

# CPI Detailed Report

## Data for September 2008

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## CONSUMER PRICE MOVEMENTS SEPTEMBER 2008

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) decreased 0.1 percent in September, before seasonal adjustment, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. The September level of 218.783 (1982-84=100) was 4.9 percent higher than in September 2007.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) decreased 0.1 percent in September, prior to seasonal adjustment. The September level of 214.935 (1982-84=100) was 5.4 percent higher than in September 2007.

The Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U) decreased 0.1 percent in September on a not seasonally adjusted basis. The September level of 125.774 (December 1999=100) was 4.3 percent higher than in September 2007. Please note that the indexes for the post-2006 period are subject to revision.

### CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U was virtually unchanged in September following a 0.1 percent decrease in August. The index for energy fell 1.9 percent in September following a 3.1 percent decline in August. The motor fuel index declined 0.8 percent in September but was 31.8 percent higher than a year ago. The index for household energy fell 3.4 percent in September after a 1.6 percent decrease in August. The food index advanced 0.6 percent in September, the same increase as in August. The index for food at home rose 0.6 percent in September after a 0.8 percent rise in August and is up 7.6 percent over the past year. The index for all items less food and energy increased 0.1 percent in September, decelerating for the second straight month. Contributing to the deceleration were downturns in the indexes for apparel and for airline fares, a smaller increase in the index for recreation, and a steeper decline in the index for new and used motor vehicles. These more than offset an upturn in the index for lodging away from home and larger increases in the indexes for medical care and owners' equivalent rent.

Table A. Percent changes in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

| Expenditure Category                 | Seasonally adjusted          |           |          |           |           |           |           |   | Un-adjusted 12-mos. ended Sep. 2008 |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---|-------------------------------------|
|                                      | Changes from preceding month |           |          |           |           |           |           | Compound annual rate 3-mos. ended Sep. 2008 |                                     |
|                                      | Mar. 2008                    | Apr. 2008 | May 2008 | June 2008 | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 |   |                                     |
| All items .....                      | 0.3                          | 0.2       | 0.6      | 1.1       | 0.8       | -0.1      | 0.0       | 2.6   | 4.9                                 |
| Food and beverages .....             | .2                           | .9        | .3       | .7        | .9        | .6        | .6        | 8.5   | 6.0                                 |
| Housing .....                        | .4                           | .3        | .5       | .5        | .6        | -.1       | -.1       | 1.8   | 3.5                                 |
| Apparel .....                        | -1.3                         | .5        | -.3      | .1        | 1.2       | .5        | -.1       | 6.6   | 1.4                                 |
| Transportation .....                 | .7                           | -.7       | 2.0      | 3.8       | 1.7       | -1.5      | -.6       | -1.7  | 10.5                                |
| Medical care .....                   | .1                           | .2        | .2       | .2        | .1        | .2        | .3        | 2.5   | 3.2                                 |
| Recreation .....                     | .3                           | -.1       | .1       | .1        | .4        | .5        | .2        | 4.6   | 2.4                                 |
| Education and communication .....    | .3                           | .4        | .4       | .5        | .5        | .2        | .1        | 3.3   | 3.5                                 |
| Other goods and services ...         | .4                           | .5        | .4       | .4        | .4        | .2        | .2        | 3.3   | 4.0                                 |
| Special indexes:                     |                              |           |          |           |           |           |           |   |                                     |
| Energy .....                         | 1.9                          | .0        | 4.4      | 6.6       | 4.0       | -3.1      | -1.9      | -4.9  | 23.1                                |
| Food .....                           | .2                           | .9        | .3       | .8        | .9        | .6        | .6        | 8.7   | 6.2                                 |
| All items less food and energy ..... | .2                           | .1        | .2       | .3        | .3        | .2        | .1        | 2.7   | 2.5                                 |

Consumer prices increased at a seasonally adjusted annualized rate (SAAR) of 2.6 percent in the third quarter of 2008 following increases in the first and second quarters at annual rates of 3.1 and 7.9 percent, respectively. This brings the year-to-date annual rate to 4.5 percent and compares with an increase of 4.1 percent for all of 2007. The index for energy fell at a 4.9 percent annual rate in the third quarter of 2008, following increases at rates of 8.6 percent and 53.6 percent in the first two quarters, respectively. So far this year, the energy index has risen at a 16.6 percent rate after increasing 17.4 percent in all of 2007. Within energy, petroleum-based energy costs (energy commodities) advanced at a 19.1 percent rate and energy services (gas and electricity) rose at a 12.4 percent rate in the first nine months of 2008. The food index rose at a 7.5 percent SAAR in the first nine months of 2008, compared to a 4.9 percent increase in all of 2007. The larger increase reflects acceleration in all of the major grocery store food

groups except dairy and related products. The cereals and bakery products index and the fruits and vegetables index rose the fastest, rising at a 14.2 percent and 12.1 percent SAAR, respectively.

The CPI-U excluding food and energy rose at a 2.7 percent SAAR in the third quarter following increases at rates of 2.0 and 2.5 percent in the first and second quarter, respectively. The index increased over the first nine months of 2008 at a 2.4 percent SAAR, which matches the 2.4 percent increase during all of 2007. Deceleration in the shelter and medical care indexes, as well as the index for new and used motor vehicles, were offset by a larger increase in the recreation index and upturns in the indexes for apparel and for household furnishings and operations.

Table Q3. Annual percent changes in the CPI for All Urban Consumers, 2001-2008

| Expenditure Category                 | Percentage change 12 months ended in December |      |      |      |      |      |      | SAAR 9 mos. ended Sep. 2008 |
|--------------------------------------|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----------------------------|
|                                      | 2001  | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |                             |
| All items .....                      | 1.6   | 2.4  | 1.9  | 3.3  | 3.4  | 2.5  | 4.1  | 4.5                         |
| Food and beverages .....             | 2.8   | 1.5  | 3.5  | 2.6  | 2.3  | 2.2  | 4.8  | 7.2                         |
| Housing .....                        | 2.9   | 2.4  | 2.2  | 3.0  | 4.0  | 3.3  | 3.0  | 3.5                         |
| Apparel .....                        | -3.2  | -1.8 | -2.1 | -.2  | -1.1 | .9   | -.3  | .9                          |
| Transportation .....                 | -3.8  | 3.8  | .3   | 6.5  | 4.8  | 1.6  | 8.3  | 7.2                         |
| Medical care .....                   | 4.7   | 5.0  | 3.7  | 4.2  | 4.3  | 3.6  | 5.2  | 2.6                         |
| Recreation .....                     | 1.5   | 1.1  | 1.1  | .7   | 1.1  | 1.0  | .8   | 2.5                         |
| Education and communication .....    | 3.2   | 2.2  | 1.6  | 1.5  | 2.4  | 2.3  | 3.0  | 3.9                         |
| Other goods and services .....       | 4.5   | 3.3  | 1.5  | 2.5  | 3.1  | 3.0  | 3.3  | 4.3                         |
| Special indexes:                     |   |      |      |      |      |      |      |                             |
| Energy .....                         | -13.0   | 10.7 | 6.9  | 16.6 | 17.1 | 2.9  | 17.4 | 16.6                        |
| Energy commodities .....             | -24.5   | 23.7 | 6.9  | 26.7 | 16.7 | 6.1  | 29.4 | 19.1                        |
| Energy services .....                | -1.5  | .4   | 6.9  | 6.8  | 17.6 | -.6  | 3.4  | 12.4                        |
| All items less energy .....          | 2.8   | 1.8  | 1.5  | 2.2  | 2.2  | 2.5  | 2.8  | 3.2                         |
| Food .....                           | 2.8   | 1.5  | 3.6  | 2.7  | 2.3  | 2.1  | 4.9  | 7.5                         |
| All items less food and energy ..... | 2.7   | 1.9  | 1.1  | 2.2  | 2.2  | 2.6  | 2.4  | 2.4                         |

The food and beverages index rose 0.6 percent in September, the second straight such increase. The index for food at home, which rose 0.8 percent in August, increased 0.6 percent in September. The index for cereals and bakery products turned up in September, rising 1.1 percent after a 0.1 percent decline in August. The indexes for nonalcoholic beverages and other food at home accelerated in September, increasing 0.7 percent and 1.1 percent respectively after increases of 0.4 percent and 0.7 percent in August. The index for meats, poultry, fish and eggs rose 1.0 percent in September, the third straight such increase. Within this group, the index for eggs increased 2.6 percent in September after a 5.7 percent decrease in August, while the index for beef and veal decelerated, rising 0.2 percent in September after a 2.4 percent increase in August. Turning down in September were the indexes for dairy and related products, down 0.6 percent after rising 0.4 percent in August, and for fruits and vegetables, down 0.5 percent after advancing 2.1 percent in August. The indexes for food away from home and for alcoholic beverages both increased 0.5 percent in September.

The index for housing declined 0.1 percent in September, the same decline as in August. The shelter index increased 0.3 percent in September after a 0.1 percent increase in August. The index for rent increased 0.3 percent for the third month in a row while the index for owners' equivalent rent rose 0.2 percent after a 0.1 percent increase in August. The index for lodging away from home turned up in September, increasing 0.9 percent after a 1.1 percent decrease in August. The index for household energy declined 3.4 percent in September, but was still 13.1 percent above its September 2007 level. Within household energy, the indexes for fuel oil and for natural gas fell sharply, declining 7.8 percent and 8.3 percent respectively, while the index for electricity fell 0.9 percent. The index for household furnishings and operations, which rose 0.2 percent in August, increased 0.5 percent in September.

The transportation index declined in September, falling 0.6 percent after a 1.5 percent decrease in August. The index for gasoline decreased 0.6 percent following a 4.2 percent decrease in August. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, gasoline prices fell 2.5 percent in September but were 31.7 percent above their September 2007 level.) The index for new vehicles declined for the second straight month, falling 0.7 percent after a 0.6 percent decrease in August. The index for used cars and trucks fell sharply in September, declining 1.8 percent after a 0.3 percent fall in August. The index for public transportation decreased 1.0 percent in September after a 1.1 percent increase in August, as the index for airline fare turned down, declining 1.7 percent in September after rising 1.6 percent in August. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, the index for airline fare decreased 3.6 percent in September but was 17.5 percent higher than in September 2007.)

The index for apparel declined 0.1 percent in September after increasing 0.5 percent in August. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, apparel prices rose 4.1 percent in September and were 1.4 percent higher than in September 2007.)

The medical care index rose 0.3 percent in September after rising 0.2 percent in August, and was 3.2 percent higher than a year ago. The index for medical care commodities--prescription drugs, nonprescription drugs, and medical supplies—increased 0.2 percent in September after a 0.1 percent increase in August. The index for medical care services increased 0.4 percent in September. The indexes for professional services and for hospital and related services increased 0.2 percent and 0.6 percent, respectively.

The index for recreation increased 0.2 percent in September, following a 0.5 percent increase in August. The index for video and audio rose 0.1 percent in September after a 0.5 percent increase in August. The indexes for pets, pet products and services rose 1.0 percent in September and the index for photography rose 0.8 percent. The index for recreation services decreased 0.1 percent in September.

The index for education and communication increased 0.1 percent in September after a 0.2 percent increase in August. The index for education rose 0.4 percent in September. The index for college textbooks rose 1.0 percent after a 3.4 percent increase in August. The index for college tuition and fees rose 0.3 percent in September. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, charges for college tuition and fees rose 1.8 percent in September and are up 6.7 percent since September 2007.) The communication index declined in September, falling 0.2 percent for the second consecutive month. Within communication, the index for telephone services was virtually unchanged while the index for information technology, hardware and services declined 1.1 percent.

The index for other goods and services increased 0.2 percent in September, the same increase as in August. The index for tobacco and smoking products was virtually unchanged and the index for personal care rose 0.3 percent.

## CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

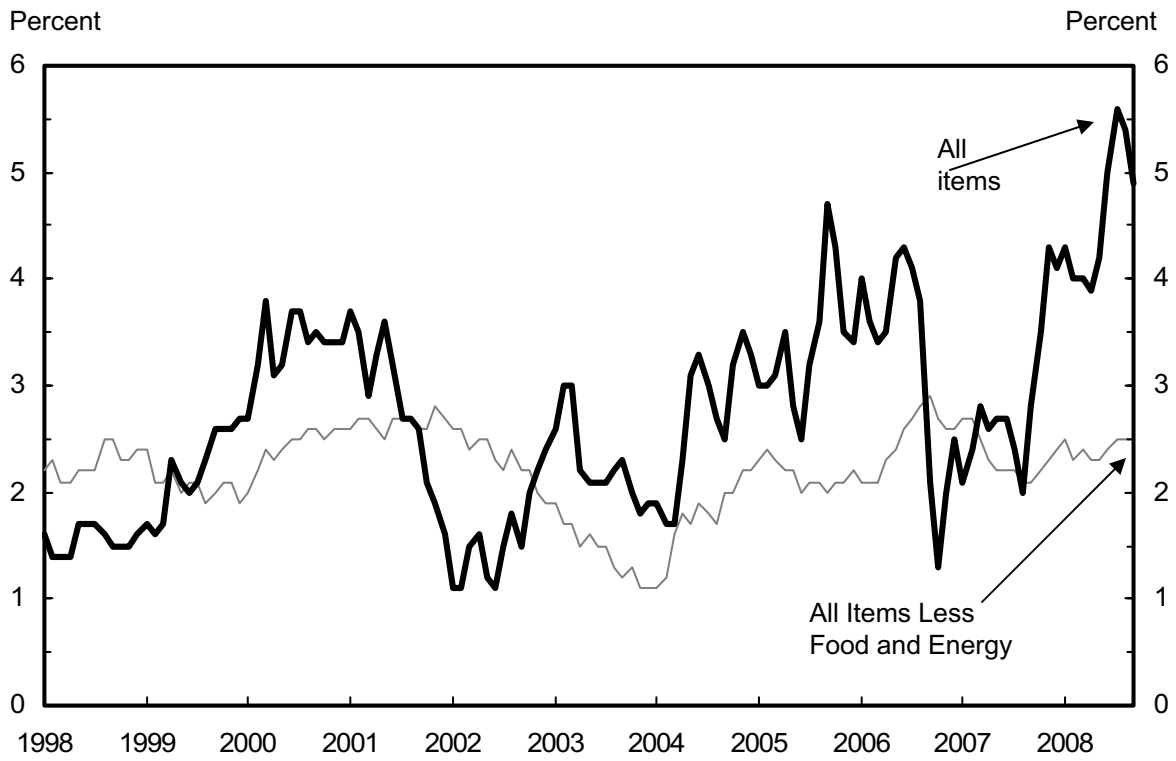
On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers decreased 0.1 percent in September.

Table B. Percent changes in CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

| Expenditure<br>Category                 | Seasonally adjusted          |              |             |              |              |              |              |  | Un-<br>adjusted<br>12-mos.<br>ended<br>Sep. 2008 |
|---|------------------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--|--|
|   | Changes from preceding month |              |             |              |              |              |              | Compound<br>annual rate<br>3-mos. ended<br>Sep. 2008 |  |
|   | Mar.<br>2008                 | Apr.<br>2008 | May<br>2008 | June<br>2008 | July<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2008 |  |  |
| All items .....                         | 0.4                          | 0.2          | 0.7         | 1.2          | 0.9          | -0.2         | -0.1         | 2.5  | 5.4  |
| Food and beverages .....                | .2                           | .9           | .3          | .8           | .9           | .6           | .6           | 8.7  | 6.1  |
| Housing .....                           | .5                           | .4           | .5          | .5           | .7           | .0           | -.2          | 1.9  | 3.8  |
| Apparel .....                           | -1.2                         | .2           | -.2         | .0           | .8           | 1.0          | .0           | 7.6  | 1.7  |
| Transportation .....                    | .7                           | -.7          | 2.1         | 4.0          | 1.8          | -1.7         | -.7          | -2.4   | 11.1   |
| Medical care .....                      | .1                           | .2           | .1          | .2           | .1           | .3           | .3           | 2.8  | 3.3  |
| Recreation .....                        | .3                           | -.2          | .0          | .2           | .4           | .5           | .2           | 4.7  | 2.2  |
| Education and<br>communication .....    | .2                           | .4           | .3          | .5           | .5           | .2           | .0           | 3.2  | 3.2  |
| Other goods and services ...            | .4                           | .4           | .5          | .6           | .5           | .2           | .2           | 3.6  | 4.4  |
| Special indexes:                        |                              |              |             |              |              |              |              |  |  |
| Energy .....                            | 1.9                          | -.2          | 4.5         | 6.8          | 4.0          | -3.2         | -1.7         | -4.1   | 23.8   |
| Food .....                              | .2                           | 1.0          | .3          | .8           | .9           | .6           | .6           | 8.9  | 6.3  |
| All items less food and<br>energy ..... | .1                           | .1           | .2          | .3           | .3           | .2           | .1           | 2.5  | 2.4  |

Consumer Price Index data for October are scheduled for release on Wednesday, November 19, 2008, at 8:30 A.M. (EST).

