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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: MAY 2002

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) was unchanged in May, before seasonal adjustment, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. The May level of 179.8 (1982-84=100) was 1.2 percent higher than its level in May 2001.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) was unchanged in May, prior to seasonal adjustment. The May level of 175.8 was 0.8 percent higher than the index in May 2001.

CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U was unchanged in May, following a 0.5 percent increase in April. The energy index, which had advanced sharply in each of the preceding two months, declined 0.7 percent in May. The index for petroleum-based energy decreased 2.7 percent, while the index for energy services rose 1.1 percent. The food index fell 0.2 percent in May. The index for food at home declined 0.5 percent as five of the six grocery store food groups registered declines. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U rose 0.2 percent in May after increasing 0.3 percent in April. A smaller increase in the index for shelter and a downturn in the index for tobacco and smoking products accounted for the more moderate increase in May.

Table A. Percent changes in CPI for Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

Expenditure Category	Seasonally adjusted							Compound annual rate 3-mos. ended May '02	Un- adjusted 12-mos. ended May '02
	Changes from preceding month								
	2001		2002						
	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May		
All Items	-1	-1	.2	.2	.3	.5	.0	3.4	1.2
Food and beverages	-1	.0	.3	.2	.2	.1	-2	.0	2.0
Housing	.3	.2	.2	.3	.1	.3	.3	2.9	2.2
Apparel	-6	-6	-7	.5	1.2	-6	-6	.3	-2.1
Transportation	-1.6	-9	.3	-2	1.2	1.7	-4	10.6	-3.4
Medical care	.4	.3	.5	.3	.4	.5	.5	5.2	4.7
Recreation	.3	-1	.2	.1	.2	.3	-1	1.5	1.3
Education and communication	.0	.2	.3	.2	-5	-2	.6	-4	2.5
Other goods and services	1.3	-1.0	.3	1.0	-6	1.5	-5	1.8	4.0
Special Indexes									
Energy	-4.9	-3.0	.9	-8	3.8	4.5	-7	34.4	-12.3
Food	-1	.0	.3	.2	.2	.1	-2	.0	1.9
All Items less food and energy	.4	.1	.2	.3	.1	.3	.2	2.1	2.5

See pages 4 through 6 for notes on changes introduced into the CPI in 2002 and for a note on a new supplemental index of consumer price change.

During the first five months of 2002, the CPI-U rose at a 3.0 percent seasonally adjusted annual rate (SAAR). This compares with an increase of 1.6 percent for all of 2001. The index for energy, which declined 13.0 percent in 2001, increased at a 19.7 percent SAAR in the first five months of 2002. Petroleum-based energy costs increased at a 48.4 percent annual rate, while charges for energy services declined at a 0.9 percent annual rate. The food index has increased at a 1.4 percent SAAR thus far this year, following a 2.8 percent rise for all of 2001. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U advanced at a 2.3 percent SAAR in the first five months, following a 2.7 percent rise in all of 2001.

The food and beverages index declined 0.2 percent in May. The index for food at home decreased 0.5 percent in May after registering no change in April. The index for fruits and vegetables, which had risen sharply in each of the first three months of 2002, declined for the second consecutive month, down 1.4 percent in May. Within the fruits and vegetables group, the index for fresh vegetables declined 6.2 percent, more than offsetting a 2.6 percent rise in the index for fresh fruits and a 0.7 percent increase in the index for processed fruits and vegetables. The indexes for cereal and bakery products, for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs, for nonalcoholic beverages, and for other food at home all registered declines in May. Within the meats, poultry, fish, and eggs category, the indexes for beef and pork fell 0.1 and 0.9 percent, respectively, while poultry prices rose 0.1 percent. The index for cereals and bakery products fell 0.1 percent in May. The index for nonalcoholic beverages fell 0.9 percent, reflecting a 2.2 percent drop in prices for carbonated beverages. The index for other food at home, which increased 1.1 percent in April, declined 1.0 percent in May. Prices for sugar and artificial sweeteners, which rose 5.0 percent in April, fell 2.7 percent in May. The index for dairy products was the only major grocery store food group to register an increase in May--up 0.2 percent. The other two components of the food and beverages index--food away from home and alcoholic beverages--each increased 0.2 percent,

The index for housing rose 0.3 percent in May. Shelter costs, which rose 0.4 percent in April, increased 0.2 percent in May. Within shelter, the indexes for rent and for lodging away from home each rose 0.3 percent, and the index for owners' equivalent rent increased 0.2 percent. The index for fuels and utilities advanced 0.8 percent in May, reflecting increases in each of the three major household fuels. The indexes for fuel oil and for electricity each rose 0.8 percent and the index for natural gas rose 1.9 percent. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, fuel oil prices declined 0.6 percent, while charges for electricity and natural gas rose 1.5 and 0.1 percent, respectively.) The index for household furnishings and operations turned up in May, advancing 0.3 percent.

The transportation index, reflecting the movement in gasoline prices, rose sharply in March and April and declined 0.4 percent in May. After advancing 8.0 and 10.1 percent in March and April, respectively, the index for gasoline fell 2.8 percent in May. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, gasoline prices were unchanged in May.) The indexes for new vehicles and for used cars and trucks each declined for the fifth consecutive month, down 0.2 and 0.3 percent, respectively. During the last 12 months, the index for new vehicles has declined 1.8 percent and the index for used cars and trucks has fallen 4.6 percent. Airline fares increased for the fifth consecutive month--up 1.8 percent in May--following declines in each of the last six months of 2001.

The index for apparel declined 0.6 percent in May, the same as in April. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, apparel prices fell 1.3 percent, largely as a result of the discounting of women's and girls' apparel.)

The medical care index rose 0.5 percent in May to a level 4.7 percent above its level a year ago. The index for medical care commodities--prescription drugs, nonprescription drugs, and medical supplies--increased 0.2 percent. The index for medical care services rose 0.6 percent in May. Charges for professional services rose 0.2 percent and those for hospital and related services increased 0.8 percent.

The index for recreation decreased 0.1 percent in May. Declines in the indexes for toys--down 2.3 percent--and for admissions to movies, theaters, concerts, and sporting events--down 0.3 percent--were largely responsible for the May decrease.

The index for education and communication increased 0.6 percent in May, following declines in each of the previous two months. Education costs rose 0.4 percent and the index for communication costs increased 0.8 percent. Within the later category, the index for telephone services, which had declined in March and April, rose 1.1 percent in May, reflecting a 2.5 percent increase in local charges. Prices for personal computers and peripheral equipment

recorded their first monthly increase since December 1999--up 0.4 percent in May. During the last 12 months, however, these prices have declined 24.3 percent.

The index for other goods and services, which rose 1.5 percent in April, declined 0.5 percent in May. Prices for cigarettes, which increased 6.8 percent in April, declined 2.9 percent in May, reflecting increased discounting of selected major brands.

CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers declined 0.1 percent in May.

Table B. Percent changes in CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

Expenditure Category	Seasonally adjusted							Compound annual rate 3-mos. ended May '02	Un-adjusted 12-mos. ended May '02
	Changes from preceding month								
	2001		2002						
	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May		
All Items	-.1	-.2	.2	.2	.3	.6	-.1	3.5	.8
Food and beverages	-.1	.0	.3	.2	.2	.0	-.2	.0	2.0
Housing	.3	.2	.2	.2	.2	.2	.3	2.8	2.0
Apparel	-.4	-.7	-1.0	.5	1.3	-.2	-.8	1.0	-1.8
Transportation	-1.8	-.9	.2	-.3	1.4	1.9	-.6	11.0	-4.1
Medical care	.4	.3	.5	.2	.4	.4	.5	5.4	4.6
Recreation	.1	-.1	.3	.1	.2	.3	-.2	1.2	1.2
Education and Communication	.0	.1	.4	.1	-.5	-.4	.7	-.7	2.3
Other goods and Services	1.7	-1.3	.2	1.5	-1.0	2.2	-.9	1.1	4.3
Special Indexes									
Energy	-5.3	-3.0	1.0	-.8	4.1	5.0	-1.3	35.3	-13.1
Food	.0	-.1	.3	.2	.2	-.1	-.2	-.2	1.9
All Items less Food and energy	.4	.1	.1	.2	.1	.3	.1	1.7	2.3

Consumer Price Index data for June are scheduled for release on Friday, July 19, 2002, at 8:30 A.M. (EDT).

CPI (Old Weights)

For the first six months of 2002, BLS also will calculate Old Weights CPI-U and Old Weights CPI-W based on the 1993-95 expenditure pattern used in the CPI from 1998 through 2001. These Old Weight data are contained in tables 1(OW)-4(OW). From April to May 2002, the Old Weights CPI-U was unchanged, while the Old Weights CPI-W declined 0.1 percent. Note these series are not seasonally adjusted.

Changes in the Consumer Price Index in 2002

Expenditure Weight Update

As announced in December 1998, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) has updated the consumption expenditure weights in the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and in the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) to the 1999-2000 period, effective with release of data for January 2002. The newer weights replace the 1993-95 weights, which were first used in the index effective with January 1998 data. Additionally, CPI expenditure weights will be updated at two-year intervals subsequent to the 2002 updating. Thus, for example, CPI expenditure weights will be updated to the 2001-02 period effective with release of CPI data for January 2004.

Historically, the introduction of a comprehensive new set of expenditure weights attached to the categories of goods and services in the CPI “market basket” has taken place in the context of the periodic major revisions of the index. Such major revisions have taken place approximately once each decade—in 1940, 1953, 1964, 1978, 1987 and, most recently, in 1998.

The goal in employing more current expenditure weights is to have the CPI reflect, as much as possible, the inflation currently experienced by consumers. More specifically, the use of more current weights will help to ensure that the relative importance of CPI item categories, such as food away from home, college tuition, or medical care services, more accurately reflects how consumers are allocating their spending.

Publication of Overlap CPIs

For the first six months of 2002, BLS will continue to calculate and publish selected CPI-U and CPI-W “overlap” indexes on a not seasonally adjusted basis. These indexes will be compiled using the 1993-95 expenditure pattern that was introduced into the CPI in 1998. Comparison of these index series to the corresponding updated series will enable users of the CPI to observe the effects of the expenditure weight change. The subsequent expenditure updates scheduled in 2004 and every two years thereafter also will be accompanied by the publication of overlap indexes for a six-month period using the previous expenditure pattern.

Publication of CPI for the Phoenix Area

Effective with release of the July 2002 Consumer Price Index (CPI), BLS will initiate publication of consumer price data specific to the Phoenix-Mesa, Arizona, Metropolitan Statistical Area. As with the national CPI and other local area CPIs, data will be published for each of two population groups, that for all urban consumers (CPI-U) and that for urban wage earners and clerical workers (CPI-W). The Phoenix-Mesa CPI will be published on a semi-annual basis with a reference base of December 2001 = 100. The same amount of item detail will be available for Phoenix-Mesa as is presently available for all other areas published on a semi-annual basis.

Change to Published Item Structure

Effective with release of the January 2002 CPI, BLS began publishing an item index for leased cars and trucks. This index series is available monthly at the U.S. City Average area level for both the CPI-U and CPI-W with a December 2001 = 100 reference base.

NOTE ON A NEW, SUPPLEMENTAL INDEX OF CONSUMER PRICE CHANGE

The Bureau of Labor Statistics will begin publishing a consumer price index (CPI) called the Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, effective with release of July data in August 2002. Designated the **C-CPI-U**, the index will supplement the existing indexes already produced by the BLS: the CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W).

