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**CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: OCTOBER 2007**

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 0.2 percent in October before seasonal adjustment, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. The October level of 208.936 (1982-84=100) was 3.5 percent higher than in October 2006.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) increased 0.2 percent in October prior to seasonal adjustment. The October level of 204.338 (1982-84=100) was 3.7 percent higher than in October 2006.

The Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U) increased 0.2 percent in October on a not seasonally adjusted basis. The October level of 120.700 (December 1999=100) was 3.0 percent higher than in October 2006. Please note that the indexes for the post-2005 period are subject to revision.

**CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)**

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U increased 0.3 percent in October, the same as in September. The index for energy advanced 1.4 percent in October, with the index for petroleum-based energy up 1.5 percent and the index for energy services, 1.3 percent. The food index rose 0.3 percent in October. The index for food at home also rose 0.3 percent and the index for food away from home increased 0.2 percent. The index for all items less food and energy advanced 0.2 percent in October.

Table A. Percent changes in CPI for Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

Expenditure Category	Seasonally adjusted							Compound annual rate 3-mos. ended Oct. '07	Un-adjusted 12-mos. ended Oct. '07
	Changes from preceding month								
	2007								
	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.		
All Items	.4	.7	.2	.1	-.1	.3	.3	1.7	3.5
Food and beverages	.4	.3	.5	.3	.4	.5	.3	4.7	4.4
Housing	.2	.2	.3	.2	.0	.3	.2	1.9	3.1
Apparel	-.3	-.3	-.6	.4	-.5	.3	.0	-1.1	-1.2
Transportation	1.2	2.8	-.2	-.3	-1.2	.1	.4	-2.7	5.8
Medical care	.4	.3	.2	.6	.5	.3	.6	5.7	4.8
Recreation	.1	.2	.0	-.1	-.1	.3	.3	1.9	.5
Education and communication	.3	.6	.0	.2	.3	.1	.4	3.1	2.6
Other goods and services	.3	.3	.3	.0	.1	.4	.2	2.9	3.5
Special Indexes									
Energy	2.4	5.4	-.5	-1.0	-3.2	.3	1.4	-6.1	14.5
Food	.4	.3	.5	.3	.4	.5	.3	4.9	4.4
All Items less food and energy	.2	.1	.2	.2	.2	.2	.2	2.1	2.2

During the first ten months of 2007, the CPI-U rose at a 3.6 percent seasonally adjusted annual rate (SAAR). This compares with an increase of 2.5 percent for all of 2006. The index for energy, which increased 2.9 percent in 2006, advanced at a 12.3 percent SAAR in the first ten months of 2007. Petroleum-based energy costs increased at a 20.6 percent annual rate and charges for energy services rose at a 2.7 percent annual rate. The food index has increased at a 5.5 percent rate thus far in 2007, following a 2.1 percent rise for all of 2006. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U advanced at a 2.3 percent SAAR in the first ten months of 2007 after increasing 2.6 percent in 2006.

The food and beverages index rose 0.3 percent in October. The index for food at home, which rose 0.5 percent in September, increased 0.3 percent in October. The smaller advance reflects a downturn in egg prices and deceleration in the indexes for milk and for fruits and vegetables. The index for fruits and vegetables increased 0.7 percent in October, following a 1.8 percent rise in September. The index for fresh vegetables increased 2.3 percent while the index for fresh fruits declined 0.4 percent. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, fresh fruit prices rose 1.0 percent.) The index for processed fruits and vegetables increased 0.1 percent. The index for dairy products increased 0.2 percent in October and has advanced 13.3 percent in the first ten months of 2007. Milk prices were virtually unchanged in October, but have risen 19.3 percent since the beginning of the year. The index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs increased 0.2 percent in October. Beef and poultry prices each fell 0.7 percent, while prices for pork, for other meats, and for fish and seafood each turned up in October after registering declines in September. The index for eggs fell 1.3 percent in October, but have increased 42.2 percent during the last 12 months. The index for cereal and bakery products increased 0.4 percent, the same as in each of the two preceding months. The indexes for nonalcoholic beverages and for other food at home rose 0.1 and 0.3 percent, respectively. The other two components of the food and beverages index--food away from home and alcoholic beverages--increased 0.2 and 0.3 percent, respectively.

The index for housing increased 0.2 percent in October. The index for shelter rose 0.1 percent after increasing 0.3 percent in September. Within shelter, the indexes for rent and for owners' equivalent rent increased 0.5 and 0.2 percent, respectively, while the index for lodging away from home decreased 1.5 percent. The index for household energy, which rose 0.1 percent in September, increased 1.4 percent in October. Each of the three major household fuels showed acceleration: The index for natural gas, which declined 1.0 percent in September, increased 0.7 percent in October. The indexes for fuel oil and for electricity, which rose 0.9 and 0.5 percent, respectively in September, advanced 2.3 and 1.5 percent in October. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, charges for electricity declined 3.9 percent, reflecting the switch to winter rates in some areas.) The index for household furnishings and operations decreased for the fourth consecutive month--down 0.1 percent in October.

The transportation index increased 0.4 percent in October. The index for gasoline rose 1.4 percent, accounting for over 90 percent of the overall transportation increase. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, gasoline prices fell 0.1 percent and were 10.2 percent lower than their peak level recorded in May. The index for new vehicles declined 0.2 percent in October. (As of October, about 30 percent of the new car sample consisted of 2008 models. The 2008 models will continue to be phased in, with adjustments for quality change, over the next several months as they replace old models at dealerships. For a report on quality changes for the 2008 vehicles represented in the Producer Price Index sample, see news release USDL-07-1787 dated November 14, 2007.) The index for used cars and trucks declined 0.1 percent. During the last 12 months, new vehicle prices have declined 1.1 percent and prices for used cars and trucks, 1.7 percent. The index for public transportation increased 1.2 percent in October, reflecting a 1.6 percent increase in the index for airline fares.

The index for apparel, which increased 0.3 percent in September, was virtually unchanged in October. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, apparel prices advanced 1.9 percent in October, reflecting the continued introduction of fall-winter wear.)

Medical care costs, which rose 0.3 percent in September, increased 0.6 percent in October. The index for medical care commodities--prescription drugs, nonprescription drugs, and medical supplies--rose 0.3 percent. The index for medical care services rose 0.6 percent. The indexes for professional services and for hospital and related services advanced 0.4 and 1.1 percent, respectively, following increases of 0.2 and 0.8 percent in September.

The index for recreation rose 0.3 percent in October, the same as in September. Increases in the indexes for admissions to movies, theaters, concerts and sporting events and for cable and satellite television--up 1.1 and 0.6 percent, respectively--accounted for over four-fifths of the overall recreation advance.

The index for education and communication increased 0.4 percent in October. The index for education rose 0.7 percent, reflecting an increase of 0.8 percent in the index for tuition. College tuition costs rose 1.1 percent in October and were 6.1 higher than a year ago. The index for communication was virtually unchanged in October. Within this group, the index for telephone services rose 0.2 percent, reflecting a 0.5 percent increase in the index for land-line local charges. The indexes for personal computers and peripheral equipment declined 1.4 percent and the indexes for computer software and accessories and for internet services and electronic information providers decreased 0.2 and 0.6 percent, respectively.

The index for other goods and services increased 0.2 percent in October. The two major sub-indexes--tobacco and smoking products and personal care--each rose 0.2 percent. During the last 12 months, prices for tobacco and smoking products have increased 7.6 percent and prices for personal care have risen 2.5 percent.

### **CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)**

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers increased 0.3 percent in October.

