

**Table 8. Region of residence: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2005-2006**

Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Number of consumer units (in thousands) .....	118,099	22,557	27,105	42,288	26,149
Consumer unit characteristics:					
Income before taxes .....	\$59,628	\$63,655	\$57,295	\$54,756	\$66,452
Income after taxes .....	57,208	61,341	55,094	52,599	63,290
Age of reference person .....	48.7	49.9	48.7	48.8	47.4
Average number in consumer unit:					
Persons .....	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.6
Children under 18 .....	.6	.6	.6	.7	.7
Persons 65 and over .....	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3
Earners .....	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.4
Vehicles .....	1.9	1.6	2.1	1.9	2.1
Percent distribution:					
Sex of reference person:					
Male .....	47	45	48	44	51
Female .....	53	55	52	56	49
Housing tenure:					
Homeowner .....	67	65	70	69	63
With mortgage .....	43	39	44	43	45
Without mortgage .....	24	26	26	27	18
Renter .....	33	35	30	31	37
Race of reference person:					
Black or African-American .....	12	10	9	20	5
White, Asian, and all other races .....	88	90	91	80	95
Hispanic or Latino origin of reference person:					
Hispanic or Latino .....	11	8	4	11	20
Not Hispanic or Latino .....	89	92	96	89	80
Education of reference person:					
Elementary (1-8) .....	5	4	3	7	6
High school (9-12) .....	36	39	38	37	28
College .....	59	57	58	56	66
Never attended and other .....	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
At least one vehicle owned or leased .....	88	80	90	89	90
Average annual expenditures .....	\$47,421	\$48,564	\$45,068	\$43,513	\$55,214
Food .....					
Food at home .....	3,357	3,554	3,246	3,073	3,769
Cereals and bakery products .....	446	493	443	404	477
Cereals and cereal products .....	143	158	139	130	155
Bakery products .....	303	334	305	274	322
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	781	851	725	748	832
Beef .....	232	231	222	229	248
Pork .....	155	152	153	160	153
Other meats .....	104	122	111	90	104
Poultry .....	137	163	118	133	143
Fish and seafood .....	118	146	94	105	139
Eggs .....	35	37	28	31	45
Dairy products .....	373	402	378	330	415
Fresh milk and cream .....	143	146	142	136	153
Other dairy products .....	230	256	236	194	262
Fruits and vegetables .....	572	643	524	493	690
Fresh fruits .....	189	211	178	153	239
Fresh vegetables .....	184	214	157	161	225
Processed fruits .....	108	125	103	89	128
Processed vegetables .....	92	94	87	91	98

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other food at home .....	\$1,185	\$1,165	\$1,176	\$1,097	\$1,356
Sugar and other sweets .....	122	125	126	111	131
Fats and oils .....	85	90	82	80	95
Miscellaneous foods .....	618	598	620	567	717
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	318	312	309	308	348
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips .....	42	40	39	31	64
Food away from home .....	2,665	2,803	2,513	2,498	2,975
Alcoholic beverages .....	462	480	493	358	585
Housing .....	15,782	17,072	14,419	13,938	19,064
Shelter .....	9,253	10,572	8,067	7,529	12,134
Owned dwellings .....	6,250	7,004	5,792	5,130	7,887
Mortgage interest and charges .....	3,548	3,346	3,069	2,958	5,170
Property taxes .....	1,595	2,433	1,690	1,137	1,514
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses .....	1,108	1,225	1,033	1,035	1,203
Rented dwellings .....	2,468	2,905	1,738	2,028	3,560
Other lodging .....	535	663	537	371	687
Utilities, fuels, and public services .....	3,291	3,498	3,221	3,398	3,013
Natural gas .....	491	640	750	303	399
Electricity .....	1,211	1,139	1,026	1,495	1,006
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	140	398	107	65	72
Telephone services .....	1,067	1,043	999	1,127	1,064
Water and other public services .....	382	278	339	408	472
Household operations .....	875	849	843	820	1,017
Personal services .....	357	357	408	325	357
Other household expenses .....	517	492	435	495	660
Housekeeping supplies .....	625	619	612	617	660
Laundry and cleaning supplies .....	143	122	136	155	148
Other household products .....	325	322	320	328	327
Postage and stationery .....	158	175	156	134	185
Household furnishings and equipment .....	1,737	1,535	1,676	1,575	2,240
Household textiles .....	143	129	147	132	170
Furniture .....	465	366	405	441	653
Floor coverings .....	52	65	50	48	50
Major appliances .....	232	219	203	219	296
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares .....	107	99	100	97	139
Miscellaneous household equipment .....	738	658	771	639	932
Apparel and services .....	1,880	2,046	1,725	1,786	2,050
Men and boys .....	442	473	391	425	494
Men, 16 and over .....	351	382	312	321	411
Boys, 2 to 15 .....	91	90	79	104	83
Women and girls .....	752	830	727	714	775
Women, 16 and over .....	631	701	616	591	651
Girls, 2 to 15 .....	122	129	111	123	124
Children under 2 .....	89	90	88	82	101
Footwear .....	312	356	267	300	340
Other apparel products and services .....	285	298	252	265	340
Transportation .....	8,427	7,776	7,626	8,244	10,112
Vehicle purchases (net outlay) .....	3,482	2,902	2,907	3,593	4,399
Cars and trucks, new .....	1,864	1,688	1,508	1,833	2,436
Cars and trucks, used .....	1,550	1,177	1,334	1,703	1,847
Other vehicles .....	68	37	65	57	117
Gasoline and motor oil .....	2,121	1,836	2,059	2,213	2,282

