

Table 2600. Generation of reference person: Shares of annual aggregate expenditures and sources of income, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2016

(Aggregates in millions of dollars, unless otherwise indicated)

Item	Aggregate	Birth year of 1927 or earlier ¹	Birth year from 1928 to 1945 ¹	Birth year from 1946 to 1964	Birth year from 1965 to 1980	Birth year of 1981 or later
Number of consumer units (in thousands)	129,549	2,331	16,880	45,087	35,578	29,675
Percent distribution of consumer units	100.0	1.8	13.0	34.8	27.5	22.9
Consumer unit characteristics (mean values):						
Income before taxes	\$74,664	\$31,272	\$40,230	\$79,736	\$95,168	\$65,373
Income after taxes	64,175	30,069	37,964	67,499	80,937	56,618
Age of reference person	50.9	91.0	77.1	60.2	43.3	27.9
Average number in consumer unit:						
People	2.5	1.3	1.7	2.1	3.2	2.6
Children under 186	(²)	(²)	.2	1.2	.9
Adults 65 and older4	1.2	1.4	.4	(²)	(²)
Earners	1.3	.1	.4	1.3	1.7	1.5
Vehicles	1.9	.8	1.6	2.1	2.1	1.5
Percent distribution:						
Reference person:						
Men	47	33	42	49	46	49
Women	53	67	58	51	54	51
Housing tenure:						
Homeowner	62	63	79	76	62	33
With mortgage	36	4	19	40	48	26
Without mortgage	27	59	60	36	14	7
Renter	38	37	21	24	38	67
Race of reference person:						
Black or African-American	13	7	10	13	14	15
White, Asian, and all other races	87	93	90	87	86	85
Hispanic or Latino origin of reference person:						
Hispanic or Latino	13	3	6	9	18	18
Not Hispanic or Latino	87	97	94	91	82	82
Education of reference person:						
Elementary (1-8)	3	6	5	3	3	1
High school (9-12)	32	44	42	33	27	28
College	65	50	53	63	69	71
Never attended and other	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
At least one vehicle owned or leased	87	58	84	90	91	83
Annual aggregate expenditures	\$7,423,468	1.1	9.5	36.9	32.9	19.7
Food	932,575	.7	9.8	34.2	34.1	21.2
Food at home	524,199	.8	11.0	35.0	33.0	20.2
Cereals and bakery products	67,893	.8	11.2	33.9	33.8	20.3
Cereals and cereal products	22,235	.7	9.8	31.0	35.9	22.6
Bakery products	45,658	.9	11.9	35.3	32.7	19.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	115,219	.6	10.5	35.8	33.1	20.0
Beef	31,555	.5	12.2	36.0	32.7	18.6
Pork	21,868	.6	10.4	37.4	31.7	19.9
Other meats	15,560	.6	9.6	36.8	34.4	18.6
Poultry	22,205	.5	8.5	33.4	34.0	23.7
Fish and seafood	16,795	.9	11.4	36.0	33.1	18.6
Eggs	7,235	.8	10.1	34.5	32.9	21.6
Dairy products	53,050	.9	10.9	34.5	33.1	20.6
Fresh milk and cream	17,989	1.1	10.7	32.4	34.1	21.8
Other dairy products	35,060	.8	11.0	35.6	32.6	20.0
Fruits and vegetables	101,357	.9	11.5	33.7	33.8	20.1
Fresh fruits	37,287	.9	12.1	33.0	34.0	20.1
Fresh vegetables	32,832	.7	11.1	34.6	33.5	20.0
Processed fruits	14,071	1.2	11.7	32.3	34.1	20.7
Processed vegetables	17,167	.7	11.1	34.7	33.4	20.0
Other food at home	186,681	.9	10.9	35.7	32.4	20.2
Sugar and other sweets	19,142	1.3	12.7	36.5	30.9	18.6
Fats and oils	14,419	.6	11.0	37.4	31.1	19.9
Miscellaneous foods	95,075	1.0	10.1	34.9	33.0	21.0
Nonalcoholic beverages	50,908	.7	11.9	35.4	31.9	20.1
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips	7,137	³ .2	8.7	43.3	33.6	14.1
Food away from home	408,376	.6	8.3	33.1	35.4	22.5