### CPI-U 12-Month Changes, 1998 to Present



**Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Relative importance, December 2007 | Unadjusted indexes |           | Unadjusted percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |           | Seasonally adjusted percent change from— |              |              |
|---|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|-----------|--|--------------|--------------|
|   |                                    | Aug. 2008          | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                    | Aug. 2008 | June to July                             | July to Aug. | Aug. to Sep. |
| Expenditure category  |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| All items .....   | 100.000                            | 219.086            | 218.783   | 4.9  | -0.1      | 0.8                                      | -0.1         | 0.0          |
| All items (1967=100) .....  | -                                  | 656.284            | 655.376   | -  | -         | -  | -            | -            |
| Food and beverages .....  | 14.914                             | 216.419            | 217.672   | 6.0  | .6        | .9                                       | .6           | .6           |
| Food .....  | 13.833                             | 216.422            | 217.696   | 6.2  | .6        | .9                                       | .6           | .6           |
| Food at home .....  | 7.660                              | 217.259            | 218.629   | 7.6  | .6        | 1.2                                      | .8           | .6           |
| Cereals and bakery products .....                                 | 1.030                              | 250.080            | 250.924   | 12.3   | .3        | 1.8                                      | -.1          | 1.1          |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....                              | 1.807                              | 207.488            | 209.937   | 5.9  | 1.2       | 1.0                                      | 1.0          | 1.0          |
| Dairy and related products .....                                  | .887                               | 214.748            | 213.533   | 4.9  | -.6       | 1.6                                      | .4           | -.6          |
| Fruits and vegetables .....                                       | 1.156                              | 283.296            | 285.986   | 10.4   | .9        | 1.2                                      | 2.1          | -.5          |
| Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....               | .928                               | 160.055            | 161.499   | 4.2  | .9        | .7                                       | .4           | .7           |
| Other food at home .....  | 1.852                              | 186.991            | 187.944   | 7.9  | .5        | 1.0                                      | .7           | 1.1          |
| Sugar and sweets .....  | .277                               | 187.813            | 189.929   | 6.6  | 1.1       | .4                                       | .6           | 1.7          |
| Fats and oils .....   | .205                               | 203.059            | 206.274   | 18.5   | 1.6       | 2.4                                      | 1.1          | 1.7          |
| Other foods .....   | 1.369                              | 200.961            | 201.388   | 6.5  | .2        | .9                                       | .6           | .8           |
| Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 2</sup> .....                    | .404                               | 121.033            | 121.144   | 5.7  | .1        | 1.7                                      | .4           | .1           |
| Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....                            | 6.173                              | 217.063            | 218.225   | 4.5  | .5        | .6                                       | .3           | .5           |
| Other food away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....                    | .297                               | 151.133            | 152.040   | 3.6  | .6        | .8                                       | .0           | .6           |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 1.080                              | 215.094            | 216.055   | 3.7  | .4        | .4                                       | .4           | .5           |
| Housing .....   | 42.427                             | 219.148            | 218.184   | 3.5  | -.4       | .6                                       | -.1          | -.1          |
| Shelter .....   | 32.596                             | 247.985            | 247.737   | 2.4  | -.1       | .2                                       | .1           | .3           |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....                      | 5.765                              | 244.181            | 244.926   | 3.8  | .3        | .3                                       | .3           | .3           |
| Lodging away from home <sup>2</sup> .....                         | 2.564                              | 149.146            | 143.597   | -.6  | -3.7      | .7                                       | -1.1         | .9           |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3 4</sup> ..... | 23.942                             | 252.957            | 253.493   | 2.4  | .2        | .1                                       | .1           | .2           |
| Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....             | .325                               | 118.562            | 119.944   | 2.7  | 1.2       | -.3                                      | -.2          | 1.2          |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 5.128                              | 235.650            | 228.450   | 11.8   | -3.1      | 3.3                                      | -1.1         | -2.8         |
| Household energy .....  | 4.215                              | 217.455            | 209.501   | 13.1   | -3.7      | 3.8                                      | -1.6         | -3.4         |
| Fuel oil and other fuels .....                                    | .351                               | 367.794            | 349.164   | 38.2   | -5.1      | 1.3                                      | -6.5         | -5.8         |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>3</sup> .....                    | 3.864                              | 218.656            | 210.950   | 10.9   | -3.5      | 4.0                                      | -1.1         | -3.2         |
| Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....  | .913                               | 154.134            | 154.264   | 6.2  | .1        | .7                                       | 1.3          | .3           |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 4.702                              | 128.013            | 128.584   | 1.9  | .4        | .4                                       | .2           | .5           |
| Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....                         | .737                               | 149.169            | 150.193   | 6.7  | .7        | .2                                       | .6           | .7           |
| Apparel .....   | 3.731                              | 116.376            | 121.168   | 1.4  | 4.1       | 1.2                                      | .5           | -.1          |
| Men's and boys' apparel .....                                     | .935                               | 110.180            | 112.720   | .3   | 2.3       | .0                                       | .3           | -.3          |
| Women's and girls' apparel .....                                  | 1.600                              | 104.211            | 111.774   | .7   | 7.3       | 2.0                                      | 2.0          | -.3          |
| Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....                              | .185                               | 109.558            | 113.494   | -.1  | 3.6       | -.3                                      | -.8          | 1.3          |
| Footwear .....  | .679                               | 121.982            | 124.907   | 1.4  | 2.4       | 1.3                                      | -1.6         | -.4          |
| Transportation .....  | 17.688                             | 206.739            | 203.861   | 10.5   | -1.4      | 1.7                                      | -1.5         | -.6          |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 16.583                             | 201.779            | 199.153   | 10.3   | -1.3      | 1.7                                      | -1.6         | -.6          |
| New and used motor vehicles <sup>2</sup> .....                    | 7.191                              | 93.260             | 92.480    | -1.6   | -.8       | .2                                       | -.4          | -.9          |
| New vehicles .....  | 4.632                              | 133.404            | 132.399   | -1.9   | -.8       | .2                                       | -.6          | -.7          |
| Used cars and trucks <sup>1</sup> .....                           | 1.773                              | 135.405            | 132.916   | -3.1   | -1.8      | -.1                                      | -.3          | -1.8         |
| Motor fuel .....  | 5.482                              | 323.822            | 315.078   | 31.8   | -2.7      | 4.1                                      | -4.2         | -.8          |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 5.215                              | 321.511            | 313.535   | 31.7   | -2.5      | 4.1                                      | -4.2         | -.6          |
| Motor vehicle parts and equipment <sup>1</sup> .....              | .356                               | 130.327            | 131.048   | 7.2  | .6        | 1.0                                      | .9           | .6           |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....                        | 1.123                              | 236.125            | 237.121   | 5.7  | .4        | .6                                       | .6           | .4           |
| Public transportation .....                                       | 1.106                              | 268.487            | 261.318   | 13.3   | -2.7      | 1.1                                      | 1.1          | -1.0         |
| Medical care .....  | 6.231                              | 364.477            | 365.036   | 3.2  | .2        | .1                                       | .2           | .3           |
| Medical care commodities .....                                    | 1.601                              | 295.003            | 295.461   | 1.4  | .2        | -.2                                      | .1           | .2           |
| Medical care services .....                                       | 4.630                              | 385.990            | 386.579   | 3.8  | .2        | .2                                       | .3           | .4           |
| Professional services .....                                       | 2.626                              | 312.396            | 312.527   | 3.3  | .0        | .2                                       | .3           | .2           |
| Hospital and related services <sup>3</sup> .....                  | 1.467                              | 535.501            | 537.728   | 6.6  | .4        | .3                                       | .6           | .6           |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Relative importance, December 2007 | Unadjusted indexes |           | Unadjusted percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |           | Seasonally adjusted percent change from— |              |              |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|-----------|--|--------------|--------------|
|  |                                    | Aug. 2008          | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                    | Aug. 2008 | June to July                             | July to Aug. | Aug. to Sep. |
| Expenditure category   |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....                                      | 5.647                              | 113.786            | 114.032   | 2.4  | 0.2       | 0.4                                      | 0.5          | 0.2          |
| Video and audio <sup>2</sup> .....                                 | 1.843                              | 102.546            | 102.706   | -.1  | .2        | .0                                       | .5           | .1           |
| Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 6.086                              | 124.653            | 125.505   | 3.5  | .7        | .5                                       | .2           | .1           |
| Education <sup>2</sup> .....                                       | 2.944                              | 183.184            | 186.148   | 6.1  | 1.6       | .5                                       | .6           | .4           |
| Educational books and supplies .....                               | .207                               | 458.989            | 462.787   | 7.6  | .8        | .8                                       | 2.6          | .4           |
| Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....                    | 2.736                              | 527.230            | 536.082   | 6.0  | 1.7       | .4                                       | .5           | .4           |
| Communication <sup>2</sup> .....                                   | 3.142                              | 84.701             | 84.524    | 1.0  | -.2       | .5                                       | -.2          | -.2          |
| Information and information processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....        | 2.975                              | 81.815             | 81.635    | .8   | -.2       | .6                                       | -.2          | -.2          |
| Telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....                            | 2.342                              | 101.301            | 101.311   | 2.5  | .0        | .7                                       | .0           | .0           |
| Information technology, hardware and services <sup>1 5</sup> ..... | .634                               | 10.012             | 9.901     | -5.5   | -1.1      | .2                                       | -.7          | -1.1         |
| Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 6</sup> .....   | .242                               | 92.921             | 90.797    | -14.2  | -2.3      | -1.0                                     | -1.9         | -2.3         |
| Other goods and services .....                                     | 3.277                              | 346.990            | 348.166   | 4.0  | .3        | .4                                       | .2           | .2           |
| Tobacco and smoking products <sup>1</sup> .....                    | .731                               | 597.361            | 597.581   | 6.8  | .0        | 1.2                                      | .1           | .0           |
| Personal care .....  | 2.546                              | 201.623            | 202.486   | 3.2  | .4        | .1                                       | .3           | .3           |
| Personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....                          | .639                               | 159.252            | 159.643   | 1.3  | .2        | .1                                       | .2           | .2           |
| Personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....                          | .629                               | 224.151            | 224.614   | 3.2  | .2        | .1                                       | .2           | .2           |
| Miscellaneous personal services .....                              | 1.044                              | 341.053            | 343.431   | 4.8  | .7        | .1                                       | .4           | .5           |
| Commodity and service group  |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| Commodities .....  | 41.269                             | 179.148            | 179.117   | 6.6  | .0        | 1.2                                      | -.5          | -.1          |
| Food and beverages .....   | 14.914                             | 216.419            | 217.672   | 6.0  | .6        | .9                                       | .6           | .6           |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                          | 26.356                             | 158.179            | 157.621   | 7.0  | -.4       | 1.3                                      | -1.1         | -.5          |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                          | 15.519                             | 207.284            | 206.919   | 13.1   | -.2       | 1.2                                      | -1.8         | -.9          |
| Apparel .....  | 3.731                              | 116.376            | 121.168   | 1.4  | 4.1       | 1.2                                      | .5           | -.1          |
| Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....                | 11.787                             | 268.740            | 265.100   | 17.0   | -1.4      | 2.2                                      | -2.0         | -1.4         |
| Durables .....   | 10.837                             | 110.779            | 110.077   | -1.5   | -.6       | .2                                       | -.3          | -.6          |
| Services .....   | 58.731                             | 258.638            | 258.059   | 3.8  | -.2       | .5                                       | .1           | .0           |
| Rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....                                 | 32.271                             | 258.547            | 258.255   | 2.4  | -.1       | .2                                       | .1           | .3           |
| Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....              | .325                               | 118.562            | 119.944   | 2.7  | 1.2       | -.3                                      | -.2          | 1.2          |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>3</sup> .....                     | 3.864                              | 218.656            | 210.950   | 10.9   | -3.5      | 4.0                                      | -1.1         | -3.2         |
| Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....   | .913                               | 154.134            | 154.264   | 6.2  | .1        | .7                                       | 1.3          | .3           |
| Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....                          | .737                               | 149.169            | 150.193   | 6.7  | .7        | .2                                       | .6           | .7           |
| Transportation services .....                                      | 5.350                              | 248.806            | 248.047   | 5.9  | -.3       | .5                                       | .8           | .1           |
| Medical care services .....  | 4.630                              | 385.990            | 386.579   | 3.8  | .2        | .2                                       | .3           | .4           |
| Other services .....   | 10.641                             | 297.923            | 299.598   | 3.9  | .6        | .4                                       | .4           | .2           |
| Special indexes  |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| All items less food .....  | 86.167                             | 219.552            | 218.991   | 4.7  | -.3       | .8                                       | -.3          | -.1          |
| All items less shelter .....                                       | 67.404                             | 210.264            | 209.936   | 6.2  | -.2       | 1.1                                      | -.2          | -.2          |
| All items less medical care .....                                  | 93.769                             | 211.653            | 211.321   | 5.1  | -.2       | .9                                       | -.2          | -.1          |
| Commodities less food .....  | 27.436                             | 160.341            | 159.825   | 6.9  | -.3       | 1.3                                      | -1.1         | -.4          |
| Nondurables less food .....  | 16.599                             | 207.769            | 207.483   | 12.5   | -.1       | 1.3                                      | -2.0         | -.9          |
| Nondurables less food and apparel .....                            | 12.868                             | 262.470            | 259.278   | 15.9   | -1.2      | 2.1                                      | -2.2         | -1.4         |
| Nondurables .....  | 30.432                             | 212.882            | 213.274   | 9.6  | .2        | 1.1                                      | -.9          | -.3          |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....                   | 26.460                             | 278.606            | 277.615   | 5.5  | -.4       | 1.0                                      | .2           | -.3          |
| Services less medical care services .....                          | 54.101                             | 248.198            | 247.563   | 3.8  | -.3       | .6                                       | .2           | -.1          |
| Energy .....   | 9.698                              | 266.283            | 258.020   | 23.1   | -3.1      | 4.0                                      | -3.1         | -1.9         |
| All items less energy .....  | 90.302                             | 215.873            | 216.397   | 3.0  | .2        | .4                                       | .3           | .2           |
| All items less food and energy .....                               | 76.469                             | 216.476            | 216.862   | 2.5  | .2        | .3                                       | .2           | .1           |
| Commodities less food and energy commodities .....                 | 21.602                             | 139.785            | 140.528   | .5   | .5        | .5                                       | .1           | -.2          |
| Energy commodities .....   | 5.834                              | 328.240            | 318.918   | 32.3   | -2.8      | 3.9                                      | -4.4         | -1.1         |
| Services less energy services .....                                | 54.867                             | 262.867            | 262.980   | 3.2  | .0        | .3                                       | .2           | .3           |
| Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00) .....     | -                                  | \$ .456            | \$ .457   | -  | -         | -  | -            | -            |
| Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00) .....        | -                                  | \$ .152            | \$ .153   | -  | -         | -  | -            | -            |

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.



**Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Seasonally adjusted indexes |           |           |           | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for |           |           |           |                 |           |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|   |                             |           |           |           | 3 months ended—                                    |           |           |           | 6 months ended— |           |
|   | June 2008                   | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Dec. 2007  | Mar. 2008 | June 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Mar. 2008       | Sep. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>                                       |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| All items .....   | 217.403                     | 219.181   | 218.880   | 218.813   | 6.2  | 3.1       | 7.9       | 2.6       | 4.6             | 5.2       |
| Food and beverages .....  | 213.612                     | 215.539   | 216.778   | 217.996   | 2.6  | 5.1       | 8.1       | 8.5       | 3.9             | 8.3       |
| Food .....  | 213.542                     | 215.545   | 216.807   | 218.029   | 2.6  | 5.3       | 8.5       | 8.7       | 3.9             | 8.6       |
| Food at home .....  | 213.706                     | 216.227   | 217.949   | 219.225   | 2.5  | 5.9       | 11.5      | 10.7      | 4.2             | 11.1      |
| Cereals and bakery products .....                                 | 244.840                     | 249.210   | 249.024   | 251.760   | 6.8  | 15.7      | 15.2      | 11.8      | 11.2            | 13.5      |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....                              | 203.295                     | 205.361   | 207.479   | 209.534   | .7   | 2.6       | 7.8       | 12.9      | 1.6             | 10.3      |
| Dairy and related products .....                                  | 211.086                     | 214.537   | 215.356   | 214.066   | 2.4  | .7        | 11.1      | 5.8       | 1.5             | 8.4       |
| Fruits and vegetables .....                                       | 281.911                     | 285.411   | 291.493   | 290.047   | 5.2  | 3.9       | 20.9      | 12.1      | 4.6             | 16.4      |
| Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....               | 158.735                     | 159.796   | 160.411   | 161.609   | -1.6   | 7.3       | 3.9       | 7.4       | 2.7             | 5.7       |
| Other food at home .....  | 183.140                     | 184.951   | 186.154   | 188.124   | 2.5  | 6.3       | 11.7      | 11.3      | 4.4             | 11.5      |
| Sugar and sweets .....  | 185.209                     | 185.865   | 186.956   | 190.197   | 3.4  | 5.3       | 6.6       | 11.2      | 4.4             | 8.9       |
| Fats and oils .....   | 196.211                     | 200.870   | 202.996   | 206.381   | 10.2   | 8.6       | 34.5      | 22.4      | 9.4             | 28.3      |
| Other foods .....   | 196.980                     | 198.743   | 199.930   | 201.577   | .8   | 6.3       | 9.5       | 9.7       | 3.5             | 9.6       |
| Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 2</sup> .....                    | 118.453                     | 120.510   | 121.033   | 121.144   | 2.2  | 7.3       | 3.9       | 9.4       | 4.8             | 6.6       |
| Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....                            | 215.015                     | 216.376   | 217.063   | 218.225   | 2.8  | 4.5       | 4.7       | 6.1       | 3.6             | 5.4       |
| Other food away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....                    | 149.873                     | 151.120   | 151.133   | 152.040   | -2.5   | 7.8       | 3.6       | 5.9       | 2.5             | 4.7       |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 213.246                     | 214.173   | 215.105   | 216.276   | 3.0  | 2.9       | 3.1       | 5.8       | 2.9             | 4.4       |
| Housing .....   | 216.918                     | 218.267   | 218.101   | 217.891   | 3.5  | 3.4       | 5.2       | 1.8       | 3.4             | 3.5       |
| Shelter .....   | 246.612                     | 247.090   | 247.258   | 247.971   | 2.9  | 2.0       | 2.3       | 2.2       | 2.5             | 2.3       |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....                      | 242.837                     | 243.535   | 244.296   | 244.977   | 4.9  | 3.1       | 3.5       | 3.6       | 4.0             | 3.5       |
| Lodging away from home <sup>2</sup> .....                         | 144.426                     | 145.394   | 143.846   | 145.173   | -2.8   | -2.5      | .8        | 2.1       | -2.6            | 1.5       |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3 4</sup> ..... | 252.299                     | 252.610   | 252.970   | 253.493   | 3.2  | 2.5       | 2.2       | 1.9       | 2.8             | 2.0       |
| Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....             | 119.092                     | 118.764   | 118.562   | 119.944   | .8   | 2.4       | 4.8       | 2.9       | 1.6             | 3.8       |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 226.160                     | 233.540   | 230.876   | 224.377   | 10.4   | 13.7      | 28.8      | -3.1      | 12.0            | 11.7      |
| Household energy .....  | 207.912                     | 215.751   | 212.286   | 205.021   | 11.4   | 15.6      | 34.2      | -5.4      | 13.5            | 12.7      |
| Fuel oil and other fuels .....                                    | 396.000                     | 401.283   | 375.211   | 353.309   | 78.2   | 49.2      | 116.7     | -36.6     | 63.1            | 17.2      |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>3</sup> .....                    | 206.565                     | 214.896   | 212.549   | 205.785   | 6.5  | 12.8      | 27.9      | -1.5      | 9.6             | 12.2      |
| Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....  | 150.831                     | 151.857   | 153.832   | 154.269   | 5.7  | 5.0       | 4.8       | 9.4       | 5.3             | 7.1       |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 127.369                     | 127.919   | 128.222   | 128.917   | -3   | 2.5       | .5        | 5.0       | 1.1             | 2.7       |
| Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....                         | 148.006                     | 148.290   | 149.169   | 150.193   | 4.0  | 8.5       | 8.5       | 6.0       | 6.3             | 7.2       |
| Apparel .....   | 118.107                     | 119.574   | 120.157   | 120.005   | 3.1  | -4.7      | 1.0       | 6.6       | -.9             | 3.7       |
| Men's and boys' apparel .....                                     | 113.139                     | 113.090   | 113.420   | 113.108   | -2.1   | 3.9       | -.4       | -.1       | .9              | -.3       |
| Women's and girls' apparel .....                                  | 105.698                     | 107.860   | 110.057   | 109.678   | 6.0  | -16.6     | .6        | 15.9      | -5.9            | 8.0       |
| Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....                              | 112.922                     | 112.638   | 111.741   | 113.172   | 4.8  | -3.4      | -2.6      | .9        | .7              | -.9       |
| Footwear .....  | 124.489                     | 126.047   | 124.023   | 123.572   | 2.0  | 2.4       | 4.3       | -2.9      | 2.2             | .6        |
| Transportation .....  | 205.915                     | 209.358   | 206.303   | 205.036   | 21.1   | 2.4       | 22.3      | -1.7      | 11.3            | 9.7       |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 201.450                     | 204.899   | 201.552   | 200.367   | 21.6   | 1.8       | 22.2      | -2.1      | 11.2            | 9.4       |
| New and used motor vehicles <sup>2</sup> .....                    | 93.909                      | 94.052    | 93.702    | 92.900    | -.1  | -1.4      | -.7       | -4.2      | -.8             | -2.5      |
| New vehicles .....  | 134.990                     | 135.300   | 134.548   | 133.567   | -.5  | -2.7      | -.1       | -4.2      | -1.6            | -2.1      |
| Used cars and trucks <sup>1</sup> .....                           | 135.980                     | 135.840   | 135.405   | 132.916   | -.6  | .8        | -3.6      | -8.7      | .1              | -6.2      |
| Motor fuel .....  | 321.618                     | 334.732   | 320.647   | 317.962   | 81.1   | 3.0       | 69.2      | -4.5      | 36.6            | 27.1      |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 319.107                     | 332.237   | 318.255   | 316.443   | 80.9   | 1.8       | 69.1      | -3.3      | 35.7            | 27.9      |
| Motor vehicle parts and equipment <sup>1</sup> .....              | 127.824                     | 129.118   | 130.327   | 131.048   | 5.5  | 8.0       | 4.8       | 10.5      | 6.7             | 7.6       |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....                        | 233.321                     | 234.818   | 236.340   | 237.284   | 3.0  | 6.3       | 6.6       | 7.0       | 4.7             | 6.8       |
| Public transportation .....                                       | 258.462                     | 261.275   | 264.183   | 261.556   | 14.0   | 11.5      | 23.6      | 4.9       | 12.7            | 13.8      |
| Medical care .....  | 363.618                     | 363.852   | 364.710   | 365.836   | 5.0  | 3.2       | 2.1       | 2.5       | 4.1             | 2.3       |
| Medical care commodities .....                                    | 295.102                     | 294.438   | 294.694   | 295.231   | 4.4  | 4.3       | -3.0      | .2        | 4.3             | -1.4      |
| Medical care services .....                                       | 384.727                     | 385.353   | 386.458   | 387.816   | 5.1  | 2.8       | 4.0       | 3.3       | 4.0             | 3.6       |
| Professional services .....                                       | 311.068                     | 311.739   | 312.575   | 313.273   | 3.7  | 2.1       | 4.7       | 2.9       | 2.9             | 3.8       |
| Hospital and related services <sup>3</sup> .....                  | 532.592                     | 534.172   | 537.549   | 540.539   | 8.7  | 6.5       | 5.4       | 6.1       | 7.6             | 5.7       |