The **C-CPI-U** will employ a Tornqvist formula and utilize expenditure data in adjacent time periods in order to reflect the effect of any substitution that consumers make *across* item categories in response to changes in relative prices. The new measure, said to be a “superlative” index, is designed to be a closer approximation to a “cost-of-living” index than the present measures. The use of expenditure data for both a base period and the current period in order to average price change *across* item categories distinguishes the **C-CPI-U** from the existing CPI measures, which use only a single expenditure base period to compute the price change over time. In 1999, the BLS introduced a geometric mean estimator for averaging prices *within* most of the index’s item categories in order to approximate the effect of consumers’ responses to changes in relative prices *within* these item categories. The geometric mean estimator will be used in the **C-CPI-U** in the same item categories in which it is now used in the CPI-U and CPI-W. (See *Monthly Labor Review*, October 1998, pp. 3-7.)

Expenditure data required for the calculation of the **C-CPI-U** are available only with a time lag. Thus, the **C-CPI-U** will be issued first in preliminary form using the latest available expenditure data at that time and will be subject to two subsequent revisions. Accordingly, at the time of its introduction in August, “final” values of the **C-CPI-U** will be issued for the 12 months of 2000, “interim” values will be issued for the 12 months of 2001, and “initial” values will be issued for January-July of 2002. In February 2003, with release of the January 2003 index, revised interim indexes for the 12 months of 2002 will be published, and the index values for 2001 will be revised and will become final. Then, in February 2004, when the monthly expenditure data from calendar year 2002 become available, **C-CPI-U** indexes for the 12 months of 2002 will be issued in final form and values for the 12 months of 2003 will be revised and issued as interim. The **C-CPI-U** index revisions are expected to be small, but in principle each monthly index could be revised from its previously published level.

BLS previously has calculated superlative indexes on an experimental basis, although these are not comparable to the **C-CPI-U** in all computational details. (See, for example, *Monthly Labor Review*, December 1993, pp. 25-33.) Based on BLS research, the **C-CPI-U** is estimated to increase at an average annual rate of 0.1 to 0.2 percentage point less than the CPI-U.

The **C-CPI-U** will be issued for national averages only and will not be seasonally adjusted. It will employ a December 1999=100 reference base. Data for periods prior to December 1999 will not be calculated. The component series that will be published are listed below:

All items	Medical care
Food and beverages	Medical care commodities
Food	Medical care services
Food at home	Recreation
Food away from home	Education and communication
Alcoholic beverages	Education
Housing	Communication
Shelter	Other goods and services
Fuels and utilities	Services
Household furnishings and operations	Commodities
Apparel	Durables
Transportation	Nondurables
Private transportation	All items less food and energy
Public transportation	Energy

These indexes will be published monthly in the CPI news release and the CPI Detailed Report, and the series will be available electronically at the same site as other CPI data: <http://www.bls.gov/cpi/>.

For more information on the **C-CPI-U**, write to:

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Brief Explanation of the CPI

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a market basket of goods and services. The Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes CPIs for two population groups: (1) a CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) which covers approximately 87 percent of the total population and (2) a CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) which covers 32 percent of the total population. The CPI-U includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups such as professional, managerial, and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force.

The CPI is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day-to-day living. Prices are collected in 87 urban areas across the country from about 50,000 housing units and approximately 23,000 retail establishments—department stores, supermarkets, hospitals, filling stations, and other types of stores and service establishments. All taxes directly associated with the purchase and use of items are included in the index. Prices of fuels and a few other items are obtained every month in all 87 locations. Prices of most other commodities and services are collected every month in the three largest geographic areas and every other month in other areas. Prices of most goods and services are obtained by personal visits or telephone calls of the Bureau's trained representatives.

In calculating the index, price changes for the various items in each location are averaged together with weights, which represent their importance in the spending of the appropriate population group. Local data are then combined to obtain a U.S. city average. Separate indexes are also published by size of city, by region of the country, for cross-classifications of regions and population-size classes, and for 26 local areas. Area indexes do not measure differences in the level of prices among cities, they only measure the average change in prices for each area since the base period.

The index measures price change from a designed reference date—1982-84 which equals 100.0. An increase of 16.5 percent, for example, is shown as 116.5. This change can also be expressed in dollars as follows: the price of a base period market basket of goods and services in the CPI has risen from \$10 in 1982-84 to \$11.65.

For further details visit the CPI home page on the Internet at <http://www.bls.gov/cpi/> or contact our CPI Information and Analysis Section on (202) 691-7000.

Calculating Index Changes

Movements of the indexes from one month to another are usually expressed as percent changes rather than changes in index points, because index point changes are affected by the level of the index in relation to its base period while percent changes are not. The example below illustrates the computation of index point and percent changes.

Percent changes for 3-month and 6-month periods are expressed as annual rates and are computed according to the standard formula for compound growth rates. These data indicate what the percent change would be if the current rate were maintained for a 12-month period.

Index Point Change

CPI	115.7
Less previous index	111.2
Equals index point change	4.5

Percent Change

Index point difference	4.5
Divided by the previous index	111.2
Equals	0.040
Results multiplied by one hundred	0.040x100
Equals percent change	4.0

Regions Defined

The states in the four regions shown in Tables 3 and 6 are listed below.

The Northeast--Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

The Midwest--Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

The South--Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

The West--Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

A Note on Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted Data

Because price data are used for different purposes by different groups, the Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes seasonally adjusted as well as unadjusted changes each month.

For analyzing general price trends in the economy, seasonally adjusted changes are usually preferred since they eliminate the effect of changes that normally occur at the same time and in about the same magnitude every year--such as price movements resulting from changing climatic conditions, production cycles, model changeovers, holidays, and sales.

The unadjusted data are of primary interest to consumers concerned about the prices they actually pay. Unadjusted data also are used extensively for escalation purposes. Many collective bargaining contract agreements and pension plans, for example, tie compensation changes to the Consumer Price Index unadjusted for seasonal variation.

Seasonal factors used in computing the seasonally adjusted indexes are derived by the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Method. The updated seasonal data at the end of 1977 replaced data from 1967 through 1977. Subsequent annual updates have replaced 5 years of seasonal data; e.g., data from 1997 through 2001 were replaced at the end of 2001. In January 2002, dependently seasonally adjusted series were revised for January 1987-December 2001 as a result of a change in the aggregation weights for dependently adjusted series. For further information, please see "Aggregation of Dependently Adjusted Seasonally Adjusted Series," in the October 2001 issue of the CPI Detailed Report.

The seasonal movement of all items and 54 other aggregations is derived by combining the seasonal movement of 73 selected components. Each year the seasonal status of every series is reevaluated based upon certain statistical criteria. If any of the 73 components change their seasonal adjustment status from seasonally adjusted to not seasonally adjusted, not seasonally adjusted data will be used for the last 5 years, but the seasonally adjusted indexes will be used before that period. Note: 39 of the 73 components are seasonally adjusted for 2002.

Seasonally adjusted data, including the All items index levels, are subject to revision for up to five years after their original release. For this reason, BLS advises against the use of these data in escalation agreements.

Effective with the calculation of the seasonal factors for 1990, the Bureau of Labor Statistics has used an enhanced seasonal adjustment procedure called Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment for some CPI series. Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment allows for better estimates of seasonally adjusted data. Extreme values and/or sharp movements which might distort the seasonal pattern are estimated and removed from the data prior to calculation of seasonal factors. Beginning with the calculation of seasonal factors for 1996, X-12-ARIMA software was used for Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment.

For the fuel oil, natural gas, motor fuels, and educational books and supplies indexes, this procedure was used to offset the effects that extreme price volatility would otherwise have had on the estimates of seasonally adjusted data for those series. For the Nonalcoholic beverages index, the procedure was used to offset the effects of a large increase in coffee prices due to adverse weather. The procedure was used to account for unusual butter fat supply reductions and decreases in milk supply affecting the Fats and oils series. For the Water and sewerage maintenance index, the procedure was used to account for a data collection anomaly. It was used to offset an increase in summer demand in the Midwest and South for Electricity. For New vehicles, New cars, and New trucks, the procedure was used to offset the effects of a model changeover combined with financing incentives.

A description of Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment, as well as a list of unusual events modeled and seasonal factors for these items may be obtained by writing the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Division of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, Washington, DC 20212 or by calling Daniel Chow on (202) 691-6968 or sending e-mail to Chow_Dan@BLS.GOV. If you have general questions about the CPI, please call our information staff at (202) 691-7000.

Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 2001	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 2002 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 2002	May 2002	May 2001	Apr. 2002	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
All items	100.000	179.8	179.8	1.2	0.0	0.3	0.5	0.0
All items (1967=100)	-	538.6	538.5	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	15.719	176.7	176.4	2.0	-2	.2	.1	-2
Food	14.688	176.2	175.8	1.9	-2	.2	.1	-2
Food at home	8.468	176.4	175.5	1.6	-5	.2	.0	-5
Cereals and bakery products	1.298	198.1	198.2	2.6	.1	-1	.3	-1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.271	162.5	162.4	1.0	-1	.7	-1	-1
Dairy and related products ¹ .....	.916	168.7	169.0	2.6	.2	-4	-4	.2
Fruits and vegetables	1.204	223.4	221.0	3.7	-1.1	1.0	-1.8	-1.4
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	.967	140.0	138.0	-1	-1.4	.3	.4	-9
Other food at home	1.811	161.5	160.0	.3	-9	-4	1.1	-1.0
Sugar and sweets .....	.315	159.6	157.9	1.3	-1.1	-8	2.1	-1.4
Fats and oils .....	.265	156.5	155.9	.8	-4	-3	-1	-4
Other foods	1.232	177.8	176.1	-2	-1.0	-4	1.1	-1.0
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2} .....	.289	108.0	108.9	.1	.8	-2	.2	.8
Food away from home ¹	6.220	177.2	177.6	2.6	.2	.1	.1	.2
Other food away from home ^{1 2} .....	.383	116.9	117.1	4.2	.2	.4	.5	.2
Alcoholic beverages	1.031	182.9	183.3	2.7	.2	.1	.2	.2
Housing	40.873	179.5	179.7	2.2	.1	.1	.3	.3
Shelter	31.522	207.5	207.5	4.0	.0	.1	.4	.2
Rent of primary residence ³	6.421	198.5	198.8	4.1	.2	.4	.2	.3
Lodging away from home ^{2 3}	2.702	122.1	120.1	.1	-1.6	-1.6	1.6	.3
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	22.046	213.3	213.7	4.3	.2	.3	.3	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.353	107.2	107.6	.7	.4	.0	.4	.4
Fuels and utilities	4.511	140.3	141.5	-6.5	.9	.4	.2	.8
Fuels	3.654	123.8	125.1	-8.6	1.1	.3	.2	1.1
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	.188	115.1	114.4	-13.3	-6	1.7	2.9	1.0
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	3.466	130.6	132.1	-8.1	1.1	.2	.0	1.1
Water and sewer and trash collection services ² .....	.857	112.6	112.7	3.3	.1	.4	.4	.1
Household furnishings and operations	4.840	128.9	128.9	.0	.0	.0	-1	.3
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.820	118.4	118.4	3.3	.0	.8	-4	.0
Apparel	4.399	128.8	127.1	-2.1	-1.3	1.2	-6	-6
Men's and boys' apparel	1.122	125.6	124.3	-3.7	-1.0	1.4	-6	-1.6
Women's and girls' apparel	1.807	122.2	119.4	-2.4	-2.3	.5	-5	-7
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹ .....	.203	128.9	127.4	-2.5	-1.2	2.1	-8	-1.2
Footwear .....	.874	124.6	124.5	.1	-1	2.0	-7	.5
Transportation	17.055	153.7	153.8	-3.4	.1	1.2	1.7	-4
Private transportation	15.845	149.6	149.5	-3.7	-1	1.4	1.8	-5
New and used motor vehicles ²	8.614	99.3	99.1	-2.3	-2	-4	-3	-2
New vehicles	5.083	140.4	139.8	-1.8	-4	-3	-2	-2
Used cars and trucks	2.195	151.8	151.8	-4.6	.0	-8	-5	-3
Motor fuel	2.564	121.4	121.4	-17.3	.0	8.5	9.9	-2.8
Gasoline (all types)	2.536	120.8	120.8	-17.3	.0	8.0	10.1	-2.8
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹ .....	.421	106.8	106.8	2.3	.0	.4	.3	.0
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	1.400	189.0	189.9	4.1	.5	.3	.5	.5
Public transportation	1.211	209.7	211.9	1.2	1.0	-8	.5	2.1
Medical care	5.810	283.2	284.1	4.7	.3	.4	.5	.5
Medical care commodities	1.377	254.8	255.4	3.6	.2	.1	.2	.2
Medical care services	4.434	290.2	291.2	5.0	.3	.4	.6	.6
Professional services ³	2.784	252.5	252.9	2.9	.2	.1	.3	.2
Hospital and related services ³	1.353	362.4	364.5	8.8	.6	1.0	1.1	.8