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Table 2600. Generation of reference person: Shares of annual aggregate expenditures and sources of income, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2016 — Continued

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Item	Aggregate	Birth year of 1927 or earlier ¹	Birth year from 1928 to 1945 ¹	Birth year from 1946 to 1964	Birth year from 1965 to 1980	Birth year of 1981 or later
Alcoholic beverages	62,654	.7	8.7	36.1	31.5	23.0
Housing	2,446,505	1.7	9.9	34.7	33.0	20.6
Shelter	1,441,630	1.9	9.3	33.6	33.2	22.0
Owned dwellings	815,568	.9	10.3	39.9	35.6	13.3
Mortgage interest and charges	374,324	³ .2	4.7	34.7	43.0	17.5
Property taxes	255,122	1.5	13.6	43.8	30.7	10.3
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses	186,122	1.5	17.1	45.0	27.3	9.1
Rented dwellings	522,688	3.7	7.3	20.8	30.6	37.6
Other lodging	103,374	1.1	11.0	48.7	28.0	11.1
Utilities, fuels, and public services	503,158	1.2	11.6	37.8	31.6	17.8
Natural gas	45,935	1.6	12.8	39.5	30.0	16.1
Electricity	187,044	1.3	12.4	37.6	30.9	17.9
Fuel oil and other fuels	11,043	³ 2.5	18.6	44.7	24.5	9.8
Telephone services	185,387	.9	9.5	37.1	33.3	19.2
Residential phone service, VOIP, and phone cards	39,814	2.9	21.3	44.6	24.5	6.7
Cellular phone service	145,573	.4	6.3	35.1	35.7	22.6
Water and other public services	73,749	1.4	13.1	38.0	31.2	16.3
Household operations	179,276	2.9	10.5	28.9	36.0	21.8
Personal services	59,152	³ 4.8	3.4	8.8	47.8	35.2
Other household expenses	120,124	1.9	14.0	38.8	30.1	15.2
Housekeeping supplies	85,507	.9	13.3	38.8	30.2	16.8
Laundry and cleaning supplies	20,703	1.0	13.2	38.2	31.1	16.6
Other household products	47,039	.9	13.4	37.6	30.2	17.9
Postage and stationery	17,765	1.0	13.3	42.6	29.2	14.0
Household furnishings and equipment	236,934	.7	8.9	38.2	33.1	19.0
Household textiles	12,749	³ 1.6	8.0	37.4	34.6	18.4
Furniture	59,565	.6	8.3	34.8	34.0	22.4
Floor coverings	2,631	³ 1	8.0	44.3	29.8	17.8
Major appliances	36,642	.7	10.5	39.2	32.6	17.1
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	15,946	.9	8.8	40.6	27.9	21.7
Miscellaneous household equipment	109,400	.7	8.9	39.4	33.6	17.5
Apparel and services	233,410	.6	6.6	30.0	39.5	23.3
Men and boys	55,245	³ .6	4.5	29.0	41.0	24.9
Men, 16 and over	41,828	³ .8	4.6	33.0	36.4	25.2
Boys, 2 to 15	13,417	(²)	4.1	16.6	55.5	23.8
Women and girls	86,076	.4	7.8	32.4	39.1	20.4
Women, 16 and over	73,959	.4	8.3	35.1	36.4	19.8
Girls, 2 to 15	12,117	(⁴)	4.8	15.6	55.9	23.6
Children under 2	8,583	(⁴)	³ 2.5	16.0	32.8	48.6
Footwear	50,203	³ .7	6.4	29.3	39.9	23.7
Other apparel products and services	33,303	1.0	8.4	29.9	39.2	21.4
Transportation	1,172,223	.6	8.6	37.3	32.0	21.5
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	470,770	³ .6	8.0	37.0	30.6	23.8
Cars and trucks, new	213,697	³ 1.2	11.9	40.7	26.1	20.1
Cars and trucks, used	248,561	³ .1	4.8	34.3	34.0	26.8
Other vehicles	8,512	(⁴)	³ 4.6	24.3	43.8	27.4
Gasoline and motor oil	247,294	.4	7.8	35.4	34.8	21.6
Other vehicle expenses	373,486	.7	9.6	39.2	31.4	19.2
Vehicle finance charges	29,248	³ .1	4.8	33.2	37.7	24.2
Maintenance and repairs	109,983	.6	9.9	39.8	30.7	19.0
Vehicle insurance	148,766	³ .9	10.6	40.7	30.3	17.6
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, and other charges	85,488	.7	8.9	37.6	32.1	20.6
Public and other transportation	80,673	.9	9.3	36.6	35.1	18.2
Healthcare	597,428	2.0	17.5	41.4	26.8	12.3
Health insurance	409,386	2.0	17.7	41.1	26.8	12.4
Medical services	108,598	1.7	14.9	40.8	28.5	14.0
Drugs	59,925	2.8	20.8	44.7	23.3	8.4
Medical supplies	19,518	3.0	18.2	40.2	26.1	12.5
Entertainment	377,271	.7	9.4	37.2	34.2	18.5
Fees and admissions	88,223	.3	8.1	34.8	39.6	17.3
Audio and visual equipment and services	140,551	1.1	11.8	37.1	31.1	18.9
Pets, toys, hobbies, and playground equipment	95,880	.6	8.6	39.0	32.7	19.1
Pets	75,525	.8	9.4	41.1	30.9	17.8
Toys, hobbies, and playground equipment	20,355	(²)	5.5	31.5	39.3	23.7

