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Number of consumer units (in thousands) .....	43,424	1,485	1,971	2,947	3,010	5,929	4,849	4,312	6,743	12,178
Consumer unit characteristics:										
Income before taxes .....	\$58,555	-\$542	\$8,117	\$12,618	\$17,450	\$24,861	\$34,798	\$44,519	\$59,105	\$125,729
Income after taxes .....	56,838	-534	8,312	12,939	17,734	25,085	34,803	44,085	57,946	120,113
Age of reference person .....	49.0	47.4	53.2	55.1	54.3	51.6	47.9	47.0	46.9	46.8
Average number in consumer unit:										
Persons .....	2.5	1.8	1.7	1.9	2.0	2.3	2.5	2.5	2.7	3.1
Children under 18 .....	.6	.5	.4	.5	.5	.5	.7	.7	.7	.8
Persons 65 and older .....	.3	.3	.4	.5	.5	.5	.3	.3	.3	.2
Earners .....	1.3	.4	.4	.5	.7	.9	1.2	1.3	1.6	1.9
Vehicles .....	1.9	1.0	.8	1.1	1.3	1.6	1.7	1.9	2.2	2.7
Percent distribution:										
Sex of reference person:										
Male .....	45	41	33	31	37	40	42	49	49	54
Female .....	55	59	67	69	63	60	58	51	51	46
Housing tenure:										
Homeowner .....	69	42	41	47	59	59	61	66	75	90
With mortgage .....	43	19	12	14	20	26	32	41	51	71
Without mortgage .....	26	23	29	33	38	34	30	25	24	19
Renter .....	31	58	59	53	41	41	39	34	25	10
Race of reference person:										
Black or African-American .....	20	31	34	27	20	23	24	23	16	12
White, Asian, and all other races .....	80	69	66	73	80	77	76	77	84	88
Hispanic or Latino origin of reference person:										
Hispanic or Latino .....	13	11	16	13	18	17	15	14	13	8
Not Hispanic or Latino .....	87	89	84	87	82	83	85	86	87	92
Education of reference person:										
Elementary (1-8) .....	6	11	18	12	10	8	6	5	3	1
High school (9-12) .....	38	46	50	55	53	49	43	38	35	20
College .....	56	42	29	32	36	42	50	57	62	78
Never attended and other .....	( <sup>1</sup> )	1	2	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	1	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )
At least one vehicle owned or leased .....	90	61	59	76	82	90	93	95	97	98
Average annual expenditures .....	\$46,149	\$21,197	\$16,591	\$20,554	\$24,922	\$28,608	\$33,138	\$39,095	\$47,674	\$80,425
Food .....	5,946	3,493	2,702	3,212	3,419	3,988	4,745	5,566	6,002	9,427
Food at home .....	3,404	2,313	1,868	2,208	2,303	2,610	2,981	3,381	3,454	4,804
Cereals and bakery products .....	455	324	246	311	304	340	403	456	464	639
Cereals and cereal products .....	143	109	67	98	100	118	140	146	147	189
Bakery products .....	312	215	179	213	204	222	263	310	317	450
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	807	539	495	545	536	674	733	829	834	1,074
Beef .....	231	148	115	141	155	181	222	231	242	317
Pork .....	167	101	103	129	119	157	155	184	177	202
Other meats .....	99	63	59	67	69	77	82	99	104	137
Poultry .....	153	140	117	107	100	122	139	155	149	203
Fish and seafood .....	111	53	71	65	51	97	87	110	117	161
Eggs .....	46	34	29	37	41	40	47	50	45	53
Dairy products .....	380	268	193	239	279	271	343	366	392	538
Fresh milk and cream .....	159	120	94	108	120	122	156	157	162	210
Other dairy products .....	221	148	99	131	159	149	188	209	230	328
Fruits and vegetables .....	566	382	298	372	355	426	473	553	580	819
Fresh fruits .....	183	101	104	127	108	122	144	175	182	280
Fresh vegetables .....	178	134	91	116	111	133	144	170	181	262
Processed fruits .....	103	71	50	65	67	82	86	101	107	145
Processed vegetables .....	102	76	54	64	69	90	99	106	109	131

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Other food at home .....	\$1,196	\$800	\$638	\$741	\$827	\$899	\$1,028	\$1,177	\$1,184	\$1,734
Sugar and other sweets .....	115	77	61	73	79	89	92	114	114	168
Fats and oils .....	94	72	67	74	88	77	85	111	87	117