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(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Seasonally adjusted indexes |           |           |           | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for |           |           |           |                 |           |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|  |                             |           |           |           | 3 months ended—                                    |           |           |           | 6 months ended— |           |
|  | June 2008                   | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Dec. 2007  | Mar. 2008 | June 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Mar. 2008       | Sep. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....                                      | 112.831                     | 113.264   | 113.876   | 114.120   | 1.9  | 2.3       | 0.6       | 4.6       | 2.1             | 2.6       |
| Video and audio <sup>2</sup> .....                                 | 102.181                     | 102.195   | 102.658   | 102.801   | 1.7  | .3        | -4.5      | 2.4       | 1.0             | -1.1      |
| Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 123.613                     | 124.226   | 124.505   | 124.615   | 2.6  | 3.2       | 5.1       | 3.3       | 2.9             | 4.2       |
| Education <sup>2</sup> .....                                       | 180.749                     | 181.582   | 182.734   | 183.462   | 6.9  | 5.3       | 6.0       | 6.1       | 6.1             | 6.1       |
| Educational books and supplies .....                               | 444.469                     | 447.821   | 459.494   | 461.555   | 7.0  | 1.2       | 6.4       | 16.3      | 4.1             | 11.2      |
| Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....                    | 520.969                     | 523.254   | 525.789   | 527.863   | 6.9  | 5.6       | 5.9       | 5.4       | 6.3             | 5.7       |
| Communication <sup>2</sup> .....                                   | 84.393                      | 84.840    | 84.702    | 84.526    | -1.9   | 1.0       | 4.3       | .6        | -.5             | 2.5       |
| Information and information processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....        | 81.513                      | 81.965    | 81.815    | 81.635    | -2.1   | 1.0       | 3.8       | .6        | -.6             | 2.2       |
| Telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....                            | 100.677                     | 101.339   | 101.301   | 101.311   | -.4  | 1.0       | 6.8       | 2.5       | .3              | 4.7       |
| Information technology, hardware and services <sup>1 5</sup> ..... | 10.071                      | 10.087    | 10.012    | 9.901     | -9.6   | 1.2       | -6.7      | -6.6      | -4.4            | -6.6      |
| Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 6</sup> .....   | 95.663                      | 94.711    | 92.921    | 90.797    | -20.2  | 1.4       | -17.4     | -18.8     | -10.0           | -18.1     |
| Other goods and services .....                                     | 345.693                     | 346.962   | 347.715   | 348.540   | 3.0  | 4.5       | 5.2       | 3.3       | 3.7             | 4.2       |
| Tobacco and smoking products <sup>1</sup> .....                    | 589.904                     | 596.782   | 597.361   | 597.581   | 5.1  | 5.9       | 10.9      | 5.3       | 5.5             | 8.0       |
| Personal care .....  | 201.392                     | 201.660   | 202.169   | 202.768   | 2.4  | 4.1       | 3.6       | 2.8       | 3.2             | 3.2       |
| Personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....                          | 158.868                     | 158.989   | 159.252   | 159.643   | 1.5  | .5        | 1.1       | 2.0       | 1.0             | 1.5       |
| Personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....                          | 223.520                     | 223.719   | 224.151   | 224.614   | 3.9  | 5.8       | 1.4       | 2.0       | 4.8             | 1.7       |
| Miscellaneous personal services .....                              | 340.085                     | 340.264   | 341.606   | 343.441   | 3.3  | 5.4       | 6.4       | 4.0       | 4.4             | 5.2       |
| <b>Commodity and service group</b>                                 |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| Commodities .....  | 178.550                     | 180.657   | 179.687   | 179.530   | 10.3   | 2.6       | 12.0      | 2.2       | 6.4             | 7.0       |
| Food and beverages .....   | 213.612                     | 215.539   | 216.778   | 217.996   | 2.6  | 5.1       | 8.1       | 8.5       | 3.9             | 8.3       |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                          | 158.506                     | 160.622   | 158.775   | 158.058   | 15.0   | 1.1       | 14.2      | -1.1      | 7.8             | 6.3       |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                          | 208.661                     | 211.267   | 207.465   | 205.585   | 27.1   | 8.4       | 26.1      | -5.8      | 17.4            | 9.0       |
| Apparel .....  | 118.107                     | 119.574   | 120.157   | 120.005   | 3.1  | -4.7      | 1.0       | 6.6       | -.9             | 3.7       |
| Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....                | 269.755                     | 275.611   | 270.166   | 266.376   | 29.0   | 13.3      | 34.9      | -4.9      | 20.9            | 13.3      |
| Durables .....   | 111.258                     | 111.425   | 111.140   | 110.513   | -.3  | -1.1      | -1.9      | -2.7      | -.7             | -2.3      |
| Services .....   | 255.872                     | 257.269   | 257.642   | 257.662   | 3.6  | 3.5       | 5.1       | 2.8       | 3.5             | 4.0       |
| Rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....                                 | 257.040                     | 257.575   | 257.717   | 258.498   | 2.8  | 2.2       | 2.2       | 2.3       | 2.5             | 2.2       |
| Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....              | 119.092                     | 118.764   | 118.562   | 119.944   | .8   | 2.4       | 4.8       | 2.9       | 1.6             | 3.8       |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>3</sup> .....                     | 206.565                     | 214.896   | 212.549   | 205.785   | 6.5  | 12.8      | 27.9      | -1.5      | 9.6             | 12.2      |
| Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....   | 150.831                     | 151.857   | 153.832   | 154.269   | 5.7  | 5.0       | 4.8       | 9.4       | 5.3             | 7.1       |
| Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....                          | 148.006                     | 148.290   | 149.169   | 150.193   | 4.0  | 8.5       | 8.5       | 6.0       | 6.3             | 7.2       |
| Transportation services .....                                      | 245.102                     | 246.409   | 248.277   | 248.422   | 3.7  | 5.5       | 8.7       | 5.5       | 4.6             | 7.1       |
| Medical care services .....  | 384.727                     | 385.353   | 386.458   | 387.816   | 5.1  | 2.8       | 4.0       | 3.3       | 4.0             | 3.6       |
| Other services .....   | 295.504                     | 296.752   | 297.887   | 298.481   | 3.5  | 3.6       | 4.3       | 4.1       | 3.6             | 4.2       |
| <b>Special indexes</b>   |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| All items less food .....  | 218.065                     | 219.806   | 219.250   | 218.972   | 6.8  | 2.7       | 7.8       | 1.7       | 4.8             | 4.7       |
| All items less shelter .....                                       | 208.438                     | 210.755   | 210.264   | 209.885   | 7.9  | 3.6       | 10.7      | 2.8       | 5.7             | 6.7       |
| All items less medical care .....                                  | 209.955                     | 211.774   | 211.433   | 211.322   | 6.3  | 3.1       | 8.3       | 2.6       | 4.7             | 5.4       |
| Commodities less food .....  | 160.607                     | 162.695   | 160.922   | 160.257   | 14.4   | 1.2       | 13.8      | -.9       | 7.6             | 6.2       |
| Nondurables less food .....  | 209.702                     | 212.335   | 208.004   | 206.042   | 26.3   | 6.0       | 28.3      | -6.8      | 15.7            | 9.3       |
| Nondurables less food and apparel .....                            | 263.688                     | 269.125   | 263.228   | 259.597   | 29.5   | 10.4      | 34.2      | -6.1      | 19.6            | 12.3      |
| Nondurables .....  | 212.718                     | 215.067   | 213.122   | 212.583   | 14.9   | 5.9       | 18.8      | -.3       | 10.3            | 8.9       |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....                   | 274.317                     | 276.996   | 277.598   | 276.660   | 3.9  | 5.1       | 9.5       | 3.5       | 4.5             | 6.5       |
| Services less medical care services .....                          | 245.531                     | 246.945   | 247.327   | 247.172   | 3.2  | 3.5       | 5.6       | 2.7       | 3.4             | 4.2       |
| Energy .....   | 260.316                     | 270.602   | 262.107   | 257.086   | 45.6   | 8.6       | 53.6      | -4.9      | 25.8            | 20.9      |
| All items less energy .....  | 214.624                     | 215.529   | 216.080   | 216.528   | 2.6  | 2.5       | 3.4       | 3.6       | 2.6             | 3.5       |
| All items less food and energy .....                               | 215.526                     | 216.230   | 216.650   | 216.956   | 2.6  | 2.0       | 2.5       | 2.7       | 2.3             | 2.6       |
| Commodities less food and energy commodities .....                 | 140.156                     | 140.792   | 140.885   | 140.655   | .7   | -.1       | -.1       | 1.4       | .3              | .7        |
| Energy commodities .....   | 327.625                     | 340.411   | 325.603   | 321.888   | 80.9   | 5.6       | 71.8      | -6.8      | 38.3            | 26.5      |
| Services less energy services .....                                | 261.005                     | 261.729   | 262.367   | 263.046   | 3.4  | 2.9       | 3.6       | 3.2       | 3.1             | 3.4       |

