

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 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		
	Aug 2011	12-month	1-month	2-month	Aug 2011	12-month	1-month	2-month	Aug 2011	12-month	1-month	2-month
All items	226.545	3.8	0.3	0.4					202.445	3.7		0.6
Food and beverages	229.490	4.4	0.5	0.9					208.273	4.1		0.7
Food	229.554	4.6	0.5	1.0					207.649	4.3		0.8
Food at home	228.354	6.0	0.6	1.2	207.250	4.7	1.1	2.0	211.060	5.8	0.4	0.8
Food away from home	232.513	2.7	0.4	0.6					199.375	2.7		0.7
Alcoholic beverages	227.126	1.6	0.1	0.0					208.847	2.0		0.2
Housing	220.506	1.6	0.1	0.4					184.422	0.1		0.3
Shelter	252.546	1.6	0.2	0.4	188.283	1.4	0.4	0.7	207.560	0.5	-0.4	0.2
Rent of primary residence (1)	254.003	2.0	0.4	0.6	190.984	2.3	0.7	0.6	194.850	0.8	0.1	0.7
Owners' equivalent rent of residences (1) (2)	260.178	1.4	0.2	0.5	203.293	0.8	0.2	0.7	194.623	0.9	-0.1	0.6
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence (1) (2)	260.159	1.4	0.2	0.4	203.293	0.8	0.2	0.7	194.623	0.9	-0.1	0.6
Fuels and utilities	226.493	3.1	-0.1	0.7					193.215	1.2		1.2
Household energy	200.144	2.7	-0.2	0.5	215.821	2.1	1.2	3.7	186.524	1.0	1.2	1.4
Energy services (1) (3)	201.564	1.0	-0.2	0.7	212.361	1.6	1.4	3.8	183.531	0.6	1.3	1.4
Electricity (1)	205.362	1.9	-0.3	0.7	193.519	-0.1	0.0	0.6	186.670	0.0	0.0	0.2
Utility (piped) gas service (1)	186.808	-2.0	0.0	0.5	280.707	10.6	8.7	23.7	154.866	5.4	12.2	12.3
Household furnishings & operations	125.138	0.1	0.1	0.1					121.811	-4.5		-0.1
Apparel	121.547	4.2	2.3	0.8					166.283	4.7		8.7
Transportation	216.057	11.7	0.0	-0.4					190.879	14.0		-0.3
Private transportation	211.315	12.0	-0.1	-0.4					189.962	14.4		-0.1
Motor fuel	311.962	32.4	-0.5	-2.0	325.951	38.3	-0.1	0.0	310.710	38.1	0.3	-0.5
Gasoline (all types)	311.269	32.4	-0.5	-2.0	324.940	38.5	-0.1	0.0	311.045	38.3	0.4	-0.5
Medical care	400.874	3.2	0.1	0.3					386.421	2.9		0.2
Recreation (4)	113.592	0.1	0.1	-0.1					105.073	-1.9		-0.4
Education and communication (4)	132.028	1.1	0.9	1.1					115.320	1.1		0.6
Other goods and services	387.053	0.9	0.1	0.2					346.413	3.8		1.9
SPECIAL INDEXES (CPI-U)												
Energy	251.706	18.4	-0.4	-1.0	271.202	21.2	0.4	1.4	245.711	21.1	0.6	0.2
All items less shelter	218.952	4.8	0.3	0.3					200.625	5.1		0.7
All items less food and energy	225.874	2.0	0.3	0.4					198.852	1.3		0.6
All items (1967 = 100)	678.628								649.313			
CPI FOR URBAN WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)												
All items	223.326	4.3	0.3	0.4					201.772	4.4		0.7
All items (1967 = 100)	665.221								643.967			

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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