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 2001	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 2002 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 2002	May 2002	May 2001	Apr. 2002	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
Recreation ²	6.019	106.5	106.4	1.3	-0.1	0.2	0.3	-0.1
Video and audio ²	1.645	102.9	103.1	1.5	.2	.0	.1	.1
Education and communication ²	5.813	106.2	106.6	2.5	.4	-5	-2	.6
Education ²	2.726	123.3	123.5	6.1	.2	.3	.4	.4
Educational books and supplies .....	.220	314.4	315.6	8.6	.4	.3	.6	.8
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	2.506	354.1	354.6	5.9	.1	.3	.4	.3
Communication ^{1 2}	3.087	91.2	91.9	-1.1	.8	-1.2	-9	.8
Information and information processing ^{1 2}	2.903	90.0	90.7	-1.2	.8	-1.3	-9	.8
Telephone services ^{1 2}	2.324	98.2	99.3	.6	1.1	-1.2	-9	1.1
Information and information processing other than telephone services ^{1 5} .....	.580	18.6	18.5	-14.7	-5	-1.1	-1.1	-5
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ^{1 2} .....	.275	22.9	23.0	-24.3	.4	-2.9	-9	.4
Other goods and services	4.312	292.9	291.5	4.0	-5	-6	1.5	-5
Tobacco and smoking products ¹ .....	.928	461.4	449.0	7.2	-2.7	-3.5	6.5	-2.7
Personal care ¹	3.384	174.4	174.7	3.1	.2	.2	.2	.2
Personal care products ¹ .....	.706	155.4	154.8	1.0	-4	-3	.2	-4
Personal care services ¹ .....	.901	187.9	188.3	2.3	.2	.5	.3	.2
Miscellaneous personal services	1.562	273.2	274.2	5.1	.4	.4	.2	.3
Commodity and service group								
Commodities	41.300	151.0	150.5	-1.6	-3	.6	.7	-5
Food and beverages	15.719	176.7	176.4	2.0	-2	.2	.1	-2
Commodities less food and beverages	25.582	136.0	135.4	-3.8	-4	.8	1.2	-7
Nondurables less food and beverages	13.493	148.4	147.4	-4.0	-7	2.4	1.6	-1.0
Apparel	4.399	128.8	127.1	-2.1	-1.3	1.2	-6	-6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	9.094	164.7	164.1	-4.6	-4	3.1	2.4	-1.0
Durables	12.089	121.9	121.7	-2.6	-2	-5	-2	-1
Services	58.700	208.4	208.8	3.1	.2	.1	.3	.4
Rent of shelter ⁴	31.169	216.1	216.1	4.0	.0	.2	.4	.1
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.353	107.2	107.6	.7	.4	.0	.4	.4
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	3.466	130.6	132.1	-8.1	1.1	.2	.0	1.1
Water and sewer and trash collection services ² .....	.857	112.6	112.7	3.3	.1	.4	.4	.1
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.820	118.4	118.4	3.3	.0	.8	-4	.0
Transportation services	6.638	207.9	208.9	4.2	.5	.2	.3	.7
Medical care services	4.434	290.2	291.2	5.0	.3	.4	.6	.6
Other services	10.963	243.8	244.5	3.4	.3	.1	.2	.4
Special indexes								
All items less food	85.312	180.4	180.4	1.0	.0	.3	.6	.1
All items less shelter	68.478	170.9	170.9	.0	.0	.4	.5	.0
All items less medical care	94.190	174.3	174.2	.9	-1	.3	.5	.0
Commodities less food	26.612	137.8	137.3	-3.6	-4	.7	1.2	-6
Nondurables less food	14.524	150.4	149.5	-3.6	-6	2.3	1.5	-9
Nondurables less food and apparel	10.125	165.5	165.0	-4.1	-3	2.7	2.2	-9
Nondurables	29.212	162.7	162.1	-9	-4	1.3	.9	-6
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	27.531	215.1	216.0	2.2	.4	.3	.2	.5
Services less medical care services	54.266	201.2	201.6	3.0	.2	.2	.4	.3
Energy	6.218	122.2	122.9	-12.3	.6	3.8	4.5	-7
All items less energy	93.782	187.5	187.4	2.5	-1	.1	.3	.1
All items less food and energy	79.094	190.3	190.2	2.5	-1	.1	.3	.2
Commodities less food and energy commodities	23.860	145.1	144.4	-9	-5	-1	.1	-3
Energy commodities	2.752	121.6	121.6	-16.5	.0	8.0	9.4	-2.7
Services less energy services	55.234	216.3	216.6	3.9	.1	.1	.4	.3
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00)	-	\$.556	\$.556	-	-	-	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00)	-	\$.186	\$.186	-	-	-	-	-

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—			6 months ended—		
	Feb. 2002	Mar. 2002	Apr. 2002	May 2002	Aug. 2001	Nov. 2001	Feb. 2002	May 2002	Nov. 2001	May 2002
All items	178.0	178.6	179.5	179.5	0.0	0.2	1.1	3.4	0.1	2.3
Food and beverages	176.3	176.6	176.7	176.3	3.5	2.1	2.3	.0	2.8	1.1
Food	175.8	176.1	176.2	175.8	3.5	2.1	2.3	.0	2.8	1.1
Food at home	175.9	176.3	176.3	175.4	3.5	1.8	2.1	-1.1	2.7	.5
Cereals and bakery products	197.8	197.6	198.1	198.0	3.8	2.1	3.9	.4	2.9	2.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	161.9	163.1	163.0	162.9	1.7	.7	-1.0	2.5	1.2	.7
Dairy and related products ¹	170.1	169.4	168.7	169.0	10.6	5.6	-2.5	-2.6	8.0	-2.6
Fruits and vegetables	224.1	226.3	222.2	219.0	1.5	3.4	21.2	-8.8	2.5	5.1
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	138.6	139.0	139.6	138.3	4.7	.0	-3.9	-9	2.3	-2.4
Other food at home	160.4	159.7	161.5	159.9	2.3	1.3	-1.2	-1.2	1.8	-1.2
Sugar and sweets	157.9	156.6	159.9	157.7	1.0	1.0	3.9	-5	1.0	1.7
Fats and oils	157.0	156.6	156.4	155.8	9.4	-5.0	2.3	-3.0	1.9	-4
Other foods	176.5	175.8	177.8	176.0	.9	3.0	-3.3	-1.1	1.9	-2.2
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	108.0	107.8	108.0	108.9	2.6	4.1	-9.1	3.4	3.3	-3.1
Food away from home ¹	177.0	177.1	177.2	177.6	3.7	2.5	2.8	1.4	3.1	2.1
Other food away from home ^{1 2}	115.8	116.3	116.9	117.1	6.9	3.9	1.4	4.6	5.4	3.0
Alcoholic beverages	182.4	182.5	182.9	183.3	3.2	2.7	2.7	2.0	2.9	2.3
Housing	178.7	178.9	179.5	180.0	2.3	.7	2.7	2.9	1.5	2.8
Shelter	206.0	206.2	207.1	207.6	4.5	3.4	5.0	3.1	3.9	4.1
Rent of primary residence ³	197.5	198.2	198.5	199.0	4.5	4.6	4.4	3.1	4.6	3.7
Lodging away from home ^{2 3}	119.1	117.2	119.1	119.4	3.0	-9.9	6.6	1.0	-3.7	3.8
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	212.2	212.8	213.5	213.9	4.6	4.9	4.5	3.2	4.7	3.8
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	106.8	106.8	107.2	107.6	-7	1.1	-4	3.0	.2	1.3
Fuels and utilities	141.6	142.1	142.4	143.6	-9.1	-13.9	-7.8	5.8	-11.5	-1.2
Fuels	125.4	125.8	126.0	127.4	-11.5	-17.1	-10.4	6.5	-14.4	-2.3
Fuel oil and other fuels	107.9	109.7	112.9	114.0	-10.2	-26.8	-31.3	24.6	-18.9	-7.5
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	132.9	133.2	133.2	134.7	-11.7	-16.6	-8.5	5.5	-14.2	-1.8
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	111.8	112.2	112.6	112.7	3.7	2.9	3.7	3.3	3.3	3.5
Household furnishings and operations	128.6	128.6	128.5	128.9	.6	.6	-2.1	.9	.6	-6
Household operations ^{1 2}	117.9	118.9	118.4	118.4	6.1	2.1	3.5	1.7	4.1	2.6
Apparel	124.6	126.1	125.4	124.7	-4.6	-.3	-3.5	.3	-2.5	-1.6
Men's and boys' apparel	123.0	124.7	124.0	122.0	-8.8	3.6	-5.9	-3.2	-2.8	-4.6
Women's and girls' apparel	116.9	117.5	116.9	116.1	-4.6	-3.7	1.7	-2.7	-4.2	-5
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹	127.2	129.9	128.9	127.4	-12.5	20.8	-14.8	.6	2.8	-7.4
Footwear	121.0	123.4	122.5	123.1	.7	-3.5	-3.6	7.1	-1.5	1.6
Transportation	148.9	150.7	153.3	152.7	-11.4	-7.9	-3.2	10.6	-9.6	3.5
Private transportation	144.6	146.6	149.2	148.4	-12.6	-8.1	-3.3	10.9	-10.4	3.6
New and used motor vehicles ²	99.9	99.5	99.2	99.0	-1.6	.0	-4.3	-3.6	-.8	-3.9
New vehicles	140.5	140.1	139.8	139.5	-1.7	2.6	-5.2	-2.8	.4	-4.0
Used cars and trucks	154.5	153.2	152.4	152.0	-2.7	-4.7	-4.5	-6.3	-3.7	-5.4
Motor fuel	101.0	109.6	120.4	117.0	-48.1	-42.2	-13.4	80.1	-45.3	24.9
Gasoline (all types)	100.5	108.5	119.5	116.2	-47.9	-41.8	-13.5	78.7	-44.9	24.4
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹	106.1	106.5	106.8	106.8	1.9	3.5	1.1	2.7	2.7	1.9
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	187.8	188.3	189.2	190.1	3.5	4.0	3.7	5.0	3.8	4.3
Public transportation	207.7	206.1	207.2	211.5	6.7	-8.4	-.2	7.5	-1.1	3.6
Medical care	280.4	281.4	282.7	284.0	4.2	5.1	4.2	5.2	4.6	4.7
Medical care commodities	253.9	254.1	254.6	255.2	3.8	4.2	4.2	2.1	4.0	3.1
Medical care services	286.8	288.0	289.6	291.2	4.4	5.2	4.3	6.3	4.8	5.3
Professional services ³	250.9	251.1	251.8	252.4	3.6	3.3	2.1	2.4	3.5	2.3
Hospital and related services ³	355.0	358.6	362.4	365.2	5.7	8.4	9.0	12.0	7.0	10.5