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 3. Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and Group   | Relative importance, December 2007 | Unadjusted indexes |           | Unadjusted percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |           | Seasonally adjusted percent change from— |              |              |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|-----------|--|--------------|--------------|
|  |                                    | Aug. 2008          | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                    | Aug. 2008 | June to July                             | July to Aug. | Aug. to Sep. |
| Expenditure category   |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| All items .....  | 100.000                            | 219.086            | 218.783   | 4.9  | -0.1      | 0.8                                      | -0.1         | 0.0          |
| All items (1967=100) .....   | -                                  | 656.284            | 655.376   | -  | -         | -  | -            | -            |
| Food and beverages .....   | 14.914                             | 216.419            | 217.672   | 6.0  | .6        | .9                                       | .6           | .6           |
| Food .....   | 13.833                             | 216.422            | 217.696   | 6.2  | .6        | .9                                       | .6           | .6           |
| Food at home .....   | 7.660                              | 217.259            | 218.629   | 7.6  | .6        | 1.2                                      | .8           | .6           |
| Cereals and bakery products .....  | 1.030                              | 250.080            | 250.924   | 12.3   | .3        | 1.8                                      | -.1          | 1.1          |
| Cereals and cereal products .....  | .324                               | 220.057            | 220.575   | 12.4   | .2        | 2.5                                      | .1           | 1.3          |
| Flour and prepared flour mixes .....   | .036                               | 236.085            | 232.248   | 19.2   | -1.6      | 1.1                                      | -.4          | .0           |
| Breakfast cereal <sup>1</sup> .....  | .191                               | 213.429            | 214.866   | 4.2  | .7        | 1.8                                      | -.5          | .7           |
| Rice, pasta, cornmeal <sup>1</sup> .....   | .096                               | 230.576            | 231.064   | 26.2   | .2        | 3.8                                      | 1.5          | .2           |
| Rice <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....  | -                                  | 171.146            | 172.384   | 42.9   | .7        | 8.1                                      | 3.8          | .7           |
| Bakery products .....  | .706                               | 265.990            | 267.015   | 12.3   | .4        | 1.5                                      | -.2          | 1.0          |
| Bread <sup>1 3</sup> .....   | .211                               | 162.810            | 163.398   | 17.4   | .4        | 1.7                                      | -1.2         | .4           |
| White bread <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | -                                  | 299.471            | 298.343   | 15.5   | -.4       | 1.9                                      | -1.0         | -.4          |
| Bread other than white <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | -                                  | 307.671            | 313.205   | 20.5   | 1.8       | 1.2                                      | -1.5         | 1.8          |
| Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                | .098                               | 154.472            | 155.732   | 13.6   | .8        | 2.9                                      | -.2          | .8           |
| Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies .....   | .189                               | 243.058            | 244.396   | 9.7  | .6        | 1.0                                      | .5           | .5           |
| Cookies <sup>2</sup> .....   | -                                  | 235.288            | 237.041   | 9.2  | .7        | 1.0                                      | -.1          | .9           |
| Fresh cakes and cupcakes <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                      | -                                  | 250.234            | 252.049   | 10.6   | .7        | .4                                       | .5           | .7           |
| Other bakery products .....  | .208                               | 243.590            | 243.755   | 8.9  | .1        | 1.0                                      | .2           | 1.3          |
| Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts <sup>1 2</sup> .....                      | -                                  | 250.582            | 252.195   | 8.9  | .6        | 2.1                                      | -.6          | .6           |
| Crackers, bread, and cracker products <sup>2</sup> .....                           | -                                  | 284.472            | 284.125   | 8.8  | -.1       | .8                                       | .2           | 1.3          |
| Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers <sup>2</sup> ..... | -                                  | 247.563            | 246.735   | 8.6  | -.3       | .7                                       | 1.6          | .7           |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....   | 1.807                              | 207.488            | 209.937   | 5.9  | 1.2       | 1.0                                      | 1.0          | 1.0          |
| Meats, poultry, and fish .....   | 1.687                              | 207.336            | 209.358   | 6.1  | 1.0       | 1.0                                      | 1.5          | .9           |
| Meats .....  | 1.089                              | 205.781            | 208.114   | 6.0  | 1.1       | 1.1                                      | 1.7          | 1.0          |
| Beef and veal <sup>1</sup> .....   | .525                               | 226.613            | 227.046   | 6.1  | .2        | .8                                       | 2.4          | .2           |
| Uncooked ground beef <sup>1</sup> .....  | .203                               | 199.697            | 202.052   | 8.4  | 1.2       | -.1                                      | 3.2          | 1.2          |
| Uncooked beef roasts <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | .083                               | 165.428            | 166.834   | 6.1  | .8        | 1.9                                      | 1.7          | .8           |
| Uncooked beef steaks <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | .192                               | 161.504            | 159.601   | 3.9  | -1.2      | 1.5                                      | 1.8          | -1.2         |
| Uncooked other beef and veal <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                  | .048                               | 153.967            | 154.417   | 6.0  | .3        | .2                                       | 2.1          | .3           |
| Pork .....   | .330                               | 189.910            | 192.681   | 5.7  | 1.5       | 1.0                                      | 1.3          | 1.2          |
| Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products <sup>3</sup> .....                  | .118                               | 130.853            | 131.031   | .8   | .1        | 1.8                                      | 2.0          | .3           |
| Bacon and related products <sup>2</sup> .....                                      | -                                  | 224.977            | 224.354   | -1.0   | -.3       | -.4                                      | 3.4          | .2           |
| Breakfast sausage and related products <sup>2 3</sup> .....                        | -                                  | 128.538            | 128.673   | 3.5  | .1        | 5.1                                      | .5           | .0           |
| Ham .....  | .067                               | 185.925            | 189.218   | 3.5  | 1.8       | 1.6                                      | -.1          | 1.1          |
| Ham, excluding canned <sup>2</sup> .....   | -                                  | 208.799            | 212.752   | 3.9  | 1.9       | 2.4                                      | .0           | 1.1          |
| Pork chops .....   | .065                               | 178.974            | 182.551   | 6.6  | 2.0       | .1                                       | .1           | 2.2          |
| Other pork including roasts and picnics <sup>3</sup> .....                         | .080                               | 122.672            | 125.886   | 14.2   | 2.6       | 1.6                                      | 2.8          | 1.1          |
| Other meats .....  | .234                               | 189.170            | 194.616   | 6.8  | 2.9       | 2.0                                      | .8           | 2.6          |
| Frankfurters <sup>2</sup> .....  | -                                  | 178.255            | 189.541   | 8.7  | 6.3       | 4.1                                      | -.8          | 5.2          |
| Lunchmeats <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....  | -                                  | 125.174            | 127.717   | 7.0  | 2.0       | 1.7                                      | 1.6          | 2.0          |
| Lamb and organ meats <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | -                                  | 257.536            | 263.121   | -  | 2.2       | -.3                                      | 4.0          | 2.2          |
| Lamb and mutton <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....   | -                                  | NA                 | NA        | -  | -         | -  | -            | -            |
| Poultry <sup>1</sup> .....   | .317                               | 203.545            | 205.067   | 4.1  | .7        | 1.0                                      | .9           | .7           |
| Chicken <sup>1 3</sup> .....   | .260                               | 132.641            | 133.153   | 3.6  | .4        | .9                                       | 1.2          | .4           |
| Fresh whole chicken <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | -                                  | 211.727            | 213.995   | 4.9  | 1.1       | -.1                                      | 2.5          | 1.1          |
| Fresh and frozen chicken parts <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                | -                                  | 201.972            | 202.918   | 3.3  | .5        | 1.5                                      | -.1          | .5           |
| Other poultry including turkey <sup>3</sup> .....                                  | .057                               | 125.968            | 128.917   | 6.4  | 2.3       | 1.6                                      | -.9          | 3.0          |
| Fish and seafood <sup>1</sup> .....  | .281                               | 236.810            | 238.281   | 8.5  | .6        | .5                                       | 1.4          | .6           |
| Fresh fish and seafood <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | .152                               | 141.811            | 142.861   | 8.8  | .7        | -.1                                      | 1.0          | .7           |
| Processed fish and seafood <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | .129                               | 122.955            | 123.546   | 8.2  | .5        | 1.0                                      | 1.8          | .6           |
| Canned fish and seafood <sup>2</sup> .....   | -                                  | 158.025            | 159.545   | 9.4  | 1.0       | 2.2                                      | 1.5          | 1.5          |
| Frozen fish and seafood <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                       | -                                  | 264.272            | 261.435   | 6.6  | -1.1      | 1.1                                      | 2.2          | -1.1         |
| Eggs .....   | .120                               | 209.879            | 219.475   | 3.7  | 4.6       | 1.3                                      | -5.7         | 2.6          |
| Dairy and related products .....   | .887                               | 214.748            | 213.533   | 4.9  | -.6       | 1.6                                      | .4           | -.6          |
| Milk <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | .323                               | 151.568            | 149.266   | -.3  | -1.5      | 4.3                                      | -1.4         | -1.5         |
| Fresh whole milk <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | -                                  | 221.218            | 217.221   | -2.2   | -1.8      | 4.4                                      | -1.8         | -1.8         |
| Fresh milk other than whole <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                                 | -                                  | 152.639            | 150.939   | 1.4  | -1.1      | 4.3                                      | -1.3         | -1.1         |
| Cheese and related products <sup>1</sup> .....                                     | .269                               | 222.456            | 221.800   | 11.0   | -.3       | 3.1                                      | 1.4          | -.3          |
| Ice cream and related products .....   | .139                               | 192.338            | 194.338   | 5.4  | 1.0       | -.3                                      | 1.1          | .5           |
| Other dairy and related products <sup>3</sup> .....                                | .157                               | 142.155            | 141.383   | 4.9  | -.5       | .5                                       | -.4          | .7           |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 3. Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and Group   | Relative importance, December 2007 | Unadjusted indexes |           | Unadjusted percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |           | Seasonally adjusted percent change from— |              |              |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|-----------|--|--------------|--------------|
|  |                                    | Aug. 2008          | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                    | Aug. 2008 | June to July                             | July to Aug. | Aug. to Sep. |
| Expenditure category   |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| Fruits and vegetables .....  | 1.156                              | 283.296            | 285.986   | 10.4   | 0.9       | 1.2                                      | 2.1          | -0.5         |
| Fresh fruits and vegetables .....  | .905                               | 332.500            | 334.959   | 9.7  | .7        | 1.4                                      | 2.2          | -1.3         |
| Fresh fruits .....   | .464                               | 350.263            | 357.496   | 9.2  | 2.1       | .0                                       | 3.3          | .0           |
| Apples .....   | .078                               | 386.999            | 375.560   | 21.7   | -3.0      | 1.0                                      | 4.8          | 1.1          |
| Bananas .....  | .064                               | 214.900            | 214.861   | 21.1   | .0        | -8                                       | 2.8          | 1.1          |
| Citrus fruits <sup>3</sup> .....   | .080                               | 239.034            | 245.667   | 3.4  | 2.8       | -2                                       | 2.2          | .0           |
| Oranges, including tangerines <sup>2</sup> .....                         | -                                  | 491.634            | 504.273   | -1.4   | 2.6       | -3                                       | 2.9          | .3           |
| Other fresh fruits <sup>3</sup> .....                                    | .243                               | 106.077            | 111.602   | 5.2  | 5.2       | 1.6                                      | 1.5          | -.1          |
| Fresh vegetables .....   | .441                               | 313.378            | 311.349   | 10.3   | -.6       | 2.9                                      | 1.2          | -2.5         |
| Potatoes .....   | .068                               | 366.824            | 376.349   | 33.0   | 2.6       | 9.3                                      | 4.5          | 6.2          |
| Lettuce <sup>1</sup> .....   | .059                               | 285.954            | 297.399   | 8.8  | 4.0       | 2.6                                      | 3.4          | 4.0          |
| Tomatoes .....   | .092                               | 317.679            | 303.012   | 7.9  | -4.6      | -2.4                                     | -1.6         | -11.9        |
| Other fresh vegetables .....   | .222                               | 306.291            | 300.857   | 3.6  | -1.8      | 1.6                                      | .7           | -4.2         |
| Processed fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....                       | .251                               | 142.832            | 145.180   | 12.0   | 1.6       | .7                                       | 1.8          | 2.1          |
| Canned fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....                          | .126                               | 144.812            | 148.225   | 16.1   | 2.4       | .8                                       | 3.1          | 3.4          |
| Canned fruits <sup>2 3</sup> .....                                       | -                                  | 137.331            | 140.561   | 11.7   | 2.4       | -2                                       | 1.5          | 3.0          |
| Canned vegetables <sup>2 3</sup> .....                                   | -                                  | 153.694            | 157.294   | 18.1   | 2.3       | 1.1                                      | 3.9          | 3.8          |
| Frozen fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....                          | .077                               | 137.948            | 138.540   | 5.4  | .4        | -.7                                      | .1           | .2           |
| Frozen vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | -                                  | 192.714            | 193.595   | 5.6  | .5        | -1.6                                     | -.6          | .5           |
| Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried <sup>3</sup> ..... | .048                               | 144.189            | 146.456   | 11.7   | 1.6       | 2.0                                      | 1.0          | 2.0          |
| Dried beans, peas, and lentils <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                    | -                                  | 164.981            | 167.994   | 23.3   | 1.8       | 1.6                                      | 1.5          | 1.8          |
| Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....                      | .928                               | 160.055            | 161.499   | 4.2  | .9        | .7                                       | .4           | .7           |
| Juices and nonalcoholic drinks <sup>3</sup> .....                        | .607                               | 122.060            | 124.381   | 4.2  | 1.9       | .9                                       | .1           | 1.6          |
| Carbonated drinks .....  | .292                               | 144.461            | 149.614   | 4.8  | 3.6       | .2                                       | -.4          | 3.2          |
| Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1 3</sup> .....              | .014                               | 143.631            | 146.553   | 3.2  | 2.0       | -.9                                      | -.3          | 2.0          |
| Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1 3</sup> .....           | .301                               | 117.717            | 118.018   | 4.1  | .3        | 1.3                                      | .4           | .3           |
| Beverage materials including coffee and tea <sup>3</sup> .....           | .321                               | 114.545            | 113.437   | 4.2  | -1.0      | .4                                       | .8           | -.7          |
| Coffee .....   | .115                               | 193.512            | 192.765   | 9.3  | -.4       | .6                                       | -.1          | 1.2          |
| Roasted coffee <sup>2</sup> .....  | -                                  | 198.256            | 196.864   | 8.7  | -.7       | 1.0                                      | .2           | .7           |
| Instant and freeze dried coffee <sup>1 2</sup> .....                     | -                                  | 208.545            | 211.184   | 12.7   | 1.3       | .5                                       | .3           | 1.3          |
| Other beverage materials including tea <sup>3</sup> .....                | .206                               | 123.777            | 122.144   | 1.3  | -1.3      | .2                                       | 1.4          | -1.7         |
| Other food at home .....   | 1.852                              | 186.991            | 187.944   | 7.9  | .5        | 1.0                                      | .7           | 1.1          |
| Sugar and sweets .....   | .277                               | 187.813            | 189.929   | 6.6  | 1.1       | .4                                       | .6           | 1.7          |
| Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....                                    | .048                               | 172.694            | 175.655   | 4.3  | 1.7       | .1                                       | 1.4          | 1.9          |
| Candy and chewing gum <sup>1 3</sup> .....                               | .178                               | 123.594            | 124.609   | 6.4  | .8        | 1.0                                      | -.2          | .8           |
| Other sweets <sup>3</sup> .....  | .052                               | 136.656            | 138.853   | 9.6  | 1.6       | 1.1                                      | .9           | 2.1          |
| Fats and oils .....  | .205                               | 203.059            | 206.274   | 18.5   | 1.6       | 2.4                                      | 1.1          | 1.7          |
| Butter and margarine <sup>3</sup> .....                                  | .057                               | 161.478            | 163.350   | 17.9   | 1.2       | 5.0                                      | .6           | 1.5          |
| Butter <sup>2</sup> .....  | -                                  | 182.347            | 182.672   | 4.0  | .2        | 3.0                                      | -.2          | -.1          |
| Margarine <sup>2</sup> .....   | -                                  | 241.342            | 247.643   | 30.9   | 2.6       | 5.3                                      | 1.3          | 3.4          |
| Salad dressing <sup>3</sup> .....  | .058                               | 119.469            | 123.220   | 11.1   | 3.1       | 1.8                                      | -.8          | 2.2          |
| Other fats and oils including peanut butter <sup>3</sup> .....           | .090                               | 150.370            | 151.814   | 23.8   | 1.0       | 1.3                                      | 2.1          | 1.1          |
| Peanut butter <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                                     | -                                  | 129.942            | 131.983   | 15.0   | 1.6       | -1.3                                     | 2.3          | 1.6          |
| Other foods .....  | 1.369                              | 200.961            | 201.388   | 6.5  | .2        | .9                                       | .6           | .8           |
| Soups .....  | .088                               | 232.460            | 226.564   | 3.6  | -2.5      | -.4                                      | .7           | .5           |
| Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods .....                             | .295                               | 165.658            | 167.558   | 6.4  | 1.1       | 1.0                                      | 1.2          | 1.2          |
| Snacks <sup>1</sup> .....  | .279                               | 204.829            | 203.600   | 9.9  | -.6       | .3                                       | 1.1          | -.6          |
| Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces .....                             | .236                               | 207.247            | 209.719   | 5.5  | 1.2       | -.8                                      | 1.9          | 1.2          |
| Salt and other seasonings and spices <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....              | -                                  | 119.600            | 119.281   | 2.2  | -.3       | -1.2                                     | .5           | -.3          |
| Olives, pickles, relishes <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                         | -                                  | 128.507            | 129.457   | -.3  | .7        | 1.0                                      | 2.0          | .7           |
| Sauces and gravies <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                                | -                                  | 117.519            | 121.959   | 8.9  | 3.8       | -1.6                                     | 1.9          | 3.8          |
| Other condiments <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                    | -                                  | 249.100            | 250.434   | 11.9   | .5        | 1.0                                      | 1.0          | .5           |
| Baby food <sup>1 3</sup> .....   | .068                               | 137.981            | 138.758   | 5.8  | .6        | .0                                       | -.9          | .6           |
| Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 3</sup> .....                           | .404                               | 121.033            | 121.144   | 5.7  | .1        | 1.7                                      | .4           | .1           |
| Prepared salads <sup>1 2 4</sup> .....                                   | -                                  | 103.750            | 104.057   | -  | .3        | 1.2                                      | .5           | .3           |
| Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....                                   | 6.173                              | 217.063            | 218.225   | 4.5  | .5        | .6                                       | .3           | .5           |
| Full service meals and snacks <sup>1 3</sup> .....                       | 3.027                              | 136.129            | 136.695   | 4.1  | .4        | .5                                       | .2           | .4           |
| Limited service meals and snacks <sup>1 3</sup> .....                    | 2.429                              | 137.887            | 138.668   | 5.1  | .6        | .8                                       | .4           | .6           |
| Food at employee sites and schools <sup>3</sup> .....                    | .287                               | 133.059            | 135.202   | 5.3  | 1.6       | .8                                       | 1.5          | .7           |
| Food at elementary and secondary schools <sup>1 2 5</sup> .....          | -                                  | 110.838            | 113.401   | 5.4  | 2.3       | .6                                       | 1.9          | 2.3          |
| Food from vending machines and mobile vendors <sup>1 3</sup> .....       | .133                               | 124.647            | 124.912   | 4.1  | .2        | .2                                       | .2           | .2           |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 3. Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and Group  | Relative importance, December 2007 | Unadjusted indexes |           | Unadjusted percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |           | Seasonally adjusted percent change from— |              |              |
|---|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|-----------|--|--------------|--------------|
|   |                                    | Aug. 2008          | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                    | Aug. 2008 | June to July                             | July to Aug. | Aug. to Sep. |
| Expenditure category  |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| Other food away from home <sup>1 3</sup> .....                            | .297                               | 151.133            | 152.040   | 3.6  | 0.6       | 0.8                                      | 0.0          | 0.6          |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 1.080                              | 215.094            | 216.055   | 3.7  | .4        | .4                                       | .4           | .5           |
| Alcoholic beverages at home .....   | .609                               | 184.887            | 186.006   | 3.4  | .6        | .8                                       | .3           | .7           |
| Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home .....                         | .306                               | 188.939            | 189.702   | 2.7  | .4        | .8                                       | .0           | .6           |
| Distilled spirits at home .....   | .074                               | 186.119            | 187.323   | 3.8  | .6        | .4                                       | .8           | .6           |
| Whiskey at home <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                      | -                                  | 188.778            | 189.077   | 2.0  | .2        | .4                                       | .1           | .2           |
| Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home <sup>2</sup> .....          | -                                  | 182.485            | 184.695   | 3.7  | 1.2       | -.1                                      | 1.0          | 1.2          |
| Wine at home .....  | .229                               | 169.998            | 171.452   | 4.1  | .9        | .3                                       | .6           | .7           |
| Alcoholic beverages away from home .....                                  | .472                               | 279.237            | 279.916   | 4.2  | .2        | .0                                       | .6           | .4           |
| Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home <sup>1 2 3</sup> ..... | -                                  | 140.893            | 141.349   | 4.2  | .3        | .2                                       | .3           | .3           |
| Wine away from home .....   | -                                  | 152.915            | 152.978   | 4.1  | .0        | .3                                       | .8           | .0           |
| Distilled spirits away from home <sup>2 3</sup> .....                     | -                                  | 148.396            | 148.513   | 3.9  | .1        | -.5                                      | .1           | .2           |
| Housing .....   | 42.427                             | 219.148            | 218.184   | 3.5  | -.4       | .6                                       | -.1          | -.1          |
| Shelter .....   | 32.596                             | 247.985            | 247.737   | 2.4  | -.1       | .2                                       | .1           | .3           |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>6</sup> .....                              | 5.765                              | 244.181            | 244.926   | 3.8  | .3        | .3                                       | .3           | .3           |
| Lodging away from home <sup>3</sup> .....                                 | 2.564                              | 149.146            | 143.597   | -.6  | -3.7      | .7                                       | -1.1         | .9           |
| Housing at school, excluding board <sup>6 7</sup> .....                   | .148                               | 392.756            | 397.758   | 4.5  | 1.3       | .4                                       | .5           | .0           |
| Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels .....            | 2.416                              | 312.945            | 300.422   | -.9  | -4.0      | .7                                       | -1.2         | 1.0          |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>6 7</sup> .....         | 23.942                             | 252.957            | 253.493   | 2.4  | .2        | .1                                       | .1           | .2           |
| Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 3</sup> .....                     | .325                               | 118.562            | 119.944   | 2.7  | 1.2       | -.3                                      | -.2          | 1.2          |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 5.128                              | 235.650            | 228.450   | 11.8   | -3.1      | 3.3                                      | -1.1         | -2.8         |
| Household energy .....  | 4.215                              | 217.455            | 209.501   | 13.1   | -3.7      | 3.8                                      | -1.6         | -3.4         |
| Fuel oil and other fuels .....  | .351                               | 367.794            | 349.164   | 38.2   | -5.1      | 1.3                                      | -6.5         | -5.8         |
| Fuel oil .....  | .239                               | 408.493            | 381.707   | 44.0   | -6.6      | -.2                                      | -9.6         | -7.8         |
| Propane, kerosene, and firewood <sup>8</sup> .....                        | .113                               | 363.396            | 358.096   | 26.1   | -1.5      | 4.0                                      | -1.2         | -1.6         |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>6</sup> .....                            | 3.864                              | 218.656            | 210.950   | 10.9   | -3.5      | 4.0                                      | -1.1         | -3.2         |
| Electricity <sup>6</sup> .....  | 2.766                              | 200.795            | 198.579   | 7.7  | -1.1      | 2.5                                      | 1.2          | -.9          |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>6</sup> .....                            | 1.098                              | 272.982            | 247.788   | 19.0   | -9.2      | 7.4                                      | -5.8         | -8.3         |
| Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>3</sup> .....          | .913                               | 154.134            | 154.264   | 6.2  | .1        | .7                                       | 1.3          | .3           |
| Water and sewerage maintenance <sup>6</sup> .....                         | .660                               | 335.915            | 336.067   | 6.2  | .0        | .6                                       | 1.5          | .3           |
| Garbage and trash collection <sup>1 9</sup> .....                         | .253                               | 368.960            | 369.651   | 6.2  | .2        | .8                                       | .8           | .2           |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                                | 4.702                              | 128.013            | 128.584   | 1.9  | .4        | .4                                       | .2           | .5           |
| Window and floor coverings and other linens <sup>3</sup> .....            | .357                               | 77.760             | 77.940    | -2.5   | .2        | -.6                                      | .3           | -.6          |
| Floor coverings <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                      | .048                               | 119.480            | 119.222   | .1   | -.2       | 1.4                                      | 1.5          | -.2          |
| Window coverings <sup>3</sup> .....                                       | .112                               | 84.569             | 85.510    | .5   | 1.1       | .1                                       | 1.8          | .3           |
| Other linens <sup>1 3</sup> .....   | .198                               | 65.579             | 65.470    | -4.8   | -.2       | -1.5                                     | -1.0         | -.2          |
| Furniture and bedding <sup>1</sup> .....                                  | 1.036                              | 124.775            | 125.501   | .3   | .6        | .5                                       | .1           | .6           |
| Bedroom furniture <sup>1</sup> .....                                      | .338                               | 144.229            | 146.783   | .9   | 1.8       | .6                                       | .3           | 1.8          |
| Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture <sup>1 3</sup> .....      | .505                               | 90.680             | 90.955    | -.2  | .3        | 1.1                                      | .0           | .3           |
| Other furniture <sup>3</sup> .....  | .186                               | 88.021             | 87.302    | .7   | -.8       | -.5                                      | 1.2          | .1           |
| Infants' furniture <sup>1 2 5</sup> .....                                 | -                                  | NA                 | NA        | -  | -         | -  | -            | -            |
| Appliances <sup>1 3</sup> .....   | .357                               | 90.446             | 90.039    | .1   | -.4       | .2                                       | .2           | -.4          |
| Major appliances <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                     | .219                               | 102.474            | 102.311   | 1.9  | -.2       | -.1                                      | .7           | -.2          |
| Laundry equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                    | -                                  | 118.059            | 117.958   | 1.6  | -.1       | -.5                                      | .2           | -.1          |
| Other appliances <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                     | .133                               | 75.195             | 74.485    | -2.8   | -.9       | .8                                       | -.6          | -.9          |
| Other household equipment and furnishings <sup>3</sup> .....              | .621                               | 75.363             | 75.451    | .0   | .1        | -.3                                      | -.2          | .7           |
| Clocks, lamps, and decorator items <sup>1</sup> .....                     | .349                               | 69.753             | 69.511    | -2.6   | -.3       | -.5                                      | -.7          | -.3          |
| Indoor plants and flowers <sup>10</sup> .....                             | .104                               | 127.455            | 128.217   | 4.3  | .6        | -.6                                      | .7           | .7           |
| Dishes and flatware <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                  | .074                               | 72.525             | 74.199    | 3.2  | 2.3       | -1.4                                     | .2           | 2.3          |
| Nonelectric cookware and tableware <sup>3</sup> .....                     | .094                               | 95.762             | 95.345    | 2.0  | -.4       | -.3                                      | -.5          | -.4          |
| Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>3</sup> .....        | .728                               | 93.398             | 93.360    | -.5  | .0        | 1.0                                      | .0           | .2           |
| Tools, hardware and supplies <sup>1 3</sup> .....                         | .211                               | 98.650             | 99.092    | -.2  | .4        | .8                                       | .2           | .4           |
| Outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>3</sup> .....                         | .350                               | 90.722             | 90.391    | -.7  | -.4       | 1.1                                      | -.1          | -.1          |
| Housekeeping supplies <sup>1</sup> .....                                  | .867                               | 176.508            | 178.534   | 5.4  | 1.1       | .3                                       | .2           | 1.1          |
| Household cleaning products <sup>1 3</sup> .....                          | .351                               | 115.800            | 116.922   | 4.7  | 1.0       | .0                                       | .3           | 1.0          |
| Household paper products <sup>1 3</sup> .....                             | .223                               | 146.761            | 149.909   | 10.1   | 2.1       | .6                                       | .0           | 2.1          |
| Miscellaneous household products <sup>1 3</sup> .....                     | .292                               | 116.401            | 117.076   | 2.6  | .6        | .5                                       | .1           | .6           |
| Household operations <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                 | .737                               | 149.169            | 150.193   | 6.7  | .7        | .2                                       | .6           | .7           |
| Domestic services <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                    | .248                               | 143.256            | 143.895   | 4.3  | .4        | .1                                       | .3           | .4           |
| Gardening and lawn care services <sup>1 3</sup> .....                     | .246                               | 153.519            | 155.693   | 10.7   | 1.4       | .2                                       | .9           | 1.4          |
| Moving, storage, freight expense <sup>3</sup> .....                       | .080                               | 133.088            | 132.360   | .9   | -.5       | 1.5                                      | -.2          | -.2          |

