has risen 2.9 percent over the last 12 months, with the fuel oil index up 36.0 percent and the electricity index up 1.8 percent but the index for natural gas down 1.2 percent.

All items less food and energy

The index for all items less food and energy rose 0.3 percent in May after increasing 0.1 percent in March and 0.2 percent in April. The shelter index rose 0.2 percent in May after increasing 0.1 percent in each of the seven previous months. Both rent and owners' equivalent rent rose 0.1 percent; the acceleration in shelter was due to the index for lodging away from home, which rose 2.9 percent in May after being unchanged in April. The apparel index increased in May, rising 1.2 percent after a 0.2 percent increase in April. The index for new vehicles rose 1.1 percent in May after increasing 0.7 percent in April; the index for used cars and trucks also rose 1.1 percent. The index for recreation, which was unchanged in April, rose 0.3 percent in May. The medical care index rose 0.2 percent, with the index for medical care commodities unchanged and the index for medical care services up 0.3 percent. The index for household furnishings and operations advanced 0.2 percent, the same increase as in April. In contrast to these increases, the index for airline fares fell 1.3 percent in May, and the indexes for tobacco and for personal care both declined 0.2 percent.

The index for all items less food and energy increased 1.5 percent over the last 12 months, with virtually all of its major component indexes rising at a faster rate over the past six months than they did from May to November of 2010.

Not seasonally adjusted CPI measures

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 3.6 percent over the last 12 months to an index level of 225.964 (1982-84=100). For the month, the index increased 0.5 percent prior to seasonal adjustment.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) increased 4.1 percent over the last 12 months to an index level of 222.954 (1982-84=100). For the month, the index rose 0.5 percent prior to seasonal adjustment.

The Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U) increased 3.3 percent over the last 12 months. For the month, the index increased 0.4 percent on a not seasonally adjusted basis. Please note that the indexes for the post-2009 period are subject to revision.

The Consumer Price Index for June 2011 is scheduled to be released on Friday, July 15, 2011, at 8:30 a.m. (EDT).

Facilities for Sensory Impaired

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

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

CPI-U	Relative importance, December	Unadju index		Unadji percent cl May 2011	nange to	Seasonally adjusted percent change from—			
	2010	Apr. 2011	May 2011	May 2010	Apr. 2011	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May	
Expenditure category									
All items	100.000	224.906 673.717	225.964 676.887	3.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.2	
Food and beverages		226.248	227.082	3.4	.4	.7	.4	.4	
Food		226.150	226.976	3.5	.4	.8	.4	.4	
Food at home	7.816 1.090	224.233 255.956	225.356 259.140	4.4 3.1	.5 1.2	1.1 .5	.5 .1	.5 1.0	
Cereals and bakery products Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs		220.747	223.227	8.5	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.5	
Dairy and related products ¹	.839	209.707	211.327	6.9	.8	1.3	1.7	.8	
Fruits and vegetables		286.501	284.174	2.3	8	1.9	-1.1	-1.3	
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials		166.086	165.862	3.0	1	.8	1.2	.0	
Other food at home	1.996	195.239	196.161	2.5	.5	1.0	.3	.4	
Sugar and sweets ¹	.297	203.783	205.285	1.6	.7	.7	8	.7	
Fats and oils	.232	213.818	216.370	8.5	1.2	2.8	.8	.4	
Other foods	1.466	207.892	208.518	1.7	.3	.8	.5	.4	
Other miscellaneous foods 1 2	.432	123.769	123.343	2.3	3	1.0	.9	3	
Food away from home ¹ Other food away from home ¹ ²	5.926	230.082	230.501	2.2	.2	.3	.3	.2	
		162.218	162.483	2.5 2.0	.2	.0 .0	.2 .3	.2 .4	
Alcoholic beverages		226.053	226.989		.4				
Housing	41.460	217.901	218.484	1.2	.3	.1	.2	.2	
Shelter		250.447	250.745	1.1	.1	.1	.1	.2	
Rent of primary residence ³		252.221	252.393	1.4	.1	.1	.1	.1	
Lodging away from home ² Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{3 4}	.776 24.905	136.597 258.400	139.094 258.587	2.2 .9	1.8 .1	.8 .1	.0	2.9 .1	
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	23.310	258.387	258.574	.9	.1	.1	.1 .1	.1	
Tenants' and household insurance 12	.349	126.574	126.780	1.4	.2	5	.6	.2	
Fuels and utilities	5.096	217.254	219.956	3.4	1.2	.6	.6	.4	
Household energy		190.622	193.498	2.9	1.5	.6	.7	.5	
Fuel oil and other fuels 1		348.657	347.002	27.3	5	4.6	2.0	5	
Energy services ³	3.691	190.459	193.698	1.1	1.7	.2	.6	.6	
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	1.095	178.033	178.521	5.1	.3	.5	.4	.3	
Household furnishings and operations	4.409	124.893	125.141	7	.2	1	.2	.2	
Household operations ^{1 2}	.772	151.338	151.730	.8	.3	5	.5	.3	
Apparel	3.601	122.226	122.271	1.0	.0	5	.2	1.2	
Men's and boys' apparel		113.487	114.976	1.0	1.3	7	.0	1.5	
Women's and girls' apparel		110.144	109.237	.5	8	9	.3	1.3	
Infants' and toddlers' apparel		112.323	111.199	-2.8	-1.0	.1	.3	.6	
Footwear	.700	128.581	129.618	.7	.8	2	6	1.5	
Transportation	17.308	216.867	220.270	13.1	1.6	2.2	1.4	3	
Private transportation		212.210	215.829	13.6	1.7	2.3	1.5	2	
New and used motor vehicles ²	6.333	98.972	99.915	3.1	1.0	.8	.8	1.0	
New vehicles		141.462	142.494	3.4	.7	.7	.7	1.1	
Used cars and trucks		145.968	148.361	4.1	1.6	.8	1.2	1.1	
Motor fuel	5.079	326.024	337.359	36.8	3.5	5.6	3.2	-2.0	
Gasoline (all types)		325.282 141.590	336.999 143.328	36.9 5.3	3.6 1.2	5.6 2	3.3	-2.0 1.2	
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ¹	1.172	251.458	252.376	2.0	.4	2 .0	.6	.4	
Public transportation		272.187	271.417	7.2	3	1.3	.2	5	
Medical care	6.627	398.813	399.375	3.0	.1	.2	.4	.2	
Medical care commodities ¹		324.241	324.399	3.0	.0	.5	.5	.0	
Medical care services		421.716	422.438	3.0	.2	.1	.3	.3	
Professional services	2.830	334.978	335.132	2.4	.0	.2	.1	.0	

