# Consumer Expenditures in 2010: Lingering Effects of the Great Recession 

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Consumer spending decreased for the second year in a row in the United States, according to 2010 data from the Consumer Expenditure Survey (CE). Average annual expenditures of consumer units (CUs) dropped from \$49,067 in 2009 to $\$ 48,109$ in 2010. This 2.0 -percent decline comes after a 2.8 -percent drop in average annual expenditures from 2008 to 2009, due in part to falling incomes. Average annual income before taxes decreased 0.6 percent, from $\$ 62,857$ in 2009 to $\$ 62,481$ in 2010, while U.S. prices, as measured by the average annual change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U, U.S. city average, all items), began to rise again. Following a decrease of 0.4 percent in 2009, prices rose by 1.6 percent in 2010. This report details the results of the 2010 CE.

## Developments in 2010

Although the 18-month recession that began in D ecember 2007 had officially ended in June 2009, ${ }^{1}$ consumers across the U nited States continued to feel the effects of this economic downturn throughout 2010. Of the seven major components of spendingfood, housing, apparel and services, transportation, healthcare, entertainment, and personal insurance and pensions-five components continued a downward trend from 2009. Expenditures decreased by 3.8 percent for total food (a combination of food consumed at home and food consumed away from home), 2.0 percent for housing, 1.4 percent for apparel and services, 7.0 percent for entertainment, and 1.8 percent for personal insurance and pensions. Only the transportation and healthcare components experienced increases in expenditures from 2009 to 2010 , with spending rising by 0.2 percent and 1.0 percent, respectively. (See table A.) The increase in transportation expenditures can be traced largely to a rebound in gasoline and motor oil expenditures. From 2008 to 2009, expenditures on gasoline and motor oil dropped 26.9 percent, ${ }^{2}$ a stark difference from the 7.4-percent rise from 2009 to 2010.

Following the recession, CUs spent less of their total income, on average. In 2010, consumers spent 77.0 percent of

[^0]their annual income before taxes, down from 78.1 percent in 2009. Although the average income before taxes dropped 0.6 percent in that time, overall expenditures declined 2.0 percent. This gap shows a continuing lack of consumer confidence brought on by the recession. A ccording to the N ielsen Company, consumer confidence remained low in 2010, with the Consumer Confidence Index reaching a low of 81 in the final two quarters of that year. ${ }^{3}$ (Levels of 100 and higher reflect consumer optimism.)

A portion of this pessimism can be attributed to a persisting high unemployment rate and a slumping housing market. A ccording to the Current Population Survey (CPS), the monthly national unemployment rate was above 9.4 percent throughout 2010, the first time since the CPS began collecting employment data in 1948 that the monthly unemployment rate was above 9.0 for an entire calendar year. The number of long-term unemployed individuals (those who are out of work for more than 26 weeks) also rose, from 4.5 million in 2009 to 6.4 million in 2010. In the housing market, sales of both new and existing homes declined again, while foreclosures were levied on a record 2.9 million U.S. properties. ${ }^{4}$

Housing. Expenditures on housing, the largest component of consumer expenditures (see table B), decreased across all income quintiles in 2010.The second-lowest quintile (average annual income of $\$ 18,439-\$ 35,208$ ) had the biggest decrease in housing expenditures, from $\$ 11,829$ in 2009 to $\$ 11,369$ in 2010. This is a decrease of -3.9 percent, the largest decrease in percent-change across all quintiles. Expenditures on mortgage interest and charges, a subcategory of housing, have been declining since 2007 for homeowners in the CE. Homeowners spent 11.7 percent less on this component of housing in 2010 ( $\$ 5,042$ ) than they did in $2007(\$ 5,799)$, likely the result of lower interest rates. In addition, there is an overall trend of fewer CUs owning homes: the CE measured 79.5 million homeowners in 2010, compared with 80.2 million in 2007. This decrease is evidence that some homeowners have dropped out of the housing market (through preference, fore-

[^1]Table A. Average annual expenditures by major category of all consumer units and percent changes, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2007-2010

| Item | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | Percent change |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 2007- \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2008- \\ 2009 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2009- \\ 2010 \end{gathered}$ |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) | 120,171 | 120,770 | 120,847 | 121,107 |  |  |  |
| Average income before taxes | \$63,091 | \$63,563 | \$62,857 | \$62,481 | 0.7 | -1.1 | -0.6 |
| Averages: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Age of reference person | 48.8 | 49.1 | 49.4 | 49.4 |  |  |  |
| Number of persons in consumer unit | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 |  |  |  |
| Number of earners | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 |  |  |  |
| Number of vehicles | 1.9 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 1.9 |  |  |  |
| Percenthomeowner | 67 | 66 | 66 | 66 |  |  |  |
| Average annual expenditures | \$49,638 | \$50,486 | \$49,067 | \$48,109 | 1.7 | -2.8 | -2.0 |
| Food | 6,133 | 6,443 | 6,372 | 6,129 | 5.1 | -1.1 | -3.8 |
| Food at home | 3,465 | 3,744 | 3,753 | 3,624 | 8.1 | 0.2 | -3.4 |
| Cereals and bakery products | 460 | 507 | 506 | 502 | 10.2 | -0.2 | -0.8 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | 777 | 846 | 841 | 784 | 8.9 | -0.6 | -6.8 |
| Dairy products | 387 | 430 | 406 | 380 | 11.1 | -5.6 | -6.4 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 600 | 657 | 656 | 679 | 9.5 | -0.2 | 3.5 |
| Other food at home | 1,241 | 1,305 | 1,343 | 1,278 | 5.2 | 2.9 | -4.8 |
| Food away from home | 2,668 | 2,698 | 2,619 | 2,505 | 1.1 | -2.9 | -4.4 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 457 | 444 | 435 | 412 | -2.8 | -2 | -5.3 |
| Housing | 16,920 | 17,109 | 16,895 | 16,557 | 1.1 | -1.3 | -2.0 |
| Shelter | 10,023 | 10,183 | 10,075 | 9,812 | 1.6 | -1.1 | -2.6 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services | 3,477 | 3,649 | 3,645 | 3,660 | 4.9 | -0.1 | 0.4 |
| Household operations | 984 | 998 | 1011 | 1,007 | 1.4 | 1.3 | -0.4 |
| Housekeeping supplies | 639 | 654 | 659 | 612 | 2.3 | 0.8 | -7.1 |
| Household furnishings and equipment | 1,797 | 1,624 | 1,506 | 1,467 | -9.6 | -7.3 | -2.6 |
| Apparel and services | 1,881 | 1,801 | 1,725 | 1,700 | -4.3 | -4.2 | -1.4 |
| Transportation | 8,758 | 8,604 | 7,658 | 7,677 | -1.8 | -11 | 0.2 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) | 3,244 | 2,755 | 2,657 | 2,588 | -15.1 | -3.6 | -2.6 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 2,384 | 2,715 | 1,986 | 2,132 | 13.9 | -26.9 | 7.4 |
| Other vehicle expenses | 2,592 | 2,621 | 2,536 | 2,464 | 1.1 | -3.2 | -2.8 |
| Public transportation | 538 | 513 | 479 | 493 | -4.6 | -6.6 | 2.9 |
| Healthcare | 2,853 | 2,976 | 3,126 | 3,157 | 4.3 | 5 | 1.0 |
| Entertainment | 2,698 | 2,835 | 2,693 | 2,504 | 5.1 | -5 | -7.0 |
| Personal care products and services | 588 | 616 | 596 | 582 | 4.8 | -3.2 | -2.3 |
| Reading | 118 | 116 | 110 | 100 | -1.7 | -5.2 | -9.1 |
| Education | 945 | 1,046 | 1,068 | 1,074 | 10.7 | 2.1 | 0.6 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies | 323 | 317 | 380 | 362 | -1.9 | 19.9 | -4.7 |
| Miscellaneous | 808 | 840 | 816 | 849 | 4 | -2.9 | 4.0 |
| Cash contributions | 1,821 | 1,737 | 1,723 | 1,633 | -4.6 | -0.8 | -5.2 |
| Personal insurance and pensions | 5,336 | 5,605 | 5,471 | 5,373 | 5 | -2.4 | -1.8 |
| Life and other personal insurance | 309 | 317 | 309 | 318 | 2.6 | -2.5 | 2.9 |
| Pensions and Social Security | 5,027 | 5,288 | 5,162 | 5,054 | 5.2 | -2.4 | -2.1 |

closure, strategic default, or another reason). Concurrently, the CE measured an increase in renters, from 39.9 million in 2007 to 41.7 million in 2010. A ccording to the CPI-U, rents for primary residences have increased 6.2 percent since 2007. During that same time, the average spent on rent for all CUs reporting it increased 8.1 percent, further reflecting an increase in demand for rental units.

Motor fuel and vehicles. Expenditures on motor fuel increased in 2010, following a steep decline in 2009. CU s spent 7.4 percent more on gasoline and motor oil in $2010(\$ 2,132)$ than they did in 2009 ( $\$ 1,986$ ). Despite this increase, expenditures on gasoline and motor oil remained well below their peak of $\$ 2,715$ in 2008. Chart 1 shows the correlation between expenditures on motor fuel and the price of motor fuel. For the most part, consumers' expenditures on motor fuel coincide with price fluctuations; as the price of motor fuel increases, consumers spend more, and as the price of motor fuel drops,consumers spend less. From 2006 to 2009, consumers' expenditures on motor fuel rose and fell by roughly the
same percent-change as the price of motor fuel; therefore, the quantity consumed remained relatively unchanged during that time. However, in 2010 consumers increased their expenditures on motor fuel ( 7.4 percent) by less than half of the per-cent-change in price (18.4 percent), representing a decrease in the quantity consumed. This behavior is a departure from the typically inelastic nature of motor fuel consumption.

Chart 1 also shows the correlation betw een the price of vehicles and expenditures on vehicle purchases, the largest component of transportation. Expenditures on vehicle purchases continued the category's dow nward trend, decreasing another 2.6 percent, on average, from 2009 to 2010. Average consumer spending on vehicle purchases has decreased 24.3 percent over the last 5 years, while vehicle prices have remained relatively steady during that time. ${ }^{5}$
${ }^{5}$ Price data come from the Consumer Price Index. For more information visit www.bls.gov/cpi.