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**Table 3. Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and Group  | Relative importance, December 2007 | Unadjusted indexes |           | Unadjusted percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |           | Seasonally adjusted percent change from— |              |              |
|---|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|-----------|--|--------------|--------------|
|   |                                    | Aug. 2008          | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                    | Aug. 2008 | June to July                             | July to Aug. | Aug. to Sep. |
| Expenditure category  |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| Repair of household items <sup>1 3</sup> .....                              | .078                               | 170.536            | 171.239   | 6.8  | 0.4       | -1.1                                     | 1.0          | 0.4          |
| Apparel .....   | 3.731                              | 116.376            | 121.168   | 1.4  | 4.1       | 1.2                                      | .5           | -.1          |
| Men's and boys' apparel .....   | .935                               | 110.180            | 112.720   | .3   | 2.3       | .0                                       | .3           | -.3          |
| Men's apparel .....   | .739                               | 116.601            | 118.664   | .8   | 1.8       | -.5                                      | .9           | -.4          |
| Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear .....                               | .148                               | 118.972            | 124.357   | 1.3  | 4.5       | -.5                                      | -1.9         | 2.4          |
| Men's furnishings .....   | .183                               | 131.395            | 132.256   | 3.2  | .7        | -.6                                      | -.7          | 1.1          |
| Men's shirts and sweaters <sup>3</sup> .....                                | .224                               | 77.788             | 80.336    | -3.1   | 3.3       | 1.1                                      | 1.3          | -1.7         |
| Men's pants and shorts .....  | .175                               | 112.832            | 111.666   | 2.5  | -1.0      | -.8                                      | 4.0          | -2.1         |
| Boys' apparel .....   | .196                               | 87.384             | 91.324    | -1.8   | 4.5       | .5                                       | -.7          | -.8          |
| Women's and girls' apparel .....  | 1.600                              | 104.211            | 111.774   | .7   | 7.3       | 2.0                                      | 2.0          | -.3          |
| Women's apparel .....   | 1.329                              | 105.917            | 113.757   | .3   | 7.4       | 2.1                                      | 1.9          | -.3          |
| Women's outerwear .....   | .122                               | 90.243             | 105.723   | 2.7  | 17.2      | 2.8                                      | 2.9          | 2.8          |
| Women's dresses .....   | .105                               | 108.625            | 122.557   | .8   | 12.8      | 5.5                                      | -.1          | .9           |
| Women's suits and separates <sup>3</sup> .....                              | .739                               | 82.928             | 89.198    | -.2  | 7.6       | 1.8                                      | 3.0          | -1.5         |
| Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories <sup>3</sup> ..... | .349                               | 87.856             | 89.899    | .6   | 2.3       | 1.0                                      | -.3          | 2.2          |
| Girls' apparel .....  | .271                               | 95.752             | 101.997   | 3.8  | 6.5       | 1.8                                      | 2.8          | -.4          |
| Footwear .....  | .679                               | 121.982            | 124.907   | 1.4  | 2.4       | 1.3                                      | -1.6         | -.4          |
| Men's footwear <sup>1</sup> .....   | .216                               | 122.126            | 122.776   | 1.1  | .5        | -.9                                      | .0           | .5           |
| Boys' and girls' footwear .....   | .144                               | 124.655            | 128.720   | 2.0  | 3.3       | .6                                       | -.5          | -.8          |
| Women's footwear .....  | .319                               | 119.788            | 123.738   | 1.3  | 3.3       | 2.3                                      | -3.0         | -.8          |
| Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....  | .185                               | 109.558            | 113.494   | -.1  | 3.6       | -.3                                      | -.8          | 1.3          |
| Jewelry and watches <sup>8</sup> .....                                      | .333                               | 150.692            | 149.397   | 8.2  | -.9       | 1.9                                      | -1.0         | 1.0          |
| Watches <sup>8</sup> .....  | .045                               | 117.405            | 117.229   | .8   | -.1       | 1.2                                      | -.1          | -.2          |
| Jewelry <sup>8</sup> .....  | .288                               | 158.646            | 157.125   | 9.3  | -1.0      | 1.9                                      | -1.2         | 1.2          |
| Transportation .....  | 17.688                             | 206.739            | 203.861   | 10.5   | -1.4      | 1.7                                      | -1.5         | -.6          |
| Private transportation .....  | 16.583                             | 201.779            | 199.153   | 10.3   | -1.3      | 1.7                                      | -1.6         | -.6          |
| New and used motor vehicles <sup>3</sup> .....                              | 7.191                              | 93.260             | 92.480    | -1.6   | -.8       | .2                                       | -.4          | -.9          |
| New vehicles .....  | 4.632                              | 133.404            | 132.399   | -1.9   | -.8       | .2                                       | -.6          | -.7          |
| New cars and trucks <sup>2 3</sup> .....                                    | -                                  | 92.448             | 91.748    | -1.9   | -.8       | .2                                       | -.5          | -.8          |
| New cars <sup>2</sup> .....   | -                                  | 135.481            | 134.994   | .3   | -.4       | .7                                       | .0           | -.4          |
| New trucks <sup>2 9</sup> .....   | -                                  | 135.194            | 133.674   | -4.0   | -1.1      | -.3                                      | -1.2         | -1.0         |
| Used cars and trucks <sup>1</sup> .....                                     | 1.773                              | 135.405            | 132.916   | -3.1   | -1.8      | -.1                                      | -.3          | -1.8         |
| Leased cars and trucks <sup>11</sup> .....                                  | .610                               | 94.926             | 97.206    | 4.1  | 2.4       | .4                                       | 1.0          | 1.6          |
| Car and truck rental <sup>3</sup> .....                                     | .082                               | 126.516            | 116.837   | .8   | -7.7      | -.5                                      | -1.8         | -4.9         |
| Motor fuel .....  | 5.482                              | 323.822            | 315.078   | 31.8   | -2.7      | 4.1                                      | -4.2         | -.8          |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 5.215                              | 321.511            | 313.535   | 31.7   | -2.5      | 4.1                                      | -4.2         | -.6          |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>2</sup> .....                               | -                                  | 322.373            | 314.138   | 31.8   | -2.6      | 4.2                                      | -4.3         | -.6          |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>2 12</sup> .....                           | -                                  | 326.985            | 319.803   | 31.9   | -2.2      | 4.0                                      | -4.1         | -.2          |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>2</sup> .....                               | -                                  | 306.658            | 299.084   | 30.5   | -2.5      | 3.8                                      | -4.0         | -.6          |
| Other motor fuels <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                      | .268                               | 323.451            | 301.418   | 38.8   | -6.8      | .2                                       | -6.8         | -6.8         |
| Motor vehicle parts and equipment <sup>1</sup> .....                        | .356                               | 130.327            | 131.048   | 7.2  | .6        | 1.0                                      | .9           | .6           |
| Tires <sup>1</sup> .....  | .217                               | 118.533            | 119.195   | 6.2  | .6        | 1.2                                      | .6           | .6           |
| Vehicle accessories other than tires <sup>1 3</sup> .....                   | .139                               | 140.087            | 140.850   | 8.6  | .5        | .7                                       | 1.4          | .5           |
| Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires <sup>1 2</sup> .....           | -                                  | 135.951            | 136.710   | 6.2  | .6        | .3                                       | 1.0          | .6           |
| Motor oil, coolant, and fluids <sup>1 2</sup> .....                         | -                                  | 275.952            | 276.947   | 19.0   | .4        | 2.7                                      | 2.9          | .4           |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....                                  | 1.123                              | 236.125            | 237.121   | 5.7  | .4        | .6                                       | .6           | .4           |
| Motor vehicle body work <sup>1</sup> .....                                  | .068                               | 240.521            | 242.432   | 4.2  | .8        | .2                                       | .9           | .8           |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing <sup>1</sup> .....                  | .435                               | 215.097            | 216.342   | 6.6  | .6        | .7                                       | .8           | .6           |
| Motor vehicle repair <sup>3</sup> .....                                     | .595                               | 145.311            | 145.696   | 5.2  | .3        | .7                                       | .6           | .0           |
| Motor vehicle insurance .....   | 1.966                              | 341.864            | 342.528   | 3.1  | .2        | .3                                       | .7           | .3           |
| Motor vehicle fees <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                     | .465                               | 146.852            | 146.860   | 3.4  | .0        | .1                                       | .7           | .0           |
| State and local registration and license <sup>1 3 6</sup> .....             | .284                               | 142.758            | 142.752   | 2.5  | .0        | .2                                       | .6           | .0           |
| Parking and other fees <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                 | .166                               | 154.326            | 154.357   | 4.9  | .0        | -.1                                      | .9           | .0           |
| Parking fees and tolls <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                               | -                                  | 161.483            | 161.678   | 6.6  | .1        | .1                                       | .4           | .1           |
| Automobile service clubs <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                             | -                                  | 121.097            | 121.694   | .9   | .5        | -.1                                      | 1.8          | .5           |
| Public transportation .....   | 1.106                              | 268.487            | 261.318   | 13.3   | -2.7      | 1.1                                      | 1.1          | -1.0         |
| Airline fare .....  | .721                               | 308.309            | 297.228   | 17.5   | -3.6      | 1.3                                      | 1.6          | -1.7         |
| Other intercity transportation <sup>1</sup> .....                           | .167                               | 165.322            | 161.642   | 5.6  | -2.2      | 3.2                                      | .3           | -2.2         |
| Intercity bus fare <sup>1 2 4</sup> .....                                   | -                                  | 102.341            | 101.798   | -  | -.5       | .7                                       | 2.1          | -.5          |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 3. Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and Group   | Relative importance, December 2007 | Unadjusted indexes |           | Unadjusted percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |           | Seasonally adjusted percent change from— |              |              |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|-----------|--|--------------|--------------|
|  |                                    | Aug. 2008          | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                    | Aug. 2008 | June to July                             | July to Aug. | Aug. to Sep. |
| Expenditure category   |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| Intercity train fare <sup>1 2 4</sup> .....                                      | -                                  | 121.494            | 114.422   | -  | -5.8      | 10.2                                     | 2.0          | -5.8         |
| Ship fare <sup>2 3</sup> .....   | -                                  | 70.101             | 69.976    | -0.9   | -.2       | -.6                                      | -.3          | .7           |
| Intracity transportation <sup>1</sup> .....                                      | .211                               | 241.428            | 242.930   | 5.0  | .6        | .7                                       | .3           | .6           |
| Medical care .....   | 6.231                              | 364.477            | 365.036   | 3.2  | .2        | .1                                       | .2           | .3           |
| Medical care commodities .....   | 1.601                              | 295.003            | 295.461   | 1.4  | .2        | -.2                                      | .1           | .2           |
| Prescription drugs .....   | 1.236                              | 376.385            | 377.094   | 1.7  | .2        | -.2                                      | -.1          | .3           |
| Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies <sup>1 8</sup> .....                  | .365                               | 158.529            | 158.598   | .8   | .0        | -.1                                      | .7           | .0           |
| Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs <sup>1</sup> .....               | .252                               | 189.724            | 189.332   | 1.2  | -.2       | -.3                                      | .9           | -.2          |
| Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....                | .113                               | 184.285            | 185.426   | -.3  | .6        | .5                                       | .2           | .6           |
| Medical care services .....  | 4.630                              | 385.990            | 386.579   | 3.8  | .2        | .2                                       | .3           | .4           |
| Professional services .....  | 2.626                              | 312.396            | 312.527   | 3.3  | .0        | .2                                       | .3           | .2           |
| Physicians' services <sup>6</sup> .....  | 1.326                              | 312.788            | 313.592   | 3.0  | .3        | .1                                       | .6           | .5           |
| Dental services <sup>6</sup> .....   | .727                               | 379.075            | 380.001   | 4.7  | .2        | .3                                       | .4           | .4           |
| Eyeglasses and eye care <sup>1 8</sup> .....                                     | .243                               | 173.321            | 170.234   | -.5  | -1.8      | -.3                                      | -1.2         | -1.8         |
| Services by other medical professionals <sup>6 8</sup> .....                     | .330                               | 207.171            | 207.259   | 4.8  | .0        | .9                                       | -.3          | .2           |
| Hospital and related services <sup>6</sup> .....                                 | 1.467                              | 535.501            | 537.728   | 6.6  | .4        | .3                                       | .6           | .6           |
| Hospital services <sup>6 13</sup> .....  | 1.264                              | 197.786            | 198.693   | 7.1  | .5        | .3                                       | .7           | .6           |
| Inpatient hospital services <sup>2 6 13</sup> .....                              | -                                  | 191.212            | 192.091   | 6.8  | .5        | .3                                       | .5           | .7           |
| Outpatient hospital services <sup>1 2 6 8</sup> .....                            | -                                  | 458.660            | 460.508   | 7.1  | .4        | .5                                       | .6           | .4           |
| Nursing homes and adult day services <sup>6 13</sup> .....                       | .128                               | 165.693            | 166.007   | 3.0  | .2        | .2                                       | .1           | .3           |
| Care of invalids and elderly at home <sup>1 4</sup> .....                        | .075                               | 108.080            | 108.152   | 4.7  | .1        | .2                                       | .1           | .1           |
| Health insurance <sup>1 5</sup> .....  | .537                               | 113.392            | 113.343   | -2.3   | .0        | -.5                                      | -.4          | .0           |
| Recreation <sup>3</sup> .....  | 5.647                              | 113.786            | 114.032   | 2.4  | .2        | .4                                       | .5           | .2           |
| Video and audio <sup>3</sup> .....   | 1.843                              | 102.546            | 102.706   | -.1  | .2        | .0                                       | .5           | .1           |
| Televisions .....  | .167                               | 13.766             | 13.438    | -15.7  | -2.4      | -1.6                                     | -.4          | -2.4         |
| Cable and satellite television and radio service <sup>9</sup> .....              | 1.187                              | 361.771            | 362.824   | 2.6  | .3        | .3                                       | .8           | .2           |
| Other video equipment <sup>3</sup> .....   | .035                               | 19.887             | 19.872    | -12.1  | -.1       | -3.5                                     | -1.1         | .0           |
| Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental <sup>1 3</sup> .....    | .163                               | 75.582             | 76.711    | 1.5  | 1.5       | .2                                       | -1.7         | 1.5          |
| Video cassettes and discs, blank and prerecorded <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....          | -                                  | 61.217             | 61.295    | -4.5   | .1        | 1.7                                      | -2.2         | .1           |
| Rental of video tapes and discs <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                           | -                                  | 95.008             | 96.771    | 4.4  | 1.9       | -.7                                      | -.7          | 1.9          |
| Audio equipment <sup>1</sup> .....   | .109                               | 51.108             | 51.532    | -3.0   | .8        | .1                                       | .5           | .8           |
| Audio discs, tapes and other media <sup>1 3</sup> .....                          | .082                               | 104.267            | 103.824   | -2.6   | -.4       | .3                                       | 1.6          | -.4          |
| Pets, pet products and services <sup>3</sup> .....                               | .722                               | 147.300            | 148.630   | 9.5  | .9        | 1.7                                      | 1.3          | 1.0          |
| Pets and pet products .....  | .424                               | 185.963            | 188.477   | 11.6   | 1.4       | 2.4                                      | 1.6          | 1.5          |
| Pet food <sup>2 3</sup> .....  | -                                  | 135.863            | 138.135   | 14.1   | 1.7       | 2.4                                      | 1.8          | 1.8          |
| Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories <sup>2 3</sup> .....                 | -                                  | 117.371            | 117.828   | 2.8  | .4        | 1.8                                      | .9           | .8           |
| Pet services including veterinary <sup>3</sup> .....                             | .298                               | 178.664            | 179.099   | 6.6  | .2        | .6                                       | .9           | .4           |
| Pet services <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....  | -                                  | 152.671            | 153.090   | 6.8  | .3        | .3                                       | .4           | .3           |
| Veterinarian services <sup>2 3</sup> .....                                       | -                                  | 184.229            | 184.765   | 7.0  | .3        | 1.0                                      | 1.0          | .4           |
| Sporting goods <sup>1</sup> .....  | .586                               | 118.550            | 118.812   | 2.7  | .2        | .7                                       | -.7          | .2           |
| Sports vehicles including bicycles .....   | .321                               | 138.835            | 139.459   | 1.3  | .4        | .1                                       | -.4          | .9           |
| Sports equipment <sup>1</sup> .....  | .255                               | 99.172             | 99.147    | 4.3  | .0        | .7                                       | -.8          | .0           |
| Photography <sup>1 3</sup> .....   | .164                               | 80.744             | 81.357    | -1.9   | .8        | -.2                                      | .2           | .8           |
| Photographic equipment and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....                           | .077                               | 76.407             | 77.305    | -5.7   | 1.2       | -.4                                      | .6           | 1.2          |
| Film and photographic supplies <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                            | -                                  | 86.669             | 88.516    | 1.6  | 2.1       | .1                                       | -.6          | 2.1          |
| Photographic equipment <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                                    | -                                  | 36.717             | 36.818    | -10.8  | .3        | -.6                                      | 1.2          | .3           |
| Photographers and film processing <sup>1 3</sup> .....                           | .085                               | 107.064            | 107.491   | 1.6  | .4        | -.1                                      | .0           | .4           |
| Photographer fees <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....   | -                                  | 117.942            | 117.673   | 1.5  | -.2       | -.2                                      | .4           | -.2          |
| Film processing <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....   | -                                  | 100.204            | 100.975   | 1.6  | .8        | .0                                       | -.1          | .8           |
| Other recreational goods <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | .370                               | 62.006             | 62.121    | -1.9   | .2        | -.4                                      | .2           | .2           |
| Toys <sup>1</sup> .....  | .245                               | 66.369             | 66.536    | -3.8   | .3        | -1.3                                     | .4           | .3           |
| Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....             | -                                  | 65.913             | 66.466    | -1.8   | .8        | -1.3                                     | .0           | .8           |
| Sewing machines, fabric and supplies <sup>3</sup> .....                          | .062                               | 90.278             | 90.329    | 3.1  | .1        | 2.6                                      | -.4          | .4           |
| Music instruments and accessories <sup>1 3</sup> .....                           | .043                               | 96.560             | 96.490    | 1.3  | -.1       | .4                                       | .3           | -.1          |
| Recreation services <sup>3</sup> .....   | 1.697                              | 143.877            | 143.745   | 3.1  | -.1       | .5                                       | .7           | -.1          |
| Club dues and fees for participant sports and group exercises <sup>3</sup> ..... | .555                               | 126.632            | 126.061   | 1.8  | -.5       | .3                                       | .2           | -.6          |
| Admissions .....   | .653                               | 314.812            | 315.513   | 4.1  | .2        | .8                                       | 1.3          | .4           |
| Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts <sup>2 3</sup> .....                 | -                                  | 151.822            | 152.102   | 3.6  | .2        | .8                                       | 1.2          | .3           |
| Admission to sporting events <sup>2 3</sup> .....                                | -                                  | 171.051            | 171.939   | 7.2  | .5        | .1                                       | 1.7          | .7           |

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**Table 3. Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and Group   | Relative importance, December 2007 | Unadjusted indexes |           | Unadjusted percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |           | Seasonally adjusted percent change from— |              |              |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|-----------|--|--------------|--------------|
|  |                                    | Aug. 2008          | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                    | Aug. 2008 | June to July                             | July to Aug. | Aug. to Sep. |
| Expenditure category   |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>8</sup> .....  | .231                               | 255.403            | 254.904   | 3.1  | -0.2      | 0.2                                      | 0.6          | -0.5         |
| Recreational reading materials <sup>1</sup> .....  | .265                               | 213.042            | 213.733   | 3.0  | .3        | -.4                                      | 1.1          | .3           |
| Newspapers and magazines <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | .144                               | 126.609            | 126.989   | 3.0  | .3        | .0                                       | 1.9          | .3           |
| Recreational books <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | .121                               | 105.858            | 106.233   | 3.2  | .4        | -.9                                      | .2           | .4           |
| Education and communication <sup>3</sup> .....   | 6.086                              | 124.653            | 125.505   | 3.5  | .7        | .5                                       | .2           | .1           |
| Education <sup>3</sup> .....   | 2.944                              | 183.184            | 186.148   | 6.1  | 1.6       | .5                                       | .6           | .4           |
| Educational books and supplies .....   | .207                               | 458.989            | 462.787   | 7.6  | .8        | .8                                       | 2.6          | .4           |
| College textbooks <sup>1 2 11</sup> .....  | -                                  | 152.081            | 153.533   | 8.2  | 1.0       | .3                                       | 3.4          | 1.0          |
| Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....  | 2.736                              | 527.230            | 536.082   | 6.0  | 1.7       | .4                                       | .5           | .4           |
| College tuition and fees .....   | 1.373                              | 579.448            | 589.815   | 6.7  | 1.8       | .6                                       | .3           | .3           |
| Elementary and high school tuition and fees .....  | .402                               | 578.361            | 587.529   | 6.2  | 1.6       | .4                                       | .5           | .6           |
| Child care and nursery school <sup>10</sup> .....  | .781                               | 225.235            | 228.961   | 4.6  | 1.7       | .3                                       | .9           | .2           |
| Technical and business school tuition and fees <sup>3</sup> .....                          | .071                               | 188.821            | 189.501   | 4.9  | .4        | .3                                       | .4           | .2           |
| Communication <sup>3</sup> .....   | 3.142                              | 84.701             | 84.524    | 1.0  | -.2       | .5                                       | -.2          | -.2          |
| Postage and delivery services <sup>3</sup> .....   | .166                               | 137.341            | 137.363   | 4.1  | .0        | .1                                       | .2           | .0           |
| Postage <sup>1</sup> .....   | .156                               | 215.400            | 215.400   | 3.1  | .0        | .0                                       | .0           | .0           |
| Delivery services <sup>3</sup> .....   | .010                               | 222.169            | 222.674   | 19.4   | .2        | 1.4                                      | 2.7          | .5           |
| Information and information processing <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                | 2.975                              | 81.815             | 81.635    | .8   | -.2       | .6                                       | -.2          | -.2          |
| Telephone services <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | 2.342                              | 101.301            | 101.311   | 2.5  | .0        | .7                                       | .0           | .0           |
| Land-line telephone services, local charges <sup>1 6</sup> .....                           | .789                               | 231.704            | 231.896   | 3.3  | .1        | 1.0                                      | -.3          | .1           |
| Land-line telephone services, long distance charges <sup>1 3</sup> .....                   | .506                               | 76.804             | 76.741    | 6.3  | -.1       | 1.4                                      | .3           | -.1          |
| Land-line interstate toll calls <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                       | -                                  | 54.779             | 54.721    | 5.9  | -.1       | 1.2                                      | .1           | -.1          |
| Land-line intrastate toll calls <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                       | -                                  | 83.365             | 83.316    | 8.6  | -.1       | 2.1                                      | .5           | -.1          |
| Wireless telephone services <sup>1 3</sup> .....   | 1.047                              | 64.270             | 64.270    | -.1  | .0        | .0                                       | .0           | .0           |
| Information technology, hardware and services <sup>1 14</sup> .....                        | .634                               | 10.012             | 9.901     | -5.5   | -1.1      | .2                                       | -.7          | -1.1         |
| Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 4</sup> .....                           | .242                               | 92.921             | 90.797    | -14.2  | -2.3      | -1.0                                     | -1.9         | -2.3         |
| Computer software and accessories <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                     | .040                               | 50.447             | 50.150    | -2.8   | -.6       | -.1                                      | -.1          | -.6          |
| Internet services and electronic information providers <sup>1 3</sup> .....                | .282                               | 74.269             | 74.144    | 1.2  | -.2       | 1.0                                      | .0           | -.2          |
| Telephone hardware, calculators, and other consumer information items <sup>1 3</sup> ..... | .061                               | 37.379             | 36.804    | -3.6   | -1.5      | 1.0                                      | -.3          | -1.5         |
| Other goods and services .....   | 3.277                              | 346.990            | 348.166   | 4.0  | .3        | .4                                       | .2           | .2           |
| Tobacco and smoking products <sup>1</sup> .....  | .731                               | 597.361            | 597.581   | 6.8  | .0        | 1.2                                      | .1           | .0           |
| Cigarettes <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | .684                               | 242.561            | 242.717   | 6.9  | .1        | 1.2                                      | .1           | .1           |
| Tobacco products other than cigarettes <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                | .042                               | 170.460            | 169.732   | 5.0  | -.4       | 1.3                                      | -.6          | -.4          |
| Personal care .....  | 2.546                              | 201.623            | 202.486   | 3.2  | .4        | .1                                       | .3           | .3           |
| Personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....  | .639                               | 159.252            | 159.643   | 1.3  | .2        | .1                                       | .2           | .2           |
| Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products <sup>1 3</sup> .....       | .324                               | 104.703            | 104.349   | .8   | -.3       | .5                                       | .5           | -.3          |
| Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements <sup>1</sup> .....              | .310                               | 177.227            | 178.753   | 1.7  | .9        | -.3                                      | -.2          | .9           |
| Personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....  | .629                               | 224.151            | 224.614   | 3.2  | .2        | .1                                       | .2           | .2           |
| Haircuts and other personal care services <sup>1 3</sup> .....                             | .629                               | 136.769            | 137.051   | 3.2  | .2        | .1                                       | .2           | .2           |
| Miscellaneous personal services .....  | 1.044                              | 341.053            | 343.431   | 4.8  | .7        | .1                                       | .4           | .5           |
| Legal services <sup>8</sup> .....  | .297                               | 272.776            | 272.583   | 3.8  | -.1       | .2                                       | .3           | .0           |
| Funeral expenses <sup>8</sup> .....  | .176                               | 267.063            | 268.252   | 5.3  | .4        | .4                                       | .5           | .6           |
| Laundry and dry cleaning services <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                     | .253                               | 136.785            | 137.177   | 5.0  | .3        | .6                                       | .4           | .3           |
| Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning <sup>1 3</sup> .....                  | .031                               | 147.584            | 147.898   | 7.2  | .2        | 1.0                                      | .4           | .2           |
| Financial services <sup>1 8</sup> .....  | .192                               | 273.058            | 281.226   | 3.7  | 3.0       | -2.5                                     | .0           | 3.0          |
| Checking account and other bank services <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                            | -                                  | 129.857            | 131.633   | 1.8  | 1.4       | -1.0                                     | -.4          | 1.4          |
| Tax return preparation and other accounting fees <sup>2 3</sup> .....                      | -                                  | 165.542            | 171.094   | 5.6  | 3.4       | -1.9                                     | .3           | 2.7          |
| Miscellaneous personal goods <sup>3</sup> .....  | .234                               | 87.128             | 87.388    | 1.7  | .3        | .6                                       | -.3          | .0           |
| Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap <sup>2</sup> .....                              | -                                  | 152.769            | 153.111   | 1.4  | .2        | 1.1                                      | .3           | .2           |
| Infants' equipment <sup>1 2 5</sup> .....  | -                                  | 96.190             | 98.170    | 3.4  | 2.1       | -1.2                                     | -.5          | 2.1          |
| Special aggregate indexes  |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| Commodities .....  | 41.269                             | 179.148            | 179.117   | 6.6  | .0        | 1.2                                      | -.5          | -.1          |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....  | 26.356                             | 158.179            | 157.621   | 7.0  | -.4       | 1.3                                      | -1.1         | -.5          |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....  | 15.519                             | 207.284            | 206.919   | 13.1   | -.2       | 1.2                                      | -1.8         | -.9          |
| Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....  | 11.787                             | 268.740            | 265.100   | 17.0   | -1.4      | 2.2                                      | -2.0         | -1.4         |
| Durables .....   | 10.837                             | 110.779            | 110.077   | -1.5   | -.6       | .2                                       | -.3          | -.6          |
| Services .....   | 58.731                             | 258.638            | 258.059   | 3.8  | -.2       | .5                                       | .1           | .0           |
| Rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....   | 32.271                             | 258.547            | 258.255   | 2.4  | -.1       | .2                                       | .1           | .3           |
| Transportation services .....  | 5.350                              | 248.806            | 248.047   | 5.9  | -.3       | .5                                       | .8           | .1           |
| Other services .....   | 10.641                             | 297.923            | 299.598   | 3.9  | .6        | .4                                       | .4           | .2           |
| All items less food .....  | 86.167                             | 219.552            | 218.991   | 4.7  | -.3       | .8                                       | -.3          | -.1          |

See footnotes at end of table.