Table B. Percent changes in CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

Expenditure Category	Seasonally adjusted							Compound annual rate 3-mos. ended Oct. '07	Un-adjusted 12-mos. ended Oct. '07
	Changes from preceding month								
	2007								
	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.		
All Items	.5	.8	.1	.1	-.2	.3	.3	1.6	3.7
Food and beverages	.4	.4	.5	.2	.4	.5	.3	4.8	4.4
Housing	.2	.2	.2	.2	.0	.2	.3	2.1	3.2
Apparel	-.4	-.3	-.9	.8	-.3	.1	.1	-.5	-1.3
Transportation	1.4	3.1	-.2	-.3	-1.4	.1	.4	-3.3	6.3
Medical care	.4	.3	.2	.7	.5	.4	.6	6.1	5.0
Recreation	.0	.2	-.1	-.1	-.1	.4	.3	2.1	.4
Education and communication	.3	.6	.0	.3	.3	.0	.3	2.4	2.2
Other goods and services	.1	.3	.3	.1	.1	.4	.2	3.0	4.1
Special Indexes									
Energy	2.6	5.8	-.7	-1.0	-3.4	.3	1.4	-6.5	15.1
Food	.4	.4	.5	.3	.4	.5	.3	4.9	4.5
All Items less food and energy	.2	.1	.2	.3	.2	.2	.2	2.2	2.0

Consumer Price Index data for November are scheduled for release on Friday, December 14, 2007, at 8:30 A.M. (EST).

## **Facilities for Sensory Impaired**

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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 in 87 urban areas across the country from about 50,000 housing units and approximately 23,000 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 100.0. 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 116.5. 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 0.06 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 0.12 percent of the 1 month percentage change based on all retail prices. 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 0.08 and 0.32 percent. For the latest data, including information on how to use the estimates of standard error, see “Variance Estimates for Changes in the Consumer Price Index, January 2005-December 2005 in the CPI Detailed Report, February 2006. These data are available on the CPI home page (<http://www.bls.gov/cpi>), using the following link <http://www.bls.gov/cpi/cpivar2006.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 unadjusted 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 2002 through December 2006 were replaced in January 2007. 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](#).

The seasonal movement of All items and 54 other aggregations is derived by combining the seasonal movement of 73 selected components. Each year the seasonal status of every series is reevaluated based upon certain statistical criteria. If any of the 73 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 will be used before that period. Note: 44 of the 73 components are seasonally adjusted for 2007.

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.

In January 2007, BLS adjusted 37 series using Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment, including selected food and beverage items, fuel oil, motor fuels, vehicles, jewelry, admission to sporting events and educational books and supplies. For example, this procedure was used for the Motor fuel series to offset the effects of damage to oil refineries from Hurricane Katrina, as well as the effects of implementing new fuel requirements in the United States.

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 Jeff Wilson on (202) 691-6968 by e-mail at [Wilson.Jeff@bls.gov](mailto:Wilson.Jeff@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 2006	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Oct. 2007 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Sep. 2007	Oct. 2007	Oct. 2006	Sep. 2007	July to Aug.	Aug. to Sep.	Sep. to Oct.
All items .....	100.000	208.490	208.936	3.5	0.2	-0.1	0.3	0.3
All items (1967=100) .....	-	624.543	625.879	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages .....	14.992	205.279	206.124	4.4	.4	.4	.5	.3
Food .....	13.885	204.941	205.796	4.4	.4	.4	.5	.3
Food at home .....	7.896	203.193	204.333	4.7	.6	.4	.5	.3
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.103	223.372	224.691	4.7	.6	.4	.4	.4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	2.112	198.323	198.474	5.5	.1	.1	.5	.2
Dairy and related products .....	.821	203.541	205.319	12.8	.9	1.7	1.0	.2
Fruits and vegetables .....	1.211	259.100	263.648	.8	1.8	-2	1.8	.7
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	.906	155.007	155.545	4.9	.3	1.2	.0	.1
Other food at home .....	1.743	174.201	174.695	2.7	.3	.1	-2	.3
Sugar and sweets .....	.302	178.172	177.236	2.7	-5	.1	.6	-4
Fats and oils .....	.227	174.105	176.050	4.1	1.1	.1	-3	.8
Other foods <sup>1</sup> .....	1.214	189.076	189.695	2.4	.3	.1	-4	.3
Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.327	114.628	114.850	1.0	.2	.9	-1.2	.2
Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	5.989	208.805	209.275	4.1	.2	.4	.5	.2
Other food away from home <sup>2</sup> .....	.281	146.752	146.074	5.9	-5	.4	.9	-5
Alcoholic beverages <sup>1</sup> .....	1.107	208.408	209.126	3.6	.3	.3	.1	.3
Housing .....	42.691	210.865	210.701	3.1	-1	.0	.3	.2
Shelter .....	32.776	241.990	242.405	3.2	.2	.2	.3	.1
Rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	5.930	236.058	237.135	4.0	.5	.2	.3	.5
Lodging away from home <sup>2</sup> .....	2.648	144.480	143.172	5.5	-9	-6	1.0	-1.5
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3 4</sup> .....	23.830	247.487	248.075	2.8	.2	.2	.3	.2
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.369	116.783	116.640	.4	-1	.3	-1	-1
Fuels and utilities .....	5.264	204.264	200.836	5.6	-1.7	-9	.1	1.2
Household energy .....	4.368	185.306	181.509	5.8	-2.0	-1.2	.1	1.4
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	.338	252.580	261.745	14.9	3.6	.2	1.0	2.6
Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>3</sup> .....	4.029	190.158	185.337	5.1	-2.5	-1.3	.1	1.3
Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....	.897	145.246	145.488	5.0	.2	.5	.2	.2
Household furnishings and operations .....	4.651	126.193	126.233	-9	.0	-2	-2	-1
Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.792	140.698	141.013	1.7	.2	.2	-2	.2
Apparel .....	3.726	119.535	121.846	-1.2	1.9	-5	.3	.0
Men's and boys' apparel .....	.885	112.380	114.953	-1.2	2.3	-7	.8	-3
Women's and girls' apparel .....	1.590	110.973	113.402	-2.6	2.2	-1	-1	-4
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.177	113.611	117.149	-1.9	3.1	.3	.8	1.7
Footwear .....	.749	123.183	124.675	-7	1.2	-6	-4	.4
Transportation .....	17.249	184.532	184.952	5.8	.2	-1.2	.1	.4
Private transportation .....	16.188	180.586	180.919	6.0	.2	-1.3	.1	.4
New and used motor vehicles <sup>2</sup> .....	7.581	93.985	94.201	-1.0	.2	.3	-2	-1
New vehicles .....	4.982	134.927	135.344	-1.1	.3	.1	-3	-2
Used cars and trucks <sup>1</sup> .....	1.716	137.142	136.950	-1.7	-1	.8	.0	-1
Motor fuel .....	4.347	239.104	239.048	23.3	.0	-4.9	.4	1.5
Gasoline (all types) .....	4.303	237.993	237.819	23.4	-1	-4.9	.4	1.4
Motor vehicle parts and equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	.370	122.292	123.017	3.5	.6	.2	.5	.6
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....	1.145	224.302	224.939	2.9	.3	.4	.0	.1
Public transportation .....	1.060	230.694	232.725	2.6	.9	.5	.5	1.2
Medical care .....	6.281	353.723	355.653	4.8	.5	.5	.3	.6
Medical care commodities .....	1.446	291.340	292.161	1.4	.3	.4	.0	.3
Medical care services .....	4.834	372.432	374.750	5.9	.6	.5	.4	.6
Professional services .....	2.817	302.410	303.532	4.2	.4	.5	.2	.4
Hospital and related services <sup>3</sup> .....	1.630	504.206	510.006	7.6	1.2	.5	.8	1.1

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)

