

**Southwest Information Office**
**Southwest Consumer Price Index Indicators**

CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. City Average, Dallas-Fort Worth, and Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, May 2010  
(1982-84=100 unless otherwise noted) (PDF format : not updated until mid-morning on release day)

Item and group	U.S. City Average				Dallas-Fort Worth				Houston-Galveston-Brazoria			
	Index	Percent change			Index	Percent change			Index	Percent change		
	May 2010	12-month	1-month	2-month	May 2010	12-month	1-month	2-month	May 2010	12-month	1-month	2-month
All items	218.178	2.0	0.1	0.3	202.108	1.4		0.1				
Food and beverages	219.693	0.7	0.1	0.1	222.261	0.4		-0.3				
Food	219.374	0.7	0.1	0.2	216.716	0.2		-0.4				
Food at home	215.793	0.3	0.0	0.1	196.460	-0.9	-0.2	-0.9	198.718	0.5	0.0	-0.6
Food away from home	225.573	1.1	0.1	0.3	248.247	1.5		0.1				
Alcoholic beverages	222.463	1.1	0.1	0.0	300.132	2.7		1.1				
Housing	215.981	-0.5	0.1	0.0	178.694	-2.1		0.0				
Shelter	248.100	-0.7	0.0	0.0	186.146	-1.5	0.3	-0.2	203.534	0.8	0.1	0.0
Rent of primary residence (1)	248.925	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	188.850	-0.7	0.0	-1.1	191.419	1.2	0.0	0.0
Owners' equivalent rent of residences (1) (2) (3)	256.163	-0.3	0.0	0.0	201.558	-0.6	0.3	0.2	190.140	1.2	0.3	0.4
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence (1) (2) (3)	256.159	-0.3	0.0	0.0	201.558	-0.6	0.3	0.2	190.140	1.2	0.3	0.4
Fuels and utilities	212.773	3.1	0.5	0.2	211.567	-3.9		1.3				
Household energy	188.017	2.3	0.5	0.1	203.981	-5.4	1.5	1.7	188.193	-9.0	-0.5	0.2
Gas (piped) and electricity (1)	191.628	1.1	0.7	0.2	201.296	-5.7	1.5	1.8	185.881	-9.3	-0.5	0.2
Electricity (1)	192.416	0.7	1.2	1.8	193.361	-8.1	1.2	1.5	185.417	-9.6	-0.5	0.2
Utility (piped) gas service (1)	186.595	2.3	-0.8	-4.7	194.371	17.5	3.4	3.9	180.462	-7.4	-0.9	0.2
Household furnishings & operations	126.029	-2.8	0.0	-0.6	132.537	-3.4		-0.6				
Apparel	121.006	-0.6	-0.9	-0.9	114.749	-4.5		-7.6				
Transportation	194.761	10.7	0.4	1.4	198.412	10.7		1.7				
Private transportation	190.071	10.7	0.3	1.2	198.269	10.6		1.6				
Motor fuel	246.671	27.4	0.8	3.8	257.037	32.4	1.9	5.5	239.930	29.7	0.9	5.8
Gasoline (all types)	246.080	27.0	0.7	3.7	256.227	32.2	1.9	5.4	239.931	29.2	0.8	5.8
Medical care	387.762	3.4	0.0	0.2	374.002	10.2		-0.6				
Recreation (4)	113.684	-0.5	-0.1	0.3	110.156	-7.1		2.9				
Education and communication (4)	129.270	2.2	-0.1	0.0	136.369	1.9		-0.1				
Other goods and services	379.714	2.7	0.2	0.2	345.061	0.2		-1.4				
<b>SPECIAL INDEXES (CPI-U)</b>												
Energy	214.363	14.7	0.7	2.1	230.697	12.3	1.7	3.8	212.039	9.1	0.3	3.2
All items less shelter	208.932	3.3	0.1	0.4	210.088	2.7		0.2				
All items less food and energy	221.193	0.9	0.0	0.1	200.672	0.4		-0.3				
All items (1967 = 100)	653.564				634.002							
<b>CPI FOR URBAN WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)</b>												
All items	214.124	2.6	0.1	0.3	205.263	2.1		0.0				
All items (1967 = 100)	637.809				632.962							

**Footnotes**

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

(2) Index on a December 1982=100 base.

(3) This index series underwent a change in composition in January 2010. The expenditure class now includes weight from secondary residences and has been re-titled "Owners' equivalent rent of residences." The item stratum "Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence" excludes secondary residences.

(4) Index on a December 1997=100 base.

Note: The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures changes in prices of all goods and services purchased for consumption by urban households. The indexes for food at home, energy, and shelter are compiled monthly for Dallas-Fort Worth and Houston. Full surveys, which produce the All Items Indexes and major components, are compiled every two months. These full surveys are published for the odd-numbered months for Dallas-Fort Worth and for the even-numbered months for Houston.

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