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—			6 months ended—		
	Feb. 2002	Mar. 2002	Apr. 2002	May 2002	Aug. 2001	Nov. 2001	Feb. 2002	May 2002	Nov. 2001	May 2002
Expenditure category										
Recreation ²	105.9	106.1	106.4	106.3	0.4	2.7	0.8	1.5	1.5	1.1
Video and audio ^{1 2}	102.6	102.6	102.7	102.8	.0	1.6	3.2	.8	.8	2.0
Education and communication ²	107.2	106.7	106.5	107.1	5.1	2.7	2.7	-4	3.9	1.1
Education ²	123.2	123.6	124.1	124.6	7.3	6.2	6.4	4.6	6.8	5.5
Educational books and supplies	312.2	313.2	315.0	317.5	9.8	7.1	10.2	7.0	8.4	8.6
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	353.9	355.1	356.6	357.8	6.9	6.1	5.9	4.5	6.5	5.2
Communication ^{1 2}	93.1	92.0	91.2	91.9	2.6	-9	-9	-5.1	.9	-3.0
Information and information processing ^{1 2}	92.0	90.8	90.0	90.7	2.6	-9	-9	-5.5	.9	-3.2
Telephone services ^{1 2}	100.3	99.1	98.2	99.3	3.7	.0	2.8	-3.9	1.8	-6
Information and information processing other than telephone services ^{1 5}	19.0	18.8	18.6	18.5	-17.2	-12.9	-18.5	-10.1	-15.1	-14.4
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ^{1 2}	23.8	23.1	22.9	23.0	-30.1	-25.8	-27.6	-12.8	-28.0	-20.5
Other goods and services	290.2	288.5	292.9	291.5	4.5	8.6	1.4	1.8	6.5	1.6
Tobacco and smoking products ¹	449.3	433.4	461.4	449.0	5.8	22.5	2.3	-3	13.8	1.0
Personal care ¹	173.7	174.1	174.4	174.7	4.1	3.3	2.6	2.3	3.7	2.4
Personal care products ¹	155.5	155.1	155.4	154.8	4.0	1.8	.3	-1.8	2.9	-8
Personal care services ¹	186.4	187.3	187.9	188.3	2.4	3.5	-9	4.1	3.0	1.6
Miscellaneous personal services	271.2	272.4	273.0	273.9	7.2	4.4	4.4	4.0	5.8	4.2
Commodity and service group										
Commodities	148.4	149.3	150.4	149.7	-4.7	-2.6	-2.1	3.6	-3.7	.7
Food and beverages	176.3	176.6	176.7	176.3	3.5	2.1	2.3	.0	2.8	1.1
Commodities less food and beverages	132.5	133.6	135.2	134.3	-9.7	-5.7	-4.7	5.5	-7.7	.3
Nondurables less food and beverages	140.9	144.3	146.6	145.2	-12.8	-9.5	-4.7	12.8	-11.2	3.7
Apparel	124.6	126.1	125.4	124.7	-4.6	-3	-3.5	.3	-2.5	-1.6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	155.0	159.8	163.7	162.1	-16.3	-12.2	-5.7	19.6	-14.3	6.2
Durables	122.4	121.8	121.6	121.5	-1.9	-6	-5.1	-2.9	-1.3	-4.0
Services	207.4	207.7	208.4	209.2	3.4	2.2	3.5	3.5	2.8	3.5
Rent of shelter ⁴	214.5	215.0	215.9	216.1	4.5	3.5	4.8	3.0	4.0	3.9
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	106.8	106.8	107.2	107.6	-7	1.1	-4	3.0	.2	1.3
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	132.9	133.2	133.2	134.7	-11.7	-16.6	-8.5	5.5	-14.2	-1.8
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	111.8	112.2	112.6	112.7	3.7	2.9	3.7	3.3	3.3	3.5
Household operations ^{1 2}	117.9	118.9	118.4	118.4	6.1	2.1	3.5	1.7	4.1	2.6
Transportation services	206.3	206.7	207.4	208.9	5.3	2.6	4.0	5.1	3.9	4.6
Medical care services	286.8	288.0	289.6	291.2	4.4	5.2	4.3	6.3	4.8	5.3
Other services	243.4	243.6	244.0	244.9	4.1	4.1	3.0	2.5	4.1	2.8
Special indexes										
All items less food	178.4	179.0	180.1	180.2	-7	.0	.9	4.1	-3	2.5
All items less shelter	169.0	169.7	170.6	170.6	-2.1	-1.2	-5	3.8	-1.6	1.7
All items less medical care	172.6	173.1	174.0	174.0	-2	-2	1.2	3.3	-2	2.2
Commodities less food	134.4	135.4	137.0	136.2	-9.3	-5.4	-4.3	5.5	-7.4	.4
Nondurables less food	143.3	146.6	148.8	147.4	-11.7	-8.6	-4.6	11.9	-10.2	3.3
Nondurables less food and apparel	156.7	161.0	164.5	163.1	-14.4	-11.0	-4.9	17.4	-12.7	5.6
Nondurables	158.5	160.5	161.9	160.9	-4.8	-3.4	-1.5	6.2	-4.1	2.3
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	214.3	215.0	215.5	216.5	2.7	.8	1.1	4.2	1.7	2.6
Services less medical care services	200.2	200.6	201.4	202.0	3.5	2.0	3.1	3.6	2.8	3.3
Energy	113.3	117.6	122.9	122.0	-30.3	-28.7	-11.2	34.4	-29.5	9.3
All items less energy	186.5	186.6	187.1	187.2	2.9	3.1	2.2	1.5	3.0	1.8
All items less food and energy	189.1	189.3	189.8	190.1	2.8	3.0	2.1	2.1	2.9	2.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities	144.3	144.1	144.2	143.8	-8	1.7	-3.0	-1.4	.4	-2.2
Energy commodities	102.0	110.2	120.6	117.4	-45.6	-40.9	-14.3	75.5	-43.3	22.7
Services less energy services	215.0	215.3	216.1	216.8	4.5	3.7	4.4	3.4	4.1	3.9

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in

January, 1999.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, all items index

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U	Pricing schedule 1	All items										
		Indexes				Percent change to May2002 from—			Percent change to Apr.2002 from—			
		Feb. 2002	Mar. 2002	Apr. 2002	May 2002	May 2001	Mar. 2002	Apr. 2002	Apr. 2001	Feb. 2002	Mar. 2002	
U.S. city average	M	177.8	178.8	179.8	179.8	1.2	0.6	0.0	1.6	1.1	0.6	
Region and area size²												
Northeast urban	M	186.1	187.0	187.8	187.7	1.7	.4	-.1	2.0	.9	.4	
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	187.8	188.6	189.3	189.2	1.9	.3	-.1	2.3	.8	.4	
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	110.5	111.2	111.9	112.0	1.1	.7	.1	1.1	1.3	.6	
Midwest urban	M	172.5	173.6	174.7	174.8	.3	.7	.1	1.1	1.3	.6	
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	174.7	176.0	177.3	177.2	.9	.7	-.1	1.7	1.5	.7	
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	109.6	110.2	110.7	110.8	-.7	.5	.1	.3	1.0	.5	
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	166.6	167.1	168.1	168.2	.2	.7	.1	.8	.9	.6	
South urban	M	171.0	172.1	173.1	173.2	.9	.6	.1	1.0	1.2	.6	
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	172.4	173.3	174.2	174.6	1.6	.8	.2	1.5	1.0	.5	
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	109.3	110.0	110.8	110.7	.5	.6	-.1	.8	1.4	.7	
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	168.6	169.9	170.5	170.6	-.2	.4	.1	-.1	1.1	.4	
West urban	M	183.2	184.0	185.1	184.8	1.9	.4	-.2	2.6	1.0	.6	
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	185.4	186.2	187.2	187.5	2.2	.7	-.2	2.6	1.0	.5	
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	112.4	112.8	113.7	112.5	1.3	-.3	-.1.1	2.8	1.2	.8	
Size classes												
A ⁴	M	162.5	163.4	164.2	164.3	1.7	.6	.1	2.1	1.0	.5	
B/C ³	M	110.1	110.7	111.4	111.2	.5	.5	-.2	1.1	1.2	.6	
D	M	170.7	171.5	172.4	172.4	.3	.5	.0	.7	1.0	.5	
Selected local areas⁵												
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	M	178.7	179.8	180.9	181.4	.9	.9	.3	1.4	1.2	.6	
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ..	M	180.1	181.1	182.2	182.6	2.9	.8	.2	3.2	1.2	.6	
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	M	189.9	191.1	191.8	191.4	2.2	.2	-.2	2.8	1.0	.4	
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1	-	194.7	-	194.8	2.0	.1	-	-	-	-	
Cleveland-Akron, OH	1	-	173.7	-	173.0	-.4	-.4	-	-	-	-	
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1	-	172.1	-	172.9	2.1	.5	-	-	-	-	
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ⁶	1	-	111.9	-	112.8	2.5	.8	-	-	-	-	
Atlanta, GA	2	176.1	-	178.6	-	-	-	-	1.1	1.4	-	
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	2	176.2	-	179.0	-	-	-	-	2.6	1.6	-	
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	156.6	-	158.8	-	-	-	-	-.4	1.4	-	
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	175.0	-	175.0	-	-	-	-	1.3	.0	-	
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	2	182.0	-	183.1	-	-	-	-	1.0	.6	-	
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2	191.3	-	193.0	-	-	-	-	2.1	.9	-	
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2	187.6	-	188.8	-	-	-	-	2.5	.6	-	

¹ Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all areas; most other goods and services priced as indicated:

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

² Regions defined as the four Census regions. See technical notes.

³ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁵ In addition, the following metropolitan areas are published semiannually and appear in Tables 34 and 39 of the January and July issues of the CPI Detailed Report: Anchorage, AK; Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN; Denver-Boulder-Greeley, CO; Honolulu, HI; Kansas City, MO-KS; Milwaukee-Racine, WI; Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI; Pittsburgh, PA; Portland-Salem, OR-WA; St. Louis, MO-IL; San Diego, CA; Tampa-St.

Petersburg-Clearwater, FL.