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Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....	5.552	111.400	111.753	0.5	0.3	-0.1	0.3	0.3	
Video and audio <sup>2</sup> .....	1.719	102.759	103.157	-9	.4	-4	.5	.3	
Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....	6.034	121.273	121.557	2.6	.2	.3	.1	.4	
Education <sup>2</sup> .....	3.076	175.486	176.339	5.5	.5	.5	.2	.7	
Educational books and supplies .....	.204	430.114	431.432	8.3	.3	1.8	.3	-.1	
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....	2.872	505.924	508.449	5.3	.5	.4	.1	.8	
Communication <sup>2</sup> .....	2.958	83.690	83.659	-.4	.0	.1	.0	.0	
Information and information processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....	2.769	80.976	80.946	-.7	.0	.1	.0	.0	
Telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	2.225	98.882	99.031	2.3	.2	.2	.1	.2	
Information technology, hardware and services <sup>1 5</sup> .....	.543	10.477	10.385	-12.7	-.9	-.4	-.1	-.9	
Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.203	9.455	9.324	-10.3	-1.4	-8	-.7	-1.4	
Other goods and services .....	3.476	334.801	335.680	3.5	.3	.1	.4	.2	
Tobacco and smoking products <sup>1</sup> .....	.712	559.636	560.626	7.6	.2	.2	.8	.2	
Personal care .....	2.764	196.202	196.763	2.5	.3	.0	.3	.2	
Personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....	.708	157.643	158.381	1.1	.5	-.4	-.1	.5	
Personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....	.677	217.589	217.887	2.9	.1	.1	.3	.1	
Miscellaneous personal services .....	1.188	327.783	328.056	3.3	.1	.4	.7	.2	
<b>Commodity and service group</b>									
Commodities .....	40.305	167.952	168.664	3.8	.4	-.5	.2	.3	
Food and beverages .....	14.992	205.279	206.124	4.4	.4	.4	.5	.3	
Commodities less food and beverages .....	25.313	147.289	147.924	3.4	.4	-1.1	.1	.3	
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	14.191	182.902	184.091	7.5	.7	-2.1	.1	.4	
Apparel .....	3.726	119.535	121.846	-1.2	1.9	-.5	.3	.0	
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	10.465	226.509	227.026	10.7	.2	-2.4	.2	1.1	
Durables .....	11.122	111.746	111.889	-1.7	.1	.1	-.2	-.1	
Services .....	59.695	248.700	248.878	3.3	.1	.1	.3	.3	
Rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....	32.407	252.272	252.713	3.3	.2	.1	.3	.1	
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.369	116.783	116.640	.4	-.1	.3	-.1	-.1	
Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>3</sup> .....	4.029	190.158	185.337	5.1	-2.5	-1.3	.1	1.3	
Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....	.897	145.246	145.488	5.0	.2	.5	.2	.2	
Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.792	140.698	141.013	1.7	.2	.2	-.2	.2	
Transportation services .....	5.638	234.322	235.458	1.4	.5	.4	.2	.3	
Medical care services .....	4.834	372.432	374.750	5.9	.6	.5	.4	.6	
Other services .....	10.730	288.469	289.307	2.9	.3	.2	.3	.4	
<b>Special indexes</b>									
All items less food .....	86.115	209.100	209.478	3.4	.2	-.2	.2	.3	
All items less shelter .....	67.224	197.708	198.171	3.6	.2	-.3	.2	.4	
All items less medical care .....	93.719	201.159	201.544	3.4	.2	-.2	.3	.3	
Commodities less food .....	26.420	149.541	150.180	3.5	.4	-1.0	.1	.3	
Nondurables less food .....	15.299	184.450	185.610	7.2	.6	-1.9	.2	.4	
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	11.572	223.802	224.338	10.1	.2	-2.2	.2	1.0	
Nondurables .....	29.183	194.616	195.646	5.9	.5	-.8	.3	.4	
Services less rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....	27.288	263.243	263.109	3.4	-.1	.0	.2	.3	
Services less medical care services .....	54.861	238.604	238.657	3.1	.0	.1	.2	.3	
Energy .....	8.715	209.637	207.588	14.5	-1.0	-3.2	.3	1.4	
All items less energy .....	91.285	210.000	210.714	2.5	.3	.2	.3	.2	
All items less food and energy .....	77.401	211.628	212.318	2.2	.3	.2	.2	.2	
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	21.735	139.828	140.501	-.5	.5	.0	.0	.0	
Energy commodities .....	4.685	241.120	241.642	22.7	.2	-4.6	.4	1.5	
Services less energy services .....	55.666	254.706	255.385	3.2	.3	.2	.3	.2	
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00) .....	-	\$ .480	\$ .479	-	-	-	-	-	
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00) .....	-	\$ .160	\$ .160	-	-	-	-	-	

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

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

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

- Data not available.

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

**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—	
	July 2007	Aug. 2007	Sep. 2007	Oct. 2007	Jan. 2007	Apr. 2007	July 2007	Oct. 2007	Apr. 2007	Oct. 2007
<b>Expenditure category</b>										
All items .....	208.028	207.738	208.292	208.903	2.7	5.7	4.0	1.7	4.2	2.8
Food and beverages .....	203.709	204.528	205.513	206.085	2.5	6.1	4.3	4.7	4.3	4.5
Food .....	203.311	204.143	205.193	205.753	2.4	6.1	4.4	4.9	4.2	4.7
Food at home .....	201.731	202.573	203.629	204.259	1.2	8.4	4.5	5.1	4.7	4.8
Cereals and bakery products .....	222.231	223.047	223.974	224.826	3.7	7.1	3.4	4.8	5.4	4.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	196.783	197.030	198.081	198.477	3.3	10.2	5.4	3.5	6.7	4.4
Dairy and related products .....	198.511	201.964	203.900	204.363	3.4	8.3	28.7	12.3	5.8	20.2
Fruits and vegetables .....	257.781	257.280	261.869	263.812	-9.3	15.1	-10.0	9.7	2.2	-6
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	153.554	155.469	155.413	155.523	5.0	4.7	4.5	5.2	4.9	4.9
Other food at home .....	174.356	174.576	174.222	174.691	1.4	4.4	4.2	.8	2.9	2.5
Sugar and sweets .....	177.285	177.514	178.518	177.835	4.6	1.4	3.8	1.2	3.0	2.5
Fats and oils .....	174.272	174.376	173.822	175.245	1.7	1.6	11.3	2.3	1.7	6.7
Other foods <sup>1</sup> .....	189.518	189.781	189.076	189.695	.6	5.7	3.0	.4	3.2	1.7
Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 2</sup> .....	115.017	116.072	114.628	114.850	3.4	2.3	-1.0	-6	2.9	-8
Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	206.931	207.756	208.805	209.275	4.2	3.1	4.4	4.6	3.6	4.5
Other food away from home <sup>2</sup> .....	144.700	145.278	146.610	145.918	9.7	5.7	4.5	3.4	7.7	4.0
Alcoholic beverages <sup>1</sup> .....	207.624	208.264	208.408	209.126	2.1	6.5	2.9	2.9	4.3	2.9
Housing .....	209.959	209.933	210.470	210.926	4.4	3.4	2.7	1.9	3.9	2.3
Shelter .....	241.112	241.475	242.293	242.559	4.2	2.8	3.6	2.4	3.5	3.0
Rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	234.903	235.349	236.058	237.127	4.8	4.1	3.3	3.8	4.4	3.6
Lodging away from home <sup>2</sup> .....	146.182	145.314	146.722	144.570	8.4	-1.3	21.2	-4.3	3.4	7.7
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3 4</sup> .....	246.191	246.761	247.445	248.001	3.5	3.0	1.8	3.0	3.2	2.4
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....	116.577	116.926	116.783	116.640	4.3	.5	-3.3	.2	2.4	-1.6
Fuels and utilities .....	200.791	199.053	199.338	201.661	10.7	10.2	.3	1.7	10.5	1.0
Household energy .....	181.795	179.698	179.939	182.407	11.6	11.4	-.8	1.4	11.5	.3
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	253.273	253.876	256.322	262.976	-8.9	23.7	32.8	16.2	6.1	24.3
Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>3</sup> .....	186.201	183.827	183.937	186.259	13.4	10.5	-3.2	.1	12.0	-1.5
Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....	144.181	144.972	145.246	145.488	6.0	4.5	5.7	3.7	5.2	4.7
Household furnishings and operations .....	126.971	126.735	126.464	126.312	-1.5	.4	-.6	-2.1	-.5	-1.3
Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....	140.891	140.971	140.698	141.013	2.7	2.1	1.3	.9	2.4	1.1
Apparel .....	118.585	117.936	118.232	118.247	1.6	-3.3	-1.9	-1.1	-.9	-1.5
Men's and boys' apparel .....	113.150	112.309	113.158	112.779	-5.8	-1.0	3.4	-1.3	-3.4	1.0
Women's and girls' apparel .....	108.619	108.533	108.461	108.078	6.9	-4.6	-10.1	-2.0	1.0	-6.1
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	111.839	112.203	113.091	115.027	-8.8	-3.3	-6.0	11.9	-6.1	2.6
Footwear .....	123.124	122.326	121.792	122.241	-6	-4.2	5.1	-2.8	-2.4	1.1
Transportation .....	187.002	184.702	184.899	185.713	.4	17.4	9.4	-2.7	8.5	3.2
Private transportation .....	183.322	180.862	181.008	181.709	.3	18.6	10.0	-3.5	9.1	3.1
New and used motor vehicles <sup>2</sup> .....	94.380	94.626	94.422	94.330	-4.4	-.6	.8	-.2	-2.5	.3
New vehicles .....	136.361	136.457	136.113	135.823	-2.7	.8	-.8	-1.6	-1.0	-1.2
Used cars and trucks <sup>1</sup> .....	136.024	137.138	137.142	136.950	-11.1	-2.6	5.0	2.8	-7.0	3.9
Motor fuel .....	249.813	237.534	238.498	241.971	8.5	82.3	32.9	-12.0	40.6	8.2
Gasoline (all types) .....	248.717	236.522	237.409	240.824	8.6	82.6	33.2	-12.1	40.8	8.2
Motor vehicle parts and equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	121.514	121.730	122.292	123.017	2.9	3.2	2.7	5.0	3.1	3.9
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....	223.624	224.432	224.473	224.748	1.3	5.0	3.5	2.0	3.1	2.8
Public transportation .....	227.627	228.803	229.945	232.798	.2	.2	.7	9.4	.2	5.0
Medical care .....	351.450	353.209	354.396	356.360	5.0	3.9	4.8	5.7	4.4	5.3
Medical care commodities .....	289.810	290.911	290.962	291.886	1.3	-.7	2.3	2.9	.3	2.6
Medical care services .....	369.912	371.893	373.489	375.814	6.0	5.3	5.6	6.5	5.7	6.1
Professional services .....	300.785	302.356	302.950	304.067	5.7	3.1	3.5	4.4	4.4	4.0
Hospital and related services <sup>3</sup> .....	499.895	502.604	506.744	512.322	4.6	7.6	7.7	10.3	6.1	9.0