**Table 3. Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and Group   | Relative importance, December 2007 | Unadjusted indexes |           | Unadjusted percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |           | Seasonally adjusted percent change from— |              |              |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|-----------|--|--------------|--------------|
|  |                                    | Aug. 2008          | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                    | Aug. 2008 | June to July                             | July to Aug. | Aug. to Sep. |
| Special aggregate indexes                                      |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| All items less shelter .....                                   | 67.404                             | 210.264            | 209.936   | 6.2  | -0.2      | 1.1                                      | -0.2         | -0.2         |
| All items less medical care .....                              | 93.769                             | 211.653            | 211.321   | 5.1  | -.2       | .9                                       | -.2          | -.1          |
| Commodities less food .....                                    | 27.436                             | 160.341            | 159.825   | 6.9  | -.3       | 1.3                                      | -1.1         | -.4          |
| Nondurables less food .....                                    | 16.599                             | 207.769            | 207.483   | 12.5   | -.1       | 1.3                                      | -2.0         | -.9          |
| Nondurables less food and apparel .....                        | 12.868                             | 262.470            | 259.278   | 15.9   | -1.2      | 2.1                                      | -2.2         | -1.4         |
| Nondurables .....  | 30.432                             | 212.882            | 213.274   | 9.6  | .2        | 1.1                                      | -.9          | -.3          |
| Apparel less footwear .....                                    | 3.052                              | 110.849            | 115.845   | 1.3  | 4.5       | 1.2                                      | 1.0          | -.1          |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....               | 26.460                             | 278.606            | 277.615   | 5.5  | -.4       | 1.0                                      | .2           | -.3          |
| Services less medical care services .....                      | 54.101                             | 248.198            | 247.563   | 3.8  | -.3       | .6                                       | .2           | -.1          |
| Energy .....   | 9.698                              | 266.283            | 258.020   | 23.1   | -3.1      | 4.0                                      | -3.1         | -1.9         |
| All items less energy .....                                    | 90.302                             | 215.873            | 216.397   | 3.0  | .2        | .4                                       | .3           | .2           |
| All items less food and energy .....                           | 76.469                             | 216.476            | 216.862   | 2.5  | .2        | .3                                       | .2           | .1           |
| Commodities less food and energy commodities .....             | 21.602                             | 139.785            | 140.528   | .5   | .5        | .5                                       | .1           | -.2          |
| Energy commodities .....                                       | 5.834                              | 328.240            | 318.918   | 32.3   | -2.8      | 3.9                                      | -4.4         | -1.1         |
| Services less energy services .....                            | 54.867                             | 262.867            | 262.980   | 3.2  | .0        | .3                                       | .2           | .3           |
| Domestically produced farm food <sup>1</sup> .....             | 6.386                              | 223.685            | 225.025   | 7.9  | .6        | 1.4                                      | .7           | .6           |
| Utilities and public transportation .....                      | 9.412                              | 212.308            | 208.429   | 7.6  | -1.8      | 2.1                                      | -.2          | -1.5         |
| Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00) ..... | -                                  | \$ .456            | \$ .457   | -  | -         | -  | -            | -            |
| Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00) .....    | -                                  | \$ .152            | \$ .153   | -  | -         | -  | -            | -            |

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>2</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

<sup>10</sup> Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

<sup>11</sup> Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.

<sup>12</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>13</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>14</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Seasonally adjusted indexes |           |           |           | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for |           |           |           |                 |           |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|  |                             |           |           |           | 3 months ended—                                    |           |           |           | 6 months ended— |           |
|  | June 2008                   | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Dec. 2007  | Mar. 2008 | June 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Mar. 2008       | Sep. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| All items .....  | 217.403                     | 219.181   | 218.880   | 218.813   | 6.2  | 3.1       | 7.9       | 2.6       | 4.6             | 5.2       |
| Food and beverages .....   | 213.612                     | 215.539   | 216.778   | 217.996   | 2.6  | 5.1       | 8.1       | 8.5       | 3.9             | 8.3       |
| Food .....   | 213.542                     | 215.545   | 216.807   | 218.029   | 2.6  | 5.3       | 8.5       | 8.7       | 3.9             | 8.6       |
| Food at home .....   | 213.706                     | 216.227   | 217.949   | 219.225   | 2.5  | 5.9       | 11.5      | 10.7      | 4.2             | 11.1      |
| Cereals and bakery products .....  | 244.840                     | 249.210   | 249.024   | 251.760   | 6.8  | 15.7      | 15.2      | 11.8      | 11.2            | 13.5      |
| Cereals and cereal products .....  | 213.181                     | 218.409   | 218.697   | 221.434   | 2.1  | 20.8      | 11.1      | 16.4      | 11.0            | 13.7      |
| Flour and prepared flour mixes .....   | 230.014                     | 232.503   | 231.544   | 231.449   | 9.4  | 32.9      | 35.3      | 2.5       | 20.6            | 17.8      |
| Breakfast cereal <sup>1</sup> .....  | 210.592                     | 214.396   | 213.429   | 214.866   | 3.2  | 7.0       | -1.5      | 8.4       | 5.1             | 3.3       |
| Rice, pasta, cornmeal <sup>1</sup> .....   | 218.811                     | 227.086   | 230.576   | 231.064   | 2.0  | 43.8      | 39.2      | 24.4      | 21.1            | 31.6      |
| Rice <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....  | 152.479                     | 164.878   | 171.146   | 172.384   | 5.5  | 24.1      | 95.0      | 63.4      | 14.5            | 78.5      |
| Bakery products .....  | 261.818                     | 265.788   | 265.385   | 268.003   | 8.8  | 13.9      | 17.0      | 9.8       | 11.4            | 13.3      |
| Bread <sup>1 3</sup> .....   | 162.106                     | 164.825   | 162.810   | 163.398   | 25.5   | 25.3      | 16.9      | 3.2       | 25.4            | 9.8       |
| White bread <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 296.716                     | 302.437   | 299.471   | 298.343   | 23.4   | 25.2      | 12.8      | 2.2       | 24.3            | 7.4       |
| Bread other than white <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 308.628                     | 312.449   | 307.671   | 313.205   | 28.4   | 28.0      | 21.1      | 6.1       | 28.2            | 13.3      |
| Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                | 150.449                     | 154.840   | 154.472   | 155.732   | 8.6  | 19.8      | 11.4      | 14.8      | 14.1            | 13.1      |
| Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies .....   | 241.144                     | 243.513   | 244.732   | 245.871   | 5.5  | 9.1       | 16.6      | 8.1       | 7.3             | 12.2      |
| Cookies <sup>2</sup> .....   | 235.070                     | 237.397   | 237.061   | 239.235   | 1.5  | 8.5       | 20.5      | 7.3       | 5.0             | 13.7      |
| Fresh cakes and cupcakes <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                      | 247.948                     | 248.890   | 250.234   | 252.049   | 13.6   | 8.1       | 14.2      | 6.8       | 10.8            | 10.4      |
| Other bakery products .....  | 236.474                     | 238.815   | 239.319   | 242.480   | -2   | 6.0       | 20.2      | 10.6      | 2.8             | 15.3      |
| Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts <sup>1 2</sup> .....                      | 246.788                     | 252.033   | 250.582   | 252.195   | 2.6  | 10.7      | 13.7      | 9.1       | 6.6             | 11.3      |
| Crackers, bread, and cracker products <sup>2</sup> .....                           | 274.375                     | 276.441   | 277.028   | 280.550   | -2.9   | 4.0       | 26.7      | 9.3       | .5              | 17.7      |
| Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers <sup>2</sup> ..... | 239.672                     | 241.393   | 245.233   | 246.960   | 3.8  | 8.8       | 9.1       | 12.7      | 6.3             | 10.9      |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....   | 203.295                     | 205.361   | 207.479   | 209.534   | .7   | 2.6       | 7.8       | 12.9      | 1.6             | 10.3      |
| Meats, poultry, and fish .....   | 201.874                     | 203.889   | 206.918   | 208.757   | .2   | 1.6       | 8.8       | 14.4      | .9              | 11.5      |
| Meats .....  | 199.456                     | 201.710   | 205.137   | 207.189   | 1.2  | 1.0       | 6.3       | 16.4      | 1.1             | 11.3      |
| Beef and veal <sup>1</sup> .....   | 219.529                     | 221.362   | 226.613   | 227.046   | -2.1   | 4.6       | 8.2       | 14.4      | 1.2             | 11.3      |
| Uncooked ground beef <sup>1</sup> .....  | 193.700                     | 193.513   | 199.697   | 202.052   | 1.1  | 7.7       | 7.0       | 18.4      | 4.3             | 12.5      |
| Uncooked beef roasts <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | 159.626                     | 162.625   | 165.428   | 166.834   | -5.4   | 6.0       | 5.9       | 19.3      | .1              | 12.4      |
| Uncooked beef steaks <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | 156.174                     | 158.571   | 161.504   | 159.601   | -2.9   | -1.1      | 11.0      | 9.1       | -2.0            | 10.0      |
| Uncooked other beef and veal <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                  | 150.428                     | 150.774   | 153.967   | 154.417   | -5.4   | 12.8      | 6.7       | 11.0      | 3.3             | 8.9       |
| Pork .....   | 183.201                     | 184.993   | 187.343   | 189.604   | 3.5  | -7.5      | 13.5      | 14.7      | -2.2            | 14.1      |
| Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products <sup>3</sup> ..                     | 124.268                     | 126.446   | 128.932   | 129.374   | -1.3   | -6.2      | -5.1      | 17.5      | -3.8            | 5.6       |
| Bacon and related products <sup>2</sup> .....                                      | 214.884                     | 213.951   | 221.293   | 221.704   | -2.6   | -5.7      | -7.7      | 13.3      | -4.1            | 2.3       |
| Breakfast sausage and related products <sup>2 3</sup> .....                        | 120.320                     | 126.447   | 127.044   | 127.106   | 2.2  | -4.3      | -5.7      | 24.5      | -1.1            | 8.4       |
| Ham .....  | 179.992                     | 182.844   | 182.659   | 184.630   | 1.0  | -10.3     | 14.6      | 10.7      | -4.8            | 12.6      |
| Ham, excluding canned <sup>2</sup> .....   | 199.851                     | 204.552   | 204.560   | 206.858   | 5.3  | -11.2     | 8.7       | 14.8      | -3.3            | 11.7      |
| Pork chops .....   | 176.444                     | 176.543   | 176.696   | 180.636   | 1.1  | -5.9      | 23.6      | 9.8       | -2.5            | 16.5      |
| Other pork including roasts and picnics <sup>3</sup> .....                         | 117.606                     | 119.441   | 122.830   | 124.148   | 13.1   | -11.7     | 37.3      | 24.2      | -.1             | 30.6      |
| Other meats .....  | 184.873                     | 188.650   | 190.086   | 195.031   | 6.4  | 6.1       | -7.1      | 23.9      | 6.3             | 7.3       |
| Frankfurters <sup>2</sup> .....  | 177.063                     | 184.348   | 182.884   | 192.310   | 7.6  | 12.3      | -17.0     | 39.2      | 9.9             | 7.5       |
| Lunchmeats <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....  | 121.209                     | 123.237   | 125.174   | 127.717   | 5.0  | .7        | .4        | 23.3      | 2.8             | 11.2      |
| Lamb and organ meats <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 248.388                     | 247.660   | 257.536   | 263.121   | -  | 16.9      | 12.5      | 25.9      | -               | 19.0      |
| Lamb and mutton <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....   | NA                          | 143.377   | NA        | NA        | -  | -         | -         | -         | -               | -         |
| Poultry <sup>1</sup> .....   | 199.823                     | 201.813   | 203.545   | 205.067   | -6.1   | 4.3       | 7.9       | 10.9      | -1.0            | 9.4       |
| Chicken <sup>1 3</sup> .....   | 129.942                     | 131.078   | 132.641   | 133.153   | -3.8   | 1.0       | 7.4       | 10.3      | -1.4            | 8.8       |
| Fresh whole chicken <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 206.748                     | 206.607   | 211.727   | 213.995   | -3.6   | -7.7      | 18.4      | 14.8      | -5.7            | 16.6      |
| Fresh and frozen chicken parts <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                | 199.182                     | 202.260   | 201.972   | 202.918   | -4.1   | 5.3       | 4.5       | 7.7       | .5              | 6.1       |
| Other poultry including turkey <sup>3</sup> .....                                  | 123.442                     | 125.473   | 124.349   | 128.037   | -2.6   | 8.5       | 4.8       | 15.7      | 2.8             | 10.2      |
| Fish and seafood <sup>1</sup> .....  | 232.428                     | 233.597   | 236.810   | 238.281   | 3.7  | 1.0       | 19.7      | 10.5      | 2.4             | 15.0      |
| Fresh fish and seafood <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | 140.496                     | 140.416   | 141.811   | 142.861   | 3.3  | 6.3       | 19.3      | 6.9       | 4.8             | 12.9      |
| Processed fish and seafood <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 118.990                     | 120.206   | 122.425   | 123.197   | 7.4  | .8        | 10.2      | 14.9      | 4.0             | 12.5      |
| Canned fish and seafood <sup>2</sup> .....   | 151.771                     | 155.185   | 157.525   | 159.897   | 7.0  | 9.0       | -.4       | 23.2      | 8.0             | 10.8      |
| Frozen fish and seafood <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                       | 255.584                     | 258.504   | 264.272   | 261.435   | 1.0  | -9.9      | 29.7      | 9.5       | -4.6            | 19.2      |
| Eggs .....   | 226.924                     | 229.843   | 216.716   | 222.373   | 9.4  | 21.6      | -5.8      | -7.8      | 15.3            | -6.8      |
| Dairy and related products .....   | 211.086                     | 214.537   | 215.356   | 214.066   | 2.4  | .7        | 11.1      | 5.8       | 1.5             | 8.4       |
| Milk <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | 247.465                     | 153.763   | 151.568   | 149.266   | -.1  | -8.0      | 2.4       | 5.0       | -4.1            | 3.7       |
| Fresh whole milk <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 215.777                     | 225.366   | 221.218   | 217.221   | -1.9   | -10.8     | 1.8       | 2.7       | -6.4            | 2.3       |
| Fresh milk other than whole <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                                 | 148.241                     | 154.576   | 152.639   | 150.939   | 2.0  | -5.8      | 2.4       | 7.5       | -2.0            | 4.9       |
| Cheese and related products <sup>1</sup> .....                                     | 212.750                     | 219.338   | 222.456   | 221.800   | 4.9  | 9.9       | 11.5      | 18.1      | 7.4             | 14.8      |
| Ice cream and related products .....   | 191.894                     | 191.317   | 193.347   | 194.305   | 6.4  | 1.4       | 8.8       | 5.1       | 3.8             | 6.9       |
| Other dairy and related products <sup>3</sup> .....                                | 140.223                     | 140.889   | 140.303   | 141.286   | 7.7  | 7.9       | 1.1       | 3.1       | 7.8             | 2.1       |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Seasonally adjusted indexes |           |           |           | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for |           |           |           |                 |           |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|  |                             |           |           |           | 3 months ended—                                    |           |           |           | 6 months ended— |           |
|  | June 2008                   | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Dec. 2007  | Mar. 2008 | June 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Mar. 2008       | Sep. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| Fruits and vegetables .....  | 281.911                     | 285.411   | 291.493   | 290.047   | 5.2  | 3.9       | 20.9      | 12.1      | 4.6             | 16.4      |
| Fresh fruits and vegetables .....  | 333.646                     | 338.350   | 345.887   | 341.545   | 6.3  | 3.0       | 20.5      | 9.8       | 4.6             | 15.0      |
| Fresh fruits .....   | 348.433                     | 348.447   | 359.772   | 359.661   | 8.4  | 1.6       | 13.6      | 13.5      | 4.9             | 13.6      |
| Apples .....   | 339.020                     | 342.417   | 358.938   | 362.972   | 5.0  | 29.6      | 22.6      | 31.4      | 16.7            | 26.9      |
| Bananas .....  | 212.376                     | 210.707   | 216.566   | 218.847   | 9.1  | 33.6      | 31.0      | 12.8      | 20.7            | 21.5      |
| Citrus fruits <sup>3</sup> .....   | 215.303                     | 214.831   | 219.457   | 219.463   | -17.5  | 21.3      | 5.7       | 8.0       | .0              | 6.8       |
| Oranges, including tangerines <sup>2</sup> .....                         | 413.314                     | 412.119   | 424.221   | 425.665   | -27.6  | 7.7       | 7.7       | 12.5      | -11.7           | 10.1      |
| Other fresh fruits <sup>3</sup> .....                                    | 118.571                     | 120.458   | 122.306   | 122.130   | 13.8   | -14.9     | 12.6      | 12.6      | -1.6            | 12.6      |
| Fresh vegetables .....   | 317.303                     | 326.363   | 330.296   | 322.024   | 4.1  | 4.5       | 28.2      | 6.1       | 4.3             | 16.6      |
| Potatoes .....   | 305.079                     | 333.527   | 348.381   | 370.080   | 12.6   | 2.2       | 25.6      | 116.5     | 7.3             | 64.9      |
| Lettuce <sup>1</sup> .....   | 269.626                     | 276.625   | 285.954   | 297.399   | 36.4   | -21.1     | -11.9     | 48.0      | 3.7             | 14.2      |
| Tomatoes .....   | 377.679                     | 368.714   | 362.647   | 319.381   | 61.3   | 19.2      | 37.9      | -48.9     | 38.7            | -16.0     |
| Other fresh vegetables .....   | 316.319                     | 321.296   | 323.437   | 309.731   | -7.6   | 2.5       | 32.6      | -8.1      | -2.7            | 10.4      |
| Processed fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....                       | 138.193                     | 139.110   | 141.612   | 144.641   | 1.4  | 5.9       | 22.1      | 20.0      | 3.6             | 21.0      |
| Canned fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....                          | 137.438                     | 138.604   | 142.881   | 147.770   | 3.1  | 8.7       | 21.3      | 33.6      | 5.8             | 27.3      |
| Canned fruits <sup>2 3</sup> .....                                       | 134.375                     | 134.151   | 136.103   | 140.167   | 7.3  | 7.6       | 13.7      | 18.4      | 7.5             | 16.0      |
| Canned vegetables <sup>2 3</sup> .....                                   | 144.010                     | 145.629   | 151.283   | 156.987   | -8   | 8.3       | 28.0      | 41.2      | 3.7             | 34.4      |
| Frozen fruits and vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....                          | 138.072                     | 137.068   | 137.154   | 137.467   | .5   | 5.5       | 18.6      | -1.7      | 3.0             | 7.9       |
| Frozen vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 194.881                     | 191.797   | 190.689   | 191.701   | -3   | 7.1       | 24.3      | -6.4      | 3.3             | 7.9       |
| Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried <sup>3</sup> ..... | 139.541                     | 142.319   | 143.762   | 146.631   | -1.8   | 4.0       | 25.1      | 21.9      | 1.0             | 23.5      |
| Dried beans, peas, and lentils <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                    | 159.995                     | 162.601   | 164.981   | 167.994   | 8.4  | 6.1       | 65.2      | 21.5      | 7.3             | 41.7      |
| Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....                      | 158.735                     | 159.796   | 160.411   | 161.609   | -1.6   | 7.3       | 3.9       | 7.4       | 2.7             | 5.7       |
| Juices and nonalcoholic drinks <sup>3</sup> .....                        | 121.240                     | 122.281   | 122.372   | 124.276   | -2.4   | 6.8       | 2.5       | 10.4      | 2.1             | 6.4       |
| Carbonated drinks .....  | 144.833                     | 145.123   | 144.480   | 149.068   | -5.8   | 11.0      | 3.0       | 12.2      | 2.2             | 7.5       |
| Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1 3</sup> .....              | 145.318                     | 144.072   | 143.631   | 146.553   | 4.3  | 4.8       | .5        | 3.4       | 4.5             | 2.0       |
| Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1 3</sup> .....           | 115.714                     | 117.207   | 117.717   | 118.018   | 2.4  | 7.3       | -1.2      | 8.2       | 4.8             | 3.4       |
| Beverage materials including coffee and tea <sup>3</sup> .....           | 113.289                     | 113.751   | 114.666   | 113.894   | -4   | 6.9       | 8.3       | 2.2       | 3.2             | 5.2       |
| Coffee .....   | 190.071                     | 191.243   | 191.125   | 193.363   | 2.9  | 7.5       | 20.4      | 7.1       | 5.2             | 13.6      |
| Roasted coffee <sup>2</sup> .....  | 193.619                     | 195.621   | 196.068   | 197.393   | 9.9  | -4.4      | 22.8      | 8.0       | 2.5             | 15.2      |
| Instant and freeze dried coffee <sup>1 2</sup> .....                     | 206.714                     | 207.831   | 208.545   | 211.184   | -6.9   | 37.3      | 15.9      | 8.9       | 13.1            | 12.4      |
| Other beverage materials including tea <sup>3</sup> .....                | 122.794                     | 123.024   | 124.771   | 122.669   | -1.9   | 5.2       | 2.3       | -4        | 1.6             | .9        |
| Other food at home .....   | 183.140                     | 184.951   | 186.154   | 188.124   | 2.5  | 6.3       | 11.7      | 11.3      | 4.4             | 11.5      |
| Sugar and sweets .....   | 185.209                     | 185.865   | 186.956   | 190.197   | 3.4  | 5.3       | 6.6       | 11.2      | 4.4             | 8.9       |
| Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....                                    | 168.843                     | 168.969   | 171.317   | 174.564   | -2.1   | -4.0      | 10.2      | 14.3      | -3.1            | 12.2      |
| Candy and chewing gum <sup>1 3</sup> .....                               | 122.562                     | 123.834   | 123.594   | 124.609   | 5.0  | 7.1       | 6.7       | 6.8       | 6.0             | 6.8       |
| Other sweets <sup>3</sup> .....  | 133.043                     | 134.523   | 135.783   | 138.606   | 7.2  | 12.8      | 1.4       | 17.8      | 10.0            | 9.3       |
| Fats and oils .....  | 196.211                     | 200.870   | 202.996   | 206.381   | 10.2   | 8.6       | 34.5      | 22.4      | 9.4             | 28.3      |
| Butter and margarine <sup>3</sup> .....                                  | 151.578                     | 159.154   | 160.182   | 162.655   | 8.2  | -2.9      | 38.6      | 32.6      | 2.5             | 35.5      |
| Butter <sup>2</sup> .....  | 176.002                     | 181.272   | 180.918   | 180.677   | -2.9   | -14.0     | 26.2      | 11.1      | -8.6            | 18.4      |
| Margarine <sup>2</sup> .....   | 224.523                     | 236.491   | 239.524   | 247.703   | 21.2   | 5.3       | 55.0      | 48.1      | 13.0            | 51.6      |
| Salad dressing <sup>3</sup> .....  | 118.936                     | 121.128   | 120.103   | 122.769   | 10.5   | -1.3      | 23.4      | 13.5      | 4.4             | 18.3      |
| Other fats and oils including peanut butter <sup>3</sup> .....           | 145.840                     | 147.785   | 150.880   | 152.551   | 9.0  | 27.2      | 41.3      | 19.7      | 17.8            | 30.1      |
| Peanut butter <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                                     | 128.708                     | 127.064   | 129.942   | 131.983   | 11.4   | 20.7      | 17.4      | 10.6      | 16.0            | 13.9      |
| Other foods .....  | 196.980                     | 198.743   | 199.930   | 201.577   | .8   | 6.3       | 9.5       | 9.7       | 3.5             | 9.6       |
| Soups .....  | 225.871                     | 224.887   | 226.510   | 227.567   | -7.8   | 14.8      | 5.6       | 3.0       | 2.9             | 4.3       |
| Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods .....                             | 162.109                     | 163.764   | 165.650   | 167.556   | 1.1  | 4.5       | 6.4       | 14.1      | 2.8             | 10.2      |
| Snacks <sup>1</sup> .....  | 202.110                     | 202.678   | 204.829   | 203.600   | 5.3  | 5.0       | 28.2      | 3.0       | 5.2             | 14.9      |
| Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces .....                             | 203.670                     | 202.065   | 205.855   | 208.390   | -6   | 3.3       | 10.2      | 9.6       | 1.3             | 9.9       |
| Salt and other seasonings and spices <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....              | 120.434                     | 119.028   | 119.600   | 119.281   | -4.7   | 17.7      | 1.2       | -3.8      | 5.9             | -1.3      |
| Olives, pickles, relishes <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                         | 124.699                     | 125.961   | 128.507   | 129.457   | -33.6  | 21.5      | 5.3       | 16.2      | -10.2           | 10.6      |
| Sauces and gravies <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                                | 117.132                     | 115.293   | 117.519   | 121.959   | -4.7   | 8.3       | 16.0      | 17.5      | 1.6             | 16.8      |
| Other condiments <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                    | 243.990                     | 246.543   | 249.100   | 250.434   | -19.7  | 47.8      | 19.2      | 11.0      | 8.9             | 15.0      |
| Baby food <sup>1 3</sup> .....   | 139.193                     | 139.218   | 137.981   | 138.758   | 6.7  | 6.9       | 11.1      | -1.2      | 6.8             | 4.8       |
| Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 3</sup> .....                           | 118.453                     | 120.510   | 121.033   | 121.144   | 2.2  | 7.3       | 3.9       | 9.4       | 4.8             | 6.6       |
| Prepared salads <sup>1 2 4</sup> .....                                   | 102.031                     | 103.249   | 103.750   | 104.057   | -  | 3.5       | 4.7       | 8.2       | -               | 6.4       |
| Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....                                   | 215.015                     | 216.376   | 217.063   | 218.225   | 2.8  | 4.5       | 4.7       | 6.1       | 3.6             | 5.4       |
| Full service meals and snacks <sup>1 3</sup> .....                       | 135.282                     | 135.908   | 136.129   | 136.695   | 3.3  | 4.2       | 4.6       | 4.2       | 3.7             | 4.4       |
| Limited service meals and snacks <sup>1 3</sup> .....                    | 136.234                     | 137.371   | 137.887   | 138.668   | 3.1  | 4.6       | 5.3       | 7.3       | 3.9             | 6.3       |
| Food at employee sites and schools <sup>3</sup> .....                    | 130.516                     | 131.532   | 133.478   | 134.373   | 1.9  | 4.4       | 2.9       | 12.4      | 3.1             | 7.5       |
| Food at elementary and secondary schools <sup>1 2 5</sup> .....          | 108.059                     | 108.744   | 110.838   | 113.401   | .5   | 1.0       | .4        | 21.3      | .8              | 10.3      |
| Food from vending machines and mobile vendors <sup>1 3</sup> .....       | 124.106                     | 124.387   | 124.647   | 124.912   | 1.6  | 4.1       | 8.3       | 2.6       | 2.8             | 5.4       |

