

Table 3800. Consumer units with reference person under age 25 by region of residence: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1997-98

Item	Total under 25	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Number of consumer units (in thousands)	7,878	1,489	1,741	2,804	1,844
Consumer unit characteristics:					
Income before taxes ¹	\$16,276	\$13,693	\$15,922	\$17,634	\$16,531
Income after taxes ¹	15,509	13,161	14,943	17,035	15,543
Age of reference person	21.3	21.0	21.4	21.4	21.4
Average number in consumer unit:					
Persons	1.8	1.5	1.8	2.0	1.7
Children under 184	.3	.5	.5	.3
Persons 65 and over	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
Earners	1.2	1.0	1.1	1.3	1.2
Vehicles	1.0	.6	1.1	1.2	.9
Percent distribution:					
Sex of reference person:					
Male	50	55	50	47	51
Female	50	45	50	53	49
Housing tenure:					
Homeowner	10	4	10	14	7
With mortgage	6	3	6	9	5
Without mortgage	3	1	4	5	2
Renter	90	96	90	86	93
Race of reference person:					
Black	12	11	12	19	4
White and other	88	89	88	81	96
Education of reference person:					
Elementary (1-8)	2	1	1	3	3
High school (9-12)	33	29	36	34	32
College	65	70	63	63	65
Never attended and other	(³)	(³)	(³)	(³)	(³)
At least one vehicle owned or leased	67	49	68	77	63
Average annual expenditures	\$18,899	\$16,769	\$18,856	\$19,553	\$19,720
Food	2,946	2,729	2,734	3,056	3,193
Food at home	1,542	1,302	1,401	1,720	1,635
Cereals and bakery products	238	210	213	255	262
Cereals and cereal products	91	77	88	94	100
Bakery products	147	133	125	160	162
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	371	336	344	436	334
Beef	122	100	122	144	107
Pork	71	58	77	79	65
Other meats	48	44	43	55	46
Poultry	71	76	68	74	66
Fish and seafood	38	39	20	59	25
Eggs	21	19	14	25	24
Dairy products	171	149	154	180	193
Fresh milk and cream	74	68	75	76	76
Other dairy products	96	80	79	104	117
Fruits and vegetables	244	198	193	279	284
Fresh fruits	75	59	62	80	96
Fresh vegetables	67	55	48	69	92
Processed fruits	59	46	52	75	54
Processed vegetables	43	39	31	55	42

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Item	Total under 25	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other food at home	\$519	\$409	\$497	\$570	\$563
Sugar and other sweets	54	33	54	62	62
Fats and oils	40	34	33	49	40
Miscellaneous foods	243	184	228	272	268
Nonalcoholic beverages	153	131	161	163	151
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips	28	28	20	23	42
Food away from home	1,403	1,427	1,333	1,335	1,558
Alcoholic beverages	281	332	285	241	293
Housing	5,995	5,453	5,925	6,384	5,916
Shelter	3,729	3,503	3,703	3,755	3,896
Owned dwellings	399	216	432	493	372
Mortgage interest and charges	240	⁴ 110	238	293	267
Property taxes	87	65	85	120	58
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses	71	⁴ 41	109	80	47
Rented dwellings	3,076	2,963	2,974	3,130	3,182
Other lodging	254	324	298	132	342
Utilities, fuels, and public services	1,120	838	1,139	1,425	867
Natural gas	91	108	160	54	70
Electricity	403	254	360	599	267
Fuel oil and other fuels	12	⁴ 15	⁴ 11	18	41
Telephone services	555	443	553	656	495
Water and other public services	58	19	55	97	33
Household operations	192	208	190	210	154
Personal services	134	161	153	147	76
Other household expenses	57	48	37	63	77
Housekeeping supplies	175	162	165	144	241
Laundry and cleaning supplies	52	33	53	58	60
Other household products	74	88	68	52	99
Postage and stationery	49	41	44	33	83
Household furnishings and equipment	779	741	728	851	759
Household textiles	36	35	36	23	57
Furniture	205	201	175	265	145
Floor coverings	23	⁴ 34	⁴ 10	⁴ 37	47
Major appliances	82	35	79	124	61
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	48	53	39	50	50
Miscellaneous household equipment	385	382	389	352	439
Apparel and services	1,214	1,095	1,281	1,304	1,122
Men and boys	252	235	294	237	247
Men, 16 and over	230	214	258	219	231
Boys, 2 to 15	22	22	37	18	16
Women and girls	440	418	407	504	400
Women, 16 and over	408	395	367	466	378
Girls, 2 to 15	32	23	40	38	22
Children under 2	103	82	129	105	91
Footwear	228	194	236	261	204
Other apparel products and services	191	166	215	197	180
Transportation	3,958	2,827	3,949	4,461	4,112
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	1,919	1,120	2,102	2,290	1,827
Cars and trucks, new	496	⁴ 468	⁴ 460	701	⁴ 242
Cars and trucks, used	1,351	652	1,554	1,468	1,543
Other vehicles	72	⁽³⁾	⁴ 88	⁴ 121	⁴ 41
Gasoline and motor oil	673	479	627	793	690

