

Table 8. Region of residence: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1996

Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Number of consumer units (in thousands)	104,212	20,332	24,891	36,439	22,550
Income before taxes 1/	\$38,014	\$40,641	\$37,975	\$35,569	\$39,790
Income after taxes 1/	34,864	37,538	34,921	32,869	35,789
Age of reference person	47.7	48.1	48.8	47.7	46.1
Average number in consumer unit:					
Persons	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.6
Children under 18	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8
Persons 65 and over	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Earners	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.4
Vehicles	1.9	1.6	2.1	1.9	2.0
Percent distribution:					
Male	60	58	63	60	60
Female	40	42	37	40	40
Percent homeowner	64	59	69	67	57
With mortgage	38	34	40	38	37
Without mortgage	26	24	29	29	20
Renter	36	41	31	33	43
Black	12	12	10	18	4
White and other	88	88	90	82	96
Elementary (1-8)	8	8	7	9	7
High school (9-12)	41	44	45	42	34
College	50	48	48	48	58
Never attended and other	0	0	0	1	0
At least one vehicle owned	85	76	87	87	87
Average annual expenditures	\$33,797	\$34,163	\$33,025	\$32,871	\$35,795
Food	4,698	4,940	4,681	4,431	4,918
Food at home	2,876	3,020	2,828	2,725	3,031
Cereals and bakery products	447	489	445	416	459
Cereals and cereal products	166	179	162	153	178
Bakery products	281	311	283	264	281
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	737	798	685	741	732
Beef	215	211	205	222	218
Pork	157	146	162	172	139
Other meats	99	117	101	91	92
Poultry	144	180	121	142	141
Fish and seafood	88	113	67	80	101
Eggs	34	33	29	33	41
Dairy products	312	342	321	275	333
Fresh milk and cream	132	135	138	122	141
Other dairy products	180	207	183	153	192
Fruits and vegetables	490	544	462	437	557
Fresh fruits	153	166	151	130	182
Fresh vegetables	147	171	131	129	173
Processed fruits	110	129	102	98	119
Processed vegetables	80	77	77	81	83
Other food at home	889	848	916	857	950
Sugar and other sweets	114	115	116	108	122
Fats and oils	83	89	80	81	84
Miscellaneous foods	391	355	405	379	428
Nonalcoholic beverages	252	249	266	244	252
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips	49	40	50	45	65
Food away from home	1,823	1,919	1,853	1,706	1,887
Alcoholic beverages	309	353	310	273	323
Housing	10,747	11,818	10,031	9,761	12,161
Shelter	6,064	7,201	5,456	5,014	7,405
Owned dwellings	3,783	4,378	3,611	3,157	4,447
Mortgage interest and charges	2,114	2,117	1,858	1,801	2,901
Property taxes	939	1,496	1,111	621	761