Table B. Percent distribution of total annual expenditures by major category for all consumer units, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2007-2010

| Spending Category | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Average annual expenditures | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Food | 12.4 | 12.8 | 13.0 | 12.7 |
| Food at home | 7.0 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 7.5 |
| Food away from home. | 5.4 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.2 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.9 |
| Housing | 34.1 | 33.9 | 34.4 | 34.4 |
| Shelter | 20.2 | 20.2 | 20.5 | 20.4 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services | 7.0 | 7.2 | 7.4 | 7.6 |
| Household operations | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 2.1 |
| Housekeeping supplies | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 |
| Household furnishings and equipment | 3.6 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.0 |
| Apparel and services | 3.8 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.5 |
| Transportation | 17.6 | 17.0 | 15.6 | 16.0 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) | 6.5 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.4 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 4.8 | 5.4 | 4.0 | 4.4 |
| Other vehicle expenses | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.1 |
| Public transportation | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Healthcare | 5.7 | 5.9 | 6.4 | 6.6 |
| Entertainment | 5.4 | 5.6 | 5.5 | 5.2 |
| Personal care products and services | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 |
| Reading | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Education | 1.9 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 2.2 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies. | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| Miscellaneous | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.8 |
| Cash contributions | 3.7 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.4 |
| Personal insurance and pensions | 10.7 | 11.1 | 11.2 | 11.2 |
| Life and other personal insurance | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.7 |
| Pensions and Social Security | 10.1 | 10.5 | 10.5 | 10.5 |

Chart 1. Transportation Trends: Spending and price changes in gas and motor oil and vehicle purchases, 2006-2010


NOTE: CPI-U motor fuel on a 1982-84=100 base. CPI-U new and used motor vehicles on a December 1997=100 base.
SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Food. A lthough food expenditures continued their downward trend in most income quintiles in 2010, the middle income quintile increased their spending on food. W hereas all other income quintiles spent less on overall food expenditures, the middle income quintile spent $\$ 5,596$ in 2010 and $\$ 5,483$ in 2009, an increase of 2.1 percent. Within the lowest income quintile, a negligible increase in expenditures for food away from home ( 0.1 percent) was overwhelmed by a 7.8 -percent decrease in expenditures for food at home, equating to an overall 5.5 -percent drop in food expenditures. Similarly, the highest income quintile increased its expenditures for food at home by 1.0 percent, but decreased expenditures on food away from home by 3.1 percent, leading to an overall 1.0-percent decrease in total food expenditures for that quintile from 2009 to 2010.

An examination of the population by age group indicates that there was a decline in food expenditures across all age groups. The two youngest age groups (younger than 25 years old and 25 to 34 years old) were the only age groups to increase their spending on food away from home. Interestingly, this increase was coupled with declines in the groups' spending on food at home, an unusual development in times of slow
economic growth. All other age groups decreased their spending on food away from home, while decreasing or negligibly increasing their expenditures on food at home.

Race and ethnicity. CE data show remarkable differences in spending patterns of Hispanics and non-Hispanics in nearly all major categories. (See chart 2.) Both groups decreased spending from 2009 to 2010; however, the decrease by Hispanics was half that of non-Hispanics (\$525 compared with \$983). N on-H ispanics spent 5.1 percent less on total food, and Hispanics increased their total food spending by 6.4 percent. This difference from 2009 to 2010 was observed in both of the main components of total food: food at home and food away from home, with increased spending by Hispanics and decreased spending by non-Hispanics.

The most notable differences in spending among Hispanics and non-Hispanics were in transportation and healthcare. In 2010, Hispanics spent \$527 (7.4 percent) less, on average, on transportation than they did in 2009. N on-Hispanics, however, spent $\$ 97$ (1.3 percent) more on transportation in 2010 than in 2009. In 2010, non-Hispanics' heal thcare expenditures increased \$4 (0.1 percent), on average, from the year before.

Chart2. Percent change in major components of expenditures by Hispanic origin, 2009 to 2010


NOTE: Expenditure categories ordered largest to smallest by share of 2010 expenditures for all consumer units.
SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

In contrast, Hispanics spent, on average, $\$ 274$ more on healthcare expenditures in 2010 than they did in 2009, an increase of 17.5 percent.

A mong the various demographics within the non-Hispanic population, there were many differences. The Black nonHispanic population earned an increase in pretax income (1.7 percent) and raised its total expenditures ( 1.0 percent) from 2009 to 2010. Black non-Hispanics increased their spending on food at home, food away from home, housing, and cash contributions, ${ }^{6}$ categories in which other non-Hispanics visibly decreased their spending. M ost notably, the Black nonHispanic population spent 18.9 percent less on apparel and apparel services from 2009 to 2010, while their non-Black non-Hispanic counterparts spent 1.1 percent more. An interesting development occurred with cash contributions and personal insurance and pensions: Hispanics (by \$59, an increase of 5.8 percent) and Black non-Hispanics (\$56, 4.4 percent) both increased their spending on cash contributions, on aver-

[^2]age, from 2009 to 2010. From 2009 to 2010, these two groups decreased their spending on personal insurance and pensions, by 5.1 percent ( $\$ 216$ ) for Hispanics and 4.9 percent ( $\$ 173$ ) for Black non-Hispanics. By contrast, from 2009 to 2010, the non-Black non-Hispanic population decreased its cash contributions by 6.9 percent ( $\$ 132$ ); although this group's personal insurance and pensions also decreased, they decreased by a much smaller margin of 1.0 percent (\$58). CE data clearly indicate differences in expenditures across racial and ethnic groups.

## Brief description of the Consumer Expenditure Survey

The current CE began in 1980 and has been conducted continually since then, with the principal objective of collecting information on the buying habits of A mericans. Consumer expenditure data are used in a variety of research endeavors by government, business, labor, and academic analysts. In addition, the data are required for the regular revision of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) market basket. The survey, which is conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), consists of two components: a diary (or recordkeeping) survey, completed by participating consumer units for two consecutive 1 -week periods, and an interview
survey, by which expenditures of consumer units are obtained in five interviews conducted at 3-month intervals. The results presented in this report are from integrated data from both surveys. Survey participants record dollar amounts for goods and services purchased during the reporting period, regardless of whether payment is made at the time of purchase. Expenditure amounts include all sales and excise taxes for items purchased by the CU. All business-related expenditures are excluded from both surveys, as are expenditures for which the consumer unit is reimbursed.

E ach component of the survey queries an independent sample of consumer units that are representative of the U.S. popuIation. The Interview sample surveys about 7,000 consumer units each quarter. The sample is a rotating panel, meaning that some consumer units drop out of the survey each quarter, while other consumer units come into the survey. Each consumer unit is interviewed once per quarter, for 5 consecutive quarters. Data are collected on an ongoing basis in 91 areas of the U nited States. The Interview Survey is designed to capture expenditure data that respondents can reasonably recall for a period of 3 months or longer. In general, these expenditures are relatively large, such as expenditures for real property, automobiles, and major appliances, or they occur on a regular basis, such as rent, utility payments, and insurance premiums. The Interview Survey also collects data on expenditures incurred on leisure trips. It is estimated that about 95 percent of expenditures are covered in the Interview Survey, including global estimates of spending for food. Nonprescription drugs, household supplies, and personal care items are excluded.

For the Diary Survey, about 7,000 consumer units are sampled each year. Each consumer unit keeps a diary for two 1-week periods, yielding approximately 14,000 diaries a year. The Diary Survey is designed to capture expenditures on small, frequently purchased items that are normally difficult for respondents to recall buying. Detailed records of expenses are kept for food and beverages-consumed either at home or in eating places-and for tobacco, housekeeping supplies, nonprescription drugs, and personal care products and services. Expenditures incurred by members of the consumer unit while away from home overnight or longer are excluded from the Diary Survey. A lthough this survey was designed to collect information on expenditures that could not be recalled easily over an extended period, respondents are asked to report all expenses (except those spent while traveling overnight) that the consumer unit incurs during the survey week.

Integrated data from the BLS Diary and Interview Surveys provide a complete accounting of consumer expenditures and income that neither survey is designed to do on its own. Data on some expenditure items are collected in only one of the surveys. For example, the Diary Survey does not collect data on expenditures for overnight travel or information on reimbursements, whereas the Interview Survey does. The Diary Survey excludes some expenditures for which reimbursements are excluded, such as for medical care; automobile repair; and construction, repairs, alterations, and maintenance of property.

For items that are unique to one survey or the other, the choice of which survey to use as the source of data is obvious. However, there is considerable overlap in coverage between the surveys. Consequently, integrating the data involves determining the appropriate survey component from which to select expenditure items. A s a result, some items are selected from the Interview Survey, others from the Diary Survey. W hen data are available from both surveys, the more reliable data (as determined by statistical methods) are selected. Because of the overlap in the item coverage between the two surveys, the survey source is periodically reviewed and statistical methods are used to select the best source. For source selection details, see "CE Source Selection for Publication Tables" in the Consumer Expenditure Survey Anthology, 2011 (BLS Report 1030).

The population coverage of the CE differs from that of the CPI. The CE data cover the total population, whereas the CPI covers only the population in urban and metropolitan areas. Definitions of components also differ between the CE and CPI. For example, homeownership is treated differently in the two surveys: actual expenditures of homeownership are reported in the CE, whereas the $C P I$ uses a rental-equivalence approach that estimates the change in the cost of obtaining, in the rental marketplace, services equivalent to those provided by owner-occupied homes.

## Interpreting the data

Expenditures in the CE are averages for consumer units with specified characteristics, regardless of whether a particular unit incurred an expense for a specific item during the recordkeeping period. The average expenditure for an item, therefore, may be considerably lower than the expenditure by the consumer units that purchased the item. The less frequently an item is purchased, the greater the difference is between the average cost for all consumer units and the average cost for those purchasing the item. Similarly, an individual consumer unit may spend more or less than the average, depending on its particular characteristics. Factors such as income, age of family members, geographic location, and personal preference also influence expenditures. Furthermore, even within groups with similar characteristics, the distribution of expenditures varies substantially. These variations should be considered when comparing reported averages to individual circumstances.

CE data users should know that prices for many goods and services change after the survey is conducted. For example, gasoline (all types), as measured by the CPI-U, rose 18.8 percent between 2009 (annual average index) and October 2010 (not seasonally adjusted). In addition, sample surveys are subject to two types of error: sampling and nonsampling. Sampling errors occur because the data are collected from a sample representing the population, rather than from the entire population. Nonsampling errors result from the inability or unwillingness of respondents to provide correct information, differences in interviewers' abilities, mistakes in recording or coding, and other processing errors.

## Tables and data

Tables in this report include integrated data from both the Diary and Interview Survey components of the CE, enabling data users to associate the full range of expenditures with consumers' demographic characteristics. Tables show data classified by income quintile, income class, age of the reference person, size of the consumer unit, composition of the consumer unit, number of earners, housing tenure, type of area (urban or rural), race, Hispanic origin, region of residence, occupation, and education. These are the same classifications published in previous reports and bulletins. Tables for the aforementioned classifications, but with more detail than is given in this report, can be accessed on the CE page of the BLS website (http://www.bls.gov/cex). A so available are tables showing average annual data over a 2 -year period for a) income before taxes, cross-tabulated by age, consumer unit size, or region; b) single consumers by sex, cross-tabulated by either income or age; and c) selected metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs). Data are available for 1984-2010. Other survey information available on the website includes answers to frequently asked questions, a glossary of terms, and order forms for survey products. Beginning with the 2000 data, estimates of standard errors for integrated Diary and Interview Survey data are also available.

## Other available data

The 2010 Diary and Interview Survey microdata- that is, data on individual consumer units-are available for free electronic download at http://www.bls.gov/cex/pumdhome. $\mathbf{h t m}$. The Interview Survey microdata files contain expenditure data in two different formats: MTAB files, which present monthly values in an item coding framew ork based on the CPI pricing scheme, and EXPN files, which organize expenditures by the section of the interview questionnaire in which they are
collected. EXPN files contain expenditure values that cover different periods, depending on the specific question asked, and as well as the relevant nonexpenditure information that is not found on the MTAB files. Microdata files for previous years are currently available for purchase on CD-ROM. For years prior to 1996, the microdata are available in A SCII text format (column parametered). Beginning in 1996, the microdata are available in either A SCII text format (column parametered) or PC SAS datasets. Beginning in 2007, the microdata are available in column-parametered ASCII, comma-delimited ASCII, PC SAS, SPSS, and STATA datasets. Ordering information for the public use microdata can be found here: http://www.bls.gov/cex/csxform.pdf.

