

Table 3850. Consumer units with reference person age 65 and over by region of residence: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1996-97

Item	Total 65 and over	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Number of consumer units (in thousands).....	21,745	4,595	5,715	7,445	3,990
Consumer unit characteristics:					
Income before taxes 1/.....	\$23,201	\$25,740	\$22,048	\$20,288	\$27,414
Income after taxes 1/.....	21,916	24,119	20,862	19,517	25,402
Age of reference person.....	74.6	74.3	74.7	74.9	74.4
Average number in consumer unit:					
Persons.....	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.8
Children under 18.....	.1	.1	(2)	.1	.1
Persons 65 and over.....	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.4
Earners.....	.4	.4	.4	.4	.4
Vehicles.....	1.5	1.2	1.6	1.5	1.7
Percent distribution:					
Sex of reference person:					
Male.....	52	53	52	51	52
Female.....	48	47	48	49	48
Housing tenure:					
Homeowner.....	80	71	81	84	79
With mortgage.....	15	10	12	17	18
Without mortgage.....	65	61	69	67	61
Renter.....	20	29	19	16	21
Race of reference person:					
Black.....	8	8	8	13	3
White and other.....	92	92	92	87	97
Education of reference person:					
Elementary (1-8).....	19	18	20	21	16
High school (9-12).....	47	52	52	44	40
College.....	33	30	28	33	43
Never attended and other.....	1	(3)	(3)	2	1
At least one vehicle owned.....	80	71	82	83	82
Average annual expenditures.....	\$24,221	\$24,539	\$22,408	\$23,474	\$27,755
Food.....	3,432	3,634	3,309	3,263	3,659
Food at home.....	2,339	2,433	2,171	2,319	2,497
Cereals and bakery products.....	366	410	342	348	382
Cereals and cereal products.....	123	133	110	123	131
Bakery products.....	243	276	232	224	251
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs.....	593	624	545	605	609

Beef.....	163	161	142	170	180
Pork.....	138	118	152	156	114
Other meats.....	76	86	76	67	79
Poultry.....	112	140	91	109	117
Fish and seafood.....	72	89	55	69	80
Eggs.....	32	30	28	34	38
Dairy products.....	255	257	240	259	265
Fresh milk and cream.....	108	102	102	118	107
Other dairy products.....	147	155	138	142	158
Fruits and vegetables.....	445	491	406	416	496
Fresh fruits.....	149	170	146	124	169
Fresh vegetables.....	131	147	115	123	149
Processed fruits.....	96	107	87	95	101
Processed vegetables.....	69	67	57	74	77
Other food at home.....	679	651	639	692	744
Sugar and other sweets.....	101	107	101	96	101
Fats and oils.....	78	74	73	80	85
Miscellaneous foods.....	277	255	262	285	309
Nonalcoholic beverages.....	183	184	162	194	196
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips.....	40	32	40	37	54
Food away from home.....	1,094	1,201	1,138	943	1,162
Alcoholic beverages.....	175	229	161	117	231
Housing.....	8,014	9,000	7,084	7,288	9,542
Shelter.....	4,001	4,993	3,432	3,203	5,164
Owned dwellings.....	2,601	3,117	2,175	2,197	3,374
Mortgage interest and charges.....	550	495	327	534	961
Property taxes.....	1,035	1,694	1,085	662	902
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses.....	1,016	928	763	1,000	1,510
Rented dwellings.....	1,021	1,351	907	763	1,287
Other lodging.....	378	525	350	243	504
Utilities, fuels, and public services.....	2,153	2,290	2,117	2,167	2,022
Natural gas.....	327	455	440	207	240
Electricity.....	849	760	777	1,005	763
Fuel oil and other fuels.....	138	302	127	86	63
Telephone services.....	548	563	520	557	555
Water and other public services.....	291	210	252	311	400
Household operations.....	473	376	330	526	691
Personal services.....	117	96	91	111	188
Other household expenses.....	356	280	239	416	502
Housekeeping supplies.....	406	395	406	390	440
Laundry and cleaning supplies.....	94	94	87	97	98
Other household products.....	186	172	186	192	192
Postage and stationery.....	125	129	133	100	151
Household furnishings and equipment.....	981	945	799	1,002	1,225
Household textiles.....	59	48	53	64	73
Furniture.....	201	168	180	229	218
Floor coverings.....	97	129	55	111	99
Major appliances.....	135	124	104	163	138
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	67	68	50	64	92
Miscellaneous household equipment.....	422	409	357	370	606