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Item	Total under 25	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other vehicle expenses	\$1,133	\$796	\$1,071	\$1,228	\$1,320
Vehicle finance charges	188	71	168	237	226
Maintenance and repairs	341	247	349	334	420
Vehicle insurance	363	256	350	378	439
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges	241	221	204	279	236
Public transportation	233	432	150	150	275
Health care	435	362	437	476	432
Health insurance	204	168	248	191	209
Medical services	132	111	100	175	115
Drugs	72	50	56	83	89
Medical supplies	28	33	34	26	19
Entertainment	997	938	1,111	959	990
Fees and admissions	262	279	217	240	324
Television, radios, sound equipment	420	453	450	424	354
Pets, toys, and playground equipment	149	76	222	138	153
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services	167	130	222	157	159
Personal care products and services	226	188	202	229	280
Reading	64	60	68	57	73
Education	1,126	1,591	1,177	634	1,452
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	193	173	228	213	144
Miscellaneous	288	204	245	363	287
Cash contributions	183	49	227	108	362
Personal insurance and pensions	992	769	986	1,069	1,063
Life and other personal insurance	56	40	67	61	51
Pensions and Social Security	936	729	919	1,008	1,012
Sources of income and personal taxes: ¹					
Money income before taxes	16,276	13,693	15,922	17,634	16,531
Wages and salaries	13,855	11,465	13,534	15,110	14,087
Self-employment income	399	⁴ 204	628	365	⁴ 388
Social Security, private and government retirement	85	(⁵)	⁴ 104	⁴ 55	⁴ 174
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	211	124	17	411	161
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits	73	⁴ 27	95	109	⁴ 37
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps	404	272	540	439	332
Regular contributions for support	678	607	393	812	789
Other income	571	993	612	334	565
Personal taxes	767	531	980	598	988
Federal income taxes	598	375	732	496	782
State and local income taxes	165	153	244	93	207
Other taxes	4	⁴ 3	⁴ 4	9	⁴ .1
Income after taxes	15,509	13,161	14,943	17,035	15,543

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Item	Total under 25	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Addenda:					
Net change in total assets and liabilities	\$1,648	\$107	\$1,079	\$3,285	\$940
Net change in total assets	3,064	124	2,041	5,146	3,237
Net change in total liabilities	1,416	17	961	1,861	2,297
Other financial information:					
Other money receipts	198	172	109	151	376
Mortgage principal paid on owned property	-143	⁴ 37	-397	-104	-49
Estimated market value of owned home	7,146	4,042	7,099	8,874	7,070
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home ..	59	28	60	79	55
Gifts of goods and services	550	597	603	473	577
Food	32	42	50	12	36
Housing	171	232	119	160	186
Housekeeping supplies	18	30	14	13	16
Household textiles	3	⁴ 2	⁴ 2	⁴ 3	⁴ 4
Appliances and miscellaneous housewares	12	⁴ 20	⁴ 10	⁴ 2	⁴ 19
Major appliances	⁴ 4	⁴ 6	⁴ 6	⁴ 1	⁴ 6
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares	7	⁴ 13	⁴ 4	⁴ 2	⁴ 13
Miscellaneous household equipment	33	43	31	31	31
Other housing	106	137	62	110	115
Apparel and services	138	135	144	139	134
Males, 2 and over	21	⁴ 12	23	20	30
Females, 2 and over	44	48	33	53	37
Children under 2	32	⁴ 38	⁴ 29	⁴ 41	⁴ 18
Other apparel products and services	40	⁴ 36	60	25	49
Jewelry and watches	28	⁴ 17	⁴ 55	14	33
All other apparel products and services	⁴ 12	⁴ 20	⁴ 5	⁴ 11	⁴ 16
Transportation	38	17	68	11	69
Health care	⁴ 5	⁽³⁾	⁴ 2	⁴ 11	⁴ 3
Entertainment	27	21	37	24	30
Toys, games, hobbies, and tricycles	11	⁴ 8	14	11	9
Other entertainment	17	13	23	13	20
Education	98	⁴ 119	⁴ 146	⁴ 71	⁴ 79
All other gifts	39	31	37	46	40

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

² Value less than 0.05.

³ No data reported.

⁴ Data are likely to have large sampling errors.

⁵ Value less than 0.5.

n.a. Not applicable.