The CE also publishes Beyond the Numbers articles and reports known as Consumer Expenditure Survey anthologies. These reports include analyses of expenditure data as they apply to various topics of interest, as well as methodological and research articles pertaining to a number of survey topics. The most recent of these reports, Consumer Expenditure Survey Anthology, 2011 (BLS Report 1030), was published in July 2011. Additional data also are presented in articles in the Monthly Labor Review. These reports can be found at http://www.bls.gov/cex/home.htm\#publications. For more detailed information on the availability of current and earlier data, contact the Division of Consumer Expenditure Survey, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Room 3985, 2 M assachusetts Avenue, NE., Washington, DC 20212-0001. Telephone: (202) 691-6900. Email: cexinfo@bls.gov. Online at http://www. bls.gov/cex.

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Table 1. Quintiles of income before taxes: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2010

| Item | All consumer units | Lowest 20 percent | Second 20 percent | Third 20 percent | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Fourth } \\ & 20 \\ & \text { percent } \end{aligned}$ | Highest 20 percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ....... | 121,107 | 24,210 | 24,277 | 24,175 | 24,215 | 24,231 |
| Lower limit | ก.a | n.a. | \$18,439 | \$35,209 | \$57,340 | \$91,931 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: Income before taxes | \$62,481 | \$9,906 | \$26,777 | \$45,552 | \$72,794 | \$157,369 |
| Age of reference person .............................. | 49.4 | 51.0 | 51.7 | 49.3 | 47.3 | 47.8 |
| Average number in consumer unit: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons | 2.5 | 1.7 | 2.3 | 2.6 | 2.9 | 3.2 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | . 4 | . 6 | . 6 | . 7 | . 8 |
| Persons 65 and older | . 3 | . 4 | . 5 | 4 | . 2 | . 2 |
| Earners | 1.3 | . 5 | . 9 | 1.3 | 1.7 | 2.0 |
| Vehicles | 1.9 | . 9 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 2.4 | 2.8 |
| Percent homeowner | 66 | 40 | 54 | 67 | 78 | 89 |
| Average annual expenditures | \$48,109 | \$20,953 | \$30,285 | \$41,212 | \$55,212 | \$92,870 |
| Food | 6,129 | 3,309 | 4,214 | 5,596 | 6,843 | 10,676 |
| Food at home | 3,624 | 2,270 | 2,816 | 3,433 | 3,917 | 5,683 |
| Cereals and bakery products | 502 | 315 | 400 | 465 | 552 | 775 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | 784 | 519 | 608 | 762 | 854 | 1,179 |
| Dairy products | 380 | 230 | 291 | 355 | 414 | 611 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 679 | 410 | 539 | 615 | 711 | 1,122 |
| Other food at home | 1,278 | 796 | 977 | 1,236 | 1,385 | 1,996 |
| Food away from home ............................... | 2,505 | 1,039 | 1,398 | 2,164 | 2,926 | 4,993 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 412 | 153 | 211 | 359 | 466 | 869 |
| Housing | 16,557 | 8,667 | 11,369 | 14,508 | 18,625 | 29,615 |
| Shelter | 9,812 | 5,167 | 6,586 | 8,496 | 10,912 | 17,897 |
| Owned dwellings | 6,277 | 1,739 | 2,929 | 4,960 | 7,663 | 14,096 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,900 | 3,262 | 3,421 | 3,184 | 2,657 | 1,974 |
| Other lodging | 635 | 167 | 236 | 353 | 592 | 1,827 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services | 3,660 | 2,216 | 3,053 | 3,603 | 4,185 | 5,242 |
| Household operations | 1,007 | 373 | 513 | 733 | 1,147 | 2,270 |
| Housekeeping supplies ............................ | 612 | 343 | 423 | 525 | 713 | 1,054 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ......... | 1,467 | 568 | 794 | 1,151 | 1,668 | 3,152 |
| Apparel and services .................................. | 1,700 | 774 | 1,154 | 1,372 | 1,737 | 3,461 |
| Transportation | 7,677 | 2,868 | 5,002 | 7,160 | 9,432 | 13,924 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) | 2,588 | 627 | 1,583 | 2,320 | 3,373 | 5,040 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 2,132 | 1,009 | 1,598 | 2,180 | 2,634 | 3,240 |
| Other vehicle expenses | 2,464 | 1,082 | 1,585 | 2,347 | 2,967 | 4,337 |
| Public transportation ................................. | 493 | 150 | 235 | 313 | 457 | 1,307 |
| Healthcare | 3,157 | 1,524 | 2,649 | 3,068 | 3,715 | 4,827 |
| Entertainment | 2,504 | 1,018 | 1,450 | 1,984 | 2,792 | 5,277 |
| Personal care products and services | 582 | 277 | 386 | 488 | 642 | 1,117 |
| Reading | 100 | 45 | 66 | 84 | 107 | 197 |
| Education | 1,074 | 635 | 408 | 510 | 813 | 3,005 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies .... | 362 | 323 | 375 | 421 | 420 | 272 |
| Miscellaneous | 849 | 356 | 461 | 797 | 1,169 | 1,461 |
| Cash contributions | 1,633 | 559 | 981 | 1,392 | 1,927 | 3,307 |
| Personal insurance and pensions | 5,373 | 446 | 1,560 | 3,473 | 6,523 | 14,861 |
| Life and other personal insurance .... | 318 | 89 | 148 | 215 | 364 | 775 |
| Pensions and Social Security ..................... | 5,054 | 357 | 1,412 | 3,258 | 6,159 | 14,086 |

[^3]Table 2. Income before taxes: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2010

|  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |

Table 3. Higher income before taxes: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2010

| Item | All consumer units | $\begin{gathered} \text { Less } \\ \text { than } \\ \$ 70,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 70,000 \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 79,999 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 80,000 \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 99,999 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 100,000 \\ \text { and } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 100,000 \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 119,999 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 120,000 \\ \text { to } \\ \$ 149,999 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 150,000 \\ \text { and } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ....... | 121,107 | 82,994 | 7,250 | 10,098 | 20,766 | 6,749 | 5,865 | 8,151 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income before taxes | \$62,481 | \$31,865 | \$74,602 | \$89,140 | \$167,651 | \$108,503 | \$132,750 | \$241,739 |
| Age of reference person ............... | 49.4 | 50.4 | 47.1 | 46.4 | 47.9 | 47.0 | 47.9 | 48.8 |
| Average number in consumer unit: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons ... | 2.5 | 2.3 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.2 | 3.2 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | . 6 | . 7 | . 8 | . 8 | . 8 | . 8 | . 9 |
| Persons 65 and older | . 3 | . 4 | . 2 | . 2 | . 2 | . 2 | . 2 | . 2 |
| Earners | 1.3 | 1.0 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.1 |
| Vehicles | 1.9 | 1.6 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.9 |
| Percent homeowner | 66 | 56 | 79 | 84 | 90 | 88 | 89 | 91 |
| Average annual expenditures | \$48,109 | \$33,269 | \$57,024 | \$62,966 | \$97,737 | \$74,797 | \$89,614 | \$123,064 |
| Food ................................ | 6,129 | 4,661 | 6,979 | 7,819 | 11,161 | 9,372 | 10,463 | 13,317 |
| Food at home | 3,624 | 2,967 | 3,867 | 4,540 | 5,868 | 5,170 | 5,650 | 6,688 |
| Cereals and bakery products ................... | 502 | 410 | 570 | 638 | 800 | 714 | 759 | 911 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .................. | 784 | 660 | 824 | 921 | 1,232 | 1,086 | 1,203 | 1,391 |
| Dairy products.. | 380 | 306 | 413 | 482 | 632 | 559 | 584 | 739 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 679 | 543 | 707 | 839 | 1,171 | 1,031 | 1,088 | 1,366 |
| Other food at home | 1,278 | 1,048 | 1,353 | 1,660 | 2,032 | 1,779 | 2,016 | 2,282 |
| Food away from home ............................... | 2,505 | 1,695 | 3,112 | 3,279 | 5,293 | 4,202 | 4,814 | 6,628 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 412 | 273 | 444 | 530 | 929 | 645 | 799 | 1,288 |
| Housing | 16,557 | 12,254 | 18,589 | 20,962 | 30,999 | 23,326 | 27,723 | 39,787 |
| Shelter | 9,812 | 7,187 | 10,604 | 12,475 | 18,732 | 13,794 | 16,320 | 24,557 |
| Owned dwellings | 6,277 | 3,671 | 7,391 | 9,375 | 14,798 | 10,909 | 13,085 | 19,253 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,900 | 3,228 | 2,691 | 2,303 | 1,951 | 1,873 | 1,789 | 2,132 |
| Other lodging . | 635 | 288 | 522 | 797 | 1,983 | 1,013 | 1,447 | 3,171 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services ............... | 3,660 | 3,089 | 4,164 | 4,543 | 5,336 | 4,777 | 5,125 | 5,952 |
| Household operations | 1,007 | 597 | 1,146 | 1,369 | 2,421 | 1,546 | 2,153 | 3,338 |
| Housekeeping supplies | 612 | 457 | 816 | 780 | 1,113 | 850 | 1,153 | 1,334 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ......... | 1,467 | 924 | 1,860 | 1,795 | 3,396 | 2,358 | 2,973 | 4,607 |
| Apparel and services ................................... | 1,700 | 1,174 | 1,836 | 1,913 | 3,750 | 2,439 | 4,334 | 4,514 |
| Transportation | 7,677 | 5,390 | 10,706 | 10,392 | 14,493 | 12,557 | 14,967 | 15,808 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) | 2,588 | 1,634 | 4,222 | 3,717 | 5,285 | 4,799 | 5,806 | 5,313 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 2,132 | 1,708 | 2,686 | 2,899 | 3,260 | 3,248 | 3,231 | 3,291 |
| Other vehicle expenses | 2,464 | 1,793 | 3,309 | 3,228 | 4,532 | 3,508 | 4,896 | 5,169 |
| Public transportation ................................. | 493 | 255 | 489 | 549 | 1,416 | 1,003 | 1,034 | 2,035 |
| Healthcare | 3,157 | 2,555 | 3,785 | 4,003 | 4,942 | 4,550 | 4,491 | 5,594 |
| Entertainment | 2,504 | 1,628 | 2,978 | 3,118 | 5,600 | 4,327 | 5,093 | 7,032 |
| Personal care products and services ............ | 582 | 410 | 622 | 780 | 1,176 | 956 | 1,139 | 1,395 |
| Reading . | 100 | 69 | 107 | 121 | 210 | 153 | 179 | 280 |
| Education | 1,074 | 537 | 740 | 1,036 | 3,363 | 1,450 | 2,638 | 5,473 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies ....... | 362 | 380 | 406 | 395 | 259 | 294 | 251 | 236 |
| Miscellaneous | 849 | 629 | 1,069 | 1,090 | 1,539 | 922 | 1,122 | 2,376 |
| Cash contributions ..................................... | 1,633 | 1,061 | 1,905 | 2,220 | 3,538 | 2,404 | 2,629 | 5,132 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ........ | 5,373 | 2,249 | 6,859 | 8,586 | 15,777 | 11,402 | 13,786 | 20,832 |
| Life and other personal insurance ............... | 318 | 172 | 376 | 424 | 829 | 535 | 612 | 1,228 |
| Pensions and Social Security ........ | 5,054 | 2,076 | 6,483 | 8,163 | 14,948 | 10,867 | 13,174 | 19,603 |