Miscellaneous foods .....	623	388	307	353	411	472	546	622	621	911
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	329	254	193	232	236	240	284	310	326	468
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips .....	35	29	210	29	13	21	20	21	37	70
Food away from home .....	2,543	1,180	834	1,005	1,117	1,378	1,764	2,185	2,548	4,624
Alcoholic beverages .....	386	234	108	158	135	199	272	350	417	683
Housing .....	15,095	8,553	7,029	8,095	9,396	10,233	11,337	12,959	15,608	24,579
Shelter .....	8,357	4,972	3,535	4,224	5,039	5,611	6,250	7,170	8,441	13,918
Owned dwellings .....	5,683	2,228	1,166	1,448	2,473	2,779	3,189	4,246	5,774	11,518
Mortgage interest and charges .....	3,355	1,278	554	647	1,060	1,301	1,813	2,403	3,456	7,179
Property taxes .....	1,262	665	331	457	609	677	767	962	1,286	2,418
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses .....	1,066	286	281	344	804	800	609	880	1,033	1,922
Rented dwellings .....	2,185	2,580	2,319	2,691	2,449	2,669	2,865	2,651	2,252	1,220
Other lodging .....	488	163	249	85	117	164	196	274	415	1,180
Utilities, fuels, and public services .....	3,604	2,281	2,242	2,574	2,738	2,997	3,267	3,484	3,872	4,774
Natural gas .....	291	177	193	190	218	214	238	256	284	439
Electricity .....	1,608	1,056	1,075	1,252	1,289	1,403	1,499	1,529	1,694	2,051
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	77	223	48	64	63	73	59	69	85	103
Telephone services .....	1,167	710	650	745	809	942	1,044	1,185	1,321	1,562
Water and other public services .....	461	315	276	324	359	366	426	444	488	619
Household operations .....	922	264	172	353	488	427	517	603	937	1,874
Personal services .....	368	265	229	79	178	125	203	183	414	801
Other household expenses .....	554	198	142	274	311	302	314	421	523	1,073
Housekeeping supplies .....	620	271	277	388	369	419	454	526	607	1,022
Laundry and cleaning supplies .....	154	71	89	124	94	119	133	172	150	214
Other household products .....	332	133	135	184	164	186	229	260	336	586
Postage and stationery .....	135	67	54	80	110	114	92	94	121	221
Household furnishings and equipment .....	1,592	766	804	557	763	778	848	1,176	1,751	2,991
Household textiles .....	130	52	40	49	50	71	71	85	125	261
Furniture .....	395	263	136	108	168	205	187	304	407	776
Floor coverings .....	35	211	220	27	83	9	16	12	34	66
Major appliances .....	203	147	97	81	142	151	115	153	219	340
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares .....	96	27	43	42	29	40	76	132	117	150
Miscellaneous household equipment .....	733	266	467	270	292	301	383	489	849	1,398
Apparel and services .....	1,733	929	706	911	721	1,051	1,177	1,438	1,635	3,106
Men and boys .....	426	241	205	252	128	257	281	315	412	774
Men, 16 and over .....	342	162	176	204	89	200	202	240	315	651
Boys, 2 to 15 .....	84	79	29	48	39	57	79	75	97	123
Women and girls .....	676	287	205	318	334	415	461	586	634	1,217
Women, 16 and over .....	555	250	158	281	283	346	372	470	534	988
Girls, 2 to 15 .....	121	37	47	37	51	69	89	116	100	229
Children under 2 .....	84	68	36	47	33	63	76	88	83	126
Footwear .....	316	220	171	205	124	188	239	272	310	527
Other apparel products and services .....	230	113	89	89	102	129	120	176	196	462
Transportation .....	8,484	3,154	2,536	3,504	4,644	5,472	6,524	7,691	9,640	14,109
Vehicle purchases (net outlay) .....	2,969	2,737	532	959	1,626	1,534	2,091	2,587	3,398	5,401
Cars and trucks, new .....	1,439	2,360	( <sup>3</sup> )	2,279	659	581	734	1,265	1,466	3,021
Cars and trucks, used .....	1,429	362	497	643	874	870	1,289	1,291	1,829	2,193
Other vehicles .....	102	216	235	238	293	283	268	231	2102	187
Gasoline and motor oil .....	2,731	1,261	1,144	1,307	1,621	2,108	2,421	2,669	3,144	4,007