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 Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	July 2007	Aug. 2007	Sep. 2007	Oct. 2007	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
					Jan. 2007	Apr. 2007	July 2007	Oct. 2007	Apr. 2007	Oct. 2007
Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....	111.335	111.186	111.495	111.853	-0.5	0.1	0.5	1.9	-0.2	1.2
Video and audio <sup>2</sup> .....	102.766	102.381	102.924	103.281	-3.9	-2.5	1.0	2.0	-3.2	1.5
Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....	119.812	120.182	120.304	120.731	-5	4.4	3.4	3.1	1.9	3.2
Education <sup>2</sup> .....	171.682	172.510	172.780	174.034	4.7	6.6	5.0	5.6	5.7	5.3
Educational books and supplies .....	421.161	428.565	429.676	429.396	8.8	9.4	6.9	8.1	9.1	7.5
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....	494.925	496.848	497.589	501.493	4.5	6.4	4.8	5.4	5.5	5.1
Communication <sup>2</sup> .....	83.553	83.658	83.693	83.661	-5.7	2.1	1.7	.5	-1.9	1.1
Information and information processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....	80.840	80.944	80.976	80.946	-6.0	2.2	.8	.5	-2.0	.7
Telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	98.570	98.813	98.882	99.031	.4	3.0	4.0	1.9	1.7	2.9
Information technology, hardware and services <sup>1 5</sup> .....	10.528	10.487	10.477	10.385	-29.6	-1.1	-12.0	-5.3	-16.6	-8.7
Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....	9.601	9.524	9.455	9.324	-5.3	-3.3	-20.6	-11.1	-4.3	-16.0
Other goods and services .....	333.462	333.712	335.133	335.868	6.3	2.5	2.5	2.9	4.4	2.7
Tobacco and smoking products <sup>1</sup> .....	553.987	555.217	559.636	560.626	18.3	3.1	4.7	4.9	10.5	4.8
Personal care .....	195.739	195.809	196.450	196.903	3.4	2.4	1.9	2.4	2.9	2.1
Personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....	158.457	157.788	157.643	158.381	2.8	2.5	-.5	-.2	2.6	-.3
Personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....	216.720	217.028	217.589	217.887	4.5	2.5	2.5	2.2	3.5	2.3
Miscellaneous personal services .....	324.498	325.752	327.885	328.555	2.8	3.3	2.0	5.1	3.0	3.5
<b>Commodity and service group</b>										
Commodities .....	168.542	167.657	168.022	168.531	1.0	9.4	5.3	.0	5.1	2.6
Food and beverages .....	203.709	204.528	205.513	206.085	2.5	6.1	4.3	4.7	4.3	4.5
Commodities less food and beverages .....	148.786	147.198	147.288	147.755	.2	11.4	5.9	-2.7	5.6	1.5
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	183.925	180.059	180.329	181.133	13.6	15.8	8.2	-5.9	14.7	.9
Apparel .....	118.585	117.936	118.232	118.247	1.6	-3.3	-1.9	-1.1	-.9	-1.5
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	231.202	225.615	226.029	228.406	3.0	33.3	15.1	-4.8	17.2	4.7
Durables .....	112.376	112.528	112.252	112.102	-3.7	-.8	-1.2	-1.0	-2.2	-1.1
Services .....	247.174	247.469	248.199	248.934	4.0	3.4	3.0	2.9	3.7	3.0
Rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....	251.435	251.709	252.550	252.860	4.4	2.6	3.9	2.3	3.5	3.1
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....	116.577	116.926	116.783	116.640	4.3	.5	-3.3	.2	2.4	-1.6
Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>3</sup> .....	186.201	183.827	183.937	186.259	13.4	10.5	-3.2	.1	12.0	-1.5
Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....	144.181	144.972	145.246	145.488	6.0	4.5	5.7	3.7	5.2	4.7
Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....	140.691	140.971	140.698	141.013	2.7	2.1	1.3	.9	2.4	1.1
Transportation services .....	233.221	234.183	234.578	235.197	.7	-2	1.7	3.4	.2	2.6
Medical care services .....	369.912	371.893	373.489	375.814	6.0	5.3	5.6	6.5	5.7	6.1
Other services .....	285.897	286.386	287.243	288.355	1.1	3.7	3.2	3.5	2.4	3.3
<b>Special indexes</b>										
All items less food .....	208.831	208.356	208.827	209.447	2.8	5.7	3.9	1.2	4.2	2.5
All items less shelter .....	197.405	196.853	197.308	198.063	2.2	7.2	4.2	1.3	4.7	2.8
All items less medical care .....	200.770	200.405	200.929	201.483	2.6	5.9	3.9	1.4	4.2	2.7
Commodities less food .....	150.973	149.448	149.540	150.016	.3	11.1	5.8	-2.5	5.6	1.5
Nondurables less food .....	185.359	181.786	182.096	182.825	12.8	14.8	7.9	-5.4	13.8	1.0
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	227.933	222.999	223.358	225.628	2.8	30.5	14.0	-4.0	15.8	4.6
Nondurables .....	194.200	192.718	193.390	194.118	7.5	10.5	5.8	-.2	9.0	2.8
Services less rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....	261.518	261.644	262.272	263.159	2.9	4.5	3.8	2.5	3.7	3.2
Services less medical care services .....	237.457	237.685	238.208	238.805	3.1	3.4	3.6	2.3	3.3	2.9
Energy .....	212.732	205.920	206.496	209.422	10.1	43.3	16.0	-6.1	25.6	4.4
All items less energy .....	209.158	209.556	210.112	210.483	2.2	2.6	2.8	2.6	2.4	2.7
All items less food and energy .....	210.933	211.250	211.714	212.050	2.0	1.9	2.5	2.1	2.0	2.3
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	140.013	139.963	139.929	139.903	-1.4	-.5	-.1	-.3	-.9	-.2
Energy commodities .....	251.255	239.722	240.784	244.473	7.2	77.7	32.9	-10.4	38.0	9.1
Services less energy services .....	253.423	253.985	254.778	255.354	3.4	2.9	3.5	3.1	3.1	3.3

