

Table 8. Region of residence: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2006-2007

Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Number of consumer units (in thousands)	119,507	22,570	27,334	42,804	26,800
Consumer unit characteristics:					
Income before taxes	\$61,820	\$67,060	\$58,688	\$57,216	\$67,953
Income after taxes	59,487	64,579	56,712	55,166	64,931
Age of reference person	48.8	50.1	48.6	48.8	47.7
Average number in consumer unit:					
Persons	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.6
Children under 186	.6	.6	.7	.7
Persons 65 and over3	.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	46	44	49	44	50
Female	54	56	51	56	50
Housing tenure:					
Homeowner	67	65	69	70	63
With mortgage	43	40	44	43	45
Without mortgage	24	24	25	26	18
Renter	33	35	31	30	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	12	9	4	13	20
Not Hispanic or Latino	88	91	96	87	80
Education of reference person:					
Elementary (1-8)	5	4	4	6	5
High school (9-12)	35	38	36	38	29
College	59	58	60	56	65
Never attended and other	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
At least one vehicle owned or leased	88	80	90	90	90
Average annual expenditures	\$49,279	\$50,703	\$46,812	\$45,225	\$57,124
Food					
Food at home	3,441	3,529	3,256	3,223	3,918
Cereals and bakery products	453	486	438	423	489
Cereals and cereal products	143	156	133	132	160
Bakery products	310	331	306	291	330
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	787	825	715	767	864
Beef	226	212	212	225	254
Pork	153	145	148	162	153
Other meats	105	120	112	94	102
Poultry	141	159	113	143	152
Fish and seafood	122	147	99	106	151
Eggs	40	41	31	38	51
Dairy products	378	390	370	347	425
Fresh milk and cream	147	146	139	146	158
Other dairy products	231	244	231	202	267
Fruits and vegetables	596	641	538	532	725
Fresh fruits	199	212	186	167	253
Fresh vegetables	192	208	162	174	239
Processed fruits	111	128	103	96	129
Processed vegetables	95	93	87	96	104

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other food at home	\$1,227	\$1,187	\$1,195	\$1,154	\$1,414
Sugar and other sweets	125	125	129	115	135
Fats and oils	89	90	84	85	98
Miscellaneous foods	638	604	627	596	748
Nonalcoholic beverages	333	326	315	326	369
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips	43	43	40	32	64
Food away from home	2,681	2,791	2,522	2,492	3,063
Alcoholic beverages	477	513	512	374	576
Housing	16,684	18,408	15,067	14,719	20,024
Shelter	9,849	11,335	8,531	8,056	12,806
Owned dwellings	6,624	7,452	6,054	5,536	8,244
Mortgage interest and charges	3,822	3,662	3,210	3,256	5,485
Property taxes	1,679	2,584	1,756	1,224	1,565
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses	1,123	1,207	1,088	1,057	1,194
Rented dwellings	2,596	3,039	1,848	2,107	3,766
Other lodging	629	843	629	412	796
Utilities, fuels, and public services	3,437	3,707	3,303	3,550	3,166
Natural gas	494	656	732	298	430
Electricity	1,284	1,225	1,087	1,578	1,068
Fuel oil and other fuels	144	429	112	63	67
Telephone services	1,098	1,085	1,012	1,167	1,088
Water and other public services	416	312	361	444	513
Household operations	966	971	891	898	1,148
Personal services	404	420	431	369	419
Other household expenses	562	551	459	529	729
Housekeeping supplies	639	579	613	627	738
Laundry and cleaning supplies	146	123	138	160	149
Other household products	338	303	321	333	395
Postage and stationery	155	153	153	134	194
Household furnishings and equipment	1,793	1,815	1,730	1,588	2,167
Household textiles	143	135	128	131	182
Furniture	463	467	424	408	587
Floor coverings	47	70	44	38	46
Major appliances	229	237	212	215	263
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	109	109	93	103	135
Miscellaneous household equipment	802	796	828	694	955
Apparel and services	1,893	2,069	1,828	1,720	2,091
Men and boys	441	467	387	429	494
Men, 16 and over	354	373	305	340	414
Boys, 2 to 15	87	94	83	89	81
Women and girls	754	817	777	668	816
Women, 16 and over	628	685	657	540	693
Girls, 2 to 15	126	132	119	128	123
Children under 2	95	87	93	87	114
Footwear	316	354	295	288	350
Other apparel products and services	288	344	277	248	317
Transportation	8,737	8,107	8,159	8,578	10,116
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	3,332	2,703	3,070	3,428	3,976
Cars and trucks, new	1,684	1,496	1,425	1,705	2,074
Cars and trucks, used	1,568	1,167	1,534	1,656	1,798
Other vehicles	80	39	111	67	104
Gasoline and motor oil	2,306	1,994	2,275	2,440	2,386