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Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services	52,617	³ .8	7.0	37.8	35.8	18.6
Personal care products and services	91,521	1.4	11.0	36.5	32.2	18.8
Reading	15,268	2.4	20.5	37.6	26.8	12.6
Education	172,129	(²)	1.4	33.9	36.3	28.4
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	43,686	³ .4	6.0	39.8	32.5	21.3
Miscellaneous	124,294	.8	10.6	42.7	33.4	12.4
Cash contributions	269,573	1.5	16.4	45.4	25.6	11.1
Personal insurance and pensions	884,933	.2	3.5	40.6	36.2	19.3
Life and other personal insurance	41,707	1.4	12.2	48.3	29.0	9.1
Pensions and Social Security	843,226	.2	3.1	40.3	36.6	19.8
Sources of income and personal taxes:						
Money income before taxes	\$9,672,707	.8	7.0	37.2	35.0	20.1
Wages and salaries	7,425,644	.1	2.3	35.3	40.5	21.8
Self-employment income	812,321	³ .3	3.5	36.0	28.8	31.4
Social Security, private and government retirement	1,036,476	5.2	40.6	47.8	5.4	1.0
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	226,859	3.2	19.1	56.4	18.3	2.9
Public assistance, Supplemental Security Income, Supplementary Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)	67,197	.5	7.6	35.7	28.6	27.6
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits, and regular contributions for support	57,556	³ 1.7	9.4	40.3	32.7	15.9
Other income	46,655	³ .1	7.1	25.2	21.8	45.8
Personal taxes (contains some imputed values)	1,358,841	.2	2.8	40.6	37.3	19.1
Federal income taxes	1,083,995	.2	2.9	40.8	36.6	19.5
State and local income taxes	265,116	.1	2.2	39.9	40.0	17.8
Other taxes	9,729	³ .6	4.7	41.0	41.4	12.4
Income after taxes	8,313,867	.8	7.7	36.6	34.6	20.2

¹ Birth year data processed before January 2017 for the Diary survey and April 2017 for the Interview survey had a cutoff date of 1928 instead of 1927.

² Value is too small to display.

³ Data are likely to have large sampling errors.

⁴ No data reported.

Source: Consumer Expenditure Survey, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, August, 2017