

**Average annual expenditures and characteristics of all consumer units,
Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2013-2015**

Item	2013	2014	2015
Number of consumer units (in thousands)	125,670	127,006	128,437
Consumer unit characteristics:			
Income before taxes	\$63,784	\$66,877	\$69,627
Income after taxes	56,352	58,364	60,448
Age of reference person	50.1	50.3	50.5
Average number in consumer unit:			
People	2.5	2.5	2.5
Children under 186	.6	.6
Adults 65 and older3	.4	.4
Earners	1.3	1.3	1.3
Vehicles	1.9	1.9	1.9
Percent distribution:			
Reference person:			
Men	47	48	47
Women	53	52	53
Housing tenure:			
Homeowner	64	63	62
With mortgage	37	37	35
Without mortgage	26	26	27
Renter	36	37	38
Race of reference person:			
Black or African-American	13	13	13
White, Asian, and all other races	87	87	87
Hispanic or Latino origin of reference person:			
Hispanic or Latino	13	13	13
Not Hispanic or Latino	87	87	87
Education of reference person:			
Elementary (1-8)	7	3	3
High school (9-12)	30	33	32
College	63	63	64
Never attended and other	0	0	0
At least one vehicle owned or leased	87	87	87
Average annual expenditures	\$51,100	\$53,495	\$55,978
Food	6,602	6,759	7,023
Food at home	3,977	3,971	4,015
Cereals and bakery products	544	519	518
Cereals and cereal products	185	176	172
Bakery products	359	343	346
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	856	892	896
Beef	219	232	245
Pork	170	177	165
Other meats	119	123	124
Poultry	170	172	172
Fish and seafood	122	129	126
Eggs	56	58	63
Dairy products	414	423	413
Fresh milk and cream	152	147	140
Other dairy products	262	276	273
Fruits and vegetables	751	756	769
Fresh fruits	270	274	284
Fresh vegetables	236	240	247
Processed fruits	115	109	108
Processed vegetables	130	133	130
Other food at home	1,412	1,382	1,419
Sugar and other sweets	143	139	155
Fats and oils	117	115	111
Miscellaneous foods	728	702	726
Nonalcoholic beverages	384	375	374
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips	42	51	52
Food away from home	2,625	2,787	3,008

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Alcoholic beverages	445	463	515
Housing	17,148	17,798	18,409
Shelter	10,080	10,491	10,742
Owned dwellings	6,108	6,149	6,210
Mortgage interest and charges	3,078	2,953	2,859
Property taxes	1,848	1,903	1,913
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses	1,182	1,293	1,438
Rented dwellings	3,324	3,631	3,802
Other lodging	649	710	730
Utilities, fuels, and public services	3,737	3,921	3,885
Natural gas	393	439	421
Electricity	1,422	1,484	1,460
Fuel oil and other fuels	142	152	116
Telephone services	1,271	1,315	1,347
Residential phone service, VOIP, and phone cards	358	353	324
Cellular phone service	913	963	1,023
Water and other public services	509	530	540
Household operations	1,144	1,174	1,309
Personal services	368	366	427
Other household expenses	776	808	882
Housekeeping supplies	645	632	655
Laundry and cleaning supplies	154	148	156
Other household products	350	354	368
Postage and stationery	140	131	131
Household furnishings and equipment	1,542	1,581	1,818
Household textiles	97	96	115
Furniture	382	387	502
Floor coverings	20	18	18
Major appliances	214	233	268
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	100	106	118
Miscellaneous household equipment	727	740	798
Apparel and services	1,604	1,786	1,846
Men and boys	374	430	422
Men, 16 and over	304	326	331
Boys, 2 to 15	70	104	91
Women and girls	636	656	697
Women, 16 and over	527	551	596
Girls, 2 to 15	109	105	101
Children under 2	75	76	83
Footwear	307	367	354
Other apparel products and services	211	256	291
Transportation	9,004	9,073	9,503
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	3,271	3,301	3,997
Cars and trucks, new	1,563	1,562	1,956
Cars and trucks, used	1,669	1,689	1,982
Other vehicles	39	50	59
Gasoline and motor oil	2,611	2,468	2,090
Other vehicle expenses	2,584	2,723	2,756
Vehicle finance charges	204	208	216
Maintenance and repairs	835	836	837
Vehicle insurance	1,013	1,112	1,079
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, and other charges	533	567	624
Public and other transportation	537	581	661
Healthcare	3,631	4,290	4,342
Health insurance	2,229	2,868	2,977
Medical services	796	790	791
Drugs	470	486	425
Medical supplies	135	146	149
Entertainment	2,482	2,728	2,842
Fees and admissions	569	636	652
Audio and visual equipment and services	964	1,051	1,084
Pets, toys, hobbies, and playground equipment	596	634	653
Pets	460	507	528
Toys, hobbies, and playground equipment	136	127	125

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Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services	353	407	453
Personal care products and services	608	645	683
Reading	102	103	114
Education	1,138	1,236	1,315
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	330	319	349
Miscellaneous	645	782	871
Cash contributions	1,834	1,788	1,819
Personal insurance and pensions	5,528	5,726	6,349
Life and other personal insurance	319	327	333
Pensions and Social Security	5,209	5,399	6,016
Sources of income and personal taxes:			
Money income before taxes	\$63,784	\$66,877	\$69,627
Wages and salaries	50,168	51,889	54,405
Self-employment income	3,273	4,284	4,363
Social Security, private and government retirement	7,514	7,700	7,801
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	1,411	1,594	1,737
Public assistance, Supplemental Security Income, Supplementary Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)	534	530	568
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits, and regular contributions for support	612	556	432
Other income	272	323	320
Personal taxes (contains some imputed values)	7,432	8,513	9,178
Federal income taxes	5,743	6,680	7,111
State and local income taxes	1,629	1,782	1,997
Other taxes	60	52	70
Income after taxes	56,352	58,364	60,448
Addenda:			
Net change in total assets and liabilities	\$11,404	\$7,431	\$6,937
Net change in total assets	20,539	15,798	15,442
Net change in total liabilities	9,136	8,366	8,504
Other financial information:			
Other money receipts	737	659	766
Mortgage principal paid on owned property	-1,858	-1,816	-1,757
Estimated market value of owned home	154,907	160,814	162,749
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home	882	908	930
Gifts of goods and services, total	1,078	1,063	1,249
Food	78	75	91
Alcoholic beverages	12	14	15
Housing	201	222	244
Housekeeping supplies	26	23	30
Household textiles	5	9	8
Appliances and miscellaneous housewares	19	22	22
Major appliances	5	8	8
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares	14	14	14
Miscellaneous household equipment	41	42	48
Other housing	112	127	137
Apparel and services	198	201	253
Males, 2 and over	51	50	59
Females, 2 and over	76	69	64
Children under 2	30	31	40
Other apparel products and services	42	52	90

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Jewelry and watches	14	16	60
All other apparel products and services ...	28	36	30
Transportation	100	108	139
Healthcare	35	35	34
Entertainment	89	89	95
Toys, games, arts and crafts, and tricycles	27	28	29
Other entertainment	62	61	66
Personal care products and services	14	13	16
Reading	5	4	6
Education	274	236	278
All other gifts	72	65	77

Note: All values have been rounded, and as a result some cell values have been rounded to zero. This is particularly evident in the characteristic section. When data are not reported or are not applicable (i.e., missing values), tabulated cell values have been set to zero.

Source: Consumer Expenditure Survey, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, August, 2016