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

CPI-U	Relative importance,	Unadju index		Unadju percent ch May 2011	nange to		onally adju	
01 1-0	December 2010	Apr. 2011	May 2011	May 2010	Apr. 2011	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
Hospital and related services	1.703	637.188	639.456	5.6	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.7
Recreation ² Video and audio ²	6.293 1.816	113.368 98.918	113.659 98.707	.0 9	.3 2	.0 .1	.0 .0	.3 .0
Education and communication ² Education ² Educational books and supplies Tuition, other school fees, and childcare Communication ² Information and information processing ² Telephone services ^{1 2} Information technology, hardware and services ⁵	6.421 3.107 .204 2.903 3.313 3.138 2.334 .804	130.643 204.316 522.440 587.151 83.655 80.281 101.191 9.176	130.600 204.668 523.640 588.138 83.466 80.081 101.159 9.096	1.0 3.9 4.2 3.9 -1.6 -1.9 -1.2	.0 .2 .2 .2 2 2 .0	.1 .3 .6 .3 1 1 1	.1 .3 .3 .3 1 1 1	.1 .4 .5 .4 2 2
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁶ Other goods and services Tobacco and smoking products ¹ Personal care Personal care products ¹ Personal care services ¹ Miscellaneous personal services	.228 3.497 .906 2.591 .671 .638 1.055	72.010 386.226 827.287 208.485 161.418 230.380 361.062	70.898 385.476 825.690 208.080 159.478 230.505 361.786	-7.5 1.5 3.4 .9 5 .2 2.3	-1.5 2 2 2 -1.2 .1	-1.6 1 .1 2 2 1	2 .1 4 .3 .3 .2 .4	6 2 2 2 -1.2 .1
Commodities	40.012 14.792 25.219 15.474 3.601 11.873 9.745 59.988 31.607 .349	185.311 226.248 162.578 214.256 122.226 276.504 112.242 264.256 260.963 126.574	186.804 227.082 164.286 217.037 122.271 281.064 112.941 264.883 261.272 126.780	6.5 3.4 8.4 12.9 1.0 16.7 1.3 1.6 1.1	.8 .4 1.1 1.3 .0 1.6 .6 .2 .1	1.2 .7 1.4 1.8 5 2.9 .4 .2 .0	.8 .4 1.0 1.1 .2 1.5 .6 .2 .1 .6	.1 .4 1 .1 1.2 5 .6 .2 .2 .2
Water and sewer and trash collection services ² Household operations ^{1 2} Transportation services Medical care services Other services Special indexes	3.691 1.095 .772 6.140 4.994 11.340	190.459 178.033 151.338 267.587 421.716 312.593	193.698 178.521 151.730 267.832 422.438 313.205	5.1 .8 3.3 3.0 1.4	1.7 .3 .3 .1 .2	.2 .5 5 .5 .1	.6 .4 .5 .2 .3 .1	.6 .3 .3 .1 .3
All items less food All items less shelter All items less medical care Commodities less food Nondurables less food Nondurables less food and apparel Nondurables Services less rent of shelter 4 Services less medical care services Energy All items less energy All items less food and energy Commodities less food and energy commodities Energy commodities Services less energy services Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00) Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00)	86.258 68.045 93.373 26.270 16.525 12.923 30.266 28.382 54.994 90.079 90.921 77.179 20.882 5.388 56.297	224.731 217.475 216.346 164.964 215.090 270.729 221.504 288.612 252.100 253.495 223.798 224.118 145.214 329.419 271.775 \$.445 \$.148	225.826 218.847 217.414 166.657 217.771 274.948 223.413 289.676 252.713 260.376 224.275 224.534 145.657 340.183 272.158 \$.443 \$.148	3.6 4.7 3.6 8.1 12.2 15.5 8.2 2.2 1.5 21.5 1.8 1.5 1.2 36.2	.5 .6 .5 1.0 1.2 1.6 .9 .4 .2 .7 .2 .2 .3 3.3 .1	.5 .8 .6 1.4 1.7 2.7 1.4 .2 .1 3.5 .2 .1 .1 5.5	.4 .6 .4 1.0 1.1 1.5 .9 .3 .2 2.2 .2 .2 .4 3.1	.1 .2 .2 1 .1 4 .2 .3 .2 -1.0 .3 .3 .5 -1.9

Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.
 Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.
 Data not available.
 NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Not seasonally adjusted.
 Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.
 This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.
 Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

