

Table 21. Selected Northeastern Metropolitan Statistical Areas: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1988-89

Item	All consumer units in the Northeast	New York	Philadelphia	Boston	Pittsburgh	Buffalo
Number of consumer units (in thousands)	20,065	6,603	2,140	1,836	956	557
Consumer unit characteristics:						
Income before taxes ¹	\$31,994	\$37,238	\$35,336	\$39,471	\$26,136	\$24,360
Income after taxes ¹	29,214	33,974	30,895	35,890	23,969	24,074
Average number of persons in consumer unit	2.5	2.6	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4
Age of reference person	48.6	49.7	47.5	46.5	50.1	50.8
Average number in consumer unit:						
Earners	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.1	1.2
Vehicles	1.6	1.3	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.4
Children under 18	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5
Persons 65 and over	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4
Percent Distribution:						
Sex of reference person:						
Male	64	59	63	67	64	60
Female	36	41	37	33	36	40
Housing tenure:						
Homeowner	60	54	62	57	62	65
With mortgage	35	31	39	40	31	33
Without mortgage	25	22	23	17	31	32
Renter	40	46	38	43	38	35
Race of reference person:						
Black	9	16	14	4	7	8
White and other	91	84	86	96	93	92
Education of reference person:						
Elementary (1-8)	11	12	11	6	9	10
High school (9-12)	47	44	44	35	53	48
College	42	44	44	57	37	41
Never attended and other	0	0	1	1	0	1
At least one vehicle owned	79	70	81	83	78	81
Average annual expenditures:						
Food	\$4,209	\$4,779	\$4,417	\$4,024	\$3,560	\$4,310

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Food at home	2,332	2,477	2,384	1,972	2,099	2,911
Cereals and bakery products	367	387	388	279	334	452
Cereals and cereal products	123	120	127	86	109	171
Bakery products	245	267	261	193	225	281
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	631	721	667	614	496	704
Beef	197	220	191	195	157	242
Pork	107	109	131	80	93	133
Other meats	94	103	107	75	82	115
Poultry	116	138	116	144	87	107
Fish and seafood	85	116	91	91	50	66
Eggs	31	35	30	28	25	41
Dairy products	297	296	291	246	288	412
Fresh milk and cream	140	136	125	128	134	192
Other dairy products	156	160	167	118	154	220
Fruits and vegetables	414	472	391	335	371	540
Fresh fruits	129	145	117	110	113	171
Fresh vegetables	129	147	116	115	123	172
Processed fruits	97	118	104	75	78	115
Processed vegetables	59	62	54	35	57	83
Other food at home	623	600	647	499	610	803
Sugar and other sweets	77	79	84	60	72	113
Fats and oils	51	51	47	31	52	67
Miscellaneous foods	251	229	274	176	250	368
Nonalcoholic beverages	214	211	219	190	206	237
Food prep by cu, out-of-town trips	30	30	24	42	30	18
Food away from home	1,877	2,303	2,033	2,052	1,461	1,399
Alcoholic beverages	288	302	350	409	212	254
Housing	8,912	10,780	9,672	10,804	6,742	6,777
Shelter	5,215	6,544	5,587	7,022	3,489	3,844
Owned dwellings	2,887	3,461	2,808	4,075	1,930	2,374
Mortgage interest and charges	1,540	1,840	1,589	2,347	936	1,177
Property taxes	740	748	769	1,128	549	764
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses	607	873	450	600	446	432
Rented dwellings	1,716	2,381	1,812	2,227	1,184	1,126
Other lodging	613	702	967	720	375	345
Utilities, fuels, and public services	1,855	2,137	1,869	1,793	1,762	1,747
Natural gas	259	349	262	262	503	600
Electricity	654	674	764	555	599	521
Fuel oil and other fuels	257	261	171	334	51	25
Telephone services	547	718	499	548	430	486
Water and other public services	139	135	173	93	179	115
Household operations	412	539	456	493	267	239
Personal services	168	173	247	234	113	88
Other household expenses	244	366	209	259	154	151