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other vehicle expenses .....	\$2,347	\$2,405	\$2,268	\$2,134	\$2,724
Vehicle finance charges .....	297	239	262	337	320
Maintenance and repairs .....	680	646	636	619	853
Vehicle insurance .....	900	913	834	877	994
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, and other charges .....	470	607	536	301	558
Public transportation .....	476	633	393	305	707
Healthcare .....	2,716	2,586	2,828	2,691	2,751
Health insurance .....	1,413	1,445	1,457	1,406	1,351
Medical services .....	674	580	726	607	809
Drugs .....	517	447	529	575	473
Medical supplies .....	111	115	117	102	117
Entertainment .....	2,382	2,305	2,322	2,104	2,960
Fees and admissions .....	597	639	607	446	795
Audio and visual equipment and services .....	897	911	834	879	980
Pets, toys, hobbies, and playground equipment .....	416	401	400	392	486
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services .....	471	354	481	387	699
Personal care products and services .....	563	549	526	540	652
Reading .....	122	140	130	89	150
Education .....	914	1,232	974	691	937
Tobacco products and smoking supplies .....	323	331	365	327	267
Miscellaneous .....	827	853	821	691	1,033
Cash contributions .....	1,767	1,421	1,885	1,736	1,993
Personal insurance and pensions .....	5,237	5,416	5,196	4,748	5,917
Life and other personal insurance .....	351	354	362	366	315
Pensions and Social Security .....	4,886	5,062	4,833	4,382	5,602
Sources of income and personal taxes:					
Money income before taxes .....	59,628	63,655	57,295	54,756	66,452
Wages and salaries .....	47,211	50,892	45,135	43,480	52,223
Self-employment income .....	3,689	3,823	3,172	3,070	5,111
Social Security, private and government retirement .....	6,143	6,194	6,185	6,130	6,078
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income .....	1,433	1,453	1,780	1,019	1,725
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits .....	205	282	177	161	240
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps .....	342	363	272	341	396
Regular contributions for support .....	395	398	368	390	431
Other income .....	210	250	206	166	248
Personal taxes .....	2,420	2,314	2,202	2,158	3,162
Federal income taxes .....	1,704	1,517	1,425	1,616	2,296
State and local income taxes .....	527	560	536	389	710
Other taxes .....	190	237	240	153	156
Income after taxes .....	57,208	61,341	55,094	52,599	63,290

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Addenda:					
Net change in total assets and liabilities .....	- \$8,277	- \$6,869	- \$4,576	- \$5,088	- \$18,483
Net change in total assets .....	10,892	9,609	7,536	9,125	18,335
Net change in total liabilities .....	19,169	16,478	12,113	14,213	36,818
Other financial information:					
Other money receipts .....	572	493	467	571	749
Mortgage principal paid on owned property .....	-2,076	-2,078	-2,082	-1,666	-2,731
Estimated market value of owned home .....	174,064	199,208	131,859	130,189	267,077
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home ....	853	946	747	766	1,023
Gifts of goods and services .....	1,123	1,223	1,152	913	1,347
Food .....	114	150	118	87	123
Alcoholic beverages .....	16	14	28	10	14
Housing .....	248	212	248	190	375
Housekeeping supplies .....	30	28	32	24	38
Household textiles .....	12	14	13	14	8
Appliances and miscellaneous housewares .....	24	29	26	19	27
Major appliances .....	8	12	8	5	9
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares .....	16	17	18	14	18
Miscellaneous household equipment .....	58	47	70	35	90
Other housing .....	124	94	106	98	212
Apparel and services .....	226	233	216	224	232
Males, 2 and over .....	54	50	55	53	58
Females, 2 and over .....	80	76	80	86	75
Children under 2 .....	45	53	44	37	50
Other apparel products and services .....	47	53	38	49	49
Jewelry and watches .....	24	27	20	23	26
All other apparel products and services .....	23	26	18	25	23
Transportation .....	64	64	54	56	87
Health care .....	42	48	53	21	62
Entertainment .....	75	61	83	61	102
Toys, games, arts and crafts, and tricycles .....	25	25	26	23	24
Other entertainment .....	51	36	57	38	77
Personal care products and services .....	16	10	19	14	23
Reading .....	1	1	1	1	1
Education .....	229	355	242	172	198
All other gifts .....	91	74	90	77	131

<sup>1</sup> Value less than or equal to 0.5.