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses	729	765	641	734	786
Rented dwellings	1,864	2,318	1,410	1,500	2,543
Other lodging	417	505	436	357	416
Utilities, fuels, and public services	2,347	2,428	2,392	2,448	2,060
Natural gas	291	379	430	187	228
Electricity	907	841	838	1,116	706
Fuel oil and other fuels	108	259	110	63	42
Telephone services	772	763	753	796	764
Water and other public services	268	187	260	286	320
Household operations	522	516	462	518	600
Personal services	259	263	249	238	299
Other household expenses	263	253	213	280	302
Housekeeping supplies	464	457	465	416	544
Laundry and cleaning supplies	119	110	131	114	122
Other household products	205	215	201	192	220
Postage and stationery	140	132	133	109	202
Household furnishings and equipment	1,350	1,216	1,257	1,365	1,551
Household textiles	76	71	73	78	80
Furniture	321	259	306	334	371
Floor coverings	101	81	91	77	167
Major appliances	162	156	169	156	169
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	84	66	70	97	98
Miscellaneous household equipment	607	582	547	624	666
Apparel and services	1,752	1,902	1,777	1,653	1,744
Men and boys	423	442	422	414	422
Men, 16 and over	330	346	325	319	337
Boys, 2 to 15	93	96	97	95	84
Women and girls	718	805	751	635	733
Women, 16 and over	607	702	633	527	619
Girls, 2 to 15	111	103	118	108	114
Children under 2	82	73	86	80	91
Footwear	298	303	317	304	265
Other apparel products and services	230	278	201	220	233
Transportation	6,382	5,605	6,086	6,937	6,511
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	2,815	2,043	2,558	3,470	2,734
Cars and trucks, new	1,209	1,069	934	1,620	973
Cars and trucks, used	1,568	959	1,598	1,796	1,716
Other vehicles	38	15	27	54	45
Gasoline and motor oil	1,082	910	1,096	1,156	1,101
Other vehicle expenses	2,058	2,069	2,033	1,995	2,178
Vehicle finance charges	276	192	279	343	237
Maintenance and repairs	645	567	641	644	723
Vehicle insurance	698	766	657	691	692
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges	440	544	456	317	525
Public transportation	427	584	399	316	498
Health care	1,770	1,600	1,839	1,912	1,619
Health insurance	827	794	884	898	679
Medical services	543	488	549	547	581
Drugs	303	231	303	369	260
Medical supplies	97	87	104	97	99
Entertainment	1,834	1,746	1,848	1,830	1,905
Fees and admissions	459	512	450	406	507
Television, radios, sound equipment	561	553	532	563	596
Pets, toys, and playground equipment	335	308	333	356	331
Other entertainment supplies, equipment and services	479	374	532	505	471
Personal care products and services	513	492	519	507	534
Reading	159	185	169	135	164
Education	524	622	536	450	541
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	255	238	288	274	201

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Miscellaneous	855	910	843	792	919
Cash contributions	940	746	1,019	1,027	890
Personal insurance and pensions	3,060	3,004	3,079	2,890	3,364
Life and other personal insurance	353	351	364	380	299
Pensions and Social Security	2,707	2,653	2,715	2,511	3,065
Money income before taxes 1/	38,014	40,641	37,975	35,569	39,790
Wages and salaries	29,560	32,094	30,085	27,508	30,210
Self-employment income	2,318	2,046	2,077	2,079	3,168
Social Security, private and government retirement	4,334	4,676	4,170	4,461	4,022
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income ...	761	825	826	535	1,001
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits	213	223	142	184	323
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps	437	420	354	418	568
Regular contributions for support	243	225	192	252	296
Other income	148	133	130	133	202
Personal taxes 1/	3,150	3,104	3,054	2,700	4,002
Federal income taxes	2,372	2,077	2,199	2,172	3,107
State and local income taxes	665	895	715	440	784
Other taxes	113	132	140	88	110
Income after taxes 1/	34,864	37,538	34,921	32,869	35,789
Net change in total assets and liabilities	-1,689	1,306	-795	-2,508	-4,054
Net change in total assets	4,049	5,263	4,125	3,037	4,502
Net change in total liabilities	5,738	3,957	4,921	5,545	8,556
Other money receipts	309	206	397	215	457
Mortgage principal paid on owned property	-960	-1,077	-990	-800	-1,081
Estimated market value of owned home	73,168	81,976	67,998	57,359	96,480
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home	503	556	494	440	569
Gifts of goods and services	1,119	1,148	1,154	1,020	1,215
Food	62	79	58	58	59
Housing	280	278	267	269	313
Housekeeping supplies	40	44	42	35	46
Household textiles	8	8	8	7	8
Appliances and miscellaneous housewares	30	32	28	31	30
Major appliances	8	13	7	6	8
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares	22	19	21	25	23
Miscellaneous household equipment	81	83	72	75	99
Other housing	120	111	118	121	130
Apparel and services	296	273	302	291	320
Males, 2 and over	78	90	85	73	67
Females, 2 and over	99	89	100	99	109
Children under 2	41	41	46	30	52
Other apparel products and services	78	53	71	89	92
Jewelry and watches	44	24	33	53	61
All other apparel products and services	34	30	38	37	31
Transportation	60	46	61	54	82
Health care	43	68	40	28	46
Entertainment	110	115	115	99	118
Toys, games, hobbies, and tricycles	40	40	49	32	42
Other entertainment	70	75	66	67	76
Education	128	134	171	102	116
All other gifts	140	156	139	120	161

1/ Components of income and taxes are derived from "complete income reporters" only; see glossary.

Note that 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 also that some data are likely to have large sampling errors.