

**Table 3870. Consumer units with reference person age 75 and over by region of residence: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1998-1999**

Item	Total 75 and over	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Number of consumer units (in thousands) .....	10,197	2,296	2,635	3,285	1,981
Consumer unit characteristics:					
Income before taxes <sup>1</sup> .....	\$22,104	\$20,088	\$18,985	\$20,769	\$30,066
Income after taxes <sup>1</sup> .....	21,140	19,186	18,221	20,157	28,245
Age of reference person .....	80.9	81.2	81.1	80.6	80.9
Average number in consumer unit:					
Persons .....	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.6	1.7
Children under 18 .....	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	.1
Persons 65 and over .....	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4
Earners .....	.2	.2	.2	.2	.3
Vehicles .....	1.2	1.0	1.2	1.2	1.4
Percent distribution:					
Sex of reference person:					
Male .....	44	45	41	43	48
Female .....	56	55	59	57	52
Housing tenure:					
Homeowner .....	77	70	76	81	79
With mortgage .....	9	4	6	12	15
Without mortgage .....	68	66	70	69	64
Renter .....	23	30	24	19	21
Race of reference person:					
Black .....	7	6	5	12	3
White and other .....	93	94	95	88	97
Education of reference person:					
Elementary (1-8) .....	20	18	21	24	14
High school (9-12) .....	46	52	50	42	40
College .....	34	30	29	32	45
Never attended and other .....	1	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>4</sup> )	2	1
At least one vehicle owned or leased .....	76	69	76	78	79
Average annual expenditures .....	\$21,937	\$19,784	\$20,253	\$21,037	\$28,106
Food .....					
Food at home .....	2,893	3,107	2,533	2,858	3,164
Cereals and bakery products .....	1,991	2,202	1,662	1,965	2,210
Cereals and cereal products .....	326	383	301	299	337
Bakery products .....	104	118	95	97	111
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	222	265	206	202	227
Beef .....	481	578	368	491	502
Pork .....	128	148	92	130	146
Other meats .....	107	108	95	121	100
Poultry .....	65	83	61	59	61
Fish and seafood .....	85	103	64	86	87
Eggs .....	70	107	37	67	77
Dairy products .....	27	29	20	27	31
Dairy products .....	225	242	189	231	242
Fresh milk and cream .....	93	98	80	98	93
Other dairy products .....	133	144	109	133	149
Fruits and vegetables .....	401	434	318	404	465
Fresh fruits .....	132	141	106	131	157
Fresh vegetables .....	116	134	85	115	136
Processed fruits .....	93	98	79	92	107
Processed vegetables .....	60	61	49	65	65

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Item	Total 75 and over	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other food at home .....	\$557	\$566	\$485	\$540	\$663
Sugar and other sweets .....	83	84	84	79	87
Fats and oils .....	62	71	53	63	63
Miscellaneous foods .....	252	250	208	236	334
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	140	142	123	146	150
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips .....	19	17	17	16	29
Food away from home .....	902	905	871	893	954
Alcoholic beverages .....	134	167	93	124	165
Housing .....	7,854	7,859	6,943	7,017	10,441
Shelter .....	4,042	4,432	3,537	3,427	5,282
Owned dwellings .....	2,373	2,458	2,012	2,139	3,140
Mortgage interest and charges .....	400	168	214	427	870
Property taxes .....	1,010	1,546	950	698	985
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses .....	963	744	848	1,014	1,285
Rented dwellings .....	1,401	1,733	1,326	1,008	1,767
Other lodging .....	269	241	199	280	375
Utilities, fuels, and public services .....	1,915	1,896	1,830	1,961	1,973
Natural gas .....	282	406	346	165	249
Electricity .....	764	633	690	913	767
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	90	206	52	65	50
Telephone services .....	500	442	500	521	534
Water and other public services .....	278	209	243	297	373
Household operations .....	816	505	543	581	1,930
Personal services .....	386	<sup>5</sup> 200	284	194	1,057
Other household expenses .....	430	306	259	387	874
Housekeeping supplies .....	353	342	337	351	386
Laundry and cleaning supplies .....	86	71	113	86	70
Other household products .....	162	151	143	184	164
Postage and stationery .....	104	119	81	82	152
Household furnishings and equipment .....	728	684	695	698	869
Household textiles .....	58	63	25	59	94
Furniture .....	148	118	166	133	181
Floor coverings .....	31	33	41	28	21
Major appliances .....	133	137	93	172	117
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares .....	44	39	47	37	58
Miscellaneous household equipment .....	314	294	322	269	399
Apparel and services .....	730	595	452	646	1,390
Men and boys .....	120	109	106	126	139
Men, 16 and over .....	109	98	99	113	127
Boys, 2 to 15 .....	11	11	7	14	12
Women and girls .....	287	305	178	314	361
Women, 16 and over .....	277	295	171	303	348
Girls, 2 to 15 .....	10	<sup>5</sup> 10	8	11	13
Children under 2 .....	14	57	512	524	510
Footwear .....	94	107	81	98	92
Other apparel products and services .....	214	67	75	84	788
Transportation .....	3,049	2,557	2,628	3,283	3,782
Vehicle purchases (net outlay) .....	1,210	959	1,088	1,376	1,389
Cars and trucks, new .....	789	671	707	876	<sup>5</sup> 891
Cars and trucks, used .....	410	288	380	466	498
Other vehicles .....	<sup>5</sup> 11	( <sup>4</sup> )	( <sup>4</sup> )	<sup>5</sup> 34	( <sup>4</sup> )
Gasoline and motor oil .....	464	377	409	496	585

