

Table 3015. Selected midwestern metropolitan statistical areas: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Surveys, 2019-2020

Item	All consumer units in the Midwest	Chicago	Detroit	Minneapolis-St. Paul	St. Louis
Number of consumer units (in thousands) ¹	28,024	3,544	2,160	1,578	1,120
Consumer unit characteristics:					
Income before taxes	\$78,572	\$84,208	\$89,991	\$116,495	\$84,232
Age of reference person	52.2	50.7	52.1	50.3	53.8
Average number in consumer unit:					
People.....	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.3	2.2
Children under 186	.6	.7	.5	.5
Adults 65 and older.....	.4	.4	.4	.4	.4
Earners	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.2
Vehicles	2.1	1.7	2.0	2.2	1.9
Percent homeowner.....	70	64	74	70	70
Average annual expenditures	\$59,789	\$63,251	\$63,008	\$80,046	\$64,389
Food					
Food at home.....	4,571	5,642	4,891	5,378	4,375
Cereals and bakery products	587	724	612	641	484
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	951	1,155	1,150	957	836
Dairy products	445	504	435	568	449
Fruits and vegetables	839	1,140	932	1,061	841
Other food at home	1,749	2,119	1,762	2,152	1,765
Food away from home.....	2,731	3,108	2,796	3,553	3,054
Alcoholic beverages.....	538	504	609	1,042	599
Housing					
Shelter.....	10,565	14,849	11,229	15,365	11,322
Owned dwellings	6,683	9,037	7,436	9,567	7,894
Rented dwellings	3,001	4,799	3,030	3,975	2,759
Other lodging	881	1,014	762	1,822	669
Utilities, fuels, and public services.....	3,976	3,985	4,367	4,004	4,183
Household operations.....	1,449	1,689	1,566	2,285	2,041
Housekeeping supplies	862	873	941	950	768
Household furnishings and equipment.....	2,120	2,360	2,039	3,196	2,179
Apparel and services	1,636	1,755	2,325	2,199	2,227
Transportation.....					
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	4,720	3,547	3,352	5,243	3,706
Gasoline, other fuels, and motor oil.....	1,764	1,638	1,837	1,826	1,705
Other vehicle expenses	3,390	2,984	5,343	3,551	3,459
Public and other transportation	472	682	329	966	443
Healthcare.....	5,691	5,628	5,062	7,050	6,408
Entertainment.....	3,292	2,647	3,278	4,020	3,410
Personal care products and services	695	803	767	933	980
Reading.....	112	88	90	277	81
Education	981	1,459	1,238	2,576	1,225
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	359	259	345	357	373
Miscellaneous	799	594	1,381	1,481	1,136
Cash contributions	1,985	1,172	1,824	3,959	3,090
Personal insurance and pensions					
Life and other personal insurance	511	441	441	583	606
Pensions and Social Security	6,568	6,544	6,957	9,252	7,019

¹ Data are rounded to the nearest thousands.