

Average annual expenditures and characteristics of all consumer units, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2013-2019

Item	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Number of consumer units (in thousands).....	125,670	127,006	128,437	129,549	130,001	131,439	132,242
Consumer unit characteristics:							
Income before taxes	\$63,784	\$66,877	\$69,627	\$74,664	\$73,573	\$78,635	\$82,852
Income after taxes*	56,352	58,364	60,448	64,175	63,606	67,241	71,487
Age of reference person	50.1	50.3	50.5	50.9	50.9	51.1	51.6
Average number in consumer unit:							
People.....	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Children under 186	.6	.6	.6	.6	.6	.6
Adults 65 and older.....	.3	.4	.4	.4	.4	.4	.4
Earners	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3
Vehicles	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
Percent distribution:							
Reference person:							
Men	47	48	47	47	47	47	48
Women.....	53	52	53	53	53	53	52
Housing tenure:							
Homeowner	64	63	62	62	63	63	64
With mortgage	37	37	35	36	36	37	37
Without mortgage	26	26	27	27	27	26	27
Renter	36	37	38	38	37	37	36
Race of reference person:							
Black or African-American	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
White, Asian, and all other races.....	87	87	87	87	87	87	87
Hispanic or Latino origin of reference person:							
Hispanic or Latino	13	13	13	13	14	13	14
Not Hispanic or Latino	87	87	87	87	86	87	86
Education of reference person:							
Elementary (1-8).....	7	3	3	3	3	3	3
High school (9-12)	30	33	32	32	30	30	30
College.....	63	63	64	65	67	67	67
Never attended and other.....	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
At least one vehicle owned or leased.....	87	87	87	87	88	88	89
Average annual expenditures	\$51,100	\$53,495	\$55,978	\$57,311	\$60,060	\$61,224	\$63,036
Food.....							
Food at home.....	6,602	6,759	7,023	7,203	7,729	7,923	8,169
Food away from home.....	3,977	3,971	4,015	4,049	4,363	4,464	4,643
Cereals and bakery products	544	519	518	524	564	569	583
Cereals and cereal products.....	185	176	172	172	176	178	184
Bakery products	359	343	346	353	388	392	400
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	856	892	896	890	944	961	980
Beef	219	232	245	244	253	253	270
Pork	170	177	165	169	181	180	187
Other meats.....	119	123	124	120	128	129	129
Poultry	170	172	172	172	186	180	189
Fish and seafood.....	122	129	126	130	140	154	147
Eggs	56	58	63	56	55	64	58
Dairy products	414	423	413	410	450	449	455
Fresh milk and cream.....	152	147	140	139	147	147	140
Other dairy products.....	262	276	273	271	303	303	315
Fruits and vegetables.....	751	756	769	783	837	858	876
Fresh fruits	270	274	284	288	314	318	322
Fresh vegetables.....	236	240	247	254	274	283	295
Processed fruits.....	115	109	108	109	112	114	112
Processed vegetables.....	130	133	130	133	136	144	147
Other food at home	1,412	1,382	1,419	1,442	1,568	1,627	1,749
Sugar and other sweets	143	139	155	148	150	151	165
Fats and oils.....	117	115	111	111	117	118	115
Miscellaneous foods.....	728	702	726	734	824	865	952
Nonalcoholic beverages.....	384	375	374	393	423	438	455
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips	42	51	52	55	56	56	62
Food away from home.....	2,625	2,787	3,008	3,154	3,365	3,459	3,526