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**Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Seasonally adjusted indexes |           |           |           | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for |           |           |           |                 |           |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|   |                             |           |           |           | 3 months ended—                                    |           |           |           | 6 months ended— |           |
|   | June 2008                   | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Dec. 2007  | Mar. 2008 | June 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Mar. 2008       | Sep. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>   |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| Other food away from home <sup>1 3</sup>                            | 149.873                     | 151.120   | 151.133   | 152.040   | -2.5   | 7.8       | 3.6       | 5.9       | 2.5             | 4.7       |
| Alcoholic beverages   | 213.246                     | 214.173   | 215.105   | 216.276   | 3.0  | 2.9       | 3.1       | 5.8       | 2.9             | 4.4       |
| Alcoholic beverages at home   | 183.160                     | 184.586   | 185.072   | 186.342   | 2.2  | 2.9       | 1.4       | 7.1       | 2.5             | 4.2       |
| Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home                         | 188.069                     | 189.573   | 189.481   | 190.658   | 2.5  | 4.4       | -1.4      | 5.6       | 3.4             | 2.1       |
| Distilled spirits at home   | 183.854                     | 184.605   | 186.141   | 187.177   | 2.3  | 2.8       | 2.8       | 7.4       | 2.6             | 5.1       |
| Whiskey at home <sup>1 2</sup>                                      | 187.684                     | 188.520   | 188.778   | 189.077   | -5.1   | 7.8       | 2.5       | 3.0       | 1.2             | 2.8       |
| Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home <sup>2</sup>          | 180.915                     | 180.775   | 182.499   | 184.745   | .8   | 4.7       | .8        | 8.7       | 2.7             | 4.7       |
| Wine at home  | 168.163                     | 168.672   | 169.679   | 170.782   | 3.2  | .8        | 6.1       | 6.4       | 2.0             | 6.2       |
| Alcoholic beverages away from home                                  | 276.990                     | 276.967   | 278.733   | 279.854   | 3.8  | 5.0       | 3.8       | 4.2       | 4.4             | 4.0       |
| Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home <sup>1 2 3</sup> | 140.288                     | 140.515   | 140.893   | 141.349   | 1.4  | 5.3       | 7.1       | 3.1       | 3.4             | 5.1       |
| Wine away from home <sup>1 2 3</sup>                                | 151.333                     | 151.739   | 152.915   | 152.978   | 3.6  | 2.8       | 5.6       | 4.4       | 3.2             | 5.0       |
| Distilled spirits away from home <sup>2 3</sup>                     | 148.431                     | 147.657   | 147.857   | 148.080   | 4.9  | 6.5       | 5.2       | -9        | 5.7             | 2.1       |
| Housing   | 216.918                     | 218.267   | 218.101   | 217.891   | 3.5  | 3.4       | 5.2       | 1.8       | 3.4             | 3.5       |
| Shelter   | 246.612                     | 247.090   | 247.258   | 247.971   | 2.9  | 2.0       | 2.3       | 2.2       | 2.5             | 2.3       |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>6</sup>                              | 242.837                     | 243.535   | 244.296   | 244.977   | 4.9  | 3.1       | 3.5       | 3.6       | 4.0             | 3.5       |
| Lodging away from home <sup>3</sup>                                 | 144.426                     | 145.394   | 143.846   | 145.173   | -2.8   | -2.5      | .8        | 2.1       | -2.6            | 1.5       |
| Housing at school, excluding board <sup>6 7</sup>                   | 387.749                     | 389.452   | 391.496   | 391.599   | 4.7  | 5.3       | 3.9       | 4.0       | 5.0             | 3.9       |
| Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels            | 302.708                     | 304.777   | 301.256   | 304.191   | -3.2   | -3.0      | .7        | 2.0       | -3.1            | 1.3       |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>6 7</sup>         | 252.299                     | 252.610   | 252.970   | 253.493   | 3.2  | 2.5       | 2.2       | 1.9       | 2.8             | 2.0       |
| Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 3</sup>                     | 119.092                     | 118.764   | 118.562   | 119.944   | .8   | 2.4       | 4.8       | 2.9       | 1.6             | 3.8       |
| Fuels and utilities   | 226.160                     | 233.540   | 230.876   | 224.377   | 10.4   | 13.7      | 28.8      | -3.1      | 12.0            | 11.7      |
| Household energy  | 207.912                     | 215.751   | 212.286   | 205.021   | 11.4   | 15.6      | 34.2      | -5.4      | 13.5            | 12.7      |
| Fuel oil and other fuels  | 396.000                     | 401.283   | 375.211   | 353.309   | 78.2   | 49.2      | 116.7     | -36.6     | 63.1            | 17.2      |
| Fuel oil  | 457.298                     | 456.173   | 412.378   | 380.152   | 107.3  | 65.5      | 162.2     | -52.2     | 85.2            | 11.9      |
| Propane, kerosene, and firewood <sup>8</sup>                        | 360.432                     | 374.924   | 370.536   | 364.497   | 45.6   | 22.6      | 35.6      | 4.6       | 33.6            | 19.1      |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>6</sup>                            | 206.565                     | 214.896   | 212.549   | 205.785   | 6.5  | 12.8      | 27.9      | -1.5      | 9.6             | 12.2      |
| Electricity <sup>6</sup>  | 184.737                     | 189.279   | 191.579   | 189.900   | 8.1  | 1.6       | 9.7       | 11.7      | 4.8             | 10.7      |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>6</sup>                            | 273.766                     | 294.128   | 276.923   | 253.951   | 2.8  | 44.7      | 82.1      | -26.0     | 22.0            | 16.1      |
| Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>3</sup>          | 150.831                     | 151.857   | 153.832   | 154.269   | 5.7  | 5.0       | 4.8       | 9.4       | 5.3             | 7.1       |
| Water and sewerage maintenance <sup>6</sup>                         | 327.985                     | 330.073   | 335.007   | 336.081   | 5.4  | 4.7       | 4.6       | 10.2      | 5.1             | 7.4       |
| Garbage and trash collection <sup>1 9</sup>                         | 363.159                     | 366.043   | 368.960   | 369.651   | 6.5  | 5.9       | 5.2       | 7.3       | 6.2             | 6.3       |
| Household furnishings and operations                                | 127.369                     | 127.919   | 128.222   | 128.917   | -3   | 2.5       | .5        | 5.0       | 1.1             | 2.7       |
| Window and floor coverings and other linens <sup>3</sup>            | 78.406                      | 77.921    | 78.167    | 77.718    | .2   | -3.1      | -3.6      | -3.5      | -1.5            | -3.5      |
| Floor coverings <sup>1 3</sup>                                      | 116.055                     | 117.674   | 119.480   | 119.222   | -1   | -2.6      | -7.4      | 11.4      | -1.4            | 1.6       |
| Window coverings <sup>3</sup>                                       | 83.373                      | 83.472    | 84.960    | 85.175    | -7   | 19.8      | -21.3     | 8.9       | 9.0             | -7.4      |
| Other linens <sup>1 3</sup>   | 67.272                      | 66.256    | 65.579    | 65.470    | -2.5   | -10.3     | 4.9       | -10.3     | -6.5            | -3.0      |
| Furniture and bedding <sup>1</sup>                                  | 124.003                     | 124.620   | 124.775   | 125.501   | -4.9   | 8.2       | -6.1      | 4.9       | 1.4             | -7        |
| Bedroom furniture <sup>1</sup>                                      | 142.923                     | 143.846   | 144.229   | 146.783   | -9.1   | .0        | 2.4       | 11.2      | -4.6            | 6.7       |
| Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture <sup>1 3</sup>      | 89.724                      | 90.701    | 90.680    | 90.955    | -2.6   | 7.8       | -10.4     | 5.6       | 2.4             | -2.7      |
| Other furniture <sup>3</sup>  | 87.770                      | 87.309    | 88.392    | 88.521    | -4.1   | 15.1      | -9.9      | 3.5       | 5.1             | -3.5      |
| Infants' furniture <sup>1 2 5</sup>                                 | NA                          | NA        | NA        | NA        | -  | -         | -         | -         | -               | -         |
| Appliances <sup>1 3</sup>   | 90.037                      | 90.251    | 90.446    | 90.039    | -2.9   | -1.9      | 5.4       | .0        | -2.4            | 2.7       |
| Major appliances <sup>1 3</sup>                                     | 101.848                     | 101.763   | 102.474   | 102.311   | -1.8   | .0        | 8.0       | 1.8       | -9              | 4.9       |
| Laundry equipment <sup>1 2</sup>                                    | 118.395                     | 117.818   | 118.059   | 117.958   | -4   | 3.3       | 5.0       | -1.5      | 1.5             | 1.7       |
| Other appliances <sup>1 3</sup>                                     | 75.056                      | 75.642    | 75.195    | 74.485    | -4.6   | -4.9      | 1.3       | -3.0      | -4.7            | -9        |
| Other household equipment and furnishings <sup>3</sup>              | 76.020                      | 75.815    | 75.654    | 76.182    | -5.8   | 3.8       | 1.4       | .9        | -1.1            | 1.1       |
| Clocks, lamps, and decorator items <sup>1</sup>                     | 70.576                      | 70.252    | 69.753    | 69.511    | -6.7   | -2.0      | 4.4       | -5.9      | -4.4            | -9        |
| Indoor plants and flowers <sup>10</sup>                             | 128.652                     | 127.890   | 128.729   | 129.584   | .9   | 10.3      | 3.2       | 2.9       | 5.5             | 3.1       |
| Dishes and flatware <sup>1 3</sup>                                  | 73.435                      | 72.379    | 72.525    | 74.199    | 2.3  | 8.6       | -2.0      | 4.2       | 5.4             | 1.0       |
| Nonelectric cookware and tableware <sup>3</sup>                     | 96.250                      | 96.000    | 95.483    | 95.093    | 5.0  | 10.4      | -2.0      | -4.7      | 7.7             | -3.4      |
| Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>3</sup>        | 92.498                      | 93.412    | 93.404    | 93.619    | .7   | -4.6      | -2.6      | 4.9       | -2.0            | 1.1       |
| Tools, hardware and supplies <sup>1 3</sup>                         | 97.624                      | 98.429    | 98.650    | 99.092    | -1.2   | 1.0       | -6.5      | 6.2       | -1              | -4        |
| Outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>3</sup>                         | 89.928                      | 90.878    | 90.787    | 90.741    | 1.4  | -6.3      | -1.2      | 3.7       | -2.5            | 1.2       |
| Housekeeping supplies <sup>1</sup>                                  | 175.596                     | 176.202   | 176.508   | 178.534   | 3.2  | 6.9       | 4.6       | 6.9       | 5.1             | 5.7       |
| Household cleaning products <sup>1 3</sup>                          | 115.450                     | 115.458   | 115.800   | 116.922   | 3.9  | 3.7       | 6.2       | 5.2       | 3.8             | 5.7       |
| Household paper products <sup>1 3</sup>                             | 145.769                     | 146.705   | 146.761   | 149.909   | 8.5  | 12.2      | 8.0       | 11.9      | 10.3            | 9.9       |
| Miscellaneous household products <sup>1 3</sup>                     | 115.644                     | 116.248   | 116.401   | 117.076   | -1.6   | 7.0       | .2        | 5.0       | 2.6             | 2.6       |
| Household operations <sup>1 3</sup>                                 | 148.006                     | 148.290   | 149.169   | 150.193   | 4.0  | 8.5       | 8.5       | 6.0       | 6.3             | 7.2       |
| Domestic services <sup>1 3</sup>                                    | 142.707                     | 142.788   | 143.256   | 143.895   | 5.2  | 7.8       | 1.2       | 3.4       | 6.5             | 2.3       |
| Gardening and lawn care services <sup>1 3</sup>                     | 151.850                     | 152.141   | 153.519   | 155.693   | 3.1  | 14.6      | 15.2      | 10.5      | 8.7             | 12.8      |
| Moving, storage, freight expense <sup>3</sup>                       | 130.170                     | 132.117   | 131.865   | 131.562   | -4.5   | -1.9      | 6.1       | 4.3       | -3.2            | 5.2       |