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Other vehicle expenses .....	\$2,434	\$1,020	\$801	\$1,124	\$1,301	\$1,674	\$1,843	\$2,292	\$2,798	\$3,891
Vehicle finance charges .....	353	103	40	87	110	183	286	346	456	613
Maintenance and repairs .....	669	223	216	264	390	457	510	584	714	1,134
Vehicle insurance .....	1,112	<sup>2</sup> 602	<sup>2</sup> 445	693	658	887	878	1,135	1,330	1,543
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, and other charges .....	300	92	100	80	143	147	169	227	299	601
Public transportation .....	349	137	60	113	95	156	168	143	300	810
Healthcare .....	2,825	1,231	1,078	1,467	2,212	2,462	2,241	2,632	3,030	4,142
Health insurance .....	1,566	697	578	987	1,257	1,398	1,348	1,525	1,667	2,174
Medical services .....	647	237	119	283	393	522	367	507	710	1,120
Drugs .....	511	281	264	171	483	466	452	515	549	689
Medical supplies .....	101	<sup>2</sup> 16	117	26	78	76	73	86	105	158
Entertainment .....	2,417	1,147	708	874	1,223	1,516	1,646	1,891	2,506	4,369
Fees and admissions .....	492	188	47	76	132	172	232	311	437	1,138
Audio and visual equipment and services .....	999	557	448	540	652	726	761	934	1,084	1,540
Pets, toys, hobbies, and playground equipment .....	574	202	162	205	235	381	432	423	598	1,034
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services .....	352	200	52	53	205	236	221	222	386	656
Personal care products and services .....	573	306	234	270	307	370	447	471	590	965
Reading .....	88	36	30	49	56	57	50	76	90	156
Education .....	770	704	368	284	214	182	321	353	504	1,858
Tobacco products and smoking supplies .....	328	243	268	290	287	309	361	303	404	331
Miscellaneous .....	698	337	194	235	587	332	482	531	695	1,285
Cash contributions .....	1,753	511	369	689	737	849	1,042	1,374	1,588	3,585
Personal insurance and pensions .....	5,054	319	260	516	985	1,589	2,493	3,462	4,966	11,829
Life and other personal insurance .....	310	95	72	108	131	175	196	230	269	629
Pensions and Social Security .....	4,744	224	188	408	854	1,414	2,297	3,232	4,697	11,200
Sources of income and personal taxes:										
Money income before taxes .....	58,555	-542	8,117	12,618	17,450	24,861	34,798	44,519	59,105	125,729
Wages and salaries .....	46,841	1,899	2,136	4,553	7,807	15,032	25,614	35,183	48,471	106,601
Self-employment income .....	2,587	-4,463	<sup>2</sup> 55	<sup>2</sup> 191	434	423	963	898	1,735	7,757
Social Security, private and government retirement .....	6,599	1,033	3,733	6,319	7,807	7,839	6,737	7,024	6,906	6,531
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income .....	1,446	86	48	131	251	505	453	516	1,241	3,750
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits .....	177	<sup>2</sup> 25	<sup>2</sup> 159	<sup>2</sup> 124	115	145	176	237	205	205
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps .....	328	383	1,345	684	587	435	310	180	171	101
Regular contributions for support .....	394	203	358	400	292	323	415	383	255	554
Other income .....	183	292	394	215	157	158	130	97	121	231
Personal taxes .....	1,716	-8	-195	-321	-284	-224	-5	434	1,160	5,616
Federal income taxes .....	1,611	125	-146	-238	-155	-47	179	545	1,171	4,958
2008 Tax stimulus (new UCC Q20082) .....	-393	-190	-112	-157	-238	-323	-361	-420	-492	-541
State and local income taxes .....	346	-2	1	19	28	69	96	164	316	918
Other taxes .....	153	58	61	56	81	77	82	145	165	281

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Income after taxes .....	56,838	-534	8,312	12,939	17,734	25,085	34,803	44,085	57,946	120,113
Addenda:										
Net change in total assets and liabilities .....	-\$1,801	\$4,217	-\$1,515	\$46	-\$18	-\$75	-\$3,038	-\$3,279	\$80	-\$4,337