⁶ Indexes on a November 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Local area indexes are byproducts of the national CPI program. Each local index has a smaller sample size than the national index and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in their escalator clauses.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 4. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 2001	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 2002 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Apr. 2002	May 2002	May 2001	Apr. 2002	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May
All items	100.000	175.8	175.8	0.8	0.0	0.3	0.6	-0.1
All items (1967=100)	-	523.7	523.6	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	17.229	176.1	175.7	2.0	-2	.2	.0	-2
Food	16.228	175.5	175.1	1.9	-2	.2	-1	-2
Food at home	9.798	175.3	174.4	1.5	-5	.2	-1	-5
Cereals and bakery products	1.468	197.9	198.2	2.7	.2	.1	.2	.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.831	162.1	162.1	.9	.0	.7	-2	.0
Dairy and related products ¹	1.021	168.7	168.7	2.4	.0	-5	-3	.0
Fruits and vegetables	1.307	222.0	219.1	3.6	-1.3	1.0	-1.9	-1.7
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	1.132	139.4	137.3	.1	-1.5	.4	.4	-1.1
Other food at home	2.038	161.0	159.7	.4	-8	-5	1.1	-9
Sugar and sweets .....	.339	159.4	157.6	1.2	-1.1	-9	1.9	-1.4
Fats and oils .....	.316	156.2	155.7	.9	-3	-3	-2	-3
Other foods	1.383	178.2	176.7	.1	-8	-5	1.2	-1.0
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2} .....	.310	108.5	109.5	.7	.9	-2	.2	.9
Food away from home ¹	6.430	177.1	177.5	2.5	.2	.1	.1	.2
Other food away from home ^{1 2} .....	.275	117.4	117.7	4.6	.3	.7	.5	.3
Alcoholic beverages	1.001	182.8	183.1	2.9	.2	.1	.4	.2
Housing	38.141	174.8	175.1	2.0	.2	.2	.2	.3
Shelter	29.212	201.0	201.2	4.0	.1	.2	.3	.2
Rent of primary residence ³	8.395	197.8	198.1	4.0	.2	.4	.2	.3
Lodging away from home ^{2 3}	1.523	122.0	120.7	.7	-1.1	-1.4	1.3	.3
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	18.980	193.9	194.2	4.2	.2	.2	.3	.3
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.314	107.2	107.6	.7	.4	.1	.3	.4
Fuels and utilities	4.829	139.6	140.7	-6.7	.8	.4	.1	.6
Fuels	3.955	122.7	123.9	-8.7	1.0	.3	.2	.7
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	.177	114.7	114.0	-13.3	-6	1.3	2.8	.7
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	3.778	129.6	131.0	-8.3	1.1	.3	.0	.7
Water and sewer and trash collection services ² .....	.873	112.6	112.7	3.3	.1	.4	.3	.1
Household furnishings and operations	4.101	125.1	125.0	-6	-1	-2	.0	.1
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.357	119.0	119.1	3.6	.1	.5	-4	.1
Apparel	4.831	127.9	126.2	-1.8	-1.3	1.3	-2	-8
Men's and boys' apparel	1.243	125.8	124.6	-3.6	-1.0	1.2	-2	-1.7
Women's and girls' apparel	1.864	120.9	118.2	-1.7	-2.2	.8	-2	-8
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹ .....	.256	131.7	129.9	-1.6	-1.4	2.6	.0	-1.4
Footwear	1.165	124.4	124.4	-1	.0	1.7	-5	.5
Transportation	19.393	152.7	152.7	-4.1	.0	1.4	1.9	-6
Private transportation	18.452	149.8	149.8	-4.3	.0	1.5	1.9	-7
New and used motor vehicles ²	10.145	99.5	99.3	-2.6	-2	-5	-3	-2
New vehicles	4.897	141.5	140.9	-1.7	-4	-3	-2	-2
Used cars and trucks	4.099	152.6	152.7	-4.7	.1	-9	-4	-3
Motor fuel	3.153	121.7	121.8	-17.4	.1	8.6	10.3	-3.3
Gasoline (all types)	3.120	121.2	121.2	-17.4	.0	8.6	10.1	-3.1
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹ .....	.530	106.0	106.0	2.3	.0	.4	.3	.0
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	1.438	190.5	191.4	4.0	.5	.2	.5	.5
Public transportation .....	.941	204.5	206.3	1.4	.9	-7	.4	1.8
Medical care	4.620	281.9	282.9	4.6	.4	.4	.4	.5
Medical care commodities	1.006	249.6	250.3	3.6	.3	.1	.2	.4
Medical care services	3.614	289.6	290.6	4.9	.3	.4	.5	.6
Professional services ³	2.245	254.6	255.0	2.8	.2	.2	.1	.3
Hospital and related services ³	1.092	357.1	359.4	8.7	.6	.9	1.1	.8

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 4. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 2001	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 2002 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—			
		Apr. 2002	May 2002	May 2001	Apr. 2002	Feb. to Mar.	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May	
Recreation ²	5.649	105.0	104.9	1.2	-0.1	0.2	0.3	-0.2	
Video and audio ²	1.803	102.2	102.3	1.2	.1	.0	.1	.1	
Education and communication ²	5.637	106.0	106.5	2.3	.5	-5	-4	.7	
Education ²	2.382	123.3	123.5	5.8	.2	.5	.3	.4	
Educational books and supplies .....	.203	315.3	316.3	7.4	.3	.3	.7	.9
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	2.178	347.2	347.7	5.7	.1	.4	.3	.3	
Communication ^{1 2}	3.255	92.6	93.3	-7	.8	-1.3	-8	.8	
Information and information processing ^{1 2}	3.107	91.7	92.5	-1.0	.9	-1.2	-1.0	.9	
Telephone services ^{1 2}	2.591	98.4	99.4	.6	1.0	-1.2	-9	1.0	
Information and information processing other than telephone services ^{1 5} .....	.516	19.3	19.2	-14.3	-5	-1.0	-1.0	-5
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ^{1 2} .....	.253	22.5	22.7	-24.1	.9	-3.0	-1.3	.9
Other goods and services	4.499	301.7	299.1	4.3	-9	-1.0	2.2	-9	
Tobacco and smoking products ¹	1.441	462.7	450.1	7.2	-2.7	-3.7	6.6	-2.7	
Personal care ¹	3.059	173.9	174.0	2.8	.1	.3	.1	.1	
Personal care products ¹ .....	.815	156.2	155.4	1.0	-5	-2	.1	-5
Personal care services ¹ .....	.900	188.7	189.1	2.4	.2	.5	.4	.2
Miscellaneous personal services	1.161	272.6	273.6	4.9	.4	.4	.2	.3	
Commodity and service group									
Commodities	45.559	151.7	151.2	-1.8	-3	.6	.9	-6	
Food and beverages	17.229	176.1	175.7	2.0	-2	.2	.0	-2	
Commodities less food and beverages	28.330	137.5	136.8	-4.1	-5	.8	1.5	-8	
Nondurables less food and beverages	14.685	150.5	149.3	-4.4	-8	2.7	1.8	-1.1	
Apparel	4.831	127.9	126.2	-1.8	-1.3	1.3	-2	-8	
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	9.854	168.1	167.2	-5.2	-5	3.5	2.8	-1.1	
Durables	13.645	122.1	122.0	-2.8	-1	-5	-2	.0	
Services	54.441	204.2	204.8	3.1	.3	.2	.3	.3	
Rent of shelter ⁴	28.898	193.7	193.9	4.1	.1	.2	.4	.2	
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.314	107.2	107.6	.7	.4	.1	.3	.4
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	3.778	129.6	131.0	-8.3	1.1	.3	.0	.7	
Water and sewer and trash collection services ² .....	.873	112.6	112.7	3.3	.1	.4	.3	.1
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.357	119.0	119.1	3.6	.1	.5	-4	.1
Transportation services	6.573	206.2	207.1	4.8	.4	.3	.3	.6	
Medical care services	3.614	289.6	290.6	4.9	.3	.4	.5	.6	
Other services	10.033	238.9	239.7	3.2	.3	.0	.1	.4	
Special indexes									
All items less food	83.772	175.7	175.8	.6	.1	.4	.7	-1	
All items less shelter	70.788	168.5	168.4	-4	-1	.5	.7	-2	
All items less medical care	95.380	171.1	171.0	.6	-1	.4	.6	-1	
Commodities less food	29.331	139.1	138.5	-3.9	-4	.8	1.5	-8	
Nondurables less food	15.687	152.5	151.4	-3.9	-7	2.6	1.8	-1.1	
Nondurables less food and apparel	10.855	168.7	167.9	-4.5	-5	3.2	2.6	-1.1	
Nondurables	31.915	163.7	162.9	-1.2	-5	1.3	.9	-6	
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	25.543	190.7	191.6	2.0	.5	.3	.2	.5	
Services less medical care services	50.827	197.4	197.9	2.9	.3	.3	.3	.4	
Energy	7.109	121.6	122.2	-13.1	.5	4.1	5.0	-1.3	
All items less energy	92.891	183.4	183.3	2.3	-1	.1	.2	.1	
All items less food and energy	76.663	185.5	185.4	2.3	-1	.1	.3	.1	
Commodities less food and energy commodities	26.001	145.8	145.0	-1.0	-5	-2	.2	-4	
Energy commodities	3.330	121.9	121.9	-16.8	.0	8.1	10.0	-3.1	
Services less energy services	50.663	212.6	213.0	4.0	.2	.2	.3	.3	
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00)	-	\$.569	\$.569	-	-	-	-	-	
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00)	-	\$.191	\$.191	-	-	-	-	-	