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Item	Total 75 and over	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other vehicle expenses .....	\$1,107	\$879	\$951	\$1,166	\$1,474
Vehicle finance charges .....	50	33	46	67	48
Maintenance and repairs .....	419	306	328	427	647
Vehicle insurance .....	467	393	422	487	577
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges .....	172	148	155	184	203
Public transportation .....	268	342	181	246	333
Health care .....	2,996	2,590	3,461	2,815	3,150
Health insurance .....	1,519	1,381	1,773	1,431	1,485
Medical services .....	617	555	686	478	825
Drugs .....	698	514	815	763	643
Medical supplies .....	164	140	186	142	197
Entertainment .....	824	750	740	706	1,205
Fees and admissions .....	224	197	225	188	314
Television, radios, sound equipment .....	342	390	291	342	357
Pets, toys, and playground equipment .....	137	122	131	129	178
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services .....	120	41	93	47	356
Personal care products and services .....	306	300	261	337	323
Reading .....	142	152	149	110	172
Education .....	79	<sup>5</sup> 33	93	63	140
Tobacco products and smoking supplies .....	87	68	92	87	99
Miscellaneous .....	679	464	561	508	1,370
Cash contributions .....	1,585	729	1,325	2,029	2,187
Personal insurance and pensions .....	578	413	922	453	519
Life and other personal insurance .....	242	211	282	250	208
Pensions and Social Security .....	336	201	639	202	311
Sources of income and personal taxes: <sup>1</sup>					
Money income before taxes .....	22,104	20,088	18,985	20,769	30,066
Wages and salaries .....	2,010	2,096	1,810	1,651	2,726
Self-employment income .....	548	<sup>5</sup> 421	349	370	1,201
Social Security, private and government retirement .....	15,861	15,270	14,791	16,514	16,761
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income .....	3,328	2,029	1,761	1,921	8,769
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits .....	56	<sup>5</sup> 76	<sup>5</sup> 40	<sup>5</sup> 25	<sup>5</sup> 101
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps .....	146	124	28	170	276
Regular contributions for support .....	115	<sup>5</sup> 28	<sup>5</sup> 159	<sup>5</sup> 95	185
Other income .....	39	<sup>5</sup> 46	<sup>5</sup> 48	<sup>5</sup> 23	<sup>5</sup> 48
Personal taxes .....	964	902	764	612	1,821
Federal income taxes .....	631	499	456	394	1,349
State and local income taxes .....	118	74	96	40	314
Other taxes .....	215	329	212	178	158
Income after taxes .....	21,140	19,186	18,221	20,157	28,245

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Item	Total 75 and over	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Addenda:					
Net change in total assets and liabilities .....	\$1,548	\$643	- \$86	\$3,342	\$1,794
Net change in total assets .....	2,463	926	376	4,429	3,758
Net change in total liabilities .....	915	283	462	1,087	1,964
Other financial information:					
Other money receipts .....	215	82	248	299	183
Mortgage principal paid on owned property .....	-233	-150	-182	-208	-438
Estimated market value of owned home .....	85,397	80,420	64,913	70,246	143,540
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home .....	575	587	467	519	798
Gifts of goods and services .....	811	660	749	748	1,158
Food .....	37	52	13	28	65
Housing .....	205	240	155	210	222
Housekeeping supplies .....	26	23	27	23	32
Household textiles .....	10	<sup>5</sup> 3	<sup>5</sup> 4	<sup>5</sup> 13	20
Appliances and miscellaneous					
housewares .....	25	<sup>5</sup> 48	25	<sup>5</sup> 10	22
Major appliances .....	11	<sup>5</sup> 35	<sup>5</sup> 3	<sup>5</sup> 2	<sup>5</sup> 6
Small appliances and miscellaneous					
housewares .....	14	<sup>5</sup> 13	22	57	<sup>5</sup> 15
Miscellaneous household equipment .....	42	40	54	27	49
Other housing .....	103	126	44	137	100
Apparel and services .....	135	99	80	192	155
Males, 2 and over .....	35	19	29	43	49
Females, 2 and over .....	66	62	31	87	80
Children under 2 .....	14	57	<sup>5</sup> 12	<sup>5</sup> 24	<sup>5</sup> 10
Other apparel products and services .....	20	<sup>5</sup> 11	<sup>5</sup> 8	38	<sup>5</sup> 17
Jewelry and watches .....	8	54	54	<sup>5</sup> 15	<sup>5</sup> 6
All other apparel products and services .....	12	57	54	<sup>5</sup> 23	<sup>5</sup> 11
Transportation .....	47	24	26	42	111
Health care .....	158	<sup>5</sup> 69	252	99	237
Entertainment .....	83	53	59	55	188
Toys, games, hobbies, and tricycles .....	15	12	12	11	27
Other entertainment .....	68	40	47	44	161
Education .....	42	<sup>5</sup> 23	<sup>5</sup> 65	<sup>5</sup> 40	<sup>5</sup> 39
All other gifts .....	103	101	100	83	141

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

<sup>2</sup> Value less than 0.05.

<sup>3</sup> Value less than 0.5.

<sup>4</sup> No data reported.

<sup>5</sup> Data are likely to have large sampling errors.  
n.a. Not applicable.