Apparel and services.....	992	1,067	878	983	1,084
Men and boys.....	219	224	218	212	227
Men, 16 and over.....	196	204	195	193	196
Boys, 2 to 15.....	23	20	23	19	31
Women and girls.....	457	465	417	437	532
Women, 16 and over.....	431	424	401	413	508
Girls, 2 to 15.....	25	41	15	24	24
Children under 2.....	22	12	13	36	25
Footwear.....	173	194	142	198	154
Other apparel products and services.....	121	172	89	100	147
Transportation.....	3,900	3,490	3,612	4,091	4,428
Vehicle purchases (net outlay).....	1,536	1,169	1,380	1,859	1,578
Cars and trucks, new.....	840	560	741	1,093	833
Cars and trucks, used.....	682	575	639	760	722
Other vehicles.....	4/14	4/34	(5)	4/6	4/23
Gasoline and motor oil.....	650	558	649	687	690
Other vehicle expenses.....	1,336	1,291	1,238	1,310	1,576
Vehicle finance charges.....	88	76	83	97	92
Maintenance and repairs.....	464	361	446	477	582
Vehicle insurance.....	536	555	483	519	623
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges.....	248	299	226	217	279
Public transportation.....	378	471	345	234	584
Health care.....	2,807	2,590	2,833	2,887	2,867
Health insurance.....	1,466	1,423	1,571	1,492	1,318
Medical services.....	598	606	493	513	897
Drugs.....	612	431	647	762	490
Medical supplies.....	130	130	122	121	162
Entertainment.....	1,104	1,004	989	1,022	1,527
Fees and admissions.....	323	390	272	259	439
Television, radios, sound equipment.....	396	396	354	418	417
Pets, toys, and playground equipment.....	181	138	176	182	229
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services.....	204	80	187	163	442
Personal care products and services.....	431	420	381	454	475
Reading.....	164	192	167	138	175
Education.....	129	195	54	147	124
Tobacco products and smoking supplies.....	150	152	125	160	162
Miscellaneous.....	731	753	639	661	959
Cash contributions.....	1,271	813	1,292	1,484	1,374
Personal insurance and pensions.....	921	1,000	884	779	1,145
Life and other personal insurance.....	306	239	307	382	240
Pensions and Social Security.....	615	761	577	397	905
Sources of income and personal taxes: 1/					
Money income before taxes.....	23,201	25,740	22,048	20,288	27,414
Wages and salaries.....	5,186	6,664	4,766	3,694	6,930

Self-employment income.....	748	1,458	1,024	221	607
Social Security, private and government retirement.....	14,907	15,691	14,233	14,450	15,809
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income.....	1,839	1,404	1,636	1,463	3,261
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits.....	124	170	112	109	120
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps.....	258	261	183	236	394
Regular contributions for support.....	57	4/64	42	41	100
Other income.....	82	4/28	53	74	192
Personal taxes.....	1,286	1,620	1,187	771	2,012
Federal income taxes.....	879	820	853	560	1,569
State and local income taxes.....	248	626	170	74	274
Other taxes.....	158	175	164	137	169
Income after taxes.....	21,916	24,119	20,862	19,517	25,402
Addenda:					
Net change in total assets and liabilities....	-521	796	-694	-442	-1,938
Net change in total assets.....	773	1,014	550	1,256	-85
Net change in total liabilities.....	1,294	218	1,244	1,697	1,853
Other financial information:					
Other money receipts.....	468	319	306	234	1,307
Mortgage principal paid on owned property...	-380	-450	-249	-354	-534
Estimated market value of owned home.....	85,549	95,407	70,843	67,341	129,242
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home	580	626	505	513	760
Gifts of goods and services.....	928	942	852	888	1,092
Food.....	39	32	41	37	47
Housing.....	205	204	198	210	203
Housekeeping supplies.....	35	31	45	27	38
Household textiles.....	9	7	11	11	6
Appliances and miscellaneous housewares...	26	31	18	22	37
Major appliances.....	8	12	4	5	13
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares.....	18	19	15	18	24
Miscellaneous household equipment.....	47	42	58	45	41
Other housing.....	88	93	67	106	81
Apparel and services.....	222	204	217	243	217
Males, 2 and over.....	67	49	78	74	59
Females, 2 and over.....	88	82	80	95	94
Children under 2.....	20	12	11	32	22
Other apparel products and services.....	48	62	48	43	4/41
Jewelry and watches.....	22	4/37	4/19	4/10	4/28
All other apparel products and services.	26	26	29	33	4/13
Transportation.....	84	90	53	70	146
Health care.....	72	95	48	40	139
Entertainment.....	91	77	115	75	98
Toys, games, hobbies, and tricycles.....	30	4/21	46	18	37
Other entertainment.....	61	56	70	57	61
Education.....	79	4/115	35	95	72
All other gifts.....	136	125	144	118	171

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- 1/ Components of income and taxes are derived from "complete income reporters" only; see glossary.
 - 2/ Value less than 0.05.
 - 3/ Value less than 0.5.
 - 4/ Data are likely to have large sampling errors.
 - 5/ No data reported.