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Alcoholic beverages.....	445	463	515	484	558	583	579
Housing.....	17,148	17,798	18,409	18,886	19,884	20,091	20,679
Shelter.....	10,080	10,491	10,742	11,128	11,895	11,747	12,190
Owned dwellings.....	6,108	6,149	6,210	6,295	6,947	6,678	6,797
Mortgage interest and charges.....	3,078	2,953	2,859	2,889	3,265	2,775	2,760
Property taxes.....	1,848	1,903	1,913	1,969	2,065	2,200	2,159
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses.....	1,182	1,293	1,438	1,437	1,616	1,703	1,879
Rented dwellings.....	3,324	3,631	3,802	4,035	4,167	4,249	4,432
Other lodging.....	649	710	730	798	782	821	961
Utilities, fuels, and public services.....	3,737	3,921	3,885	3,884	3,836	4,049	4,055
Natural gas.....	393	439	421	355	381	410	416
Electricity.....	1,422	1,484	1,460	1,444	1,420	1,496	1,472
Fuel oil and other fuels.....	142	152	116	85	97	121	113
Telephone services.....	1,271	1,315	1,347	1,431	1,356	1,407	1,409
Residential phone service, VOIP, and phone cards.....	358	353	324	307	238	220	191
Cellular phone service.....	913	963	1,023	1,124	1,118	1,188	1,218
Water and other public services.....	509	530	540	569	583	614	645
Household operations.....	1,144	1,174	1,309	1,384	1,412	1,522	1,570
Personal services.....	368	366	427	457	439	472	489
Other household expenses.....	776	808	882	927	973	1,050	1,081
Housekeeping supplies.....	645	632	655	660	755	747	766
Laundry and cleaning supplies.....	154	148	156	160	177	184	185
Other household products.....	350	354	368	363	428	431	458
Postage and stationery.....	140	131	131	137	150	132	122
Household furnishings and equipment.....	1,542	1,581	1,818	1,829	1,987	2,025	2,098
Household textiles.....	97	96	115	98	114	111	131
Furniture.....	382	387	502	460	515	518	521
Floor coverings.....	20	18	18	20	30	25	25
Major appliances.....	214	233	268	283	280	304	322
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares.....	100	106	118	123	131	118	119
Miscellaneous household equipment.....	727	740	798	845	916	948	981
Apparel and services.....	1,604	1,786	1,846	1,803	1,833	1,866	1,883
Men and boys.....	374	430	422	427	442	420	447
Men, 16 and over.....	304	326	331	323	342	337	348
Boys, 2 to 15.....	70	104	91	104	100	83	100
Women and girls.....	636	656	697	665	694	755	704
Women, 16 and over.....	527	551	596	571	580	638	602
Girls, 2 to 15.....	109	105	101	94	114	117	102
Children under 2.....	75	76	83	66	77	78	75
Footwear.....	307	367	354	388	379	392	419
Other apparel products and services.....	211	256	291	257	241	222	237
Transportation.....	9,004	9,073	9,503	9,049	9,576	9,761	10,742
Vehicle purchases (net outlay).....	3,271	3,301	3,997	3,634	4,054	3,975	4,394
Cars and trucks, new.....	1,563	1,562	1,956	1,650	1,900	1,825	1,960
Cars and trucks, used.....	1,669	1,689	1,982	1,919	2,101	2,084	2,375
Other vehicles.....	39	50	59	66	53	66	59
Gasoline, other fuels, and motor oil.....	2,611	2,468	2,090	1,909	1,968	2,109	2,094
Other vehicle expenses.....	2,584	2,723	2,756	2,884	2,842	2,859	3,474
Vehicle finance charges.....	204	208	216	226	220	222	252
Maintenance and repairs.....	835	836	837	849	954	890	887
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, and other charges.....	533	567	624	660	700	772	790
Vehicle insurance.....	1,013	1,112	1,079	1,149	967	976	1,545
Public and other transportation.....	537	581	661	623	712	818	781
Healthcare.....	3,631	4,290	4,342	4,612	4,928	4,968	5,193
Health insurance**.....	2,229	2,868	2,977	3,160	3,414	3,405	3,529
Medical services.....	796	790	791	838	872	909	984
Drugs.....	470	486	425	463	486	483	486
Medical supplies.....	135	146	149	151	156	172	194
Entertainment.....	2,482	2,728	2,842	2,913	3,203	3,226	3,090
Fees and admissions.....	569	636	652	681	750	766	880
Audio and visual equipment and services.....	964	1,051	1,084	1,085	985	1,030	1,000
Pets, toys, hobbies, and playground equipment.....	596	634	653	740	869	816	821
Pets.....	460	507	528	583	710	662	681
Toys, hobbies, and playground equipment.....	136	127	125	157	159	154	140
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services.....	353	407	453	406	599	614	389