Table 4. Age of reference person: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2010

| Item | All consumer units | Under 25 years | $\begin{aligned} & 25-34 \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ | $35-44$ years | $\begin{aligned} & 45-54 \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ | $55-64$ years | 65 years and older | 65-74 years | 75 years and older |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ....... | 121,107 | 8,034 | 20,166 | 21,912 | 25,054 | 21,359 | 24,582 | 13,031 | 11,551 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: Income before taxes $\qquad$ | \$62,481 | \$26,881 | \$59,613 | \$76,128 | \$79,589 | \$68,906 | \$41,286 | \$49,711 | \$31,782 |
| Age of reference person ....... | 49.4 | 21.5 | 29.7 | 39.6 | 49.5 | 59.2 | 74.9 | 69.1 | 81.4 |
| Average number in consumer unit: Persons | 2.5 | 2.0 | 2.9 | 3.3 | 2.8 | 2.2 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.6 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | . 5 | 1.1 | 1.3 | . 6 | . 2 | . 1 | . 1 | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) |
| Persons 65 and older | . 3 | $\left({ }^{1}\right)$ | $\left({ }^{1}\right)$ | $\left({ }^{1}\right)$ | . 1 | . 1 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.3 |
| Earners | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.3 | . 5 | . 7 | . 2 |
| Vehicles | 1.9 | 1.1 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 1.3 |
| Percent homeowner | 66 | 14 | 45 | 65 | 73 | 80 | 81 | 82 | 80 |
| Average annual expenditures | \$48,109 | \$27,483 | \$46,617 | \$55,946 | \$57,788 | \$50,900 | \$36,802 | \$41,434 | \$31,529 |
| Food ............... | 6,129 | 4,073 | 6,091 | 7,483 | 7,230 | 6,068 | 4,558 | 5,148 | 3,873 |
| Food at home | 3,624 | 2,197 | 3,338 | 4,255 | 4,369 | 3,681 | 2,950 | 3,213 | 2,643 |
| Cereals and bakery products | 502 | 312 | 441 | 607 | 600 | 507 | 416 | 442 | 385 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | 784 | 447 | 713 | 896 | 966 | 792 | 660 | 688 | 627 |
| Dairy products | 380 | 218 | 353 | 458 | 453 | 378 | 316 | 351 | 274 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 679 | 395 | 614 | 787 | 819 | 692 | 577 | 620 | 525 |
| Other food at home | 1,278 | 826 | 1,217 | 1,508 | 1,532 | 1,312 | 982 | 1,111 | 831 |
| Food away from home | 2,505 | 1,876 | 2,753 | 3,227 | 2,861 | 2,387 | 1,608 | 1,935 | 1,230 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 412 | 406 | 473 | 497 | 414 | 402 | 295 | 392 | 184 |
| Housing | 16,557 | 9,553 | 16,845 | 20,041 | 18,900 | 16,673 | 13,015 | 14,420 | 11,421 |
| Shelter | 9,812 | 6,166 | 10,451 | 12,139 | 11,517 | 9,397 | 7,027 | 7,850 | 6,098 |
| Owned dwellings | 6,277 | 1,123 | 5,126 | 8,149 | 8,163 | 6,777 | 4,881 | 5,809 | 3,834 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,900 | 4,813 | 4,989 | 3,475 | 2,493 | 1,689 | 1,514 | 1,275 | 1,783 |
| Other lodging | 635 | 231 | 336 | 515 | 861 | 931 | 632 | 766 | 481 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services ............... | 3,660 | 1,818 | 3,228 | 4,077 | 4,213 | 3,979 | 3,402 | 3,644 | 3,130 |
| Household operations | 1,007 | 416 | 1,244 | 1,414 | 935 | 882 | 827 | 868 | 779 |
| Housekeeping supplies | 612 | 279 | 465 | 663 | 650 | 717 | 664 | 761 | 552 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ......... | 1,467 | 874 | 1,458 | 1,748 | 1,585 | 1,698 | 1,095 | 1,297 | 862 |
| Apparel and services .................................. | 1,700 | 1,559 | 2,087 | 2,040 | 1,966 | 1,571 | 964 | 1,186 | 708 |
| Transportation | 7,677 | 4,692 | 8,231 | 8,763 | 9,255 | 8,111 | 5,242 | 6,086 | 4,288 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) | 2,588 | 1,591 | 3,415 | 2,905 | 3,041 | 2,584 | 1,495 | 1,638 | 1,335 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 2,132 | 1,493 | 2,208 | 2,537 | 2,575 | 2,215 | 1,396 | 1,766 | 980 |
| Other vehicle expenses ............................ | 2,464 | 1,333 | 2,174 | 2,776 | 3,023 | 2,763 | 1,959 | 2,199 | 1,686 |
| Public transportation ................................. | 493 | 275 | 434 | 545 | 616 | 548 | 391 | 483 | 288 |
| Healthcare | 3,157 | 775 | 1,800 | 2,583 | 3,261 | 3,859 | 4,843 | 4,922 | 4,754 |
| Entertainment | 2,504 | 1,221 | 2,251 | 3,058 | 3,088 | 2,683 | 1,891 | 2,341 | 1,374 |
| Personal care products and services ... | 582 | 347 | 517 | 682 | 673 | 599 | 517 | 571 | 455 |
| Reading .. | 100 | 39 | 61 | 80 | 104 | 126 | 141 | 147 | 135 |
| Education | 1,074 | 1,906 | 839 | 963 | 2,094 | 917 | 193 | 240 | 140 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies | 362 | 283 | 362 | 358 | 449 | 450 | 227 | 298 | 147 |
| Miscellaneous . | 849 | 277 | 668 | 922 | 938 | 1,146 | 772 | 761 | 787 |
| Cash contributions | 1,633 | 314 | 1,074 | 1,532 | 1,747 | 1,893 | 2,272 | 2,276 | 2,267 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ................. | 5,373 | 2,036 | 5,318 | 6,944 | 7,668 | 6,403 | 1,872 | 2,648 | 996 |
| Life and other personal insurance ............... | 318 | 22 | 167 | 280 | 441 | 471 | 314 | 386 | 233 |
| Pensions and Social Security ...................... | 5,054 | 2,013 | 5,151 | 6,664 | 7,227 | 5,932 | 1,557 | 2,261 | 763 |

[^4]Table 5. Size of consumer unit: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2010

| Item | All consumer units | One person | Two or more persons |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Total | Two persons | Three persons | Four persons | Five or more persons |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ................ | 121,107 | 35,479 | 85,629 | 38,658 | 17,906 | 16,479 | 12,585 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income before taxes ......................................... | \$62,481 | \$32,979 | \$74,705 | \$67,707 | \$74,377 | \$87,864 | \$79,437 |
| Age of reference person ...................................... | 49.4 | 52.7 | 48.1 | 54.1 | 45.2 | 42.2 | 41.4 |
| Average number in consumer unit: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons | 2.5 | 1.0 | 3.1 | 2.0 | 3.0 | 4.0 | 5.7 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | n.a. | . 9 | . 1 | . 7 | 1.5 | 2.7 |
| Persons 65 and older | . 3 | . 3 | . 3 | . 5 | . 2 | . 1 | . 1 |
| Earners | 1.3 | . 6 | 1.6 | 1.2 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 2.1 |
| Vehicles | 1.9 | 1.1 | 2.3 | 2.1 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.4 |
| Percent homeowner ........................................... | 66 | 50 | 72 | 75 | 68 | 72 | 67 |
| Average annual expenditures ................................ | \$48,109 | \$29,149 | \$55,929 | \$50,967 | \$56,413 | \$63,268 | \$61,086 |
| Food | 6,129 | 3,450 | 7,220 | 5,958 | 7,297 | 8,778 | 9,083 |
| Food at home | 3,624 | 1,877 | 4,335 | 3,480 | 4,431 | 5,219 | 5,746 |
| Cereals and bakery products ............................ | 502 | 257 | 601 | 464 | 602 | 756 | 833 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ........................... | 784 | 382 | 948 | 762 | 985 | 1,105 | 1,276 |
| Dairy products | 380 | 193 | 457 | 366 | 450 | 561 | 618 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 679 | 365 | 807 | 659 | 810 | 968 | 1,063 |
| Other food at home ... | 1,278 | 681 | 1,521 | 1,229 | 1,585 | 1,830 | 1,955 |
| Food away from home | 2,505 | 1,573 | 2,885 | 2,478 | 2,866 | 3,559 | 3,338 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 412 | 322 | 449 | 545 | 388 | 441 | 248 |
| Housing | 16,557 | 11,223 | 18,763 | 16,876 | 18,794 | 21,684 | 20,702 |
| Shelter | 9,812 | 7,246 | 10,875 | 9,859 | 10,709 | 12,541 | 12,050 |
| Owned dwellings | 6,277 | 3,477 | 7,437 | 6,765 | 7,004 | 8,895 | 8,212 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,900 | 3,404 | 2,690 | 2,232 | 2,998 | 2,929 | 3,349 |
| Other lodging | 635 | 365 | 747 | 863 | 707 | 717 | 489 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services | 3,660 | 2,331 | 4,211 | 3,764 | 4,229 | 4,671 | 4,955 |
| Household operations .. | 1,007 | 518 | 1,210 | 881 | 1,398 | 1,742 | 1,254 |
| Housekeeping supplies | 612 | 349 | 719 | 687 | 660 | 829 | 762 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ................. | 1,467 | 779 | 1,749 | 1,686 | 1,799 | 1,901 | 1,681 |
| Apparel and services ......................................... | 1,700 | 804 | 2,066 | 1,704 | 2,089 | 2,515 | 2,588 |
| Transportation | 7,677 | 4,011 | 9,194 | 8,439 | 9,523 | 9,897 | 10,133 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) | 2,588 | 1,036 | 3,232 | 2,965 | 3,508 | 3,262 | 3,616 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 2,132 | 1,164 | 2,533 | 2,190 | 2,504 | 2,926 | 3,115 |
| Other vehicle expenses | 2,464 | 1,495 | 2,863 | 2,694 | 2,986 | 3,067 | 2,944 |
| Public transportation ........................................ | 493 | 316 | 566 | 589 | 525 | 641 | 457 |
| Healthcare | 3,157 | 2,027 | 3,625 | 4,108 | 3,346 | 3,286 | 2,977 |
| Entertainment | 2,504 | 1,441 | 2,943 | 2,707 | 2,810 | 3,396 | 3,276 |
| Personal care products and services .................... | 582 | 360 | 673 | 612 | 727 | 769 | 669 |
| Reading . | 100 | 81 | 108 | 128 | 100 | 98 | 68 |
| Education | 1,074 | 600 | 1,271 | 827 | 1,536 | 1,833 | 1,524 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies | 362 | 268 | 401 | 368 | 437 | 393 | 462 |
| Miscellaneous . | 849 | 752 | 889 | 866 | 920 | 960 | 821 |
| Cash contributions ............................................. | 1,633 | 1,242 | 1,795 | 2,046 | 1,687 | 1,487 | 1,584 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ....................... | 5,373 | 2,570 | 6,534 | 5,784 | 6,758 | 7,732 | 6,950 |
| Life and other personal insurance ....................... | 318 | 143 | 391 | 380 | 413 | 402 | 376 |
| Pensions and Social Security ............................. | 5,054 | 2,427 | 6,143 | 5,404 | 6,345 | 7,330 | 6,574 |

n.a. Not applicable.