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁵ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 5. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—			6 months ended—		
	Feb. 2002	Mar. 2002	Apr. 2002	May 2002	Aug. 2001	Nov. 2001	Feb. 2002	May 2002	Nov. 2001	May 2002
Expenditure category										
All items	174.0	174.6	175.6	175.5	-0.7	0.0	0.7	3.5	-0.3	2.1
Food and beverages	175.7	176.0	176.0	175.7	3.5	2.1	2.3	.0	2.8	1.1
Food	175.2	175.6	175.5	175.1	3.8	2.1	2.1	-2	2.9	.9
Food at home	175.0	175.4	175.3	174.4	3.8	1.9	2.1	-1.4	2.8	.3
Cereals and bakery products	197.5	197.6	197.9	198.0	4.0	2.3	3.7	1.0	3.1	2.4
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	161.8	163.0	162.6	162.6	1.5	1.0	-7	2.0	1.2	.6
Dairy and related products ¹	170.0	169.2	168.7	168.7	10.6	5.6	-2.8	-3.0	8.0	-2.9
Fruits and vegetables	223.0	225.3	221.0	217.3	2.3	2.9	21.7	-9.8	2.6	4.8
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	137.9	138.4	139.0	137.5	5.6	-3	-4.0	-1.2	2.6	-2.6
Other food at home	160.1	159.3	161.0	159.5	2.5	1.3	-1.0	-1.5	1.9	-1.2
Sugar and sweets	157.9	156.5	159.5	157.3	.8	1.0	4.2	-1.5	.9	1.3
Fats and oils	156.7	156.3	156.0	155.5	9.4	-4.7	2.6	-3.0	2.1	-3
Other foods	177.0	176.1	178.2	176.5	1.6	2.7	-2.9	-1.1	2.2	-2.0
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2}	108.5	108.3	108.5	109.5	3.7	4.1	-8.0	3.7	3.9	-2.3
Food away from home ¹	176.9	177.0	177.1	177.5	3.7	2.5	2.5	1.4	3.1	1.9
Other food away from home ^{1 2}	116.0	116.8	117.4	117.7	6.9	5.0	.7	6.0	6.0	3.3
Alcoholic beverages	181.9	182.0	182.8	183.1	3.9	2.5	2.5	2.7	3.2	2.6
Housing	174.2	174.5	174.9	175.4	1.9	.9	2.3	2.8	1.4	2.6
Shelter	199.8	200.2	200.8	201.3	4.2	3.9	4.7	3.0	4.1	3.9
Rent of primary residence ³	196.8	197.5	197.8	198.3	4.5	4.6	4.2	3.1	4.6	3.6
Lodging away from home ^{2 3}	119.8	118.1	119.6	119.9	2.4	-8.7	9.5	.3	-3.3	4.8
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	192.9	193.3	193.9	194.4	4.6	4.7	4.5	3.1	4.7	3.8
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	106.8	106.9	107.2	107.6	-4	1.1	-1.1	3.0	.4	.9
Fuels and utilities	141.1	141.6	141.8	142.6	-8.9	-13.5	-7.8	4.3	-11.2	-1.9
Fuels	124.5	124.9	125.1	126.0	-10.8	-16.8	-10.2	4.9	-13.9	-2.9
Fuel oil and other fuels	108.1	109.5	112.6	113.4	-11.4	-21.9	-32.8	21.1	-16.8	-9.8
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	132.0	132.4	132.4	133.3	-11.1	-16.4	-8.6	4.0	-13.8	-2.5
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	111.9	112.3	112.6	112.7	3.7	2.9	3.7	2.9	3.3	3.3
Household furnishings and operations	125.0	124.8	124.8	124.9	.3	.3	-2.5	-3	.3	-1.4
Household operations ^{1 2}	118.9	119.5	119.0	119.1	7.9	2.1	3.8	.7	4.9	2.2
Apparel	123.5	125.1	124.8	123.8	-4.1	.6	-4.7	1.0	-1.7	-1.9
Men's and boys' apparel	123.1	124.6	124.3	122.2	-8.0	2.3	-5.3	-2.9	-3.0	-4.1
Women's and girls' apparel	115.2	116.1	115.9	115.0	-4.7	-1.4	.3	-7	-3.1	-2
Infants' and toddlers' apparel ¹	128.4	131.7	131.7	129.9	-10.7	20.1	-16.4	4.8	3.5	-6.4
Footwear	120.9	122.9	122.3	122.9	.7	-2.6	-4.8	6.8	-1.0	.8
Transportation	147.6	149.6	152.4	151.5	-12.3	-8.9	-3.7	11.0	-10.6	3.4
Private transportation	144.7	146.8	149.6	148.6	-13.4	-9.0	-3.8	11.2	-11.3	3.5
New and used motor vehicles ²	100.2	99.7	99.4	99.2	-1.6	-.4	-4.7	-3.9	-1.0	-4.3
New vehicles	141.6	141.2	140.9	140.6	-1.4	3.1	-5.7	-2.8	.8	-4.3
Used cars and trucks	155.3	153.9	153.3	152.8	-2.7	-4.9	-5.0	-6.3	-3.8	-5.6
Motor fuel	101.1	109.8	121.1	117.1	-48.1	-42.8	-12.7	80.0	-45.5	25.3
Gasoline (all types)	100.6	109.3	120.3	116.6	-48.4	-42.4	-12.8	80.5	-45.5	25.5
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹	105.3	105.7	106.0	106.0	1.9	3.5	1.1	2.7	2.7	1.9
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	189.3	189.7	190.7	191.6	3.7	3.5	3.9	4.9	3.6	4.4
Public transportation	202.9	201.4	202.3	205.9	6.9	-7.5	.6	6.0	-.6	3.3
Medical care	279.2	280.2	281.4	282.9	4.2	4.9	4.1	5.4	4.6	4.8
Medical care commodities	248.8	249.0	249.4	250.3	3.7	4.2	4.1	2.4	3.9	3.3
Medical care services	286.3	287.5	289.0	290.6	4.4	5.1	4.2	6.1	4.7	5.1
Professional services ³	253.0	253.5	253.8	254.5	3.8	3.2	1.9	2.4	3.5	2.2
Hospital and related services ³	350.0	353.2	357.1	360.1	6.0	8.3	8.4	12.1	7.2	10.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 5. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended—			6 months ended—		
	Feb. 2002	Mar. 2002	Apr. 2002	May 2002	Aug. 2001	Nov. 2001	Feb. 2002	May 2002	Nov. 2001	May 2002
Expenditure category										
Recreation ²	104.4	104.6	104.9	104.7	0.4	1.6	1.2	1.2	1.0	1.2
Video and audio ^{1 2}	101.9	101.9	102.0	102.1	-.4	.8	3.6	.8	.2	2.2
Education and communication ²	107.1	106.6	106.2	106.9	5.1	2.3	2.3	-.7	3.7	.8
Education ²	123.0	123.6	124.0	124.5	7.3	5.8	5.0	5.0	6.6	5.0
Educational books and supplies	311.8	312.6	314.7	317.5	12.6	8.8	1.2	7.5	10.7	4.3
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	346.7	348.2	349.3	350.5	7.0	5.4	5.5	4.5	6.2	5.0
Communication ^{1 2}	94.5	93.3	92.6	93.3	3.0	-.8	.0	-5.0	1.1	-2.5
Information and information processing ^{1 2}	93.7	92.6	91.7	92.5	2.6	-.8	-.4	-5.0	.9	-2.8
Telephone services ^{1 2}	100.5	99.3	98.4	99.4	4.1	-.4	3.2	-4.3	1.8	-.6
Information and information processing other than telephone services ^{1 5}	19.7	19.5	19.3	19.2	-15.1	-12.4	-19.5	-9.8	-13.8	-14.8
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ^{1 2}	23.5	22.8	22.5	22.7	-29.5	-25.0	-27.9	-12.9	-27.3	-20.8
Other goods and services	298.3	295.2	301.7	299.1	4.5	10.5	1.4	1.1	7.5	1.2
Tobacco and smoking products ¹	450.7	434.1	462.7	450.1	5.6	23.1	2.2	-.5	14.0	.8
Personal care ¹	173.2	173.7	173.9	174.0	3.8	3.3	2.1	1.9	3.6	2.0
Personal care products ¹	156.3	156.0	156.2	155.4	4.5	1.6	.5	-2.3	3.0	-.9
Personal care services ¹	187.1	188.0	188.7	189.1	2.6	3.3	-.6	4.3	2.9	1.8
Miscellaneous personal services	270.9	271.9	272.4	273.3	7.1	4.5	4.7	3.6	5.8	4.1
Commodity and service group										
Commodities	148.9	149.8	151.2	150.3	-5.1	-2.6	-2.6	3.8	-3.9	.5
Food and beverages	175.7	176.0	176.0	175.7	3.5	2.1	2.3	.0	2.8	1.1
Commodities less food and beverages	133.6	134.7	136.7	135.6	-10.3	-6.0	-5.2	6.1	-8.2	.3
Nondurables less food and beverages	142.1	146.0	148.7	147.0	-14.3	-9.6	-5.7	14.5	-12.0	3.9
Apparel	123.5	125.1	124.8	123.8	-.4	.6	-4.7	1.0	-1.7	-1.9
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	157.0	162.5	167.0	165.1	-18.5	-13.5	-5.9	22.3	-16.1	7.3
Durables	122.8	122.2	122.0	122.0	-2.2	-1.0	-5.4	-2.6	-1.6	-4.0
Services	203.4	203.8	204.4	205.1	3.0	2.4	3.2	3.4	2.7	3.3
Rent of shelter ⁴	192.5	192.8	193.5	193.9	4.4	3.9	4.9	2.9	4.1	3.9
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2}	106.8	106.9	107.2	107.6	-.4	1.1	-1.1	3.0	.4	.9
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	132.0	132.4	132.4	133.3	-11.1	-16.4	-8.6	4.0	-13.8	-2.5
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	111.9	112.3	112.6	112.7	3.7	2.9	3.7	2.9	3.3	3.3
Household operations ^{1 2}	118.9	119.5	119.0	119.1	7.9	2.1	3.8	.7	4.9	2.2
Transportation services	204.4	205.1	205.8	207.1	5.6	3.9	4.6	5.4	4.7	5.0
Medical care services	286.3	287.5	289.0	290.6	4.4	5.1	4.2	6.1	4.7	5.1
Other services	238.8	238.9	239.1	240.0	4.4	3.3	3.2	2.0	3.8	2.6
Special indexes										
All items less food	173.6	174.3	175.5	175.4	-1.6	-.5	.5	4.2	-1.0	2.3
All items less shelter	166.4	167.2	168.3	168.0	-2.6	-1.7	-1.0	3.9	-2.1	1.4
All items less medical care	169.3	169.9	170.9	170.7	-.9	-.2	.5	3.3	-.6	1.9
Commodities less food	135.3	136.4	138.4	137.3	-9.7	-5.6	-5.1	6.0	-7.7	.3
Nondurables less food	144.4	148.2	150.8	149.2	-13.2	-9.3	-5.1	14.0	-11.3	4.0
Nondurables less food and apparel	158.4	163.5	167.7	165.8	-16.4	-12.2	-5.6	20.0	-14.3	6.4
Nondurables	159.1	161.2	162.7	161.8	-5.7	-3.7	-1.7	7.0	-4.7	2.5
Services less rent of shelter ⁴	190.1	190.7	191.1	192.0	2.4	.6	.8	4.1	1.5	2.4
Services less medical care services	196.5	197.0	197.6	198.3	3.4	2.1	2.7	3.7	2.7	3.2
Energy	112.1	116.7	122.5	120.9	-31.7	-30.1	-11.0	35.3	-30.9	9.8
All items less energy	182.5	182.7	183.0	183.1	2.9	2.9	1.8	1.3	2.9	1.5
All items less food and energy	184.4	184.5	185.0	185.2	2.7	3.3	1.5	1.7	3.0	1.6
Commodities less food and energy commodities	145.0	144.7	145.0	144.4	-.8	2.2	-3.5	-1.6	.7	-2.6
Energy commodities	101.9	110.2	121.2	117.4	-46.3	-41.6	-13.6	76.2	-44.0	23.4
Services less energy services	211.4	211.8	212.4	213.1	4.6	3.9	4.3	3.3	4.2	3.8

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in

January, 1999.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁵ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 6. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, all items index