Net change in total assets .....	6,426	4,569	95	1,241	836	3,970	401	2,650	9,099	13,767
Net change in total liabilities .....	8,228	352	1,609	1,195	854	4,044	3,439	5,929	9,018	18,104
Other financial information:										
Other money receipts .....	527	<sup>2</sup> 512	<sup>2</sup> 47	132	597	135	353	466	342	1,069
Mortgage principal paid on owned property .....	-1,978	-781	-255	-380	-456	-721	-862	-1,136	-1,699	-4,674
Estimated market value of owned home .....	137,697	59,642	45,141	54,954	77,585	80,630	84,876	102,847	140,749	256,539
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home .....	816	395	289	362	483	543	568	651	839	1,421
Gifts of goods and services .....	1,065	414	318	346	274	500	521	693	897	2,335
Food .....	86	<sup>2</sup> 11	14	36	13	36	51	51	64	198
Alcoholic beverages .....	13	<sup>2</sup> 6	<sup>2</sup> 9	<sup>2</sup> 11	<sup>2</sup> 2	10	8	<sup>2</sup> 3	11	25
Housing .....	201	94	59	90	61	93	106	173	165	414
Housekeeping supplies .....	24	<sup>2</sup> 6	<sup>2</sup> 10	20	<sup>2</sup> 8	10	15	14	25	45
Household textiles .....	12	<sup>2</sup> 11	( <sup>3</sup> )	<sup>2</sup> 3	<sup>2</sup> 6	<sup>2</sup> 3	<sup>2</sup> 10	11	11	25
Appliances and miscellaneous housewares .....	22	<sup>2</sup> 10	<sup>2</sup> 2	<sup>2</sup> 6	<sup>2</sup> 9	<sup>2</sup> 4	<sup>2</sup> 4	16	28	46
Major appliances .....	7	<sup>2</sup> 6	<sup>2</sup> 2	<sup>2</sup> 1	<sup>2</sup> 7	<sup>2</sup> 2	<sup>2</sup> 1	<sup>2</sup> 2	5	16
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares .....	15	<sup>2</sup> 4	( <sup>1</sup> )	<sup>2</sup> 6	<sup>2</sup> 2	<sup>2</sup> 3	<sup>2</sup> 3	14	23	30
Miscellaneous household equipment .....	41	<sup>2</sup> 25	<sup>2</sup> 15	<sup>2</sup> 12	<sup>2</sup> 3	27	13	21	35	90
Other housing .....	102	41	32	49	36	49	64	111	65	208
Apparel and services .....	221	213	150	132	93	150	159	201	223	348
Males, 2 and over .....	56	<sup>2</sup> 49	73	26	24	45	32	25	59	91
Females, 2 and over .....	73	39	<sup>2</sup> 8	43	33	40	45	93	87	115
Children under 2 .....	43	<sup>2</sup> 30	18	23	19	33	32	38	44	69
Other apparel products and services .....	50	<sup>2</sup> 96	<sup>2</sup> 51	<sup>2</sup> 40	<sup>2</sup> 17	32	50	45	33	73
Jewelry and watches .....	17	<sup>2</sup> 10	<sup>2</sup> 2	<sup>2</sup> 5	<sup>2</sup> 7	<sup>2</sup> 13	22	<sup>2</sup> 16	15	27
All other apparel products and services .....	33	<sup>2</sup> 86	249	<sup>2</sup> 36	<sup>2</sup> 9	19	<sup>2</sup> 28	<sup>2</sup> 28	17	46
Transportation .....	114	37	6	9	8	57	48	52	117	265
Healthcare .....	16	<sup>2</sup> 1	<sup>2</sup> 1	<sup>2</sup> 28	<sup>2</sup> 7	<sup>2</sup> 5	<sup>2</sup> 14	<sup>2</sup> 10	22	26
Entertainment .....	90	<sup>2</sup> 26	<sup>2</sup> 59	<sup>2</sup> 27	31	57	30	57	114	167
Toys, games, arts and crafts, and tricycles .....	33	<sup>2</sup> 23	<sup>2</sup> 3	<sup>2</sup> 16	<sup>2</sup> 16	<sup>2</sup> 16	<sup>2</sup> 8	<sup>2</sup> 31	57	51
Other entertainment .....	57	<sup>2</sup> 3	<sup>2</sup> 56	11	15	41	22	26	57	116
Personal care products and services .....	17	<sup>2</sup> 11	<sup>2</sup> 14	<sup>2</sup> 3	7	7	13	5	15	34
Reading .....	1	<sup>2</sup> 1	( <sup>1</sup> )	( <sup>1</sup> )	<sup>2</sup> 1	( <sup>1</sup> )	<sup>2</sup> 1	<sup>2</sup> 1	<sup>2</sup> 1	1
Education .....	236	<sup>2</sup> 10	<sup>2</sup> 1	<sup>2</sup> 4	<sup>2</sup> 30	33	68	91	91	706
All other gifts .....	71	<sup>2</sup> 5	6	7	21	51	25	48	74	150

<sup>1</sup> Value is less than or equal to 0.5.

<sup>2</sup> Data are likely to have large sampling errors.

<sup>3</sup> No data reported.