Table 6. Composition of consumer unit: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2010

| Item | Husband and wife consumer units |  |  |  |  |  |  | One parent, at least one child under 18 | Single person and other consumer units |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | Husband and wife only | Husband and wife with children |  |  |  | Other husband and wife consumer units |  |  |
|  |  |  | Total | Oldest child under 6 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Oldest } \\ & \text { child } \\ & 6 \text { to } 17 \end{aligned}$ | Oldest child 18 or older |  |  |  |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ............ | 59,739 | 25,723 | 28,172 | 5,185 | 14,242 | 8,745 | 5,844 | 7,141 | 54,227 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: Income before taxes | \$85,296 |  |  |  |  |  |  | \$34,652 |  |
| Age of reference person ................................................................ | $\$ 85,296$ 50.0 | $58.0$ | $\$ 93,627$ 42.8 | \$87,4 32.2 | \$94,807 40.9 | \$9,374 52.0 | 883,666 49.4 | \$34,652 37.5 | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 47,012 \\ 50.4 \end{array}$ |
| Average number in consumer unit: Persons | 3.2 | 2.0 | 4.0 | 3.5 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 5.0 | 2.9 | 1.7 |
| Children under 18 | $\begin{array}{r}\text {. } \\ \hline\end{array}$ | n.a. | 1.6 | 1.5 | 2.2 | . 7 | 1.4 | 1.8 | . 2 |
| Persons 65 and older | . 4 | . 7 | . 1 | (1) | ( ${ }^{2}$ ) | . 2 | . 6 | ( ${ }^{2}$ ) | . 3 |
| Earners | 1.6 | 1.2 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 2.4 | 2.1 | . 9 | . 9 |
| Vehicles | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.6 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 3.1 | 2.7 | 1.2 | 1.3 |
| Percent homeowner | 81 | 85 | 78 | 66 | 78 | 86 | 76 | 40 | 52 |
| Average annual expenditures | \$61,762 | \$56,035 | \$67,383 | \$61,756 | \$69,536 | \$67,057 | \$60,146 | \$36,933 | \$34,471 |
| Food | 7,816 | 6,494 | 8,876 | 7,056 | 9,386 | 9,054 | 8,759 | 5,227 | 4,352 |
| Food at home | 4,670 | 3,813 | 5,314 | 4,311 | 5,476 | 5,587 | 5,514 | 3,287 | 2,493 |
| Cereals and bakery products | 648 | 505 | 759 | 564 | 811 | 781 | 776 | 451 | 343 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | 1,005 | 833 | 1,119 | 799 | 1,144 | 1,247 | 1,255 | 725 | 545 |
| Dairy products .. | 500 | 401 | 579 | 486 | 604 | 590 | 569 | 318 | 254 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 881 | 734 | 978 | 839 | 993 | 1,027 | 1,098 | 565 | 468 |
| Other food at home | 1,636 | 1,340 | 1,879 | 1,623 | 1,925 | 1,941 | 1,816 | 1,230 | 883 |
| Food away from home .................................... | 3,147 | 2,681 | 3,562 | 2,745 | 3,910 | 3,467 | 3,245 | 1,939 | 1,859 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 472 | 561 | 424 | 440 | 421 | 420 | 283 | 167 | 376 |
| Housing | 20,303 | 18,028 | 22,492 | 24,219 | 23,095 | 20,460 | 19,748 | 14,224 | 12,726 |
| Shelter | 11,721 | 10,368 | 13,067 | 14,177 | 13,608 | 11,526 | 11,191 | 8,263 | 7,912 |
| Owned dwellings | 8,756 | 7,859 | 9,788 | 10,029 | 10,206 | 8,963 | 7,733 | 3,638 | 3,894 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,037 | 1,425 | 2,402 | 3,478 | 2,491 | 1,618 | 2,969 | 4,422 | 3,649 |
| Other lodging | 928 | 1,084 | 877 | 670 | 912 | 944 | 489 | 202 | 369 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services ................... | 4,437 | 3,988 | 4,709 | 3,799 | 4,778 | 5,136 | 5,099 | 3,342 | 2,846 |
| Household operations .................................... | 1,358 | 934 | 1,799 | 3,737 | 1,643 | 903 | 1,096 | 1,184 | 598 |
| Housekeeping supplies | 797 | 774 | 830 | 656 | 883 | 839 | 739 | 443 | 424 |
| Household furnishings and equipment .............. | 1,991 | 1,964 | 2,088 | 1,851 | 2,182 | 2,057 | 1,624 | 991 | 946 |
| Apparel and services ..................................... | 2,075 | 1,650 | 2,438 | 2,169 | 2,672 | 2,214 | 2,249 | 2,012 | 1,241 |
| Transportation ............................................... | 10,123 | 9,226 | 10,984 | 9,357 | 11,184 | 11,569 | 9,936 | 6,428 | 5,142 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) ........................ | 3,574 | 3,229 | 3,970 | 3,761 | 4,237 | 3,658 | 3,184 | 2,275 | 1,544 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 2,752 | 2,347 | 3,057 | 2,451 | 3,079 | 3,381 | 3,064 | 1,716 | 1,504 |
| Other vehicle expenses | 3,148 | 2,966 | 3,301 | 2,639 | 3,139 | 3,905 | 3,225 | 2,160 | 1,745 |
| Public transportation ..................................... | 649 | 685 | 655 | 506 | 729 | 624 | 462 | 278 | 348 |
| Healthcare | 4,280 | 5,028 | 3,742 | 3,124 | 3,631 | 4,289 | 3,577 | 1,513 | 2,135 |
| Entertainment | 3,321 | 2,998 | 3,627 | 2,869 | 4,175 | 3,186 | 3,269 | 1,709 | 1,704 |
| Personal care products and services ................. | 729 | 665 | 794 | 636 | 819 | 840 | 708 | 525 | 426 |
| Reading | 126 | 153 | 112 | 78 | 117 | 123 | 73 | 42 | 79 |
| Education | 1,468 | 803 | 2,099 | 652 | 2,030 | 3,068 | 1,359 | 372 | 733 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies ............ | 356 | 312 | 334 | 245 | 307 | 429 | 651 | 303 | 377 |
| Miscellaneous | 985 | 968 | 996 | 1,132 | 931 | 1,025 | 1,017 | 610 | 730 |
| Cash contributions ..................... | 2,097 | 2,535 | 1,763 | 1,214 | 1,843 | 1,958 | 1,780 | 894 | 1,220 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ..................... | 7,611 | 6,614 | 8,703 | 8,564 | 8,925 | 8,422 | 6,739 | 2,908 | 3,231 |
| Life and other personal insurance .................... | 495 | 494 | 529 | 468 | 521 | 577 | 332 | 130 | 148 |
| Pensions and Social Security .......................... | 7,116 | 6,119 | 8,174 | 8,096 | 8,404 | 7,844 | 6,406 | 2,778 | 3,083 |

[^5]2 Value is less than or equal to 0.05 .
n.a. Not applicable.

Table 7. Number of earners in consumer unit: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2010

| Item | All consumer units | Single consumers |  | Consumer units of two or more persons |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | No earner | One earner | No earner | One earner | Two earners | Three or more earners |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ....... | 121,107 | 14,378 | 21,101 | 12,095 | 26,231 | 37,747 | 9,555 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: <br> Income before taxes $\qquad$ | \$62,481 | \$17,654 | \$43,422 | \$32,544 | \$57,207 | \$92,421 | \$106,121 |
| Age of reference person ............................. | 49.4 | 67.0 | 43.0 | 63.2 | 47.5 | 44.0 | 46.6 |
| Average number in consumer unit: Persons | 2.5 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 2.4 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 4.5 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | n.a. | n.a. | . 4 | 1.1 | . 8 | 1.1 |
| Persons 65 and older | . 3 | . 6 | . 1 | 1.2 | . 3 | . 1 | . 1 |
| Earners | 1.3 | n.a. | 1.0 | n.a. | 1.0 | 2.0 | 3.3 |
| Vehicles | 1.9 | . 9 | 1.2 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 3.1 |
| Percent homeowner ................................... | 66 | 59 | 45 | 72 | 65 | 75 | 79 |
| Average annual expenditures ......................... | \$48,109 | \$21,859 | \$34,099 | \$37,785 | \$49,122 | \$63,071 | \$70,354 |
| Food ....................................................... | 6,129 | 2,745 | 3,922 | 5,282 | 6,502 | 7,784 | 9,927 |
| Food at home | 3,624 | 1,849 | 1,896 | 3,654 | 4,114 | 4,370 | 5,881 |
| Cereals and bakery products ................... | 502 | 271 | 248 | 498 | 584 | 598 | 819 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .................. | 784 | 388 | 378 | 856 | 902 | 912 | 1,379 |
| Dairy products | 380 | 196 | 191 | 372 | 434 | 465 | 618 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 679 | 366 | 364 | 671 | 748 | 829 | 1,107 |
| Other food at home ... | 1,278 | 629 | 715 | 1,257 | 1,447 | 1,566 | 1,957 |
| Food away from home .............................. | 2,505 | 896 | 2,026 | 1,628 | 2,387 | 3,414 | 4,046 |
| Alcoholic beverages ................................... | 412 | 143 | 442 | 303 | 331 | 569 | 541 |
| Housing | 16,557 | 9,334 | 12,509 | 12,916 | 17,498 | 20,891 | 21,321 |
| Shelter | 9,812 | 5,674 | 8,318 | 6,568 | 10,198 | 12,357 | 12,330 |
| Owned dwellings | 6,277 | 2,887 | 3,879 | 3,943 | 6,390 | 8,925 | 8,862 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,900 | 2,577 | 3,968 | 1,966 | 3,144 | 2,611 | 2,677 |
| Other lodging | 635 | 210 | 470 | 659 | 665 | 821 | 791 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services ............... | 3,660 | 2,317 | 2,340 | 3,564 | 3,983 | 4,321 | 5,217 |
| Household operations ....... | 1,007 | 485 | 541 | 770 | 1,093 | 1,494 | 962 |
| Housekeeping supplies ..... | 612 | 316 | 371 | 689 | 680 | 735 | 820 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ......... | 1,467 | 542 | 940 | 1,324 | 1,543 | 1,985 | 1,992 |
| Apparel and services .................................. | 1,700 | 440 | 1,048 | 1,777 | 1,872 | 2,181 | 2,594 |
| Transportation .......................................... | 7,677 | 2,516 | 5,027 | 5,840 | 7,923 | 10,363 | 12,442 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) ................... | 2,588 | 584 | 1,344 | 1,894 | 2,865 | 3,678 | 4,170 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 2,132 | 730 | 1,460 | 1,549 | 2,240 | 2,818 | 3,462 |
| Other vehicle expenses ............................. | 2,464 | 1,029 | 1,811 | 1,993 | 2,354 | 3,218 | 4,087 |
| Public transportation ................................. | 493 | 174 | 412 | 404 | 464 | 649 | 723 |
| Healthcare | 3,157 | 2,630 | 1,617 | 4,736 | 3,305 | 3,520 | 3,514 |
| Entertainment | 2,504 | 1,065 | 1,696 | 2,104 | 2,556 | 3,376 | 3,416 |
| Personal care products and services ............ | 582 | 299 | 401 | 522 | 608 | 730 | 839 |
| Reading ................................................... | 100 | 77 | 83 | 118 | 91 | 115 | 111 |
| Education | 1,074 | 350 | 770 | 330 | 915 | 1,495 | 2,555 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies ....... | 362 | 242 | 285 | 341 | 425 | 380 | 494 |
| Miscellaneous ... | 849 | 708 | 783 | 802 | 798 | 959 | 977 |
| Cash contributions ..................................... | 1,633 | 1,117 | 1,327 | 2,194 | 1,549 | 1,772 | 2,059 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ................. | 5,373 | 193 | 4,190 | 521 | 4,748 | 8,934 | 9,564 |
| Life and other personal insurance ............... | 318 | 141 | 145 | 291 | 321 | 437 | 525 |
| Pensions and Social Security ..................... | 5,054 | ${ }^{1} 52$ | 4,045 | ${ }^{1} 229$ | 4,427 | 8,497 | 9,040 |