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W	Pricing schedule 1	All items										
		Indexes				Percent change to May2002 from—			Percent change to Apr.2002 from—			
		Feb. 2002	Mar. 2002	Apr. 2002	May 2002	May 2001	Mar. 2002	Apr. 2002	Apr. 2001	Feb. 2002	Mar. 2002	
U.S. city average	M	173.7	174.7	175.8	175.8	0.8	0.6	0.0	1.3	1.2	0.6	
Region and area size²												
Northeast urban	M	182.3	183.1	184.2	184.1	1.4	.5	-.1	1.8	1.0	.6	
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	182.8	183.6	184.5	184.3	1.5	.4	-.1	2.1	.9	.5	
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	110.1	110.8	111.7	111.7	1.2	.8	.0	1.4	1.5	.8	
Midwest urban	M	168.1	169.1	170.3	170.3	-2	.7	.0	.8	1.3	.7	
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	169.4	170.6	172.2	172.0	.6	.8	-.1	1.5	1.7	.9	
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	109.2	109.7	110.2	110.3	-1.5	.5	.1	-.4	.9	.5	
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	164.3	164.8	166.0	166.1	-2	.8	.1	.5	1.0	.7	
South urban	M	168.6	169.6	170.8	170.8	.5	.7	.0	.7	1.3	.7	
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	169.5	170.5	171.7	171.9	1.3	.8	.1	1.4	1.3	.7	
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	108.7	109.3	110.2	110.1	.2	.7	-.1	.5	1.4	.8	
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	168.9	170.2	171.2	171.1	-.5	.5	-.1	-.3	1.4	.6	
West urban	M	178.1	179.0	180.0	180.0	1.9	.6	.0	2.4	1.1	.6	
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	178.6	179.5	180.5	181.0	2.3	.8	.3	2.6	1.1	.6	
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	111.8	112.2	112.9	112.3	1.3	.1	-.5	2.3	1.0	.6	
Size classes												
A ⁴	M	160.5	161.3	162.4	162.5	1.4	.7	.1	1.9	1.2	.7	
B/C ³	M	109.5	110.1	110.9	110.7	.0	.5	-.2	.7	1.3	.7	
D	M	169.3	170.2	171.3	171.1	.0	.5	-.1	.5	1.2	.6	
Selected local areas⁵												
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	M	172.4	173.5	174.8	175.3	.7	1.0	.3	1.3	1.4	.7	
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ..	M	172.8	173.8	174.8	175.4	2.9	.9	.3	3.1	1.2	.6	
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	M	184.7	185.6	186.6	186.4	1.9	.4	-.1	2.6	1.0	.5	
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1	-	193.2	-	193.3	1.7	.1	-	-	-	-	
Cleveland-Akron, OH	1	-	164.1	-	164.0	-1.0	-.1	-	-	-	-	
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1	-	171.4	-	172.5	2.0	.6	-	-	-	-	
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ⁶	1	-	111.4	-	112.4	2.3	.9	-	-	-	-	
Atlanta, GA	2	173.2	-	175.5	-	-	-	-	1.0	1.3	-	
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	2	170.5	-	173.4	-	-	-	-	2.5	1.7	-	
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	154.3	-	156.8	-	-	-	-	-.6	1.6	-	
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	172.3	-	172.5	-	-	-	-	1.2	.1	-	
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	2	181.4	-	182.3	-	-	-	-	.9	.5	-	
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2	186.8	-	188.8	-	-	-	-	2.1	1.1	-	
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2	182.5	-	183.6	-	-	-	-	2.3	.6	-	

¹ Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all areas; most other goods and services priced as indicated:

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

² Regions defined as the four Census regions. See technical notes.

³ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁵ In addition, the following metropolitan areas are published semiannually and appear in Tables 34 and 39 of the January and July issues of the CPI Detailed Report: Anchorage, AK; Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN; Denver-Boulder-Greeley, CO; Honolulu, HI; Kansas City, MO-KS; Milwaukee-Racine, WI; Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI; Pittsburgh, PA; Portland-Salem, OR-WA; St. Louis, MO-IL; San Diego, CA; Tampa-St.

Petersburg-Clearwater, FL.

⁶ Indexes on a November 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Local area indexes are byproducts of the national CPI program. Each local index has a smaller sample size than the national index and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in their escalator clauses.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 1 (OW). Old Weight Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Relative importance, December 2001	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 2002 from—	
		Apr. 2002	May 2002	May 2001	Apr. 2002
Expenditure category					
All items	100.000	179.9	179.9	1.2	0.0
All items (1967=100)	-	538.9	538.9	-	-
Food and beverages	16.393	176.8	176.5	2.1	-2
Food	15.403	176.2	175.9	2.0	-2
Food at home	9.661	176.5	175.7	1.7	-5
Cereals and bakery products	1.535	198.1	198.3	2.6	.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.620	162.5	162.4	1.0	-1
Dairy and related products	1.093	168.5	168.7	2.4	.1
Fruits and vegetables	1.427	223.4	221.9	4.1	-7
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	1.023	140.4	138.5	.3	-1.4
Other food at home	1.961	161.8	160.2	.4	-1.0
Sugar and sweets .....	.364	159.8	158.3	1.6	-9
Fats and oils .....	.297	156.6	156.0	.8	-4
Other foods	1.301	178.2	176.3	-1	-1.1
Other miscellaneous foods ¹ .....	.307	108.7	109.3	.5	.6
Food away from home	5.743	177.1	177.5	2.5	.2
Other food away from home ¹ .....	.182	116.3	116.5	3.6	.2
Alcoholic beverages .....	.990	183.2	183.5	2.8	.2
Housing	40.516	179.4	179.5	2.0	.1
Shelter	31.037	207.2	207.3	3.9	.0
Rent of primary residence ²	7.300	198.5	198.9	4.1	.2
Lodging away from home ^{1 2}	2.306	121.9	119.9	-1	-1.6
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{2 3}	21.064	213.3	213.7	4.3	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ¹ .....	.366	107.2	107.5	.7	.3
Fuels and utilities	4.934	140.6	141.6	-6.4	.7
Fuels	3.998	124.2	125.2	-8.5	.8
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	.276	115.6	114.7	-13.0	-8
Gas (piped) and electricity ²	3.722	130.9	132.1	-8.1	.9
Water and sewer and trash collection services ¹ .....	.936	112.5	112.6	3.2	.1
Household furnishings and operations	4.545	129.2	129.1	.2	-1
Household operations ¹ .....	.959	118.2	118.2	3.1	.0
Apparel	4.242	128.0	126.3	-2.7	-1.3
Men's and boys' apparel	1.187	125.8	124.6	-3.5	-1.0
Women's and girls' apparel	1.687	120.7	117.9	-3.6	-2.3
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.250	128.4	127.0	-2.8	-1.1
Footwear .....	.769	124.5	124.9	.4	.3
Transportation	16.639	154.3	154.5	-3.0	.1
Private transportation	15.281	150.2	150.2	-3.3	.0
New and used motor vehicles ¹	7.328	99.3	99.0	-2.4	-3
New vehicles	4.604	140.3	139.7	-1.8	-4
Used cars and trucks	1.824	151.7	151.7	-4.7	.0
Motor fuel	2.578	121.6	121.6	-17.2	.0
Gasoline (all types)	2.559	120.9	120.9	-17.2	.0
Motor vehicle parts and equipment .....	.533	106.9	106.9	2.4	.0
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	1.656	188.8	189.7	3.9	.5
Public transportation	1.357	209.4	211.9	1.2	1.2
Medical care	5.995	283.5	284.5	4.8	.4
Medical care commodities	1.295	255.0	255.6	3.6	.2
Medical care services	4.700	290.4	291.5	5.1	.4
Professional services ²	2.933	252.6	253.0	2.9	.2
Hospital and related services ²	1.502	362.6	365.2	9.0	.7

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 1 (OW). Old Weight Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group -Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Relative importance, December 2001	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 2002 from—	
		Apr. 2002	May 2002	May 2001	Apr. 2002
Expenditure category					
Recreation ¹	5.909	106.5	106.4	1.3	-0.1
Video and audio ¹	1.629	102.9	103.0	1.4	.1
Education and communication ¹	5.397	106.7	107.3	3.2	.6
Education ¹	2.914	123.3	123.5	6.1	.2
Educational books and supplies .....	.215	314.7	315.5	8.5	.3
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	2.699	354.2	354.6	5.9	.1
Communication ¹	2.483	91.8	92.8	-1.1	1.1
Information and information processing ¹	2.279	90.5	91.6	-2.2	1.2
Telephone services ¹	2.146	98.1	99.4	.7	1.3
Information and information processing other than telephone services ⁴ .....	.133	18.8	18.7	-13.8	-5
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ¹ .....	.054	22.9	23.1	-24.0	.9
Other goods and services	4.909	294.1	292.0	4.2	-7
Tobacco and smoking products	1.402	461.5	449.3	7.3	-2.6
Personal care	3.507	174.4	174.6	3.0	.1
Personal care products .....	.719	155.4	154.8	1.0	-4
Personal care services	1.000	187.9	188.2	2.2	.2
Miscellaneous personal services	1.562	273.3	274.3	5.1	.4
Commodity and service group					
Commodities	40.624	151.3	150.8	-1.4	-3
Food and beverages	16.393	176.8	176.5	2.1	-2
Commodities less food and beverages	24.231	136.6	136.0	-3.4	-4
Nondurables less food and beverages	13.948	148.2	147.1	-4.2	-7
Apparel	4.242	128.0	126.3	-2.7	-1.3
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	9.706	164.6	163.8	-4.8	-5
Durables	10.283	122.1	121.9	-2.4	-2
Services	59.376	208.3	208.8	3.1	.2
Rent of shelter ³	30.671	215.8	215.9	3.9	.0
Tenants' and household insurance ¹ .....	.366	107.2	107.5	.7	.3
Gas (piped) and electricity ²	3.722	130.9	132.1	-8.1	.9
Water and sewer and trash collection services ¹ .....	.936	112.5	112.6	3.2	.1
Household operations ¹ .....	.959	118.2	118.2	3.1	.0
Transportation services	7.010	208.4	209.5	4.5	.5
Medical care services	4.700	290.4	291.5	5.1	.4
Other services	11.012	243.8	244.6	3.5	.3
Special indexes					
All items less food	84.597	180.6	180.6	1.1	.0
All items less shelter	68.963	171.2	171.2	.2	.0
All items less medical care	94.005	174.4	174.4	1.0	.0
Commodities less food	25.221	138.4	137.8	-3.2	-4
Nondurables less food	14.938	150.3	149.3	-3.7	-7
Nondurables less food and apparel	10.696	165.5	164.9	-4.1	-4
Nondurables	30.341	162.6	162.0	-1.0	-4
Services less rent of shelter ³	28.705	215.3	216.3	2.3	.5
Services less medical care services	54.676	201.1	201.5	3.0	.2
Energy	6.576	121.8	122.4	-12.6	.5
All items less energy	93.424	187.6	187.5	2.5	-1
All items less food and energy	78.020	190.4	190.4	2.6	.0
Commodities less food and energy commodities	22.366	145.5	144.7	-7	-5
Energy commodities	2.855	121.2	121.2	-16.8	.0
Services less energy services	55.654	216.2	216.6	3.9	.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00)	-	\$.556	\$.556	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00)	-	\$.186	\$.186	-	-

