

**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, April 2011  
(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		
	Apr 2011	12-month	1-month	2-month	Apr 2011	12-month	1-month	2-month	Apr 2011	12-month	1-month	2-month
All items	224.906	3.2	0.6	1.6					201.624	3.9		2.2
Food and beverages	226.248	3.1	0.3	1.0					205.391	3.2		0.9
Food	226.150	3.2	0.4	1.1					204.185	3.0		0.8
Food at home	224.233	3.9	0.4	1.4	204.604	3.9	0.8	0.7	207.555	4.4	0.5	1.8
Food away from home	230.082	2.1	0.3	0.6					196.032	1.5		-0.2
Alcoholic beverages	226.053	1.7	0.2	0.1					212.674	4.9		1.9
Housing	217.901	1.0	0.1	0.3					182.986	0.1		0.6
Shelter	250.447	1.0	0.1	0.2	186.358	0.4	0.3	0.5	205.585	1.1	0.2	0.7
Rent of primary residence (1)	252.221	1.3	0.0	0.2	188.685	-0.1	0.6	0.9	193.892	1.2	-0.1	0.0
Owners' equivalent rent of residences (1) (2)	258.400	0.9	0.1	0.1	201.288	0.1	0.2	0.3	191.758	1.1	0.2	0.8
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence (1) (2)	258.387	0.9	0.1	0.1	201.288	0.1	0.2	0.3	191.758	1.1	0.2	0.8
Fuels and utilities	217.254	2.6	0.3	0.8					190.034	-2.4		0.0
Household energy	190.622	1.9	0.3	0.9	196.438	-2.3	1.2	0.8	182.823	-3.4	0.0	0.0
Energy services (1) (3)	190.459	0.1	0.1	0.3	192.552	-2.9	1.2	0.7	179.748	-3.8	0.0	-0.1
Electricity (1)	191.323	0.6	0.2	0.9	183.723	-3.8	0.0	0.0	184.946	-0.7	0.0	-0.1
Utility (piped) gas service (1)	185.197	-1.5	0.0	-1.6	194.874	3.7	9.8	6.1	137.905	-24.3	0.0	0.0
Household furnishings & operations	124.893	-0.9	0.1	0.3					123.861	-3.7		0.5
Apparel	122.226	0.1	0.8	3.3					158.035	3.8		4.8
Transportation	216.867	11.8	2.8	6.8					193.238	14.7		7.9
Private transportation	212.210	12.0	2.9	7.1					192.324	14.9		8.5
Motor fuel	326.024	33.2	7.4	19.9	340.998	35.2	8.3	24.7	326.530	37.3	9.4	23.6
Gasoline (all types)	325.282	33.1	7.5	20.1	340.012	35.3	8.4	25.1	326.858	37.3	9.7	24.0
Medical care	398.813	2.9	0.3	0.4					387.109	3.7		1.4
Recreation (4)	113.368	-0.4	0.1	0.2					107.182	0.7		-0.2
Education and communication (4)	130.643	1.0	0.0	0.0					114.443	1.4		-0.1
Other goods and services	386.226	1.9	0.2	0.2					342.942	2.8		1.5
<b>SPECIAL INDEXES (CPI-U)</b>												
Energy	253.495	19.0	4.5	11.7	269.101	18.6	5.6	14.8	251.557	18.9	5.8	13.8
All items less shelter	217.475	4.2	0.9	2.3					200.277	5.1		2.9
All items less food and energy	224.118	1.3	0.2	0.5					197.594	1.9		0.8
All items (1967 = 100)	673.717								646.681			
<b>CPI FOR URBAN WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)</b>												
All items	221.743	3.6	0.8	1.9					200.997	4.4		2.7
All items (1967 = 100)	660.503								641.494			

**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 was formerly titled Gas (piped) and electricity.

(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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