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

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

estimator.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=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 Oct.2007 from—			Percent change to Sep.2007 from—		
		July 2007	Aug. 2007	Sep. 2007	Oct. 2007	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sep. 2007	Sep. 2006	July 2007	Aug. 2007
U.S. city average .....	M	208.299	207.917	208.490	208.936	3.5	0.5	0.2	2.8	0.1	0.3
<b>Region and area size<sup>2</sup></b>											
Northeast urban .....	M	221.945	221.559	221.436	221.951	3.1	.2	.2	2.4	-.2	-.1
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	224.229	224.246	224.274	224.636	3.2	.2	.2	2.4	.0	.0
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	131.391	130.519	130.206	130.761	3.0	.2	.4	2.4	-.9	-.2
Midwest urban .....	M	198.989	198.551	199.714	199.455	3.7	.5	-.1	3.1	.4	.6
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	200.369	199.823	201.171	200.927	3.5	.6	-.1	2.8	.4	.7
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	127.111	126.886	127.504	127.349	3.9	.4	-.1	3.5	.3	.5
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	194.815	194.716	195.483	195.054	4.3	.2	-.2	3.4	.3	.4
South urban .....	M	201.571	201.041	201.697	202.155	3.8	.6	.2	3.0	.1	.3
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	203.953	203.579	204.302	204.779	3.8	.6	.2	3.0	.2	.4
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	128.226	127.833	128.263	128.600	4.0	.6	.3	3.1	.0	.3
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	201.576	200.771	200.898	200.712	2.6	.0	-.1	1.9	-.3	.1
West urban .....	M	212.542	212.406	212.920	213.917	3.3	.7	.5	2.5	.2	.2
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	215.855	215.825	216.429	217.314	3.2	.7	.4	2.4	.3	.3
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	129.067	128.939	129.064	129.866	3.5	.7	.6	2.5	.0	.1
<b>Size classes</b>											
A <sup>4</sup> .....	M	190.571	190.382	190.962	191.324	3.4	.5	.2	2.6	.2	.3
B/C <sup>3</sup> .....	M	128.601	128.216	128.506	128.869	3.8	.5	.3	3.0	-.1	.2
D .....	M	200.893	200.311	200.903	200.941	3.4	.3	.0	2.7	.0	.3
<b>Selected local areas<sup>5</sup></b>											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI .....	M	205.561	205.813	206.454	206.696	4.7	.4	.1	3.4	.4	.3
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ...	M	217.454	217.330	217.697	218.696	3.5	.6	.5	2.3	.1	.2
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA .....	M	228.628	228.326	228.308	228.552	3.1	.1	.1	2.4	-.1	.0
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT .....	1	226.929	-	227.850	-	-	-	-	1.5	.4	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH .....	1	197.010	-	197.000	-	-	-	-	3.3	.0	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	1	194.286	-	194.847	-	-	-	-	1.5	.3	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV <sup>6</sup> .....	1	134.442	-	134.678	-	-	-	-	3.4	.2	-
Atlanta, GA .....	2	-	201.258	-	201.938	4.8	.3	-	-	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI .....	2	-	199.679	-	201.786	2.6	1.1	-	-	-	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	2	-	183.740	-	184.922	2.5	.6	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	2	-	213.127	-	215.159	5.1	1.0	-	-	-	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD .....	2	-	218.692	-	218.929	3.5	.1	-	-	-	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....	2	-	216.240	-	217.949	3.3	.8	-	-	-	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA .....	2	-	215.978	-	218.427	4.1	1.1	-	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See technical notes.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> 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.

<sup>6</sup> 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 2006	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Oct. 2007 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Sep. 2007	Oct. 2007	Oct. 2006	Sep. 2007	July to Aug.	Aug. to Sep.	Sep. to Oct.
All items .....	100.000	203.889	204.338	3.7	0.2	-0.2	0.3	0.3
All items (1967=100) .....	-	607.324	608.662	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages .....	16.475	204.584	205.428	4.4	.4	.4	.5	.3
Food .....	15.457	204.241	205.082	4.5	.4	.4	.5	.3
Food at home .....	9.244	202.351	203.442	4.8	.5	.4	.5	.3
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.285	223.895	224.897	4.7	.4	.4	.5	.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	2.623	197.980	198.146	5.7	.1	.2	.5	.2
Dairy and related products .....	.928	203.464	205.100	13.1	.8	1.6	1.0	.2
Fruits and vegetables .....	1.332	257.223	261.774	.4	1.8	-2	1.6	.8
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	1.082	154.501	154.873	4.9	.2	1.2	.0	.0
Other food at home .....	1.993	173.463	174.215	2.8	.4	.2	-.3	.4
Sugar and sweets .....	.337	176.458	176.248	2.8	-.1	.1	.4	.1
Fats and oils .....	.283	175.039	176.683	4.1	.9	.3	-.1	.6
Other foods <sup>1</sup> .....	1.373	189.110	189.987	2.5	.5	.1	-.4	.5
Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.368	114.584	115.378	1.4	.7	.9	-1.5	.7
Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	6.213	208.578	209.037	4.1	.2	.4	.5	.2
Other food away from home <sup>2</sup> .....	.279	145.783	144.764	5.3	-.7	.3	.5	-.7
Alcoholic beverages <sup>1</sup> .....	1.018	208.286	209.176	3.7	.4	.3	.0	.4
Housing .....	40.463	206.050	205.916	3.2	-.1	.0	.2	.3
Shelter .....	30.570	234.275	234.812	3.2	.2	.2	.3	.2
Rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	8.021	235.175	236.259	4.0	.5	.2	.3	.4
Lodging away from home <sup>2</sup> .....	1.430	143.727	142.666	5.9	-.7	-.7	.9	-1.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3 4</sup> .....	20.776	224.321	224.811	2.7	.2	.2	.3	.2
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.342	117.142	116.982	.3	-.1	.3	-.1	-.1
Fuels and utilities .....	5.779	202.304	198.796	5.7	-1.7	-.9	.1	1.2
Household energy .....	4.842	182.357	178.539	5.8	-2.1	-1.2	.1	1.4
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	.346	252.684	261.972	15.6	3.7	.1	1.0	2.5
Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>3</sup> .....	4.496	187.963	183.172	5.1	-2.5	-1.3	.0	1.3
Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....	.937	145.513	145.749	4.9	.2	.6	.2	.2
Household furnishings and operations .....	4.114	121.820	122.039	-.6	.2	-.2	-.2	.0
Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.368	143.250	143.886	2.3	.4	.2	-.2	.4
Apparel .....	4.041	118.986	121.536	-1.3	2.1	-.3	.1	.1
Men's and boys' apparel .....	.954	111.981	114.710	-1.5	2.4	-1.1	1.0	-.3
Women's and girls' apparel .....	1.680	110.847	113.623	-2.0	2.5	.5	-.7	-.3
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.235	115.896	119.670	-1.7	3.3	.6	.6	1.7
Footwear .....	.954	122.846	124.372	-.7	1.2	-.7	-.1	.5
Transportation .....	19.515	184.361	184.639	6.3	.2	-1.4	.1	.4
Private transportation .....	18.793	181.495	181.717	6.5	.1	-1.5	.1	.4
New and used motor vehicles <sup>2</sup> .....	8.626	93.118	93.268	-1.1	.2	.3	-.2	-.1
New vehicles .....	5.210	136.129	136.509	-.9	.3	.1	-.3	-.2
Used cars and trucks <sup>1</sup> .....	2.675	137.996	137.798	-1.6	-.1	.8	.0	-.1
Motor fuel .....	5.441	240.271	240.040	23.5	-.1	-5.0	.5	1.4
Gasoline (all types) .....	5.388	239.252	238.906	23.5	-.1	-5.0	.5	1.4
Motor vehicle parts and equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	.444	122.144	122.830	3.6	.6	.2	.5	.6
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....	1.145	226.881	227.472	2.9	.3	.4	.0	.1
Public transportation .....	.723	229.148	231.182	2.5	.9	.4	.5	1.3
Medical care .....	5.228	353.571	355.719	5.0	.6	.5	.4	.6
Medical care commodities .....	1.135	283.712	284.517	1.3	.3	.3	.0	.4
Medical care services .....	4.094	373.306	375.899	6.0	.7	.6	.5	.7
Professional services .....	2.338	304.841	306.072	4.2	.4	.6	.2	.4
Hospital and related services <sup>3</sup> .....	1.378	498.533	505.077	7.5	1.3	.5	.9	1.2

See footnotes at end of table.