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

	Se	easonally adju	usted indexes	;	Sea	sonally a		annual ge for	rate per	cent
CPI-U					3	months	ended-	_	6 mc	
	Feb. 2011	Mar. 2011	Apr. 2011	May 2011	Aug. 2010	Nov. 2010	Feb. 2011	May 2011	Nov. 2010	May 2011
Expenditure category										
All items	222.270	223.490	224.433	224.804	1.4	2.2	5.6	4.6	1.8	5.1
Food and beverages Food Food at home Cereals and bakery products Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	223.779 223.544 220.800 254.037 216.444	225.345 225.228 223.219 255.395 218.803	226.330 226.231 224.373 255.751 221.181	227.137 227.024 225.440 258.365 224.390	.4 .3 6 -2.1 3.8	2.3 2.4 2.8 2.9 7.7	4.7 4.9 7.2 5.0 7.4	6.1 6.4 8.7 7.0 15.5	1.4 1.4 1.1 .3 5.8	5.4 5.6 7.9 6.0 11.4
Dairy and related products 1	203.510 284.574 162.958 192.706 204.168	206.161 289.890 164.340 194.602 205.505	209.707 286.716 166.375 195.207 203.783	211.327 283.011 166.304 196.037 205.285	2.0 -9.1 .3 2 -3.5	5.3 .1 1.2 2	4.5 22.9 2.3 3.3 7.3	16.3 -2.2 8.5 7.1 2.2	3.6 -4.6 .7 2 -1.5	10.2 9.7 5.4 5.2 4.7
Fats and oils Other foods Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2} Food away from home ¹ Other food away from home ^{1 2}	208.833 204.936 121.438 228.606 161.836	214.596 206.493 122.665 229.282 161.886	216.297 207.448 123.769 230.082 162.218	217.141 208.214 123.343 230.501 162.483	1.1 .3 4.0 1.5 2.5	5.6 -1.3 -3.8 1.9 2.2	10.9 1.4 2.7 1.9 3.7	16.9 6.6 6.4 3.4 1.6	3.3 5 .0 1.7 2.4	13.9 3.9 4.6 2.6 2.6
Alcoholic beverages Housing	225.415 217.561 249.867 251.607 132.915	225.409 217.852 250.102 251.930 133.920	226.141 218.192 250.278 252.102 133.885	227.134 218.637 250.707 252.403 137.705	2.1 .3 .7 .6 2.9	1.3 .4 .9 1.7 -7.8	1.7 2.0 1.4 2.0 2	3.1 2.0 1.4 1.3 15.2	1.7 .3 .8 1.1 -2.6	2.4 2.0 1.4 1.6 7.2
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{3 4} Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4} Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} Fuels and utilities	258.016 258.003 126.529 218.231 192.096	258.204 258.196 125.863 219.480 193.211	258.377 258.364 126.574 220.834 194.539	258.623 258.610 126.780 221.800 195.475	.6 .6 4.6 4 -1.6	.9 .9 3.3 5	1.3 1.3 -3.0 8.0 8.4	.9 .9 .8 6.7	-2.0 .8 .8 4.0 5 -1.8	1.1 1.1 -1.1 7.3 7.8
Household energy	326.919 193.224 176.725 124.493 151.358	341.884 193.654 177.684 124.375 150.541	348.657 194.751 178.316 124.661 151.338	347.002 195.864 178.806 124.859 151.730	-1.0 -13.1 7 4.4 -1.9	-2.0 40.1 -4.6 4.9 -2.1 -1.2	69.9 4.3 6.5 .1	7.2 26.9 5.6 4.8 1.2 1.0	-1.6 10.4 -2.7 4.6 -2.0	46.8 5.0 5.6 .6 2.1
Apparel	119.384 111.408 106.622 109.634 127.691	118.770 110.648 105.708 109.796 127.476	118.951 110.613 105.993 110.154 126.702	120.342 112.243 107.363 110.858 128.540	2.8 5.3 2.1 4.1 .7	-2.6 -3.5 -4.0 -7.1 -1.7	.8 8 1.3 -11.7 1.1	3.2 3.0 2.8 4.5 2.7	.1 .8 -1.0 -1.7 5	2.0 1.1 2.0 -3.9 1.9
Transportation	207.433 202.446 97.490 139.065 143.847 291.093 290.027 140.912 250.851	212.001 207.045 98.249 140.078 144.958 307.358 306.128 140.686 250.820	215.016 210.173 99.051 141.092 146.704 317.215 316.333 141.590 251.458	214.457 209.664 99.997 142.637 148.264 310.990 310.161 143.328 252.376	4.4 5.4 2.9 1.3 8.6 11.3 11.9 4.5	9.6 9.5 -1.7 6 -3.4 33.2 34.3 3.3 2.4	22.7 22.7 1.0 2.8 9 81.2 79.0 6.3 1.6	14.2 15.0 10.7 10.7 12.9 30.3 30.8 7.0 2.5	7.0 7.4 .6 .3 2.4 21.7 22.6 3.9 2.1	18.4 18.8 5.7 6.7 5.8 53.6 53.0 6.7 2.0
Public transportation Medical care	269.625 395.615 321.186 418.529 333.483	273.100 396.364 322.691 418.937 333.993	273.781 397.793 324.241 420.282 334.196	272.417 398.739 324.399 421.544 334.323	-7.1 1.9 1 2.6 3.8	11.5 3.7 2.5 4.2 2.8	22.2 3.1 5.7 2.3 2.2	4.2 3.2 4.1 2.9 1.0	1.8 2.8 1.2 3.4 3.3	12.8 3.2 4.9 2.6 1.6

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

	Se	easonally adju	Sea	sonally a	rate percent					
CPI-U					3	months	ended-	-	6 mc	
	Feb. 2011	Mar. 2011	Apr. 2011	May 2011	Aug. 2010	Nov. 2010	Feb. 2011	May 2011	Nov. 2010	May 2011
Expenditure category										
Hospital and related services	628.137	629.315	633.287	637.925	3.5	8.2	4.5	6.4	5.8	5.5
Recreation ² Video and audio ²	113.242 98.395	113.228 98.466	113.183 98.437	113.512 98.424	5 -2.4	-1.4 4	.9 7	1.0 .1	-1.0 -1.4	.9 3
Education and communication ²	130.759 204.456 519.288 587.834 83.746 80.383 101.316 9.189	130.898 205.133 522.344 589.674 83.656 80.290 101.258 9.163	131.012 205.707 523.912 591.314 83.576 80.201 101.191 9.140	131.168 206.559 526.573 593.725 83.441 80.056 101.159 9.084	1.4 3.3 -1.9 3.6 2 2 .6 -2.6	.7 2.9 6.2 2.7 -1.3 -1.4 8 -3.0	.8 5.4 7.1 5.3 -3.4 -4.4 -3.9	1.3 4.2 5.7 4.1 -1.4 -1.6 6 -4.5	1.1 3.1 2.1 3.1 7 8 1	1.0 4.8 6.4 4.7 -2.4 -3.0 -2.3 -5.2
Other goods and services Tobacco and smoking products ¹ Personal care Personal care products ¹ Personal care services ¹ Miscellaneous personal services	72.289 385.532 829.535 207.783 161.325 230.177 358.894	71.142 385.215 830.693 207.451 160.981 230.034 359.233	71.002 385.600 827.287 208.030 161.418 230.380 360.622	70.586 384.959 825.690 207.704 159.478 230.505 361.046	5.5 12.8 3.1 2.5 .6 3.0	-4.1 6 9 5 -2.3 -1.3 2.0	-16.0 1.9 4.3 1.0 2.3 1.0 1.9	-9.1 6 -1.8 2 -4.5 .6 2.4	-2.2 2.4 5.8 1.3 .1 3 2.5	-12.6 .6 1.2 .4 -1.1 .8 2.2
Commodity and service group										
Commodities Food and beverages Commodities less food and beverages Nondurables less food and beverages Apparel Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel Durables Services Rent of shelter ⁴ Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} Energy services ³ Water and sewer and trash collection services ² Household operations ^{1 2} Transportation services Medical care services Other services	180.549 223.779 157.054 204.142 119.384 260.797 111.024 263.745 260.509 126.529 193.224 176.725 151.358 266.061 418.529 312.190	182.627 225.345 159.267 207.789 118.770 268.329 111.490 264.161 260.389 125.863 193.654 177.684 150.541 267.523 418.937 312.626	184.090 226.330 160.874 210.177 118.951 272.442 112.128 264.561 260.645 126.574 194.751 178.316 151.338 268.096 420.282 312.898	184.226 227.137 160.735 210.446 120.342 271.195 112.843 265.147 261.102 126.780 195.864 178.806 151.730 268.408 421.544 313.707	1.9 .4 2.8 4.6 2.8 5.4 1.0 .1 4.6 -7 4.4 .1 2.6 1.9	3.8 2.3 4.6 9.7 -2.6 13.6 -4.0 1.1 2.4 3.3 -4.6 4.9 -1.2 4.4	11.2 4.7 15.2 25.4 .8 32.3 2.1 .8 -3.0 4.3 6.5 3.2 5.1 2.3	8.4 6.1 9.7 12.9 3.2 16.9 6.7 2.1 .9 .8 5.6 4.8 1.0 3.6 2.9 2.0	2.8 1.4 3.7 7.1 .1 9.5 -1.2 1.0 1.3 4.0 -2.7 4.6 5 2.2 3.4 1.2	9.8 5.4 12.4 19.0 2.0 24.4 4.0 2.1 .9 -1.1 5.0 5.6 2.1 4.4 2.6
Special indexes										
All items less food All items less shelter All items less medical care Commodities less food Nondurables less food Nondurables less food and apparel Nondurables Services less rent of shelter ⁴ Services less medical care services Energy All items less energy All items less food and energy Commodities less food and energy commodities Energy commodities Services less energy services	222.091 213.995 213.755 159.553 205.455 256.414 214.660 288.270 251.810 237.620 222.483 223.029 143.793 294.905 270.955	223.237 215.619 214.982 161.713 208.940 263.245 217.689 288.851 252.011 245.941 222.992 223.331 143.917 311.218 271.371	224.171 216.878 215.899 163.303 211.335 267.120 219.744 289.660 252.413 251.319 223.494 223.745 144.423 320.989 271.707	224.475 217.230 216.244 163.195 211.633 266.147 220.165 290.391 253.004 248.837 224.157 224.387 145.183 314.950 272.244	1.6 1.7 1.3 2.8 4.0 5.0 1.8 1.1 .4 5.0 1.0 1.2 1.4 9.7	2.1 2.8 2.1 4.5 9.8 12.6 6.6 1.5 1.9 15.8 .9 .7 -1.5 33.6 1.5	5.8 7.7 5.8 14.7 23.4 29.6 14.3 3.1 1.7 45.1 2.2 1.8 1.2 80.6 2.0	4.4 6.2 4.7 9.4 12.6 16.1 10.7 3.0 1.9 20.3 3.0 2.5 3.9 30.1	1.8 2.2 1.7 3.6 6.8 8.7 4.2 1.3 1.1 10.3 1.0 .9 1 21.1	5.1 6.9 5.3 12.0 17.9 22.6 12.5 3.0 1.8 32.1 2.6 2.1 2.5 53.3 1.9

Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.
 Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.
 Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.
 NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

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.

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

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CPI-U	Pricing schedule		Index	es			ent chan 2011 fro		Percent change to Apr.2011 from—			
	1	Feb. 2011	Mar. 2011	Apr. 2011	May 2011	May 2010	Mar. 2011	Apr. 2011	Apr. 2010	Feb. 2011	Mar. 2011	
U.S. city average	М	221.309	223.467	224.906	225.964	3.6	1.1	0.5	3.2	1.6	0.6	
Region and area size ²												
Northeast urban	M M M	237.110 238.798 141.547	239.074 240.599 143.001	240.267 241.626 143.987	241.566 242.976 144.697	3.2 2.9 3.8	1.0 1.0 1.2	.5 .6 .5	2.8 2.6 3.5	1.3 1.2 1.7	.5 .4 .7	
Midwest urban	M M M	211.090 211.503 135.665	212.954 213.449 136.834	214.535 214.878 138.005	215.899 216.376 138.827	3.8 3.8 3.8	1.4 1.4 1.5	.6 .7 .6	3.3 3.2 3.4	1.6 1.6 1.7	.7 .7 .9	
50,000)	М	208.156	209.713	211.314	212.210	4.0	1.2	.4	3.4	1.5	.8	
South urban	M M M	214.735 216.145 136.625	217.214 218.391 138.211	218.820 219.944 139.177	219.820 220.982 139.833	4.0 3.7 4.0	1.2 1.2 1.2	.5 .5 .5	3.4 3.2 3.4	1.9 1.8 1.9	.7 .7 .7	
50,000)	M	218.772	222.275	224.716	225.416	5.2	1.4	.3	4.7	2.7	1.1	
West urban	M M M	224.431 228.444 135.826	226.558 230.707 137.200	227.837 231.808 138.174	228.516 232.393 138.598	3.2 3.0 3.5	.9 .7 1.0	.3 .3 .3	3.0 3.0 3.0	1.5 1.5 1.7	.6 .5 .7	
Size classes												
A ⁴		201.974 136.960 214.862	203.833 138.404 216.988	204.963 139.413 218.920	205.944 140.062 219.873	3.3 3.8 4.3	1.0 1.2 1.3	.5 .5 .4	3.0 3.3 3.8	1.5 1.8 1.9	.6 .7 .9	
Selected local areas ⁵												
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA New York-Northern N.JLong Island,	M M	216.192 229.729	217.880 232.241	218.762 233.319	220.094 233.367	3.3 3.1	1.0 .5	.6 .0	2.7 3.3	1.2 1.6	.4 .5	
NY-NJ-CT-PA	M	243.832	245.617	246.489	248.073	2.9	1.0	.6	2.5	1.1	.4	
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT Cleveland-Akron, OH Dallas-Fort Worth, TX Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ⁶	1 1 1 1	- - -	242.787 209.372 206.967 146.044	- - -	244.574 212.175 208.794 147.554	2.7 4.0 3.3 3.9	.7 1.3 .9 1.0	-	-	-	- - -	
Atlanta, GA Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	205.744 206.816 197.224 227.451	- - -	209.215 211.673 201.624 231.503	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	2.5 3.1 3.9 4.0	1.7 2.3 2.2 1.8	- - -	
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2 2 2	230.878 229.981 229.482	- - -	233.143 234.121 231.314	- - -	-	-	-	2.5 2.8 2.1	1.0 1.8 .8	-	

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

Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL.

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.

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.

Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

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;

⁶ Indexes on a November 1996=100 base.

Data not available.