1 Data are likely to have large sampling errors.
n.a. Not applicable.

Table 8. Housing tenure and type of area: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2010

| Item | All consumer units | Housing tenure |  |  |  | Type of area |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Homeowner |  |  | Renter | Urban |  |  | Rural |
|  |  | Total | Homeowner with mortgage | Homeowner without mortgage |  | Total | Central City | Other Urban |  |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ....... | 121,107 | 79,451 | 49,278 | 30,173 | 41,656 | 110,689 | 35,249 | 75,440 | 10,418 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: Income before taxes | \$62,481 | \$75,653 | \$88,962 | \$53,917 | \$37,359 | \$63,887 | \$57,510 | \$66,866 | \$47,548 |
| Age of reference person .............................. | 49.4 | 53.6 | 47.8 | 63.0 | 41.5 | 49.0 | 46.2 | 50.4 | 53.5 |
| Average number in consumer unit: Persons $\qquad$ | 2.5 | 2.6 | 2.9 | 2.1 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.6 | 2.5 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | . 6 | . 8 | . 3 | . 7 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 |
| Persons 65 and older | . 3 | . 4 | . 2 | . 8 | . 2 | . 3 | . 2 | . 3 | . 4 |
| Earners | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.6 | . 9 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.1 |
| Vehicles | 1.9 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 2.1 | 1.1 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 2.5 |
| Percent homeowner ................................... | 66 | 100 | 100 | 100 | n.a. | 64 | 50 | 71 | 81 |
| Average annual expenditures | \$48,109 | \$55,780 | \$63,235 | \$43,179 | \$33,460 | \$48,948 | \$44,438 | \$51,043 | \$39,144 |
| Food ................................ | 6,129 | 6,820 | 7,350 | 5,715 | 4,802 | 6,211 | 5,847 | 6,376 | 5,222 |
| Food at home | 3,624 | 4,000 | 4,215 | 3,531 | 2,902 | 3,641 | 3,424 | 3,739 | 3,435 |
| Cereals and bakery products | 502 | 559 | 585 | 502 | 391 | 504 | 471 | 518 | 481 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .................. | 784 | 851 | 885 | 775 | 657 | 789 | 776 | 794 | 737 |
| Dairy products ....... | 380 | 427 | 450 | 375 | 292 | 381 | 347 | 396 | 378 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 679 | 748 | 792 | 652 | 547 | 688 | 653 | 704 | 583 |
| Other food at home .. | 1,278 | 1,415 | 1,502 | 1,228 | 1,015 | 1,280 | 1,177 | 1,326 | 1,257 |
| Food away from home ............................... | 2,505 | 2,820 | 3,135 | 2,184 | 1,900 | 2,570 | 2,423 | 2,637 | 1,786 |
| Alcoholic beverages ................................... | 412 | 451 | 519 | 305 | 338 | 420 | 414 | 423 | 320 |
| Housing | 16,557 | 18,503 | 22,278 | 12,294 | 12,843 | 17,017 | 15,966 | 17,504 | 11,670 |
| Shelter | 9,812 | 10,400 | 13,557 | 5,243 | 8,691 | 10,213 | 10,057 | 10,286 | 5,549 |
| Owned dwellings | 6,277 | 9,469 | 12,624 | 4,316 | 190 | 6,464 | 5,087 | 7,108 | 4,290 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,900 | 58 | 47 | 76 | 8,319 | 3,094 | 4,356 | 2,504 | 835 |
| Other lodging ........................................ | 635 | 873 | 886 | 852 | 182 | 655 | 614 | 674 | 424 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services ............... | 3,660 | 4,314 | 4,572 | 3,891 | 2,413 | 3,670 | 3,266 | 3,859 | 3,552 |
| Household operations ..... | 1,007 | 1,230 | 1,421 | 921 | 582 | 1,048 | 934 | 1,101 | 575 |
| Housekeeping supplies ............................. | 612 | 741 | 762 | 697 | 362 | 607 | 501 | 655 | 661 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ......... | 1,467 | 1,817 | 1,966 | 1,543 | 796 | 1,479 | 1,208 | 1,604 | 1,334 |
| Apparel and services ................................. | 1,700 | 1,781 | 2,007 | 1,321 | 1,544 | 1,745 | 1,925 | 1,664 | 1,203 |
| Transportation .......................................... | 7,677 | 9,056 | 10,047 | 7,450 | 5,046 | 7,701 | 6,702 | 8,166 | 7,430 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) | 2,588 | 3,097 | 3,490 | 2,456 | 1,618 | 2,599 | 2,197 | 2,787 | 2,476 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 2,132 | 2,458 | 2,764 | 1,958 | 1,511 | 2,104 | 1,701 | 2,293 | 2,429 |
| Other vehicle expenses ............................. | 2,464 | 2,933 | 3,150 | 2,591 | 1,567 | 2,480 | 2,192 | 2,612 | 2,297 |
| Public transportation ................................. | 493 | 567 | 643 | 444 | 350 | 517 | 612 | 474 | 228 |
| Healthcare | 3,157 | 4,016 | 3,734 | 4,478 | 1,518 | 3,126 | 2,383 | 3,473 | 3,483 |
| Entertainment | 2,504 | 3,088 | 3,423 | 2,513 | 1,390 | 2,541 | 2,140 | 2,726 | 2,114 |
| Personal care products and services | 582 | 678 | 733 | 572 | 399 | 601 | 561 | 619 | 381 |
| Reading .......................................... | 100 | 124 | 122 | 129 | 52 | 101 | 97 | 103 | 81 |
| Education | 1,074 | 1,197 | 1,368 | 912 | 840 | 1,129 | 1,073 | 1,155 | 499 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies | 362 | 341 | 345 | 335 | 402 | 337 | 296 | 356 | 632 |
| Miscellaneous | 849 | 1,045 | 1,100 | 973 | 473 | 849 | 695 | 920 | 849 |
| Cash contributions ..................................... | 1,633 | 2,015 | 1,899 | 2,205 | 905 | 1,656 | 1,364 | 1,793 | 1,389 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ................. | 5,373 | 6,665 | 8,312 | 3,975 | 2,907 | 5,514 | 4,975 | 5,766 | 3,871 |
| Life and other personal insurance ............... | 318 | 432 | 505 | 315 | 100 | 320 | 252 | 352 | 297 |
| Pensions and Social Security ..................... | 5,054 | 6,233 | 7,807 | 3,661 | 2,807 | 5,194 | 4,723 | 5,414 | 3,574 |

n.a. Not applicable.

Table 9. Race of reference person: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2010

| Item | All consumer units | White and all other races, and Asian |  |  | Black or AfricanAmerican |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total | White and all other races ${ }^{1}$ | Asian |  |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ....... | 121,107 | 106,287 | 101,137 | 5,151 | 14,820 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income before taxes | \$62,481 | \$64,817 | \$63,773 | \$85,316 | \$45,727 |
| Age of reference person .............................. | 49.4 | 49.8 | 50.0 | 44.2 | 47.1 |
| Average number in consumer unit: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 2.6 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 | . 8 |
| Persons 65 and older | . 3 | . 3 | . 3 | . 3 | . 2 |
| Earners | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.1 |
| Vehicles | 1.9 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 1.3 |
| Percent homeowner ................................... | 66 | 68 | 69 | 55 | 46 |
| Average annual expenditures ........................ | \$48,109 | \$49,815 | \$49,395 | \$58,376 | \$35,863 |
| Food | 6,129 | 6,314 | 6,253 | 7,656 | 4,796 |
| Food at home | 3,624 | 3,700 | 3,689 | 3,953 | 3,075 |
| Cereals and bakery products ................... | 502 | 513 | 511 | 563 | 419 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .................. | 784 | 780 | 776 | 891 | 813 |
| Dairy products . | 380 | 398 | 400 | 350 | 255 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 679 | 694 | 683 | 958 | 572 |
| Other food at home .. | 1,278 | 1,314 | 1,320 | 1,190 | 1,016 |
| Food away from home | 2,505 | 2,613 | 2,564 | 3,703 | 1,721 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 412 | 441 | 446 | 322 | 203 |
| Housing | 16,557 | 16,899 | 16,712 | 20,549 | 14,102 |
| Shelter | 9,812 | 10,046 | 9,851 | 13,875 | 8,132 |
| Owned dwellings | 6,277 | 6,646 | 6,572 | 8,099 | 3,630 |
| Rented dwellings ................................... | 2,900 | 2,716 | 2,604 | 4,922 | 4,216 |
| Other lodging | 635 | 684 | 675 | 853 | 286 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services ............... | 3,660 | 3,647 | 3,666 | 3,285 | 3,749 |
| Household operations ...... | 1,007 | 1,050 | 1,037 | 1,298 | 704 |
| Housekeeping supplies ............................ | 612 | 634 | 638 | 542 | 449 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ......... | 1,467 | 1,522 | 1,520 | 1,549 | 1,068 |
| Apparel and services ................................. | 1,700 | 1,737 | 1,663 | 3,414 | 1,429 |
| Transportation ... | 7,677 | 7,950 | 7,915 | 8,673 | 5,724 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) ................... | 2,588 | 2,727 | 2,734 | 2,599 | 1,591 |
| Gasoline and motor oil ..... | 2,132 | 2,182 | 2,186 | 2,098 | 1,775 |
| Other vehicle expenses ............................. | 2,464 | 2,525 | 2,509 | 2,885 | 2,025 |
| Public transportation ................................. | 493 | 515 | 486 | 1,092 | 333 |
| Healthcare | 3,157 | 3,355 | 3,397 | 2,525 | 1,734 |
| Entertainment | 2,504 | 2,665 | 2,687 | 2,192 | 1,352 |
| Personal care products and services ............ | 582 | 590 | 590 | 593 | 525 |
| Reading ................................................... | 100 | 108 | 109 | 89 | 41 |
| Education ................................................ | 1,074 | 1,163 | 1,077 | 2,854 | 441 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies ....... | 362 | 380 | 392 | 146 | 231 |
| Miscellaneous ........................................... | 849 | 891 | 907 | 546 | 549 |
| Cash contributions ..................................... | 1,633 | 1,675 | 1,700 | 1,178 | 1,334 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ................. | 5,373 | 5,647 | 5,546 | 7,640 | 3,401 |
| Life and other personal insurance ............... | 318 | 333 | 333 | 333 | 212 |
| Pensions and Social Security ..................... | 5,054 | 5,315 | 5,213 | 7,306 | 3,189 |

1 All other races includes Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, American Indian or Alaska Native, and approximately 1 percent reporting more than one race.