**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 2006	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Oct. 2007 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Sep. 2007	Oct. 2007	Oct. 2006	Sep. 2007	July to Aug.	Aug. to Sep.	Sep. to Oct.
Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....	5.022	108.495	108.793	0.4	0.3	-0.1	0.4	0.3
Video and audio <sup>2</sup> .....	1.867	102.427	102.833	-0.6	.4	-0.4	.6	.4
Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....	5.605	117.707	117.891	2.2	.2	.3	.0	.3
Education <sup>2</sup> .....	2.329	173.060	173.700	5.1	.4	.5	.0	.6
Educational books and supplies .....	.208	433.670	434.800	8.5	.3	1.8	.2	-1.1
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....	2.121	488.199	490.061	4.8	.4	.3	.0	.7
Communication <sup>2</sup> .....	3.276	86.184	86.182	.1	.0	.2	.0	.0
Information and information processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....	3.124	84.283	84.282	-1.1	.0	.2	.0	.0
Telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	2.633	99.024	99.149	2.3	.1	.2	.1	.1
Information technology, hardware and services <sup>1 5</sup> .....	.492	10.958	10.877	-12.3	-.7	-3.3	-1.1	-7.7
Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.178	9.348	9.229	-9.5	-1.3	-8.8	-8.8	-1.3
Other goods and services .....	3.652	345.800	346.742	4.1	.3	.1	.4	.2
Tobacco and smoking products <sup>1</sup> .....	1.139	561.092	562.134	7.5	.2	.2	.8	.2
Personal care .....	2.513	194.160	194.769	2.6	.3	.0	.2	.3
Personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....	.771	157.654	158.408	1.2	.5	-.4	-1.1	.5
Personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....	.618	217.822	218.149	2.9	.2	.1	.2	.2
Miscellaneous personal services .....	.962	329.329	329.706	3.7	.1	.4	.6	.2
<b>Commodity and service group</b>								
Commodities .....	44.175	170.141	170.865	4.3	.4	-0.6	.2	.3
Food and beverages .....	16.475	204.584	205.428	4.4	.4	.4	.5	.3
Commodities less food and beverages .....	27.700	150.795	151.448	4.2	.4	-1.2	.1	.4
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	15.699	189.981	191.230	8.7	.7	-2.4	.1	.6
Apparel .....	4.041	118.986	121.536	-1.3	2.1	-3.3	.1	.1
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	11.658	238.345	238.798	12.3	.2	-2.6	.2	1.2
Durables .....	12.001	112.114	112.241	-1.5	.1	.1	-3.3	-1.1
Services .....	55.825	243.436	243.572	3.3	.1	.1	.3	.3
Rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....	30.227	225.867	226.393	3.2	.2	.1	.3	.2
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.342	117.142	116.982	.3	-1.1	.3	-1.1	-1.1
Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>3</sup> .....	4.496	187.963	183.172	5.1	-2.5	-1.3	.0	1.3
Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....	.937	145.513	145.749	4.9	.2	.6	.2	.2
Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....	.368	143.250	143.886	2.3	.4	.2	-2.2	.4
Transportation services .....	5.600	233.868	234.848	1.1	.4	.4	.1	.1
Medical care services .....	4.094	373.306	375.899	6.0	.7	.6	.5	.7
Other services .....	9.761	277.702	278.404	2.6	.3	.2	.3	.3
<b>Special indexes</b>								
All items less food .....	84.543	203.638	204.015	3.6	.2	-0.3	.2	.3
All items less shelter .....	69.430	195.018	195.440	4.0	.2	-0.4	.2	.4
All items less medical care .....	94.772	197.629	198.022	3.7	.2	-0.2	.2	.3
Commodities less food .....	28.718	152.837	153.499	4.2	.4	-1.1	.1	.4
Nondurables less food .....	16.717	191.210	192.442	8.4	.6	-2.2	.2	.5
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	12.676	234.745	235.233	11.5	.2	-2.5	.2	1.1
Nondurables .....	32.174	198.017	199.075	6.5	.5	-0.9	.3	.5
Services less rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....	25.598	232.982	232.628	3.3	-0.2	.0	.2	.3
Services less medical care services .....	51.732	233.839	233.850	3.1	.0	.1	.2	.2
Energy .....	10.282	209.933	207.885	15.1	-1.0	-3.4	.3	1.4
All items less energy .....	89.718	204.037	204.797	2.4	.4	.2	.2	.2
All items less food and energy .....	74.261	204.363	205.107	2.0	.4	.2	.2	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	22.932	140.491	141.236	-0.3	.5	.0	.0	.0
Energy commodities .....	5.786	241.692	241.955	23.0	.1	-4.7	.5	1.5
Services less energy services .....	51.329	249.398	250.127	3.1	.3	.2	.3	.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00) .....	-	\$ .490	\$ .489	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00) .....	-	\$ .165	\$ .164	-	-	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

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

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=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)