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

CPI-W	Relative importance, December	Unadji percent cl May 2011	hange to	Seasonally adjusted percent change from—				
	2010	Apr. 2011	May 2011	May 2010	Apr. 2011	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Expenditure category								
All items	100.000	221.743 660.503	222.954 664.113	4.1	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.1
Food and beveragesFood		225.667 225.439	226.473 226.257	3.5 3.6	.4 .4	.7 .8	.5 .5	.4 .4
Food at home	8.906	223.245	224.386	4.6	.5	1.1	.5	.5
Cereals and bakery products		256.912 220.753	259.862 223.356	3.2 8.8	1.1 1.2	.6 1.2	.2 1.1	.9 1.5
Dairy and related products ¹	.917	208.951	210.488	7.1	.7	1.4	1.8	.7
Fruits and vegetables		284.147	281.424	2.3	-1.0	2.0	-1.3	-1.4
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials		165.553	165.160	2.8	2	.9	1.2	1
Other food at home	2.217	194.281	195.396	2.5	.6	.9	.3	.6
Sugar and sweets ¹ Fats and oils		202.613 214.363	204.161 216.820	1.6 8.4	.8 1.1	.5 2.6	9 .7	.8 .3
Other foods	1.635	207.711	208.632	1.8	.4	.7	.4	.6
Other miscellaneous foods 1 2	.463	123.797	123.673	2.3	1	1.0	.8	1
Food away from home ¹ Other food away from home ¹ ²	6.409	230.174	230.521	2.2	.2	.3	.4	.2
Other food away from home 12	.326	163.275	163.498	2.9	.1	.1	.3	.1
Alcoholic beverages	1.086	227.552	228.197	2.1	.3	.2	.4	.4
Housing	39.228	214.523	215.135	1.2	.3	.1	.2	.2
Shelter		244.420	244.618	1.1	.1	.1	.1	.1
Rent of primary residence ³ Lodging away from home ²		250.579 138.699	250.704 140.814	1.4 2.7	.0 1.5	.1 .8	.1 .4	.1 2.7
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{3 4}	20.672	234.133	234.272	.9	.1	.1	.1	.1
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence 3 4	19.942	234.127	234.266	.9	.1	.1	.1	.1
Tenants' and household insurance 1 2	.306	127.654	127.859	1.4	.2	9	.6	.2
Fuels and utilities	5.633	215.338	218.216	3.2	1.3	.5	.6	.5
Household energyFuel oil and other fuels ¹		188.078 347.371	191.103 345.830	2.8 25.9	1.6 4	.5 4.4	.7 1.7	.5 4
Energy services ³		189.281	192.646	1.3	1.8	.2	.6	.6
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²		178.392	178.896	5.0	.3	.5	.4	.3
Household furnishings and operations	3.784	120.873	121.238	6	.3	.0	.2	.3
Household operations ^{1 2}	.364	153.923	154.378	.8	.3	5	.6	.3
Apparel	3.668	121.140	121.312	.9	.1	6	.3	1.2
Men's and boys' apparel		113.477	115.079	1.1	1.4	-1.2	.2	1.6
Women's and girls' apparel		109.589	108.704	.8	8 -1.0	-1.0	.8	1.1
Infants' and toddlers' apparel Footwear	.280 .750	115.274 128.602	114.150 129.810	-3.2 .9	-1.0	.1 .0	.3 4	.8 1.6
Transportation	19.418	218.352	222.153	14.5	1.7	2.4	1.6	3
Private transportation		215.044	218.946	14.8	1.8	2.5	1.6	3 3
New and used motor vehicles ²	6.914	98.172	99.236	3.4	1.1	.8	.9	1.0
New vehicles		142.475	143.476	3.4	.7	.8	.7	1.1
Used cars and trucks		146.907	149.304	4.1	1.6	.8	1.2	1.1
Motor fuel	6.470 6.193	327.663 327.095	338.832 338.656	36.8 37.0	3.4 3.5	5.6 5.6	3.2 3.3	-2.0 -2.0
Gasoline (all types) Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹		141.505	143.257	5.2	1.2	.0	.6	1.2
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair 1	1.184	253.990	255.042	2.1	.4	1	.2	.4
Public transportation		268.501	268.226	7.2	1	1.1	.3	3
Medical care	5.355	400.683	401.316	3.2	.2	.2	.4	.3
Medical care commodities ¹		315.798	316.099	3.1	.1	.5	.5	.1
Medical care services	4.038	425.450	426.210	3.2	.2	.1	.3	.3
Professional services	2.220	338.558	338.828	2.6	.1	.1	.1	.0

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

CPI-W	Relative importance,	Unadju index		Unadju percent ch May 2011	nange to	Seasonally adjusted percent change from—			
OI I-W	December 2010	Apr. 2011	May 2011	May 2010	Apr. 2011	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May	
Expenditure category									
Hospital and related services	1.414	640.223	642.422	6.1	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.8	
Recreation ²	5.862 1.959	109.933 99.523	110.219 99.331	.0 6	.3 2	.1 .1	.0 1	.3 .0	
Education and communication ² Education ² Educational books and supplies Tuition, other school fees, and childcare Communication ² Information and information processing ² Telephone services ^{1 2} Information technology, hardware and services ⁵	6.118 2.380 .199 2.181 3.738 3.605 2.823 .782	124.993 201.611 526.990 566.469 86.057 83.719 100.643 9.710	124.934 202.023 528.326 567.600 85.877 83.534 100.610 9.623	.4 4.0 4.6 3.9 -1.8 -2.0 -1.5	.0 .2 .3 .2 2 2	.1 .3 .4 .3 1 1 1	.0 .3 .3 .3 1 1 3	.1 .5 .5 .5 2 2 .0	
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁶ Other goods and services Tobacco and smoking products ¹ Personal care Personal care products ¹ Personal care services ¹ Miscellaneous personal services	.208 3.950 1.450 2.500 .717 .572 1.027	71.220 415.578 832.003 206.422 162.088 230.597 362.774	70.071 414.594 830.137 205.919 160.083 230.709 363.466	-8.7 1.9 3.4 1.0 1 .2 2.5	-1.6 2 2 2 -1.2 .0	-1.8 1 .1 2 2 1	5 .0 4 .2 .3 .1	6 2 2 2 -1.2 .0	
Commodities Food and beverages Commodities less food and beverages Nondurables less food and beverages Apparel Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel Durables Services Rent of shelter ⁴ Tenants' and household insurance ¹² Energy services ³ Water and sewer and trash collection services ² Household operations ¹² Transportation services Medical care services Other services Special indexes	43.898 16.401 27.497 17.244 3.668 13.576 10.253 56.102 29.504 .306 4.175 1.157 .364 5.994 4.038 10.563	189.816 225.667 169.461 226.985 121.140 297.497 113.678 259.419 235.544 127.654 189.281 178.392 153.923 267.258 425.450 298.262	191.543 226.473 171.531 230.306 121.312 302.815 114.560 260.062 235.734 127.859 192.646 178.896 154.378 267.729 426.210 298.779	7.4 3.5 9.7 14.5 .9 18.4 1.6 1.1 1.4 1.3 5.0 .8 3.3 3.2	.9 .4 1.2 1.5 .1 1.8 .2 .1 .2 1.8 .3 .3 .2 .2	1.3 .7 1.6 2.1 6 3.4 .5 .1 .0 9 .2 .5 5 .4	.9 .5 1.1 1.3 .3 1.5 .6 .2 .1 .6 .6 .4 .6 .3 .3	.0 .4 2 .0 1.2 5 .8 .2 .1 .2 .6 .3 .3 .2 .3	
All items less food All items less shelter All items less medical care Commodities less food Nondurables less food Nondurables less food and apparel Nondurables Services less rent of shelter ⁴ Services less medical care services Energy All items less food and energy Commodities less food and energy commodities Energy commodities Services less energy services Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00) Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00)	84.685 70.189 94.645 28.583 18.329 14.662 33.644 26.598 52.065 10.946 89.054 73.739 21.812 6.771 51.927	220.894 215.853 214.442 171.564 227.290 290.247 227.661 254.540 247.899 256.400 218.537 217.525 147.472 330.157 267.077 \$.451 \$.151	222.174 217.445 215.660 173.603 230.472 295.146 229.820 255.643 248.528 263.494 219.041 217.966 148.045 340.895 267.410 \$.449 \$.151	4.2 5.4 4.2 9.4 13.8 17.1 9.1 1.4 22.5 1.9 1.5 1.4 36.3 1.6	.6 .7 .6 1.2 1.4 1.7 .9 .4 .3 2.8 .2 .2 .2	.6 .9 .7 1.6 2.0 3.2 1.6 .2 .1 3.7 .2 .1 5.6	.5 .7 .5 1.1 1.3 1.4 1.0 .3 .2 2.3 .3 .2 2.3 .1	.1 .1 .1 .0 -4 .2 .3 .2 -1.1 .3 .3 .6 -1.9	

Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.
 Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.
 Data not available.
 NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Not seasonally adjusted.
 Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.
 This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.
 Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

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

	Se	easonally adju	usted indexes	;	Sea	sonally		annual ge for	rate per	cent
CPI-W					3	months	ended-	_	6 mc	
	Feb. 2011	Mar. 2011	Apr. 2011	May 2011	Aug. 2010	Nov. 2010	Feb. 2011	May 2011	Nov. 2010	May 2011
Expenditure category										
All items	218.702	220.122	221.212	221.529	1.6	2.5	6.6	5.3	2.0	5.9
Food and beveragesFood	223.029 222.716	224.691 224.464	225.708 225.485	226.540 226.319	.6 .5	2.4 2.5	4.6 4.9	6.4 6.6	1.5 1.5	5.5 5.8
Food at home	219.728	222.200	223.322	224.492	3	2.8	7.3	9.0	1.3	8.1
Cereals and bakery products	254.751	256.158	256.620	259.020	3 -2.1	2.9	5.1	6.9	.4	6.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	216.300	218.838	221.143	224.521	4.3	7.7	7.6	16.1	6.0	11.8
Dairy and related products ¹	202.335	205.163	208.951	210.488	2.4	5.0	4.6	17.1	3.7	10.7
Fruits and vegetables	282.396	288.166	284.305	280.367	-9.1	.0	24.2	-2.8	-4.7	9.9
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	162.352	163.753	165.778	165.582	.2	1.4	1.6	8.2	.8	4.8
Other food at home	191.912	193.640	194.133	195.230	.1	6	3.6	7.1	3	5.3
Sugar and sweets ¹	203.373	204.408	202.613	204.161	-4.1	1.4	7.9	1.6	-1.4	4.7
Fats and oils	209.238	214.678	216.271	216.992	1.9	5.2	11.2	15.7	3.5	13.4
Other foods	204.938	206.374	207.193	208.363	.7	-1.9	1.6	6.9	6	4.2
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	121.605	122.850	123.797	123.673	3.1	-3.5	3.0	7.0	2	4.9
Food away from home 1	228.596	229.293	230.174	230.521	1.5	2.1	1.7	3.4	1.8	2.6
Food away from home ¹ Other food away from home ^{1 2}	162.728	162.850	163.275	163.498	2.5	4.0	3.3	1.9	3.2	2.6
Alcoholic beverages	226.181	226.591	227.525	228.327	2.5	1.1	.9	3.8	1.8	2.4
Housing	214.274	214.579	214.943	215.372	.1	.6	2.2	2.1	.3	2.1
Shelter	243.891	244.098	244.287	244.622	.5	1.1	1.5	1.2	.8	1.4
Rent of primary residence 3	249.881	250.220	250.444	250.687	.3	1.7	2.1	1.3	1.0	1.7
Lodging away from home ²	134.483	135.526	136.073	139.738	2.2	-5.8	7	16.6	-1.9	7.6
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{3 4}	233.818	233.967	234.102	234.326	.5	1.0	1.4	.9	.8	1.1
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4} Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	233.819	233.963	234.097	234.320	.5	1.0	1.4	.9	.8	1.1
	128.035	126.914	127.654	127.859	4.8	3.3	-1.6	5	4.0	-1.1
Fuels and utilities	216.540	217.690	219.052	220.111	1 1 1	9 -2.2	7.3	6.8	5 -1.7	7.0 7.4
Household energy	189.762 326.950	190.781 341.440	192.083 347.371	193.096 345.830	-1.1	39.7	7.6 66.1	7.2 25.2	10.0	44.2
Fuel oil and other fuels ¹ Energy services ³	192.035	192.493	193.645	194.818	-13.4 3	-4.5	4.3	5.9	-2.4	5.1
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	177.057	177.954	178.669	179.223	4.0	4.8	6.1	5.0	4.4	5.5
Household furnishings and operations	120.458	120.458	120.697	121.006	-2.4	-1.7	2	1.8	-2.1	.8
Household operations ^{1 2}	153.703	152.965	153.923	154.378	1.0	-2.0	2.4	1.8	5	2.1
Apparel	118.404	117.667	118.059	119.528	.8	-1.9	.9	3.9	6	2.4
Men's and boys' apparel	111.786	110.496	110.770	112.512	4.0	-2.9	.8	2.6	.5	1.7
Women's and girls' apparel	106.045	104.954	105.750	106.951	7	-1.2	1.5	3.5	9	2.5
Infants' and toddlers' apparel Footwear	112.572 127.194	112.693 127.212	112.979 126.695	113.863 128.720	.7 .0	-5.7 -3.6	-11.6 2.5	4.7 4.9	-2.5 -1.8	-3.8 3.7
Transportation	207.843	212.833	216.214	215.500	5.5	10.1	25.2	15.6	7.8	20.3
Private transportation	204.353	209.373	212.808	212.103	6.0	10.2	25.3	16.1	8.1	20.6
New and used motor vehicles 2	96.700	97.462	98.310	99.292	3.9	-2.0	.9	11.2	.9	5.9
New vehicles	140.067	141.132	142.121	143.630	1.2	9	3.0	10.6	.1	6.7
Used cars and trucks	144.792	145.911	147.635	149.198	8.6	-3.2	9	12.7	2.5	5.7
Motor fuel	292.327	308.827	318.736	312.340	11.1	32.5	82.5	30.3	21.3	54.2
Gasoline (all types)	291.392	307.739	318.025	311.697	11.8	32.2	82.1	30.9	21.5	54.4
Motor vehicle parts and equipment 1	140.763	140.693	141.505	143.257	4.3	3.1	6.2	7.3	3.7	6.7
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair 1	253.524	253.391	253.990	255.042	2.0	2.5	1.5	2.4	2.2	1.9
Public transportation	266.108	268.996	269.886	269.065	-5.4	9.4	22.2	4.5	1.7	13.0
Medical care	397.444	398.099	399.544	400.682	2.1	3.8	3.4	3.3	3.0	3.3
Medical care commodities ' Medical care services	312.764	314.190	315.798	316.099 425.316	.1	2.4 4.3	5.9	4.3	1.2 3.6	5.1
Professional services	422.224	422.517	423.843		2.8 3.8	4.3 2.8	2.6	3.0 1.1	3.6	2.8 1.8
1 1016991011a1 96141069	337.029	337.449	337.866	337.966	3.0	2.0	2.5	1.1	3.3	1.0