Table 10. Hispanic or Latino origin of reference person: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2010

| Item | All consumer units | Hispanic or Latino | Not Hispanic or Latino |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Total | White and all other races | Black or <br> AfricanAmerican |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ....... | 121,107 | 14,754 | 106,353 | 91,816 | 14,537 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income before taxes .......... | \$62,481 | \$49,845 | \$64,234 | \$67,283 | \$44,980 |
| Age of reference person ..... | 49.4 | 43.9 | 50.2 | 50.7 | 47.0 |
| Average number in consumer unit: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons | 2.5 | 3.3 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.6 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | 1.1 | . 6 | . 5 | . 8 |
| Persons 65 and older | . 3 | . 2 | . 3 | . 4 | . 2 |
| Earners | 1.3 | 1.5 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.1 |
| Vehicles | 1.9 | 1.6 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 1.3 |
| Percent homeowner | 66 | 48 | 68 | 72 | 46 |
| Average annual expenditures | \$48,109 | \$41,456 | \$49,032 | \$51,167 | \$35,547 |
| Food | 6,129 | 6,486 | 6,080 | 6,287 | 4,778 |
| Food at home | 3,624 | 4,012 | 3,572 | 3,651 | 3,068 |
| Cereals and bakery products .. | 502 | 519 | 499 | 512 | 419 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .................. | 784 | 964 | 760 | 752 | 808 |
| Dairy products | 380 | 421 | 375 | 394 | 254 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 679 | 820 | 660 | 675 | 570 |
| Other food at home | 1,278 | 1,287 | 1,277 | 1,318 | 1,016 |
| Food away from home | 2,505 | 2,474 | 2,509 | 2,635 | 1,711 |
| Alcoholic beverages .................................. | 412 | 260 | 433 | 470 | 195 |
| Housing | 16,557 | 15,432 | 16,713 | 17,153 | 13,933 |
| Shelter | 9,812 | 9,518 | 9,852 | 10,145 | 8,007 |
| Owned dwellings | 6,277 | 4,676 | 6,499 | 6,959 | 3,594 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,900 | 4,526 | 2,674 | 2,436 | 4,178 |
| Other lodging . | 635 | 317 | 679 | 750 | 235 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services ............... | 3,660 | 3,471 | 3,686 | 3,676 | 3,753 |
| Household operations .............................. | 1,007 | 673 | 1,054 | 1,110 | 699 |
| Housekeeping supplies ............................ | 612 | 549 | 620 | 648 | 447 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ......... | 1,467 | 1,222 | 1,500 | 1,575 | 1,028 |
| Apparel and services ................................... | 1,700 | 1,998 | 1,659 | 1,696 | 1,429 |
| Transportation ........................................... | 7,677 | 6,629 | 7,822 | 8,161 | 5,685 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) ................... | 2,588 | 1,907 | 2,683 | 2,865 | 1,532 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 2,132 | 2,185 | 2,125 | 2,180 | 1,778 |
| Other vehicle expenses ............................. | 2,464 | 2,134 | 2,509 | 2,583 | 2,045 |
| Public transportation ................................. | 493 | 402 | 505 | 533 | 329 |
| Healthcare | 3,157 | 1,842 | 3,339 | 3,595 | 1,726 |
| Entertainment ........................................... | 2,504 | 1,644 | 2,623 | 2,828 | 1,325 |
| Personal care products and services ............ | 582 | 565 | 585 | 595 | 521 |
| Reading | 100 | 37 | 108 | 119 | 40 |
| Education ................................................ | 1,074 | 803 | 1,112 | 1,221 | 426 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies ....... | 362 | 165 | 389 | 414 | 235 |
| Miscellaneous ........................................... | 849 | 507 | 896 | 950 | 551 |
| Cash contributions | 1,633 | 1,074 | 1,711 | 1,771 | 1,333 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ................ | 5,373 | 4,014 | 5,561 | 5,908 | 3,369 |
| Life and other personal insurance ............... | 318 | 149 | 342 | 362 | 212 |
| Pensions and Social Security ...................... | 5,054 | 3,865 | 5,219 | 5,546 | 3,158 |

Table 11. Region of residence: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2010

| Item | All consumer units | Northeast | Midwest | South | West |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ...................... | 121,107 | 22,227 | 26,997 | 44,449 | 27,434 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income before taxes ........................................... | \$62,481 | \$68,409 | \$58,417 | \$58,824 | \$67,603 |
| Age of reference person ........................................... | 49.4 | 50.5 | 49.0 | 49.8 | 48.3 |
| Average number in consumer unit: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.6 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 | . 7 |
| Persons 65 and older | . 3 | . 4 | . 3 | . 3 | . 3 |
| Earners | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.3 |
| Vehicles | 1.9 | 1.6 | 2.1 | 1.9 | 2.0 |
| Percent homeowner . | 66 | 63 | 69 | 68 | 60 |
| Average annual expenditures | \$48,109 | \$52,802 | \$45,278 | \$44,217 | \$53,429 |
| Food ................ | 6,129 | 6,755 | 5,738 | 5,645 | 6,804 |
| Food at home | 3,624 | 3,910 | 3,577 | 3,335 | 3,914 |
| Cereals and bakery products | 502 | 558 | 501 | 454 | 535 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | 784 | 860 | 717 | 763 | 826 |
| Dairy products | 380 | 432 | 386 | 341 | 397 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 679 | 753 | 669 | 589 | 779 |
| Other food at home ... | 1,278 | 1,307 | 1,303 | 1,188 | 1,377 |
| Food away from home ............................................ | 2,505 | 2,845 | 2,161 | 2,310 | 2,891 |
| Alcoholic beverages ................................................. | 412 | 528 | 380 | 325 | 492 |
| Housing | 16,557 | 19,034 | 14,762 | 14,890 | 19,019 |
| Shelter | 9,812 | 11,772 | 8,514 | 8,123 | 12,237 |
| Owned dwellings | 6,277 | 7,429 | 5,903 | 5,229 | 7,412 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,900 | 3,636 | 1,947 | 2,353 | 4,127 |
| Other lodging | 635 | 708 | 664 | 542 | 699 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services ............................ | 3,660 | 3,985 | 3,415 | 3,847 | 3,334 |
| Household operations | 1,007 | 1,093 | 859 | 940 | 1,192 |
| Housekeeping supplies | 612 | 619 | 634 | 586 | 624 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ....................... | 1,467 | 1,566 | 1,340 | 1,393 | 1,632 |
| Apparel and services ................................................ | 1,700 | 2,084 | 1,474 | 1,506 | 1,932 |
| Transportation | 7,677 | 7,754 | 7,222 | 7,590 | 8,206 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) | 2,588 | 2,353 | 2,403 | 2,719 | 2,749 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 2,132 | 1,903 | 2,108 | 2,229 | 2,186 |
| Other vehicle expenses | 2,464 | 2,785 | 2,285 | 2,315 | 2,623 |
| Public transportation .............................................. | 493 | 713 | 426 | 327 | 648 |
| Healthcare | 3,157 | 3,125 | 3,265 | 3,041 | 3,265 |
| Entertainment | 2,504 | 2,688 | 2,548 | 2,347 | 2,568 |
| Personal care products and services .......................... | 582 | 602 | 518 | 566 | 655 |
| Reading .. | 100 | 124 | 101 | 80 | 111 |
| Education | 1,074 | 1,618 | 1,153 | 697 | 1,167 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies | 362 | 380 | 381 | 401 | 266 |
| Miscellaneous | 849 | 910 | 773 | 716 | 1,090 |
| Cash contributions ........................... | 1,633 | 1,444 | 1,589 | 1,633 | 1,830 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ............................... | 5,373 | 5,756 | 5,371 | 4,780 | 6,023 |
| Life and other personal insurance ............................. | 318 | 350 | 384 | 286 | 279 |
| Pensions and Social Security ................................... | 5,054 | 5,406 | 4,987 | 4,494 | 5,744 |

Table 12. Occupation of reference person: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2010

| Item | Selfemployed workers | Wage and salary earners |  |  |  |  |  | Retired | All other, including not reporting |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total wage and salary earners | Managers and professionals | Technical, sales and clerical workers | Service workers | Construction workers and mechanics | Operators, fabricators and laborers |  |  |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) | 5,339 | 76,067 | 30,200 | 20,308 | 13,520 | 3,843 | 8,197 | 21,457 | 18,244 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: Income before taxes | \$78,480 | \$74,147 | \$102,752 | \$61,926 | \$50,097 | \$56,039 | \$47,197 | \$35,779 | \$40,563 |
| Age of reference person ...................... | 48.7 | 43.6 | 44.6 | 42.2 | 43.2 | 42.4 | 44.3 | 73.8 | 45.4 |
| Average number in consumer unit: | 2.9 | 26 | 26 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 28 | 1.7 | 2.9 |
| Cersons ....................................................... | 2.9 .8 | 2.6 .7 | 2.6 .7 | 2.6 .7 | 2.7 .7 | 2.7 .7 | 2.8 .8 | 1.7 | 2.9 .9 |
| Persons 65 and older | . 2 | . 1 | . 1 | . 1 | . 1 | . 1 | . 1 | 1.2 | . 2 |
| Earners | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | . 2 | . 6 |
| Vehicles | 2.2 | 2.0 | 2.2 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 2.2 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 1.6 |
| Percent homeowner | 71 | 64 | 75 | 60 | 51 | 58 | 58 | 82 | 51 |
| Average annual expenditures .................. | \$59,005 | \$53,218 | \$67,312 | \$47,921 | \$41,517 | \$45,062 | \$37,676 | \$36,111 | \$37,998 |
| Food | 6,912 | 6,658 | 7,862 | 6,175 | 5,732 | 6,206 | 5,210 | 4,608 | 5,618 |
| Food at home | 4,078 | 3,718 | 4,173 | 3,439 | 3,438 | 3,822 | 3,167 | 3,043 | 3,797 |
| Cereals and bakery products ............. | 532 | 514 | 578 | 472 | 466 | 550 | 451 | 425 | 531 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs ............ | 898 | 789 | 842 | 719 | 803 | 856 | 711 | 672 | 862 |
| Dairy products ................................. | 440 | 390 | 442 | 359 | 361 | 394 | 322 | 321 | 395 |
| Fruits and vegetables ....................... | 806 | 695 | 794 | 625 | 676 | 668 | 557 | 595 | 680 |
| Other food at home .......................... | 1,402 | 1,330 | 1,517 | 1,264 | 1,132 | 1,355 | 1,126 | 1,029 | 1,328 |
| Food away from home ....................... | 2,834 | 2,940 | 3,689 | 2,736 | 2,293 | 2,384 | 2,043 | 1,565 | 1,821 |
| Alcoholic beverages ............................. | 557 | 488 | 625 | 476 | 338 | 474 | 275 | 279 | 235 |
| Housing ............................................. | 19,092 | 18,044 | 22,613 | 16,294 | 14,647 | 14,943 | 12,631 | 12,898 | 13,933 |
| Shelter | 11,615 | 10,932 | 13,897 | 9,717 | 8,733 | 8,970 | 7,572 | 6,859 | 8,085 |
| Owned dwellings ............................. | 7,953 | 7,081 | 9,873 | 5,889 | 4,700 | 5,393 | 4,464 | 4,703 | 4,286 |
| Rented dwellings ............................. | 2,984 | 3,166 | 2,861 | 3,342 | 3,739 | 3,258 | 2,868 | 1,503 | 3,406 |
| Other lodging .................................. | 678 | 685 | 1,162 | 485 | 294 | 320 | 240 | 652 | 393 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services ........ | 4,105 | 3,775 | 4,203 | 3,606 | 3,398 | 3,518 | 3,359 | 3,390 | 3,367 |
| Household operations ........................ | 1,189 | 1,138 | 1,680 | 973 | 683 | 750 | 488 | 777 | 677 |
| Housekeeping supplies ...................... | 714 | 613 | 727 | 597 | 553 | 475 | 407 | 621 | 566 |
| Household furnishings and equipment .. | 1,470 | 1,585 | 2,106 | 1,402 | 1,279 | 1,229 | 804 | 1,251 | 1,238 |
| Apparel and services .......................... | 2,192 | 1,821 | 2,249 | 1,569 | 1,711 | 1,365 | 1,292 | 978 | 1,901 |
| Transportation .................................... | 8,812 | 8,745 | 10,283 | 8,486 | 7,042 | 7,736 | 7,007 | 5,513 | 5,489 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) | 2,612 | 3,014 | 3,559 | 3,123 | 2,221 | 2,148 | 2,445 | 1,785 | 1,753 |
| Gasoline and motor oil ....................... | 2,372 | 2,402 | 2,570 | 2,316 | 2,158 | 2,649 | 2,288 | 1,404 | 1,793 |
| Other vehicle expenses ...................... | 3,245 | 2,764 | 3,324 | 2,606 | 2,247 | 2,601 | 2,026 | 1,948 | 1,641 |
| Public transportation .......................... | 583 | 565 | 830 | 441 | 417 | 338 | 248 | 376 | 302 |
| Healthcare .......................................... | 3,529 | 2,882 | 3,678 | 2,549 | 2,290 | 2,251 | 2,045 | 4,676 | 2,408 |
| Entertainment | 3,526 | 2,727 | 3,534 | 2,548 | 1,802 | 2,722 | 1,733 | 1,936 | 1,972 |
| Personal care products and services ...... | 625 | 631 | 833 | 575 | 492 | 485 | 335 | 517 | 449 |
| Reading ............................................. | 131 | 98 | 144 | 84 | 55 | 52 | 53 | 133 | 58 |
| Education .......................................... | 1,027 | 1,333 | 1,933 | 983 | 1,031 | 1,090 | 602 | 218 | 1,020 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies | 365 | 361 | 244 | 405 | 385 | 649 | 507 | 226 | 526 |
| Miscellaneous .................................... | 1,307 | 882 | 1,197 | 706 | 641 | 764 | 618 | 880 | 541 |
| Cash contributions ......................... | 1,872 | 1,640 | 2,248 | 1,357 | 1,029 | 1,564 | 1,144 | 2,119 | 963 |
| Personal insurance and pensions ........... | 9,059 | 6,907 | 9,869 | 5,713 | 4,321 | 4,761 | 4,225 | 1,131 | 2,884 |
| Life and other personal insurance ......... | 496 | 340 | 501 | 287 | 212 | 171 | 174 | 290 | 206 |
| Pensions and Social Security .............. | 8,562 | 6,567 | 9,368 | 5,426 | 4,109 | 4,590 | 4,051 | 841 | 2,678 |