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Personal care products and services	608	645	683	707	762	768	786
Reading.....	102	103	114	118	110	108	92
Education***.....	1,138	1,236	1,315	1,329	1,491	1,407	1,443
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	330	319	349	337	332	347	320
Miscellaneous***.....	645	782	871	959	1,010	993	899
Cash contributions	1,834	1,788	1,819	2,081	1,873	1,888	1,995
Personal insurance and pensions	5,528	5,726	6,349	6,831	6,771	7,296	7,165
Life and other personal insurance.....	319	327	333	322	418	465	520
Pensions and Social Security	5,209	5,399	6,016	6,509	6,353	6,831	6,645
Sources of income and personal taxes:							
Money income before taxes.....	\$63,784	\$66,877	\$69,627	\$74,664	\$73,573	\$78,635	\$82,852
Wages and salaries	50,168	51,889	54,405	57,319	57,590	61,557	64,708
Self-employment income	3,273	4,284	4,363	6,270	4,506	5,232	5,947
Social Security, private and government retirement	7,514	7,700	7,801	8,001	8,300	8,664	8,902
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	1,411	1,594	1,737	1,751	1,910	1,941	1,962
Public assistance, Supplemental Security Income, Supplementary Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).....	534	530	568	519	460	450	426
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits, and regular contributions for support.....	612	556	432	444	457	477	562
Other income	272	323	320	360	351	314	345
Personal taxes (contains some imputed values)*	7,432	8,513	9,178	10,489	9,967	11,394	11,364
Federal income taxes	5,743	6,680	7,111	8,367	7,819	9,032	8,831
State and local income taxes	1,629	1,782	1,997	2,046	2,098	2,285	2,470
Other taxes	60	52	70	75	51	78	63
Income after taxes*	56,352	58,364	60,448	64,175	63,606	67,241	71,487
Addenda:							
Net change in total assets and liabilities	\$11,404	\$7,431	\$6,937	\$8,721	\$14,049	\$12,679	\$10,971
Net change in total assets	20,539	15,798	15,442	15,570	23,805	22,521	23,320
Net change in total liabilities	9,136	8,366	8,504	6,848	9,756	9,842	12,350
Other financial information:							
Other money receipts	737	659	766	718	1,156	701	1,201
Mortgage principal paid on owned property	-1,858	-1,816	-1,757	-1,908	-1,839	-2,227	-2,288
Estimated market value of owned home	154,907	160,814	162,749	172,263	186,064	198,612	204,174
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home	882	908	930	971	1,017	1,071	1,097
Gifts of goods and services, total	1,078	1,063	1,249	1,125	1,229	1,206	1,310
Food.....	78	75	91	74	88	91	98
Alcoholic beverages	12	14	15	13	14	15	13
Housing.....	201	222	244	238	233	260	248
Housekeeping supplies	26	23	30	26	33	35	28
Household textiles	5	9	8	10	7	11	15
Appliances and miscellaneous housewares	19	22	22	21	20	23	23
Major appliances	5	8	8	9	7	8	9
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares.....	14	14	14	13	13	16	14
Miscellaneous household equipment	41	42	48	43	53	50	47
Other housing	112	127	137	138	120	141	135
Apparel and services	198	201	253	190	203	212	247
Males, 2 and over.....	51	50	59	51	56	48	57
Females, 2 and over.....	76	69	64	63	73	84	88
Children under 2.....	30	31	40	27	32	28	37
Other apparel products and services	42	52	90	50	43	52	64
Jewelry and watches.....	14	16	60	14	9	14	8
All other apparel products and services.....	28	36	30	36	34	37	57
Transportation.....	100	108	139	101	141	125	133
Healthcare	35	35	34	28	21	21	38
Entertainment	89	89	95	95	98	105	100
Toys, games, arts and crafts, and tricycles.....	27	28	29	43	39	36	30

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Other entertainment	62	61	66	52	59	69	70
Personal care products and services	14	13	16	13	12	18	21
Reading.....	5	4	6	4	3	4	3
Education.....	274	236	278	276	314	258	296
All other gifts.....	72	65	77	92	102	96	113

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* Because changes were introduced part way into 2013 for calculating Federal and State taxes, estimates for 2013 are not strictly comparable to prior or subsequent years. Estimates beginning in 2014 are not strictly comparable to earlier years.

** Because of questionnaire changes for health insurance, estimates beginning in 2014 are not strictly comparable to prior years.

*** Finance, late, interest charges for student loans was moved from Miscellaneous into Education beginning in 2014 after the expenditure category was broken out separately from other miscellaneous interest and related charges.

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, September, 2020