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Housekeeping supplies	366	374	430	322	405	271
Laundry and cleaning supplies	101	110	123	64	96	77
Other household products	145	139	163	170	158	111
Postage and stationery	120	125	144	89	151	82
Household furnishings and equipment	1,064	1,185	1,331	1,174	820	677
Household textiles	94	110	146	52	74	82
Furniture	340	429	460	407	197	147
Floor coverings	76	74	67	89	73	24
Major appliances	155	153	178	189	187	111
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	66	89	61	84	43	28
Miscellaneous household equipment	333	331	418	353	247	285
Apparel and services	1,652	2,190	1,905	1,585	1,420	1,220
Men and boys	410	532	540	420	284	283
Men, 16 and over	338	447	406	363	242	247
Boys, 2 to 15	72	85	134	58	41	36
Women and girls	689	934	753	531	669	556
Women, 16 and over	585	815	603	462	577	465
Girls, 2 to 15	103	119	150	69	92	91
Children under 2	69	79	85	84	58	62
Footwear	206	272	217	156	195	196
Other apparel products and services	278	373	310	393	214	124
Transportation	4,781	4,818	4,955	5,750	4,357	4,749
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	1,995	1,736	1,892	2,581	1,983	2,507
Cars and trucks, new	1,229	1,178	1,274	1,963	1,125	1,697
Cars and trucks, used	753	541	582	617	858	810
Other vehicles	14	17	35	0	0	1
Gasoline and motor oil	827	755	852	891	721	678
Other vehicle expenses	1,570	1,655	1,951	1,797	1,436	1,296
Vehicle finance charges	250	202	268	340	240	228
Maintenance and repairs	494	551	581	460	446	463
Vehicle insurance	631	660	871	791	517	494
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges	196	242	232	206	233	112
Public transportation	389	673	261	482	217	268
Health care	1,270	1,584	1,141	1,020	1,160	1,094
Health insurance	438	399	424	493	426	505
Medical services	568	904	455	298	392	427
Drugs	189	194	186	149	273	106
Medical supplies	74	87	76	79	69	56
Entertainment	1,401	1,624	1,332	1,805	1,082	885
Fees and admissions	406	481	379	635	315	275
Television, radios, sound equipment	427	450	449	546	425	290
Pets, toys, and playground equipment	245	234	258	273	223	184
Other supplies, equipment, and services	323	458	246	352	119	136

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Personal care products and services	344	387	372	337	341	249
Reading	182	180	206	209	160	139
Education	437	471	532	689	527	208
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	248	254	250	211	275	206
Miscellaneous	592	779	744	409	450	420
Cash contributions	625	655	648	640	640	442
Personal insurance and pensions	2,358	2,607	3,039	2,469	1,797	1,332
Life and other personal insurance	313	310	437	266	297	199
Pensions and Social Security	2,045	2,298	2,602	2,204	1,500	1,132
Sources of income and taxes: ¹						
Money income before taxes	31,994	37,238	35,336	39,471	26,136	24,360
Wages and salaries	24,010	26,987	28,222	31,928	17,981	18,106
Self-employment income	2,549	4,066	1,824	2,609	890	1,208
Social Security, private and government retirement	3,440	3,670	3,152	3,122	4,087	3,954
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	1,179	1,666	1,376	888	1,764	370
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits	205	158	108	383	525	207
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps	265	345	159	233	476	386
Regular contributions for support	267	246	404	221	355	97
Other income	79	99	91	87	57	34
Personal taxes ¹	2,780	3,264	4,442	3,581	2,167	286
Federal income taxes	2,169	2,587	3,597	2,709	1,437	231
State and local income taxes	600	684	811	864	717	54
Other taxes	11	-6	34	9	13	0
Income after taxes ¹	29,214	33,974	30,895	35,890	23,969	24,074
Addenda:						
Net change in total assets and liabilities	787	1,436	2,416	2,237	669	-520
Net change in total assets	3,138	4,253	6,204	4,481	1,248	925
Net change in total liabilities	2,350	2,818	3,788	2,244	579	1,445
Other financial information						
Other money receipts	714	1,468	666	217	245	0

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Item	All consumer units in the Northeast	New York	Philadelphia	Boston	Pittsburgh	Buffalo
Mortgage principal paid on owned property	-475	-475	-579	-564	-445	-316
Estimated market value of owned home	87,450	119,384	72,377	109,753	53,721	68,110
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home	458	596	397	613	273	303
Gifts of goods and services	929	1,190	1,190	1,075	911	551
Clothing, males 2 and over	68	104	104	71	40	57
Clothing, females 2 and over	104	149	149	110	95	100
Clothing, infants less than 2	32	43	43	40	23	21
Jewelry and watches	31	26	26	75	59	7
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares	22	33	33	26	12	11
Household textiles	8	10	10	0	12	1
All other gifts	664	825	825	753	670	354

¹ Components of income and taxes are derived from "complete income reporters" only; see glossary at <http://stats.bls.gov/csxgloss.htm>

Note: All values have been rounded, and therefore some rounded values equal zero. When data are not reported or are not applicable (i.e., missing values), values are set to zero.

Note: Some data are likely to have large sampling errors