¹ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

² This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

³ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 2 (OW). Old Weight Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Relative importance, December 2001	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 2002 from—	
		Apr. 2002	May 2002	May 2001	Apr. 2002
Expenditure category					
All items	100.000	176.0	175.9	0.9	-0.1
All items (1967=100)	-	524.3	524.0	-	-
Food and beverages	18.048	176.1	175.7	2.0	-2
Food	16.993	175.6	175.2	1.9	-2
Food at home	10.838	175.4	174.6	1.6	-5
Cereals and bakery products	1.682	197.7	198.1	2.7	.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	3.127	162.4	162.1	.9	-2
Dairy and related products	1.202	168.2	168.3	2.2	.1
Fruits and vegetables	1.483	222.2	220.2	4.1	-9
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials	1.162	139.8	137.7	.4	-1.5
Other food at home	2.183	161.3	159.9	.5	-9
Sugar and sweets .....	.406	159.4	158.0	1.4	-9
Fats and oils .....	.340	156.2	155.6	.8	-4
Other foods	1.437	178.5	176.8	.2	-1.0
Other miscellaneous foods ¹ .....	.343	108.8	109.3	.6	.5
Food away from home	6.155	177.0	177.4	2.5	.2
Other food away from home ¹ .....	.224	116.7	116.9	3.9	.2
Alcoholic beverages	1.055	183.3	183.2	2.9	-1
Housing	37.348	174.7	174.9	1.9	.1
Shelter	28.251	200.9	201.0	3.9	.0
Rent of primary residence ²	8.858	197.8	198.2	4.1	.2
Lodging away from home ^{1 2}	1.340	122.4	118.9	-8	-2.9
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{2 3}	17.737	193.8	194.2	4.2	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ¹ .....	.316	107.2	107.6	.7	.4
Fuels and utilities	5.046	139.9	141.1	-6.4	.9
Fuels	4.121	123.1	124.3	-8.4	1.0
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	.243	115.5	114.7	-12.8	-7
Gas (piped) and electricity ²	3.877	129.9	131.3	-8.1	1.1
Water and sewer and trash collection services ¹ .....	.925	112.6	112.7	3.3	.1
Household furnishings and operations	4.051	125.4	125.3	-3	-1
Household operations ¹ .....	.426	118.4	118.5	3.0	.1
Apparel	4.577	126.8	125.2	-2.6	-1.3
Men's and boys' apparel	1.291	125.9	124.5	-3.6	-1.1
Women's and girls' apparel	1.698	118.5	115.7	-3.7	-2.4
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.318	130.8	129.3	-2.0	-1.1
Footwear .....	.928	125.1	125.3	.6	.2
Transportation	18.798	153.4	153.5	-3.6	.1
Private transportation	17.737	150.7	150.6	-3.8	-1
New and used motor vehicles ¹	8.672	99.6	99.3	-2.6	-3
New vehicles	4.836	141.6	140.8	-1.8	-6
Used cars and trucks	3.061	152.6	152.6	-4.7	.0
Motor fuel	3.192	121.8	121.8	-17.4	.0
Gasoline (all types)	3.168	121.2	121.2	-17.4	.0
Motor vehicle parts and equipment .....	.661	105.8	105.8	2.1	.0
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	1.727	190.3	191.3	3.9	.5
Public transportation	1.061	204.3	206.5	1.5	1.1
Medical care	4.906	282.1	283.1	4.7	.4
Medical care commodities .....	.956	249.7	250.2	3.5	.2
Medical care services	3.950	289.7	290.8	5.0	.4
Professional services ²	2.490	254.7	255.1	2.9	.2
Hospital and related services ²	1.238	357.3	359.7	8.8	.7

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2 (OW). Old Weight Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group -Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	Relative importance, December 2001	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to May 2002 from—	
		Apr. 2002	May 2002	May 2001	Apr. 2002
Expenditure category					
Recreation ¹	5.670	104.9	104.8	1.1	-0.1
Video and audio ¹	1.810	102.2	102.3	1.2	.1
Education and communication ¹	5.277	106.6	107.3	3.1	.7
Education ¹	2.684	123.5	123.7	6.0	.2
Educational books and supplies .....	.213	318.9	319.7	8.6	.3
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare	2.471	347.6	347.9	5.7	.1
Communication ¹	2.593	93.0	94.1	.1	1.2
Information and information processing ¹	2.442	92.2	93.3	-.1	1.2
Telephone services ¹	2.329	98.2	99.5	.7	1.3
Information and information processing other than telephone services ⁴ .....	.113	19.4	19.4	-13.4	.0
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ¹ .....	.044	22.4	22.7	-24.1	1.3
Other goods and services	5.376	302.7	299.8	4.5	-1.0
Tobacco and smoking products	2.053	462.5	450.5	7.3	-2.6
Personal care	3.323	173.9	174.1	2.8	.1
Personal care products .....	.813	155.8	155.2	.9	-.4
Personal care services	1.006	188.6	188.9	2.3	.2
Miscellaneous personal services	1.314	273.0	274.0	5.1	.4
Commodity and service group					
Commodities	45.337	152.1	151.4	-1.6	-5
Food and beverages	18.048	176.1	175.7	2.0	-2
Commodities less food and beverages	27.289	138.0	137.3	-3.7	-5
Nondurables less food and beverages	15.269	150.1	149.0	-4.6	-7
Apparel	4.577	126.8	125.2	-2.6	-1.3
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	10.692	167.8	166.8	-5.4	-6
Durables	12.020	122.5	122.3	-2.5	-2
Services	54.663	204.3	204.8	3.1	.2
Rent of shelter ³	27.936	193.6	193.6	3.9	.0
Tenants' and household insurance ¹ .....	.316	107.2	107.6	.7	.4
Gas (piped) and electricity ²	3.877	129.9	131.3	-8.1	1.1
Water and sewer and trash collection services ¹ .....	.925	112.6	112.7	3.3	.1
Household operations ¹ .....	.426	118.4	118.5	3.0	.1
Transportation services	6.882	206.8	207.8	5.2	.5
Medical care services	3.950	289.7	290.8	5.0	.4
Other services	10.351	238.9	239.9	3.3	.4
Special indexes					
All items less food	83.007	176.0	175.9	.7	-1
All items less shelter	71.749	168.8	168.7	-.2	-1
All items less medical care	95.094	171.3	171.2	.7	-1
Commodities less food	28.344	139.7	139.0	-3.5	-5
Nondurables less food	16.324	152.2	151.0	-4.2	-8
Nondurables less food and apparel	11.747	168.4	167.6	-4.7	-5
Nondurables	33.317	163.6	162.8	-1.2	-5
Services less rent of shelter ³	26.728	191.0	191.9	2.2	.5
Services less medical care services	50.713	197.4	197.9	2.9	.3
Energy	7.312	121.6	122.2	-13.1	.5
All items less energy	92.688	183.6	183.4	2.3	-1
All items less food and energy	75.695	185.7	185.5	2.4	-1
Commodities less food and energy commodities	24.909	146.2	145.3	-.8	-6
Energy commodities	3.435	121.6	121.6	-17.1	.0
Services less energy services	50.786	212.6	213.0	4.0	.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00)	-	\$.568	\$.568	-	-
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00)	-	\$.191	\$.191	-	-

¹ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

² This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January, 1999.

³ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

⁴ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 3 (OW). Old Weight Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, all items index

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Pricing schedule 1	All items									
		Indexes				Percent change to May 2002 from—			Percent change to Apr. 2002 from—		
		Feb. 2002	Mar. 2002	Apr. 2002	May 2002	May 2001	Mar. 2002	Apr. 2002	Apr. 2001	Feb. 2002	Mar. 2002
U.S. city average	M	177.9	178.8	179.9	179.9	1.2	0.6	0.0	1.7	1.1	0.6
Region and area size²											
Northeast urban	M	186.1	187.0	187.8	187.7	1.7	.4	-.1	2.0	.9	.4
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	187.8	188.5	189.2	189.1	1.9	.3	-.1	2.3	.7	.4
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	110.6	111.4	112.1	112.2	1.3	.7	.1	1.3	1.4	.6
Midwest urban	M	172.7	173.7	174.8	174.9	.4	.7	.1	1.2	1.2	.6
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	174.9	176.0	177.3	177.3	1.0	.7	.0	1.7	1.4	.7
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	109.7	110.3	110.9	111.0	-.5	.6	.1	.5	1.1	.5
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	166.5	167.0	168.0	168.2	.2	.7	.1	.8	.9	.6
South urban	M	171.1	172.2	173.4	173.4	1.0	.7	.0	1.2	1.3	.7
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	172.2	173.3	174.5	174.7	1.6	.8	.1	1.7	1.3	.7
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	109.4	110.2	111.0	110.9	.7	.6	-.1	1.0	1.5	.7
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	168.6	169.8	170.5	170.7	-.2	.5	.1	-.1	1.1	.4
West urban	M	183.3	184.0	185.1	185.0	2.0	.5	-.1	2.6	1.0	.6
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	185.3	186.1	187.2	187.7	2.3	.9	.3	2.6	1.0	.6
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	112.6	112.9	113.7	112.7	1.4	-.2	-.9	2.8	1.0	.7
Size classes											
A ⁴	M	162.5	163.3	164.3	164.4	1.7	.7	.1	2.1	1.1	.6
B/C ³	M	110.2	110.8	111.6	111.4	.6	.5	-.2	1.3	1.3	.7
D	M	170.7	171.5	172.5	172.5	.3	.6	.0	.8	1.1	.6
Selected local areas⁵											
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI	M	178.6	179.7	180.7	181.2	.8	.8	.3	1.3	1.2	.6
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ..	M	179.9	180.8	181.9	182.4	2.8	.9	.3	3.0	1.1	.6
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA	M	189.9	190.9	191.7	191.5	2.2	.3	-.1	2.7	.9	.4
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT	1	-	194.6	-	194.7	2.0	.1	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron, OH	1	-	173.4	-	173.3	-.2	-.1	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	1	-	172.2	-	173.1	2.2	.5	-	-	-	-
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ⁶	1	-	111.7	-	112.6	2.3	.8	-	-	-	-
Atlanta, GA	2	175.4	-	178.7	-	-	-	-	1.2	1.9	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	2	176.6	-	179.1	-	-	-	-	2.6	1.4	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	156.5	-	158.8	-	-	-	-	-.4	1.5	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	175.1	-	175.5	-	-	-	-	1.6	.2	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	2	182.1	-	183.1	-	-	-	-	1.0	.5	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2	191.0	-	193.2	-	-	-	-	2.2	1.2	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA	2	187.2	-	188.5	-	-	-	-	2.3	.7	-

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Table 4 (OW). Old Weight Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, all items index

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Area	Pricing schedule 1	All items									
		Indexes				Percent change to May 2002 from—			Percent change to Apr. 2002 from—		
		Feb. 2002	Mar. 2002	Apr. 2002	May 2002	May 2001	Mar. 2002	Apr. 2002	Apr. 2001	Feb. 2002	Mar. 2002
U.S. city average	M	173.8	174.7	176.0	175.9	0.9	0.7	-0.1	1.4	1.3	0.7
Region and area size²											
Northeast urban	M	182.4	183.2	184.3	184.1	1.4	.5	-.1	1.9	1.0	.6
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	183.0	183.7	184.5	184.3	1.5	.3	-.1	2.1	.8	.4
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	110.1	110.8	111.8	111.7	1.2	.8	-.1	1.5	1.5	.9
Midwest urban	M	168.2	169.3	170.6	170.6	-.1	.8	.0	.9	1.4	.8
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	169.6	170.7	172.2	172.2	.7	.9	.0	1.5	1.5	.9
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	109.3	109.9	110.6	110.6	-1.3	.6	.0	.0	1.2	.6
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	164.1	164.5	165.8	165.9	-.3	.9	.1	.4	1.0	.8
South urban	M	168.7	169.8	171.2	171.1	.6	.8	-.1	.9	1.5	.8
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	169.2	170.2	171.6	171.7	1.2	.9	.1	1.4	1.4	.8
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	108.9	109.6	110.6	110.4	.5	.7	-.2	.8	1.6	.9
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	169.4	170.7	171.7	171.8	-.1	.6	.1	-.1	1.4	.6
West urban	M	178.2	178.8	180.0	179.8	1.8	.6	-.1	2.4	1.0	.7
Size A - More than 1,500,000	M	178.4	179.2	180.2	180.7	2.1	.8	.3	2.4	1.0	.6
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	112.1	112.4	113.3	112.2	1.2	-.2	-1.0	2.6	1.1	.8
Size classes											
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Atlanta, GA	2	172.7	-	175.5	-	-	-	-	1.0	1.6	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI	2	171.1	-	173.6	-	-	-	-	2.7	1.5	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	153.8	-	156.4	-	-	-	-	-.9	1.7	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	172.0	-	172.9	-	-	-	-	1.5	.5	-
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD	2	181.4	-	182.4	-	-	-	-	.9	.6	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	2	186.8	-	188.9	-	-	-	-	2.2	1.1	-
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