Table 13. Education of reference person: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2010

| Item | All consumer units | Less than college graduate |  |  |  |  | College graduate |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total | Less than high school graduate | High school graduate | High school graduate with some college | Associate's degree | Total | Bachelor's degree | Master's, professional, doctoral degree |
| Number of consumer units (in thousands) ......... | 121,107 | 85,128 | 17,303 | 30,921 | 25,460 | 11,443 | 35,980 | 22,877 | 13,103 |
| Consumer unit characteristics: Income before taxes | \$62,481 | \$47,858 | \$33,317 | \$47,029 | \$52,113 | \$62,618 | \$97,080 | \$88,003 | \$112,927 |
| Age of reference person ................................ | 49.4 | 50.0 | 53.9 | 51.7 | 46.5 | 47.7 | 48.0 | 46.9 | 49.8 |
| Average number in consumer unit: Persons $\qquad$ | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.4 |
| Children under 18 | . 6 | . 6 | . 8 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 | . 6 |
| Persons 65 and older | . 3 | . 3 | . 5 | . 4 | . 3 | . 2 | . 3 | . 2 | . 3 |
| Earners | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.4 |
| Vehicles | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 2.1 |
| Percent homeowner | 66 | 61 | 54 | 64 | 59 | 70 | 76 | 73 | 81 |
| Average annual expenditures | \$48,109 | \$39,632 | \$29,753 | \$37,969 | \$43,144 | \$50,967 | \$68,189 | \$63,907 | \$75,752 |
| Food ............... | 6,129 | 5,396 | 4,842 | 5,138 | 5,617 | 6,348 | 7,871 | 7,594 | 8,398 |
| Food at home | 3,624 | 3,368 | 3,342 | 3,291 | 3,308 | 3,739 | 4,233 | 4,055 | 4,583 |
| Cereals and bakery products | 502 | 465 | 467 | 452 | 455 | 519 | 589 | 570 | 625 |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs | 784 | 763 | 795 | 754 | 744 | 782 | 836 | 811 | 887 |
| Dairy products ... | 380 | 349 | 337 | 339 | 351 | 388 | 454 | 429 | 505 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 679 | 607 | 626 | 582 | 597 | 673 | 851 | 793 | 966 |
| Other food at home ... | 1,278 | 1,184 | 1,117 | 1,164 | 1,161 | 1,377 | 1,503 | 1,452 | 1,600 |
| Food away from home ............................... | 2,505 | 2,028 | 1,500 | 1,847 | 2,309 | 2,609 | 3,638 | 3,539 | 3,815 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 412 | 293 | 141 | 271 | 361 | 411 | 694 | 722 | 638 |
| Housing | 16,557 | 13,659 | 10,647 | 13,378 | 14,635 | 16,750 | 23,419 | 21,968 | 25,977 |
| Shelter | 9,812 | 7,841 | 6,057 | 7,618 | 8,560 | 9,542 | 14,475 | 13,673 | 15,875 |
| Owned dwellings | 6,277 | 4,596 | 2,828 | 4,534 | 5,125 | 6,264 | 10,254 | 9,345 | 11,840 |
| Rented dwellings | 2,900 | 2,896 | 3,089 | 2,760 | 2,961 | 2,823 | 2,908 | 3,114 | 2,549 |
| Other lodging | 635 | 349 | 140 | 323 | 474 | 455 | 1,312 | 1,214 | 1,485 |
| Utilities, fuels, and public services ................ | 3,660 | 3,462 | 3,098 | 3,525 | 3,431 | 3,915 | 4,127 | 3,990 | 4,367 |
| Household operations | 1,007 | 687 | 329 | 642 | 832 | 1,026 | 1,765 | 1,459 | 2,301 |
| Housekeeping supplies ... | 612 | 536 | 460 | 505 | 556 | 676 | 792 | 778 | 819 |
| Household furnishings and equipment ........... | 1,467 | 1,132 | 704 | 1,088 | 1,256 | 1,591 | 2,260 | 2,069 | 2,616 |
| Apparel and services ................................... | 1,700 | 1,455 | 1,323 | 1,279 | 1,386 | 2,250 | 2,282 | 2,262 | 2,310 |
| Transportation | 7,677 | 6,756 | 4,894 | 6,455 | 7,388 | 8,960 | 9,859 | 9,525 | 10,470 |
| Vehicle purchases (net outlay) | 2,588 | 2,260 | 1,364 | 2,185 | 2,508 | 3,270 | 3,364 | 3,400 | 3,302 |
| Gasoline and motor oil | 2,132 | 2,041 | 1,647 | 1,988 | 2,155 | 2,526 | 2,349 | 2,358 | 2,333 |
| Other vehicle expenses .............................. | 2,464 | 2,163 | 1,676 | 2,031 | 2,391 | 2,727 | 3,178 | 2,932 | 3,633 |
| Public transportation .................................. | 493 | 292 | 207 | 251 | 334 | 437 | 968 | 834 | 1,203 |
| Healthcare | 3,157 | 2,772 | 2,129 | 2,820 | 2,938 | 3,238 | 4,069 | 3,824 | 4,497 |
| Entertainment | 2,504 | 2,011 | 1,174 | 1,864 | 2,425 | 2,710 | 3,673 | 3,366 | 4,226 |
| Personal care products and services .............. | 582 | 478 | 352 | 433 | 520 | 683 | 829 | 786 | 907 |
| Reading .. | 100 | 70 | 35 | 67 | 90 | 90 | 169 | 143 | 213 |
| Education | 1,074 | 579 | 205 | 347 | 912 | 1,020 | 2,247 | 1,986 | 2,705 |
| Tobacco products and smoking supplies. | 362 | 438 | 440 | 503 | 381 | 386 | 183 | 219 | 119 |
| Miscellaneous | 849 | 639 | 452 | 616 | 731 | 778 | 1,346 | 1,319 | 1,376 |
| Cash contributions ...................................... | 1,633 | 1,250 | 882 | 1,128 | 1,471 | 1,644 | 2,540 | 2,243 | 3,058 |
| Personal insurance and pensions .................. | 5,373 | 3,836 | 2,236 | 3,669 | 4,289 | 5,700 | 9,007 | 7,948 | 10,857 |
| Life and other personal insurance ................. | 318 | 231 | 136 | 228 | 249 | 340 | 525 | 408 | 729 |
| Pensions and Social Security ...................... | 5,054 | 3,606 | 2,100 | 3,441 | 4,041 | 5,359 | 8,482 | 7,540 | 10,127 |


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ A ccording to the National Bureau of Economic Research, the recession began in December 2007 and ended in June 2009. For more information on U.S. business cycles, see "U.S. Business Cycle Expansions and Contractions," (National Bureau of Economic Research, Sept, 20, 2010), http:// www.nber.org/cycles.html.
    ${ }^{2}$ The Bureau of Economic A nalysis measured a similar decrease (-27.1 percent) in gasoline expenditures from 2009 to 2010. For more information, see "National Data: National Income and Product A ccounts Tables," (Bureau of Economic A nalysis, updated regularly), http://www.bea.gov/iTable/ iTable.cfm?ReqID=9\&step=1\&acrdn=2.

[^1]:    ${ }^{3}$ For more information, see http://www.nielsen.com/content/dam/corpo-rate/us/en/reports-downloads/2011-Reports/GlobalConsumerConfidenceReport_Q42010.pdf?wwparam=1319752536.
    ${ }^{4}$ For more information, see "Record 2.9 million U.S. Properties Receive Foreclosure Filings in 2010 Despite 30-M onth Low in December," Realty Trends (RealtyTrac, October 2011), http://www.realtytrac.com/content/press-releases/record-29-million-us-properties-receive-foreclosure-filings-in-2010-despite-30-month-low-in-december-6309?wwparam=1320935470.

[^2]:    ${ }^{6}$ Cash contributions include support for college students, alimony expenditures, child support expenditures, gifts to non-CU members of stocks, bonds and mutual funds, contributions to charities and other organizations, contributions to church and religious organizations, contributions to educational institutions, and contributions to political organizations.

[^3]:    n.a. Not applicable.

[^4]:    1 Value is less than or equal to 0.05 .

[^5]:    1 No data reported.

