

Table 22. Selected midwestern metropolitan statistical areas: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1998-1999

Item	All consumer units in the Midwest	Chicago	Detroit	Milwaukee	Minneapolis-St. Paul	Cleveland	Cincinnati	St. Louis	Kansas City
Number of consumer units (in thousands)	25,556	3,055	1,995	686	1,242	1,200	838	993	768
Consumer unit characteristics:									
Income before taxes ¹	\$41,447	\$47,591	\$47,539	\$43,855	\$58,032	\$47,202	\$44,872	\$43,121	\$49,495
Age of reference person	48.2	48.3	47.2	49.0	47.0	49.7	47.5	50.8	43.8
Average number in consumer unit:									
Persons	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.5
Children under 187	.8	.8	.7	.6	.7	.6	.7	.7
Persons 65 and over3	.3	.3	.4	.3	.3	.3	.4	.2
Earners	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5
Vehicles	2.1	1.6	2.0	2.0	2.6	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.2
Percent homeowner	69	64	71	63	68	71	62	75	63
Average annual expenditures									
Food	\$35,352	\$38,153	\$38,097	\$36,862	\$48,445	\$37,676	\$37,376	\$36,101	\$36,870
Food at home	4,802	5,092	5,580	4,344	5,778	4,940	4,994	5,270	5,115
Cereals and bakery products	2,733	2,802	3,126	2,473	3,050	2,892	2,605	3,193	3,254
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	430	423	504	363	435	437	397	499	437
Dairy products	671	731	845	538	656	833	600	912	916
Fruits and vegetables	304	285	329	281	382	302	312	314	332
Other food at home	442	514	510	391	535	465	384	536	565
Food away from home	887	849	939	900	1,042	854	912	931	1,005
Alcoholic beverages	2,069	2,290	2,454	1,871	2,728	2,048	2,389	2,078	1,861
Housing	304	411	346	356	507	295	356	222	244
Shelter	11,195	13,730	13,023	13,147	14,975	11,945	12,071	11,300	11,419
Owned dwellings	6,269	8,406	7,603	8,249	8,812	6,942	6,932	6,432	6,537
Rented dwellings	4,282	5,624	5,478	5,538	6,065	4,926	4,330	4,536	4,192
Other lodging	1,558	2,238	1,668	2,326	2,029	1,469	2,153	1,589	1,979
Utilities, fuels, and public services	429	545	458	384	719	547	449	308	366
Household operations	2,401	2,647	2,607	2,277	2,284	2,523	2,341	2,680	2,597
Housekeeping supplies	542	520	673	590	1,003	410	797	744	619
Household furnishings and equipment	508	567	558	500	659	554	433	328	378
Apparel and services	1,475	1,590	1,582	1,531	2,217	1,515	1,568	1,115	1,290
Transportation	1,607	1,888	2,056	1,319	1,979	1,777	1,595	1,911	1,708
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	6,617	6,233	7,162	7,271	8,847	7,133	6,857	7,014	7,789
Gasoline and motor oil	3,081	2,779	2,854	3,643	4,175	3,471	3,108	3,582	3,948
Other vehicle expenses	1,036	928	1,054	1,022	1,172	916	1,029	970	1,155
Public transportation	2,159	1,958	2,835	2,140	2,891	2,304	2,388	2,168	2,383
Health care	341	568	419	466	610	442	332	294	303
Entertainment	2,048	1,951	1,701	2,050	2,262	1,661	2,280	1,985	2,043
Personal care products and services	1,984	1,771	2,123	1,676	2,498	2,294	1,851	1,641	1,649
Reading	385	429	532	270	526	481	369	342	307
Education	168	151	178	182	247	201	183	140	144
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	583	938	399	469	767	632	691	508	642
Miscellaneous	331	266	403	413	344	321	402	233	302
Cash contributions	855	778	813	981	1,402	1,345	948	867	920
Personal insurance and pensions	1,120	1,248	676	1,085	1,454	928	1,752	1,290	917
Life and other personal insurance	3,355	3,267	3,106	3,300	6,859	3,723	3,029	3,377	3,671
Pensions and Social Security	387	392	394	359	419	416	371	361	401
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¹ Components of income and taxes are derived from "complete income reporters" only; see glossary.