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—			6 months ended—		
	July 2007	Aug. 2007	Sep. 2007	Oct. 2007	Jan. 2007	Apr. 2007	July 2007	Oct. 2007	Apr. 2007	Oct. 2007
<b>All items</b> .....	203.547	203.153	203.665	204.338	2.7	6.7	4.2	1.6	4.7	2.9
Food and beverages .....	202.990	203.829	204.778	205.386	2.2	6.4	4.5	4.8	4.3	4.6
Food .....	202.586	203.440	204.447	205.037	2.1	6.4	4.6	4.9	4.3	4.8
Food at home .....	200.860	201.705	202.691	203.368	.8	8.6	4.8	5.1	4.6	4.9
Cereals and bakery products .....	222.475	223.401	224.454	225.152	3.2	7.6	3.1	4.9	5.4	4.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	196.383	196.683	197.743	198.217	3.3	10.1	5.8	3.8	6.7	4.8
Dairy and related products .....	198.664	201.842	203.765	204.131	3.1	9.1	30.4	11.5	6.1	20.5
Fruits and vegetables .....	255.779	255.386	259.432	261.596	-11.3	16.5	-10.4	9.4	1.7	-1.0
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	153.081	154.886	154.914	154.861	5.2	4.2	5.3	4.7	4.7	5.0
Other food at home .....	173.641	173.908	173.473	174.214	1.3	4.4	4.2	1.3	2.8	2.8
Sugar and sweets .....	175.813	175.909	176.589	176.757	4.5	1.2	3.5	2.2	2.8	2.8
Fats and oils .....	174.579	175.126	174.955	176.081	.0	3.1	10.0	3.5	1.5	6.7
Other foods <sup>1</sup> .....	189.667	189.941	189.110	189.987	.8	5.5	3.2	.7	3.1	1.9
Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 2</sup> .....	115.355	116.348	114.584	115.378	3.4	2.4	-.3	.1	2.9	-.1
Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	206.657	207.533	208.578	209.037	4.3	3.2	4.2	4.7	3.7	4.5
Other food away from home <sup>2</sup> .....	144.409	144.899	145.613	144.534	10.5	6.4	4.1	.3	8.4	2.2
Alcoholic beverages <sup>1</sup> .....	207.647	208.253	208.286	209.176	2.0	7.1	2.6	3.0	4.6	2.8
Housing .....	205.060	205.005	205.466	206.110	4.5	3.8	2.2	2.1	4.2	2.2
Shelter .....	233.328	233.721	234.435	234.866	4.1	3.1	3.1	2.7	3.6	2.9
Rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....	234.070	234.536	235.196	236.254	4.7	4.4	3.3	3.8	4.5	3.5
Lodging away from home <sup>2</sup> .....	145.591	144.594	145.861	144.080	9.6	-.8	20.5	-4.1	4.3	7.5
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3 4</sup> .....	223.171	223.664	224.285	224.721	3.4	3.0	1.9	2.8	3.2	2.3
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....	116.912	117.287	117.142	116.982	4.0	.7	-3.5	.2	2.3	-1.6
Fuels and utilities .....	198.917	197.133	197.372	199.757	11.8	10.3	-.5	1.7	11.1	.6
Household energy .....	178.981	176.872	177.067	179.569	12.9	11.5	-1.7	1.3	12.2	-.2
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	253.612	253.970	256.475	262.852	-8.0	24.8	34.8	15.4	7.1	24.7
Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>3</sup> .....	184.154	181.788	181.858	184.267	14.6	10.6	-4.1	.2	12.5	-1.9
Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....	144.432	145.259	145.513	145.749	5.7	4.3	5.7	3.7	5.0	4.7
Household furnishings and operations .....	122.706	122.415	122.125	122.126	-1.0	.1	.3	-1.9	-.5	-.8
Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....	143.175	143.526	143.250	143.886	3.3	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.7	2.0
Apparel .....	118.157	117.843	117.914	117.996	-.2	-2.7	-1.6	-.5	-1.4	-1.1
Men's and boys' apparel .....	113.122	111.897	113.057	112.713	-8.5	.6	3.9	-1.4	-4.1	1.2
Women's and girls' apparel .....	108.877	109.399	108.672	108.321	7.8	-4.7	-8.3	-2.0	1.4	-5.2
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	114.249	114.924	115.628	117.566	-8.3	-6.0	-3.8	12.1	-7.1	3.9
Footwear .....	122.575	121.695	121.591	122.187	-2.4	-2.8	4.0	-1.3	-2.6	1.3
Transportation .....	187.060	184.468	184.715	185.489	.0	19.3	10.9	-3.3	9.3	3.5
Private transportation .....	184.340	181.660	181.876	182.579	.1	20.1	11.3	-3.8	9.6	3.5
New and used motor vehicles <sup>2</sup> .....	93.427	93.724	93.522	93.408	-4.8	-.6	1.3	-.1	-2.7	.6
New vehicles .....	137.606	137.732	137.339	137.011	-2.3	.6	-.3	-1.7	-.8	-1.0
Used cars and trucks <sup>1</sup> .....	136.880	137.999	137.996	137.798	-11.0	-2.5	5.1	2.7	-6.9	3.9
Motor fuel .....	250.930	238.460	239.667	243.032	8.0	82.6	34.1	-12.0	40.4	8.6
Gasoline (all types) .....	249.916	237.435	238.626	241.933	8.0	83.1	34.2	-12.2	40.6	8.6
Motor vehicle parts and equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	121.350	121.584	122.144	122.830	2.9	3.1	3.3	5.0	3.0	4.1
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....	226.248	227.106	227.084	227.206	1.3	5.1	3.5	1.7	3.2	2.6
Public transportation .....	226.344	227.314	228.531	231.423	.0	.8	.1	9.3	.4	4.6
Medical care .....	351.204	353.036	354.323	356.448	4.8	4.2	4.7	6.1	4.5	5.4
Medical care commodities .....	282.230	283.195	283.310	284.392	1.2	-1.0	1.7	3.1	.1	2.4
Medical care services .....	370.659	372.772	374.455	376.920	5.8	5.7	5.5	6.9	5.8	6.2
Professional services .....	303.150	304.885	305.437	306.642	5.3	3.6	3.4	4.7	4.5	4.1
Hospital and related services <sup>3</sup> .....	494.151	496.677	501.200	507.309	4.3	7.8	6.8	11.1	6.1	8.9

See footnotes at end of table.



**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**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
	July 2007	Aug. 2007	Sep. 2007	Oct. 2007	3 months ended—				6 months ended—	
					Jan. 2007	Apr. 2007	July 2007	Oct. 2007	Apr. 2007	Oct. 2007
Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....	108.354	108.201	108.602	108.916	-0.2	-0.3	-0.1	2.1	-0.2	1.0
Video and audio <sup>2</sup> .....	102.335	101.959	102.576	102.942	-3.3	-2.4	.9	2.4	-2.9	1.6
Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....	116.590	116.935	116.988	117.294	-1.0	4.0	3.3	2.4	1.5	2.9
Education <sup>2</sup> .....	169.643	170.468	170.551	171.623	4.9	6.4	4.7	4.8	5.6	4.7
Educational books and supplies .....	424.475	432.277	433.081	432.774	9.7	9.3	6.9	8.1	9.5	7.5
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....	478.632	480.306	480.473	483.839	4.4	6.1	4.5	4.4	5.2	4.4
Communication <sup>2</sup> .....	86.016	86.151	86.188	86.184	-4.9	2.3	2.3	.8	-1.3	1.6
Information and information processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....	84.111	84.248	84.283	84.282	-5.3	2.4	1.7	.8	-1.5	1.3
Telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....	98.721	98.964	99.024	99.149	.6	2.9	4.1	1.7	1.7	2.9
Information technology, hardware and services <sup>1 5</sup> .....	11.001	10.965	10.958	10.877	-30.5	.0	-10.9	-4.4	-16.6	-7.7
Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....	9.495	9.421	9.348	9.229	-4.6	-1.8	-19.9	-10.7	-3.2	-15.4
Other goods and services .....	344.296	344.608	346.082	346.886	7.3	3.2	3.0	3.0	5.2	3.0
Tobacco and smoking products <sup>1</sup> .....	555.366	556.517	561.092	562.134	17.8	3.2	4.9	5.0	10.2	4.9
Personal care .....	193.854	193.923	194.393	194.888	2.9	3.2	2.1	2.2	3.0	2.1
Personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....	158.445	157.813	157.654	158.408	2.6	2.8	-.3	-.1	2.7	-.2
Personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....	217.040	217.354	217.822	218.149	4.5	2.6	2.6	2.1	3.6	2.3
Miscellaneous personal services .....	325.826	327.281	329.372	330.029	2.4	4.9	2.4	5.3	3.6	3.8
<b>Commodity and service group</b>										
Commodities .....	170.814	169.834	170.221	170.800	1.0	10.6	6.4	.0	5.7	3.1
Food and beverages .....	202.990	203.829	204.778	205.386	2.2	6.4	4.5	4.8	4.3	4.6
Commodities less food and beverages .....	152.445	150.691	150.823	151.373	.2	13.2	7.5	-2.8	6.5	2.2
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	191.368	186.841	187.085	188.242	14.1	18.8	9.6	-6.4	16.5	1.3
Apparel .....	118.157	117.843	117.914	117.996	-.2	-2.7	-1.6	-.5	-1.4	-1.1
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	243.756	237.400	237.881	240.709	3.7	37.4	17.2	-4.9	19.4	5.6
Durables .....	112.574	112.718	112.432	112.359	-3.1	-1.2	-.6	-.8	-2.2	-.7
Services .....	241.916	242.178	242.833	243.646	4.1	3.7	2.5	2.9	3.9	2.7
Rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....	224.974	225.280	226.032	226.420	4.2	2.9	3.3	2.6	3.6	2.9
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....	116.912	117.287	117.142	116.982	4.0	.7	-3.5	.2	2.3	-1.6
Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>3</sup> .....	184.154	181.788	181.858	184.267	14.6	10.6	-4.1	.2	12.5	-1.9
Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....	144.432	145.259	145.513	145.749	5.7	4.3	5.7	3.7	5.0	4.7
Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....	143.175	143.526	143.250	143.886	3.3	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.7	2.0
Transportation services .....	233.079	233.978	234.298	234.633	.5	.0	1.4	2.7	.2	2.0
Medical care services .....	370.659	372.772	374.455	376.920	5.8	5.7	5.5	6.9	5.8	6.2
Other services .....	275.533	275.999	276.810	277.734	.7	3.4	3.0	3.2	2.0	3.1
<b>Special indexes</b>										
All items less food .....	203.538	202.914	203.334	204.022	2.7	6.7	4.2	1.0	4.7	2.5
All items less shelter .....	194.892	194.208	194.652	195.420	2.1	8.3	4.7	1.1	5.1	2.9
All items less medical care .....	197.352	196.892	197.376	197.998	2.6	6.8	4.2	1.3	4.7	2.8
Commodities less food .....	154.434	152.735	152.865	153.426	.2	13.0	7.3	-2.6	6.4	2.2
Nondurables less food .....	192.421	188.244	188.582	189.585	13.5	17.9	9.2	-5.8	15.7	1.4
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	239.642	233.632	234.206	236.858	3.3	35.0	16.2	-4.6	18.1	5.3
Nondurables .....	197.686	196.000	196.651	197.625	8.0	12.2	6.5	-.1	10.1	3.1
Services less rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....	231.603	231.619	232.142	232.728	3.1	4.6	3.5	2.0	3.9	2.7
Services less medical care services .....	232.694	232.933	233.393	233.960	3.3	3.6	3.1	2.2	3.5	2.7
Energy .....	213.434	206.267	206.957	209.870	10.2	45.6	17.2	-6.5	26.6	4.7
All items less energy .....	203.217	203.660	204.152	204.551	1.8	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.3	2.7
All items less food and energy .....	203.719	204.075	204.459	204.817	1.8	2.0	2.3	2.2	1.9	2.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	140.638	140.697	140.630	140.642	-1.4	-.4	.5	.0	-.9	.2
Energy commodities .....	251.878	240.036	241.314	244.847	7.0	78.8	34.1	-10.7	38.3	9.4
Services less energy services .....	248.158	248.736	249.459	250.078	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