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

	Seasonally adjusted indexes			Sea	Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
CPI-W					3 months ended—				6 mc ende	
	Feb. 2011	Mar. 2011	Apr. 2011	May 2011	Aug. 2010	Nov. 2010	Feb. 2011	May 2011	Nov. 2010	May 2011
Expenditure category										
Hospital and related services	630.894	632.454	635.892	641.005	4.2	8.6	5.0	6.6	6.4	5.8
Recreation ² Video and audio ²	109.742 99.020	109.798 99.167	109.747 99.080	110.076 99.080	8 -2.1	-2.1 4	1.9 3	1.2 .2	-1.5 -1.3	1.5 .0
Education and communication ² Education ² Educational books and supplies Tuition, other school fees, and childcare Communication ² Information and information processing ² Telephone services ¹ ² Information technology, hardware and services ⁵ Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁶	125.081 201.628 524.817 566.738 86.152 83.822 100.768 9.722 71.808	125.167 202.290 526.817 568.569 86.067 83.735 100.701 9.699 70.542	125.225 202.814 528.629 569.997 85.989 83.651 100.643 9.674 70.196	125.340 203.768 531.355 572.656 85.857 83.513 100.610 9.612 69.761	1.2 3.2 -1.2 3.7 1 1 .5 -2.2	.1 2.9 5.8 2.6 -1.6 -1.0 -3.7 -5.7	6 5.4 9.1 5.0 -4.2 -4.9 -4.7 -5.8 -16.6	.8 4.3 5.1 4.2 -1.4 -1.5 6 -4.4 -10.9	.7 3.1 2.2 3.2 8 8 2 -2.9	.1 4.8 7.1 4.6 -2.8 -3.2 -2.7 -5.1 -13.8
Other goods and services Tobacco and smoking products ¹ Personal care Personal care products ¹ Personal care services ¹ Miscellaneous personal services	415.238 834.343 205.822 161.974 230.418 360.922	414.916 835.368 205.424 161.667 230.252 360.899	414.900 832.003 205.891 162.088 230.597 362.235	414.012 830.137 205.463 160.083 230.709 363.012	6.8 12.8 3.5 2.7 .6 2.4	7 9 5 -1.4 -1.3 2.5	2.7 4.3 1.8 2.9 1.0 2.6	-1.2 -2.0 7 -4.6 .5 2.3	3.0 5.7 1.5 .6 4 2.5	.8 1.1 .6 9 .7 2.5
Commodity and service group Commodities	184.454	186.856	188.512	188.580	2.3	4.3	12.7	9.3	3.3	11.0
Food and beverages Commodities less food and beverages Nondurables less food and beverages Apparel Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel Durables Services Rent of shelter ⁴ Tenants' and household insurance ¹² Energy services ³ Water and sewer and trash collection services ² Household operations ¹² Transportation services Medical care services Other services	223,029 163,087 215,122 118,404 278,583 112,365 258,975 235,112 128,035 192,035 177,057 153,703 265,678 422,224 297,790	224.691 165.737 219.564 117.667 287.991 112.981 259.346 235.189 126.914 192.493 177.954 152.965 266.766 422.517 298.163	225,708 167,620 222,388 118,059 292,312 113,705 259,786 235,375 127,654 193,645 178,669 153,923 267,612 423,843 298,388	226.540 167.363 222.447 119.528 290.849 114.560 260.366 235.649 127.859 194.818 179.223 154.378 268.275 425.316 299.096	2.3 .6 3.3 4.7 .8 6.4 2.2 1.0 .3 4.8 3 4.0 1.0 1.4 2.8 1.7	1.3 2.4 5.5 12.1 -1.9 15.2 -4.3 1.1 1.8 3.3 -4.5 4.8 -2.0 3.9 4.3	12.7 4.6 17.8 28.1 .9 34.7 1.5 2.1 1.3 -1.6 4.3 6.1 2.4 4.1 2.6	9.3 6.4 10.9 14.3 3.9 18.8 8.0 2.2 .9 5 5.9 5.0 1.8 4.0 3.0 1.8	3.5 4.4 8.3 6 10.7 -1.1 1.0 1.1 4.0 -2.4 4.4 5 2.6 3.6	5.5 14.3 21.0 2.4 26.5 4.7 2.1 1.1 -1.1 5.5 2.1 4.0 2.8 1.3
Special indexes										
All items less food All items less shelter All items less medical care Commodities less food Nondurables less food Nondurables less food and apparel Nondurables Services less rent of shelter ⁴ Services less medical care services Energy All items less energy All items less food and energy Commodities less food and energy commodities Energy commodities Services less energy services	217.800 211.871 211.434 165.304 215.973 272.891 219.926 254.399 247.660 239.431 217.170 216.431 146.034 295.209 266.270	219.161 213.745 212.864 167.903 220.224 281.517 223.418 254.803 247.897 248.232 217.702 216.717 146.215 311.719 266.630	220.262 215.173 213.934 169.766 223.009 285.598 225.644 255.550 248.319 253.853 218.248 217.167 146.774 321.527 266.988	220.488 215.486 214.223 169.536 223.118 284.399 226.125 256.332 248.874 251.126 218.935 217.826 147.607 315.284 267.500	1.8 2.1 1.6 3.3 4.5 6.0 2.0 2.6 5.6 1.1 1.3 1.7 9.9	2.5 3.0 2.4 5.3 11.4 14.1 7.2 1.4 16.4 .9 .6 -1.6 32.8 1.5	6.9 8.8 6.8 17.1 26.3 31.9 16.0 2.9 1.9 47.6 2.3 1.7 1.3 81.7	5.0 7.0 5.4 10.6 13.9 18.0 11.8 3.1 2.0 21.0 3.3 2.6 4.4 30.1 1.9	2.1 2.6 2.0 4.3 7.9 10.0 4.6 1.2 1.0 10.8 1.0 .9 .1 20.8 1.3	6.0 7.9 6.1 13.8 20.0 24.7 13.9 3.0 1.9 33.7 2.8 2.2 2.9 53.8 1.9

indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

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

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

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

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CPI-W	Pricing schedule	o contract of the contract of					Percent change to May2011 from—			Percent change to Apr.2011 from—		
	1	Feb. 2011	Mar. 2011	Apr. 2011	May 2011	May 2010	Mar. 2011	Apr. 2011	Apr. 2010	Feb. 2011	Mar. 2011	
U.S. city average	М	217.535	220.024	221.743	222.954	4.1	1.3	0.5	3.6	1.9	8.0	
Region and area size ²												
Northeast urban	M M M	235.109 235.230 142.691	237.377 237.239 144.395	238.756 238.390 145.520	240.209 239.852 146.390	3.7 3.5 4.2	1.2 1.1 1.4	.6 .6 .6	3.3 3.0 3.8	1.6 1.3 2.0	.6 .5 .8	
Midwest urban Size A - More than 1,500,000 Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³ Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than	M M M	206.981 206.516 135.841	209.094 208.740 137.189	210.991 210.508 138.552	212.572 212.272 139.532	4.4 4.4 4.3	1.7 1.7 1.7	.7 .8 .7	3.7 3.7 3.8	1.9 1.9 2.0	.9 .8 1.0	
50,000)	М	206.306	208.108	209.987	211.052	4.5	1.4	.5	3.8	1.8	.9	
South urban	M M M	212.416 214.129 135.919	215.272 216.680 137.789	217.234 218.615 138.962	218.437 219.971 139.744	4.6 4.2 4.6	1.5 1.5 1.4	.6 .6 .6	3.9 3.6 3.9	2.3 2.1 2.2	.9 .9 .9	
50,000)	M	219.352	223.059	225.869	226.539	5.5	1.6	.3	5.1	3.0	1.3	
West urban	M M M	219.368 221.848 135.845	221.830 224.576 137.331	223.268 225.833 138.362	223.944 226.399 138.816	3.7 3.6 3.8	1.0 .8 1.1	.3 .3 .3	3.4 3.5 3.3	1.8 1.8 1.9	.6 .6 .8	
Size classes												
A ⁴		201.033 136.808 213.495	203.220 138.471 215.928	204.607 139.645 218.220	205.758 140.412 219.159	3.9 4.3 4.8	1.2 1.4 1.5	.6 .5 .4	3.4 3.8 4.2	1.8 2.1 2.2	.7 .8 1.1	
Selected local areas ⁵												
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA New York-Northern N.JLong Island,	M M	210.106 222.814	212.256 225.770	213.633 227.051	215.358 226.842	4.2 3.7	1.5 .5	.8 1	3.5 3.9	1.7 1.9	.6 .6	
NY-NJ-CT-PA	М	239.750	241.667	242.697	244.316	3.5	1.1	.7	2.9	1.2	.4	
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT Cleveland-Akron, OH Dallas-Fort Worth, TX Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ⁶	1 1 1 1	- - -	244.324 201.146 211.227 146.572	- - -	246.825 204.105 214.038 148.638	3.3 4.4 4.3 4.6	1.0 1.5 1.3 1.4	-	-	-	- - -	
Atlanta, GA	2	204.611 202.849 195.677 225.346	- - -	208.356 208.217 200.997 229.675	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	2.6 3.6 4.4 4.1	1.8 2.6 2.7 1.9	- - -	
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2 2 2	231.306 226.638 225.790	- - -	233.441 231.600 228.313	- - -	-	-	-	2.7 3.5 2.7	.9 2.2 1.1	-	

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

Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL.

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.

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.

Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

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;

⁶ Indexes on a November 1996=100 base.

Data not available.

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,	Unadjı index		Unadjusted percent change to May 2011 from—		
0-01 1-0	2007-2008	Apr. 2011	May 2011	May 2010	Apr. 2011	
Expenditure category						
All items	100.000	R _{129.408}	R _{129.943}	3.3	0.4	
Food and beveragesFood	14.519 13.493	131.682 131.848	132.139 132.312	3.3 3.4	.3 .4	
Food at home	7.780 5.712 1.027	127.631 137.614 130.206	128.239 137.864 130.585	4.3 2.2 1.8	.5 .2 .3	
Housing	42.074	R _{129.071}	R _{129.406}	1.0	.3	
Shelter Fuels and utilities Household furnishings and operations	32.119 5.231 4.724	132.241 R159.248 92.568	132.401 R161.135 92.735	1.0 3.0 -1.1	.1 1.2 .2	
Apparel	3.772	91.583	91.536	.5	1	
Transportation	17.199 16.013	145.823 146.817	147.954 149.155	12.8 13.3	1.5 1.6	
Public transportation	1.186	133.188	132.800	7.1	3	
Medical care	6.294 1.570 4.723	154.243 136.565 160.719	154.437 136.610 160.971	2.8 2.8 2.8	.1 .0 .2	
Recreation	6.625	102.570	102.724	9	.2	
Education and communication	6.288 2.804	112.667 188.494	112.573 188.805	.6 3.8	1 .2	
Communication Other goods and services	3.484 3.229	71.688 142.309	71.485 142.007	-2.0 2.5	3 2	
Commodity and service group	3.229	142.309	142.007	2.5	2	
Services	59.383	R _{137.017}	R137.336	1.5	.2	
Commodities Durables Nondurables	40.617 10.376 30.241	120.357 81.185 140.911	121.173 81.572 141.964	5.9 .6 7.8	.7 .5 .7	
All items less food and energy Energy	76.901 9.606	121.368 R214.257	121.566 R219.671	1.3 20.3	.2 2.5	

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