

**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, August 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		
	Aug 2010	12-month	1-month	2-month	Aug 2010	12-month	1-month	2-month	Aug 2010	12-month	1-month	2-month
All items	218.312	1.1	0.1	0.2					195.165	1.8		0.2
Food and beverages	219.877	1.0	0.2	0.1					200.066	0.6		0.2
Food	219.491	1.0	0.2	0.1					199.100	0.7		0.1
Food at home	215.382	0.8	0.1	0.0	197.977	-0.9	0.0	1.2	199.522	0.7	0.2	-0.1
Food away from home	226.422	1.2	0.3	0.3					194.138	0.7		0.4
Alcoholic beverages	223.536	1.2	0.0	0.4					204.794	-0.4		0.5
Housing	216.976	-0.4	0.0	0.1					184.241	0.8		-0.1
Shelter	248.595	-0.7	0.0	0.1	185.676	-1.7	-0.3	-0.2	206.438	1.3	0.0	0.3
Rent of primary residence (1)	249.024	0.0	0.0	0.0	186.659	-2.8	-0.6	-0.7	193.345	1.6	0.1	0.3
Owners' equivalent rent of residences (1) (2)	256.509	-0.3	0.0	0.1	201.607	-1.2	-0.2	-0.1	192.810	1.5	0.3	0.5
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence (1) (2)	256.503	-0.3	0.0	0.1	201.607	-1.2	-0.2	-0.1	192.810	1.5	0.3	0.5
Fuels and utilities	219.602	3.3	0.0	0.8					190.887	0.5		-1.7
Household energy	194.865	2.7	-0.2	0.6	211.474	-3.9	0.2	2.5	184.634	0.4	-2.3	-2.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (1)	199.632	2.1	-0.3	0.7	209.080	-4.0	0.2	2.6	182.400	0.3	-2.3	-2.0
Electricity (1)	201.624	1.6	-0.1	0.4	193.667	-6.4	-0.5	-1.8	186.596	2.0	0.1	0.5
Utility (piped) gas service (1)	190.655	3.8	-0.7	1.7	253.695	11.4	3.9	36.1	146.933	-11.8	-18.7	-18.6
Household furnishings & operations	125.005	-2.6	-0.2	-0.5					127.486	-2.2		-0.3
Apparel	116.667	-0.4	1.2	-1.4					158.788	8.9		4.0
Transportation	193.454	4.9	0.2	0.4					167.479	3.5		0.0
Private transportation	188.616	4.8	0.3	0.5					166.072	3.8		0.3
Motor fuel	235.690	4.7	0.4	0.3	235.614	3.6	-0.3	-0.9	224.955	2.9	0.4	-1.7
Gasoline (all types)	235.110	4.4	0.4	0.4	234.643	3.4	-0.3	-0.9	224.840	2.5	0.4	-1.6
Medical care	388.467	3.2	0.1	0.1					375.639	4.6		0.6
Recreation (3)	113.521	-1.1	-0.1	-0.2					107.098	-2.9		0.4
Education and communication (3)	130.599	1.9	0.8	1.0					114.033	2.3		0.6
Other goods and services	383.685	2.9	0.1	0.7					333.686	4.2		-0.6
<b>SPECIAL INDEXES (CPI-U)</b>												
Energy	212.663	3.8	0.1	0.5	223.672	-0.1	-0.1	0.7	202.939	1.7	-0.8	-1.8
All items less shelter	208.925	2.0	0.2	0.2					190.808	2.0		0.2
All items less food and energy	221.551	0.9	0.1	0.1					196.392	2.0		0.5
All items (1967 = 100)	653.966								625.965			
<b>CPI FOR URBAN WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)</b>												
All items	214.205	1.4	0.1	0.2					193.276	2.0		0.3
All items (1967 = 100)	638.052								616.852			

**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) 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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