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

estimator.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=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 Oct.2007 from—			Percent change to Sep.2007 from—		
		July 2007	Aug. 2007	Sep. 2007	Oct. 2007	Oct. 2006	Aug. 2007	Sep. 2007	Sep. 2006	July 2007	Aug. 2007
U.S. city average .....	M	203.700	203.199	203.889	204.338	3.7	0.6	0.2	2.8	0.1	0.3
<b>Region and area size<sup>2</sup></b>											
Northeast urban .....	M	217.879	217.379	217.486	218.151	3.3	.4	.3	2.3	-.2	.0
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	218.523	218.445	218.791	219.275	3.4	.4	.2	2.2	.1	.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	131.521	130.684	130.447	131.080	3.2	.3	.5	2.3	-.8	-.2
Midwest urban .....	M	194.219	193.663	194.828	194.384	3.9	.4	-.2	3.2	.3	.6
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	194.725	194.084	195.306	194.843	3.7	.4	-.2	2.9	.3	.6
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	126.738	126.435	127.139	126.879	4.3	.4	-.2	3.8	.3	.6
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	192.804	192.437	193.586	193.074	4.3	.3	-.3	3.4	.4	.6
South urban .....	M	198.673	198.063	198.873	199.319	4.1	.6	.2	3.1	.1	.4
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	201.867	201.384	202.354	202.906	4.1	.8	.3	3.0	.2	.5
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	126.878	126.445	126.953	127.265	4.2	.6	.2	3.3	.1	.4
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....	M	201.809	201.006	201.250	200.942	2.9	.0	-.2	2.2	-.3	.1
West urban .....	M	206.927	206.624	207.164	208.304	3.5	.8	.6	2.4	.1	.3
Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....	M	208.388	208.225	208.921	210.025	3.5	.9	.5	2.3	.3	.3
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....	M	128.840	128.546	128.642	129.419	3.5	.7	.6	2.4	-.2	.1
<b>Size classes</b>											
A <sup>4</sup> .....	M	188.642	188.338	189.072	189.471	3.6	.6	.2	2.6	.2	.4
B/C <sup>3</sup> .....	M	127.866	127.419	127.759	128.103	3.9	.5	.3	3.0	-.1	.3
D .....	M	199.207	198.559	199.289	199.275	3.5	.4	.0	2.7	.0	.4
<b>Selected local areas<sup>5</sup></b>											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI .....	M	198.700	198.630	199.419	199.558	4.9	.5	.1	3.4	.4	.4
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ...	M	209.444	209.240	209.849	211.259	3.8	1.0	.7	2.2	.2	.3
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA .....	M	222.237	221.905	222.174	222.624	3.4	.3	.2	2.4	.0	.1
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT .....	1	226.465	-	227.429	-	-	-	-	1.4	.4	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH .....	1	187.344	-	187.784	-	-	-	-	3.3	.2	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....	1	196.198	-	197.027	-	-	-	-	1.7	.4	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV <sup>6</sup> .....	1	133.766	-	134.277	-	-	-	-	3.4	.4	-
Atlanta, GA .....	2	-	200.162	-	200.714	5.1	.3	-	-	-	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI .....	2	-	194.798	-	196.237	2.6	.7	-	-	-	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....	2	-	182.425	-	183.426	2.5	.5	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	2	-	211.041	-	213.454	5.1	1.1	-	-	-	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD .....	2	-	217.331	-	218.061	3.3	.3	-	-	-	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....	2	-	211.620	-	213.133	3.4	.7	-	-	-	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA .....	2	-	210.220	-	213.107	4.5	1.4	-	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See technical notes.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> 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.

<sup>6</sup> 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, 2003-2004	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Oct. 2007 from—	
		Sep. 2007	Oct. 2007	Oct. 2006	Sep. 2007
		Expenditure category			
All items .....	100.000	120.423	120.700	3.0	0.2
Food and beverages .....	15.072	120.856	121.361	4.3	.4
Food .....	13.943	120.930	121.440	4.3	.4
Food at home .....	8.029	117.827	118.495	4.6	.6
Food away from home .....	5.914	125.125	125.407	4.0	.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	1.130	120.212	120.656	3.5	.4
Housing .....	42.173	125.956	125.886	2.9	-.1
Shelter .....	32.495	127.869	128.100	3.1	.2
Fuels and utilities .....	4.702	153.610	150.915	5.7	-1.8
Household furnishings and operations .....	4.977	95.253	95.274	-1.4	.0
Apparel .....	4.076	89.723	91.416	-1.5	1.9
Transportation .....	17.095	120.429	120.756	4.3	.3
Private transportation .....	15.988	121.090	121.371	4.5	.2
Public transportation .....	1.107	113.448	114.404	2.4	.8
Medical care .....	6.055	137.696	138.435	4.5	.5
Medical care commodities .....	1.458	123.099	123.448	1.2	.3
Medical care services .....	4.597	142.802	143.683	5.6	.6
Recreation .....	5.863	104.846	105.150	-.4	.3
Education and communication .....	6.190	106.565	106.709	1.6	.1
Education .....	2.751	163.011	163.793	5.4	.5
Communication .....	3.439	74.665	74.561	-1.4	-.1
Other goods and services .....	3.475	124.438	124.777	3.3	.3
<b>Commodity and service group</b>					
Services .....	58.763	129.317	129.432	3.2	.1
Commodities .....	41.237	109.441	109.912	2.7	.4
Durables .....	12.340	84.291	84.371	-2.1	.1
Nondurables .....	28.897	122.623	123.326	4.9	.6
All items less food and energy .....	78.707	115.583	115.953	1.8	.3
Energy .....	7.351	179.647	177.675	13.8	-1.1

Indexes for 2007 are initial estimates. Indexes for 2006 are interim adjustments.  
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.