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Other vehicle expenses	\$2,577	\$2,722	\$2,386	\$2,368	\$2,992
Vehicle finance charges	302	243	265	340	327
Maintenance and repairs	713	684	660	670	862
Vehicle insurance	1,083	1,154	930	1,046	1,242
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, and other charges	480	640	531	313	561
Public transportation	521	688	428	342	762
Healthcare	2,810	2,618	2,957	2,788	2,857
Health insurance	1,505	1,498	1,569	1,499	1,456
Medical services	690	586	754	627	814
Drugs	497	416	507	560	456
Medical supplies	117	118	128	103	130
Entertainment	2,637	2,666	2,525	2,322	3,234
Fees and admissions	641	755	636	458	842
Audio and visual equipment and services	948	960	875	934	1,035
Pets, toys, hobbies, and playground equipment	570	547	527	561	651
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services	478	404	487	368	707
Personal care products and services	586	583	541	568	665
Reading	117	134	127	87	142
Education	917	1,121	1,069	726	894
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	325	346	360	334	256
Miscellaneous	827	855	792	689	1,061
Cash contributions	1,845	1,445	1,847	1,762	2,312
Personal insurance and pensions	5,303	5,517	5,247	4,843	5,915
Life and other personal insurance	316	338	346	305	283
Pensions and Social Security	4,987	5,179	4,902	4,537	5,632
Sources of income and personal taxes:					
Money income before taxes	61,820	67,060	58,688	57,216	67,953
Wages and salaries	49,227	54,532	46,115	45,604	53,719
Self-employment income	3,526	3,539	3,199	2,931	4,796
Social Security, private and government retirement	6,260	6,029	6,420	6,291	6,242
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	1,617	1,606	1,913	1,292	1,842
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits	212	270	204	193	201
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps	336	365	293	325	373
Regular contributions for support	436	445	351	416	548
Other income	206	274	193	163	233
Personal taxes	2,332	2,481	1,976	2,049	3,022
Federal income taxes	1,640	1,608	1,241	1,561	2,199
State and local income taxes	493	605	483	334	664
Other taxes	199	268	252	155	158
Income after taxes	59,487	64,579	56,712	55,166	64,931

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Item	All consumer units	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Addenda:					
Net change in total assets and liabilities	- \$4,774	- \$3,563	- \$3,935	- \$3,069	- \$9,373
Net change in total assets	10,882	10,085	8,128	8,165	18,702
Net change in total liabilities	15,656	13,648	12,063	11,234	28,075
Other financial information:					
Other money receipts	620	406	572	631	830
Mortgage principal paid on owned property	-2,180	-2,120	-2,125	-1,879	-2,766
Estimated market value of owned home	182,772	207,875	137,558	138,100	279,094
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home	886	996	766	807	1,040
Gifts of goods and services	1,190	1,204	1,301	1,003	1,363
Food	105	110	113	94	109
Alcoholic beverages	14	13	22	10	13
Housing	246	236	267	192	320
Housekeeping supplies	29	23	34	25	35
Household textiles	12	16	13	12	9
Appliances and miscellaneous housewares	23	27	24	19	26
Major appliances	8	11	8	5	12
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares	14	16	16	13	14
Miscellaneous household equipment	54	57	78	35	57
Other housing	128	113	118	102	194
Apparel and services	247	263	251	234	248
Males, 2 and over	59	60	55	62	57
Females, 2 and over	87	93	103	77	82
Children under 2	49	48	47	43	59
Other apparel products and services	53	63	47	52	50
Jewelry and watches	24	30	24	22	24
All other apparel products and services	28	33	23	31	26
Transportation	90	65	73	86	133
Health care	32	36	30	14	58
Entertainment	98	82	115	77	129
Toys, games, arts and crafts, and tricycles	37	32	45	33	39
Other entertainment	61	51	70	44	90
Personal care products and services	17	15	19	16	18
Reading	1	1	1	1	1
Education	247	298	326	202	194
All other gifts	94	84	84	76	140

¹ Value is less than or equal to 0.5.