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**Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Seasonally adjusted indexes |           |           |           | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for |           |           |           |                 |           |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|   |                             |           |           |           | 3 months ended—                                    |           |           |           | 6 months ended— |           |
|   | June 2008                   | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Dec. 2007  | Mar. 2008 | June 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Mar. 2008       | Sep. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>   |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| Repair of household items <sup>1 3</sup>                              | 170.744                     | 168.895   | 170.536   | 171.239   | 12.3   | 4.7       | 9.3       | 1.2       | 8.4             | 5.1       |
| Apparel   | 118.107                     | 119.574   | 120.157   | 120.005   | 3.1  | -4.7      | 1.0       | 6.6       | -9              | 3.7       |
| Men's and boys' apparel   | 113.139                     | 113.090   | 113.420   | 113.108   | -2.1   | 3.9       | -4        | -1        | .9              | -3        |
| Men's apparel   | 118.963                     | 118.324   | 119.385   | 118.917   | -4.5   | 7.3       | .9        | -2        | 1.2             | .4        |
| Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear                               | 123.087                     | 122.454   | 120.153   | 123.054   | -2.0   | 1.3       | 6.1       | -1        | -3              | 3.0       |
| Men's furnishings   | 135.504                     | 134.657   | 133.768   | 135.284   | -5.6   | 17.7      | 3.0       | -6        | 5.4             | 1.1       |
| Men's shirts and sweaters <sup>3</sup>                                | 78.767                      | 79.627    | 80.643    | 79.257    | -7.9   | 3.7       | -9.9      | 2.5       | -2.3            | -3.9      |
| Men's pants and shorts  | 112.142                     | 111.249   | 115.667   | 113.231   | .3   | 4.4       | 1.4       | 3.9       | 2.4             | 2.6       |
| Boys' apparel   | 92.550                      | 93.052    | 92.370    | 91.612    | 9.4  | -8.4      | -3.2      | -4.0      | .1              | -3.6      |
| Women's and girls' apparel  | 105.698                     | 107.860   | 110.057   | 109.678   | 6.0  | -16.6     | .6        | 15.9      | -5.9            | 8.0       |
| Women's apparel   | 107.242                     | 109.488   | 111.553   | 111.173   | 4.5  | -14.5     | -1.9      | 15.5      | -5.5            | 6.4       |
| Women's outerwear   | 88.662                      | 91.172    | 93.838    | 96.465    | -8.3   | -18.3     | 6.0       | 40.1      | -13.4           | 21.9      |
| Women's dresses   | 108.076                     | 113.978   | 113.824   | 114.888   | 8.6  | -23.4     | -2.9      | 27.7      | -8.8            | 11.3      |
| Women's suits and separates <sup>3</sup>                              | 84.337                      | 85.877    | 88.447    | 87.152    | 7.6  | -16.0     | -3.8      | 14.0      | -4.9            | 4.7       |
| Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories <sup>3</sup> | 89.801                      | 90.736    | 90.509    | 92.462    | -2.2   | -6.1      | -6        | 12.4      | -4.2            | 5.7       |
| Girls' apparel  | 97.975                      | 99.737    | 102.528   | 102.157   | 15.3   | -25.6     | 14.5      | 18.2      | -7.4            | 16.3      |
| Footwear  | 124.489                     | 126.047   | 124.023   | 123.572   | 2.0  | 2.4       | 4.3       | -2.9      | 2.2             | .6        |
| Men's footwear <sup>1</sup>   | 123.274                     | 122.140   | 122.126   | 122.776   | -1.6   | .5        | 7.5       | -1.6      | -5              | 2.8       |
| Boys' and girls' footwear   | 127.039                     | 127.821   | 127.237   | 126.182   | 3.7  | 8.9       | -1.6      | -2.7      | 6.3             | -2.1      |
| Women's footwear  | 123.701                     | 126.486   | 122.700   | 121.763   | 5.0  | .7        | 6.1       | -6.1      | 2.8             | -2        |
| Infants' and toddlers' apparel  | 112.922                     | 112.638   | 111.741   | 113.172   | 4.8  | -3.4      | -2.6      | .9        | .7              | -9        |
| Jewelry and watches <sup>8</sup>                                      | 146.180                     | 148.953   | 147.428   | 148.850   | 4.8  | 19.0      | 2.1       | 7.5       | 11.7            | 4.8       |
| Watches <sup>8</sup>  | 115.328                     | 116.687   | 116.564   | 116.381   | 1.1  | -2.6      | 1.0       | 3.7       | -8              | 2.3       |
| Jewelry <sup>8</sup>  | 153.643                     | 156.591   | 154.730   | 156.559   | 5.7  | 22.6      | 2.2       | 7.8       | 13.8            | 5.0       |
| Transportation  | 205.915                     | 209.358   | 206.303   | 205.036   | 21.1   | 2.4       | 22.3      | -1.7      | 11.3            | 9.7       |
| Private transportation  | 201.450                     | 204.899   | 201.552   | 200.367   | 21.6   | 1.8       | 22.2      | -2.1      | 11.2            | 9.4       |
| New and used motor vehicles <sup>3</sup>                              | 93.909                      | 94.052    | 93.702    | 92.900    | -1   | -1.4      | -7        | -4.2      | -8              | -2.5      |
| New vehicles  | 134.990                     | 135.300   | 134.548   | 133.567   | -5   | -2.7      | -1        | -4.2      | -1.6            | -2.1      |
| New cars and trucks <sup>2 3</sup>                                    | 93.557                      | 93.751    | 93.269    | 92.557    | -4   | -2.6      | -3        | -4.2      | -1.5            | -2.3      |
| New cars <sup>2</sup>   | 135.657                     | 136.665   | 136.646   | 136.139   | -4   | -1.6      | 1.7       | 1.4       | -1.0            | 1.6       |
| New trucks <sup>2 9</sup>   | 138.378                     | 137.971   | 136.368   | 134.937   | -1   | -3.2      | -2.7      | -9.6      | -1.7            | -6.2      |
| Used cars and trucks <sup>1</sup>                                     | 135.980                     | 135.840   | 135.405   | 132.916   | -6   | .8        | -3.6      | -8.7      | .1              | -6.2      |
| Leased cars and trucks <sup>11</sup>                                  | 93.250                      | 93.643    | 94.571    | 96.068    | 4.6  | -5        | .0        | 12.6      | 2.0             | 6.1       |
| Car and truck rental <sup>3</sup>                                     | 125.284                     | 124.673   | 122.415   | 116.418   | -11.3  | 19.0      | 31.3      | -25.4     | 2.8             | -1.0      |
| Motor fuel  | 321.618                     | 334.732   | 320.647   | 317.962   | 81.1   | 3.0       | 69.2      | -4.5      | 36.6            | 27.1      |
| Gasoline (all types)  | 319.107                     | 332.237   | 318.255   | 316.443   | 80.9   | 1.8       | 69.1      | -3.3      | 35.7            | 27.9      |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>2</sup>                               | 319.724                     | 333.147   | 318.856   | 316.828   | 82.9   | .6        | 70.2      | -3.6      | 35.7            | 28.1      |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>2 12</sup>                           | 324.703                     | 337.761   | 323.857   | 323.295   | 78.4   | 3.2       | 67.3      | -1.7      | 35.6            | 28.2      |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>2</sup>                               | 304.681                     | 316.307   | 303.694   | 301.879   | 75.6   | 3.5       | 65.8      | -3.6      | 34.8            | 26.4      |
| Other motor fuels <sup>1 3</sup>                                      | 346.227                     | 347.027   | 323.451   | 301.418   | 71.1   | 68.9      | 123.5     | -42.6     | 70.0            | 13.3      |
| Motor vehicle parts and equipment <sup>1</sup>                        | 127.824                     | 129.118   | 130.327   | 131.048   | 5.5  | 8.0       | 4.8       | 10.5      | 6.7             | 7.6       |
| Tires <sup>1</sup>  | 116.371                     | 117.775   | 118.533   | 119.195   | 2.9  | 6.4       | 5.5       | 10.1      | 4.6             | 7.7       |
| Vehicle accessories other than tires <sup>1 3</sup>                   | 137.188                     | 138.161   | 140.087   | 140.850   | 9.3  | 10.4      | 3.9       | 11.1      | 9.8             | 7.4       |
| Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires <sup>1 2</sup>           | 134.249                     | 134.661   | 135.951   | 136.710   | 8.8  | 6.5       | 2.2       | 7.5       | 7.6             | 4.8       |
| Motor oil, coolant, and fluids <sup>1 2</sup>                         | 260.907                     | 268.075   | 275.952   | 276.947   | 13.9   | 26.4      | 9.6       | 27.0      | 20.0            | 17.9      |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and repair                                  | 233.321                     | 234.818   | 236.340   | 237.284   | 3.0  | 6.3       | 6.6       | 7.0       | 4.7             | 6.8       |
| Motor vehicle body work <sup>1</sup>                                  | 237.959                     | 238.492   | 240.521   | 242.432   | 6.1  | .6        | 2.7       | 7.7       | 3.3             | 5.2       |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing <sup>1</sup>                  | 211.914                     | 213.409   | 215.097   | 216.342   | 2.7  | 10.4      | 4.8       | 8.6       | 6.5             | 6.7       |
| Motor vehicle repair <sup>3</sup>                                     | 143.814                     | 144.780   | 145.624   | 145.685   | 3.4  | 4.7       | 7.5       | 5.3       | 4.1             | 6.4       |
| Motor vehicle insurance   | 340.741                     | 341.801   | 344.024   | 344.974   | .2   | 2.2       | 4.9       | 5.1       | 1.2             | 5.0       |
| Motor vehicle fees <sup>1 3</sup>                                     | 145.623                     | 145.775   | 146.852   | 146.860   | .5   | 6.8       | 2.9       | 3.4       | 3.6             | 3.2       |
| State and local registration and license <sup>1 3 6</sup>             | 141.593                     | 141.878   | 142.758   | 142.752   | .1   | 5.0       | 1.6       | 3.3       | 2.5             | 2.4       |
| Parking and other fees <sup>1 3</sup>                                 | 152.980                     | 152.903   | 154.326   | 154.357   | 1.3  | 9.8       | 5.1       | 3.6       | 5.4             | 4.3       |
| Parking fees and tolls <sup>1 2 3</sup>                               | 160.632                     | 160.773   | 161.483   | 161.678   | 3.9  | 11.8      | 8.1       | 2.6       | 7.8             | 5.3       |
| Automobile service clubs <sup>1 2 3</sup>                             | 119.125                     | 118.953   | 121.097   | 121.694   | -4.1   | 4.0       | -4.5      | 8.9       | -1              | 2.0       |
| Public transportation   | 258.462                     | 261.275   | 264.183   | 261.556   | 14.0   | 11.5      | 23.6      | 4.9       | 12.7            | 13.8      |
| Airline fare  | 294.440                     | 298.169   | 302.917   | 297.865   | 19.4   | 15.1      | 32.5      | 4.7       | 17.2            | 17.8      |
| Other intercity transportation <sup>1</sup>                           | 159.745                     | 164.853   | 165.322   | 161.642   | 9.7  | -8.7      | 18.5      | 4.8       | .1              | 11.5      |
| Intercity bus fare <sup>1 2 4</sup>                                   | 99.549                      | 100.267   | 102.341   | 101.798   | -  | -12.1     | 11.8      | 9.3       | -               | 10.5      |

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**Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Seasonally adjusted indexes |           |           |           | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for |           |           |           |                 |           |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|  |                             |           |           |           | 3 months ended—                                    |           |           |           | 6 months ended— |           |
|  | June 2008                   | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Dec. 2007  | Mar. 2008 | June 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Mar. 2008       | Sep. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| Intercity train fare <sup>1 2 4</sup> .....                                      | 108.099                     | 119.104   | 121.494   | 114.422   | -  | -8.8      | 49.8      | 25.5      | -               | 37.1      |
| Ship fare <sup>2 3</sup> .....   | 70.845                      | 70.454    | 70.229    | 70.691    | 6.6  | -7.9      | -9        | -9        | -0.9            | -9        |
| Intracity transportation <sup>1</sup> .....                                      | 239.066                     | 240.723   | 241.428   | 242.930   | 1.8  | 9.0       | 2.8       | 6.6       | 5.3             | 4.7       |
| Medical care .....   | 363.618                     | 363.852   | 364.710   | 365.836   | 5.0  | 3.2       | 2.1       | 2.5       | 4.1             | 2.3       |
| Medical care commodities .....   | 295.102                     | 294.438   | 294.694   | 295.231   | 4.4  | 4.3       | -3.0      | .2        | 4.3             | -1.4      |
| Prescription drugs .....   | 376.962                     | 376.080   | 375.608   | 376.755   | 5.7  | 5.0       | -3.6      | -2        | 5.3             | -1.9      |
| Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies <sup>1 8</sup> .....                  | 157.487                     | 157.384   | 158.529   | 158.598   | 1.8  | .3        | -1.9      | 2.9       | 1.0             | .5        |
| Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs <sup>1</sup> .....               | 188.550                     | 187.963   | 189.724   | 189.332   | .7   | 2.2       | .2        | 1.7       | 1.5             | .9        |
| Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....                | 182.907                     | 183.826   | 184.285   | 185.426   | 4.1  | -3.8      | -6.5      | 5.6       | .1              | -.6       |
| Medical care services .....  | 384.727                     | 385.353   | 386.458   | 387.816   | 5.1  | 2.8       | 4.0       | 3.3       | 4.0             | 3.6       |
| Professional services .....  | 311.068                     | 311.739   | 312.575   | 313.273   | 3.7  | 2.1       | 4.7       | 2.9       | 2.9             | 3.8       |
| Physicians' services <sup>6</sup> .....  | 310.838                     | 311.099   | 312.860   | 314.325   | 3.7  | -1.3      | 5.1       | 4.6       | 1.2             | 4.8       |
| Dental services <sup>6</sup> .....   | 376.467                     | 377.744   | 379.166   | 380.641   | 5.4  | 6.0       | 3.0       | 4.5       | 5.7             | 3.8       |
| Eyeglasses and eye care <sup>1 8</sup> .....                                     | 175.930                     | 175.397   | 173.321   | 170.234   | 4.2  | 6.5       | .9        | -12.3     | 5.4             | -6.0      |
| Services by other medical professionals <sup>6 8</sup> .....                     | 205.989                     | 207.771   | 207.218   | 207.552   | 5.6  | 3.0       | 7.8       | 3.1       | 4.3             | 5.4       |
| Hospital and related services <sup>6</sup> .....                                 | 532.592                     | 534.172   | 537.549   | 540.539   | 8.7  | 6.5       | 5.4       | 6.1       | 7.6             | 5.7       |
| Hospital services <sup>6 13</sup> .....  | 196.573                     | 197.230   | 198.574   | 199.775   | 9.0  | 7.2       | 5.5       | 6.7       | 8.1             | 6.1       |
| Inpatient hospital services <sup>2 6 13</sup> .....                              | 190.406                     | 190.949   | 191.861   | 193.132   | 8.4  | 7.3       | 5.8       | 5.9       | 7.8             | 5.8       |
| Outpatient hospital services <sup>1 2 6 8</sup> .....                            | 453.609                     | 455.837   | 458.660   | 460.508   | 11.6   | 9.2       | 1.5       | 6.2       | 10.4            | 3.8       |
| Nursing homes and adult day services <sup>6 13</sup> .....                       | 165.377                     | 165.636   | 165.738   | 166.193   | 2.5  | 5.4       | 2.0       | 2.0       | 3.9             | 2.0       |
| Care of invalids and elderly at home <sup>1 4</sup> .....                        | 107.710                     | 107.961   | 108.080   | 108.152   | 13.6   | 3.0       | 1.2       | 1.7       | 8.2             | 1.4       |
| Health insurance <sup>1 5</sup> .....  | 114.329                     | 113.791   | 113.392   | 113.343   | -.8  | .8        | -5.5      | -3.4      | .0              | -4.5      |
| Recreation <sup>3</sup> .....  | 112.831                     | 113.264   | 113.876   | 114.120   | 1.9  | 2.3       | .6        | 4.6       | 2.1             | 2.6       |
| Video and audio <sup>3</sup> .....   | 102.181                     | 102.195   | 102.658   | 102.801   | 1.7  | .3        | -4.5      | 2.4       | 1.0             | -1.1      |
| Televisions .....  | 14.114                      | 13.888    | 13.838    | 13.502    | -7.9   | -23.8     | -13.8     | -16.2     | -16.3           | -15.0     |
| Cable and satellite television and radio service <sup>9</sup> .....              | 357.828                     | 358.906   | 361.941   | 362.668   | 3.2  | 4.3       | -2.3      | 5.5       | 3.8             | 1.5       |
| Other video equipment <sup>3</sup> .....   | 20.864                      | 20.129    | 19.909    | 19.911    | -12.1  | -4.6      | -14.2     | -17.1     | -8.4            | -15.6     |
| Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental <sup>1 3</sup> .....    | 76.790                      | 76.927    | 75.582    | 76.711    | 12.2   | -1.1      | -4.0      | -.4       | 5.3             | -2.2      |
| Video cassettes and discs, blank and prerecorded <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....          | 61.550                      | 62.566    | 61.217    | 61.295    | .7   | -6.9      | -9.9      | -1.6      | -3.1            | -5.8      |
| Rental of video tapes and discs <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                           | 96.282                      | 95.633    | 95.008    | 96.771    | 14.5   | 5.7       | -3.7      | 2.0       | 10.0            | -.9       |
| Audio equipment <sup>1</sup> .....   | 50.842                      | 50.879    | 51.108    | 51.532    | .8   | -9.6      | -8.0      | 5.5       | -4.6            | -1.5      |
| Audio discs, tapes and other media <sup>1 3</sup> .....                          | 102.296                     | 102.582   | 104.267   | 103.824   | -5.1   | .1        | -10.7     | 6.1       | -2.5            | -2.7      |
| Pets, pet products and services <sup>3</sup> .....                               | 142.805                     | 145.203   | 147.111   | 148.608   | 4.5  | 9.1       | 7.5       | 17.3      | 6.8             | 12.3      |
| Pets and pet products .....  | 178.434                     | 182.742   | 185.605   | 188.334   | 4.7  | 11.7      | 6.7       | 24.1      | 8.1             | 15.1      |
| Pet food <sup>2 3</sup> .....  | 130.020                     | 133.176   | 135.592   | 138.003   | 5.3  | 16.5      | 9.0       | 26.9      | 10.7            | 17.6      |
| Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories <sup>2 3</sup> .....                 | 113.782                     | 115.886   | 116.984   | 117.938   | -1.1   | -.8       | -1.3      | 15.4      | -.9             | 6.7       |
| Pet services including veterinary <sup>3</sup> .....                             | 175.827                     | 176.931   | 178.603   | 179.235   | 4.3  | 5.6       | 8.8       | 8.0       | 4.9             | 8.4       |
| Pet services <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....  | 151.616                     | 152.005   | 152.671   | 153.090   | 2.6  | 6.6       | 14.4      | 3.9       | 4.6             | 9.0       |
| Veterinarian services <sup>2 3</sup> .....                                       | 180.414                     | 182.259   | 184.159   | 184.976   | 5.5  | 5.7       | 6.5       | 10.5      | 5.6             | 8.5       |
| Sporting goods <sup>1</sup> .....  | 118.625                     | 119.435   | 118.550   | 118.812   | 1.4  | 1.5       | 7.3       | .6        | 1.4             | 3.9       |
| Sports vehicles including bicycles .....   | 138.904                     | 139.035   | 138.507   | 139.791   | 3.1  | -1.9      | 1.6       | 2.6       | .6              | 2.1       |
| Sports equipment <sup>1</sup> .....  | 99.322                      | 99.991    | 99.172    | 99.147    | -.1  | 5.1       | 13.5      | -.7       | 2.5             | 6.2       |
| Photography <sup>1 3</sup> .....   | 80.745                      | 80.548    | 80.744    | 81.357    | -5.5   | -4.4      | -.4       | 3.1       | -5.0            | 1.3       |
| Photographic equipment and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....                           | 76.308                      | 75.989    | 76.407    | 77.305    | -13.4  | -9.8      | -3.9      | 5.3       | -11.6           | .6        |
| Film and photographic supplies <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                            | 87.070                      | 87.155    | 86.669    | 88.516    | -3.7   | -1.9      | 5.6       | 6.8       | -2.8            | 6.2       |
| Photographic equipment <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                                    | 36.499                      | 36.269    | 36.717    | 36.818    | -22.0  | -16.0     | -6.8      | 3.5       | -19.0           | -1.8      |
| Photographers and film processing <sup>1 3</sup> .....                           | 107.195                     | 107.092   | 107.064   | 107.491   | 2.0  | .6        | 2.8       | 1.1       | 1.3             | 2.0       |
| Photographer fees <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....   | 117.754                     | 117.465   | 117.942   | 117.673   | 3.6  | 1.7       | .8        | -.3       | 2.7             | .3        |
| Film processing <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....   | 100.298                     | 100.328   | 100.204   | 100.975   | 1.3  | -.7       | 3.2       | 2.7       | .3              | 3.0       |
| Other recreational goods <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 62.029                      | 61.772    | 61.899    | 62.048    | -2.9   | 2.0       | -6.7      | .1        | -.5             | -3.4      |
| Toys <sup>1</sup> .....  | 67.012                      | 66.131    | 66.369    | 66.536    | -3.3   | -.6       | -8.3      | -2.8      | -2.0            | -5.6      |
| Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....             | 66.793                      | 65.935    | 65.913    | 66.466    | -.6  | 2.3       | -6.7      | -1.9      | .8              | -4.4      |
| Sewing machines, fabric and supplies <sup>3</sup> .....                          | 87.490                      | 89.745    | 89.390    | 89.726    | -3.0   | 10.9      | -5.2      | 10.6      | 3.7             | 2.4       |
| Music instruments and accessories <sup>1 3</sup> .....                           | 95.899                      | 96.260    | 96.560    | 96.490    | -1.0   | 4.8       | -1.0      | 2.5       | 1.8             | .7        |
| Recreation services <sup>3</sup> .....   | 142.490                     | 143.152   | 144.220   | 144.016   | 3.2  | 2.4       | 2.5       | 4.4       | 2.8             | 3.4       |
| Club dues and fees for participant sports and group exercises <sup>3</sup> ..... | 126.573                     | 127.007   | 127.260   | 126.439   | .8   | -.1       | 7.2       | -.4       | .3              | 3.3       |
| Admissions .....   | 308.957                     | 311.370   | 315.418   | 316.542   | 4.8  | 3.7       | -1.7      | 10.2      | 4.2             | 4.1       |
| Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts <sup>2 3</sup> .....                 | 149.102                     | 150.338   | 152.146   | 152.600   | 4.1  | 3.3       | -2.4      | 9.7       | 3.7             | 3.5       |
| Admission to sporting events <sup>2 3</sup> .....                                | 167.908                     | 168.117   | 171.032   | 172.292   | 6.8  | 6.6       | 4.6       | 10.9      | 6.7             | 7.7       |

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**Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Seasonally adjusted indexes |           |           |           | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for |           |           |           |                 |           |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|  |                             |           |           |           | 3 months ended—                                    |           |           |           | 6 months ended— |           |
|  | June 2008                   | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Dec. 2007  | Mar. 2008 | June 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Mar. 2008       | Sep. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>8</sup> .....  | 253.450                     | 253.940   | 255.446   | 254.258   | 3.9  | 3.8       | 3.2       | 1.3       | 3.9             | 2.3       |
| Recreational reading materials <sup>1</sup> .....  | 211.609                     | 210.675   | 213.042   | 213.733   | .9   | 3.8       | 3.1       | 4.1       | 2.4             | 3.6       |
| Newspapers and magazines <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | 124.270                     | 124.240   | 126.609   | 126.989   | -1.8   | 3.7       | 1.5       | 9.0       | .9              | 5.2       |
| Recreational books <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | 106.648                     | 105.654   | 105.858   | 106.233   | 5.2  | 4.0       | 5.1       | -1.5      | 4.6             | 1.7       |
| Education and communication <sup>3</sup> .....   | 123.613                     | 124.226   | 124.505   | 124.615   | 2.6  | 3.2       | 5.1       | 3.3       | 2.9             | 4.2       |
| Education <sup>3</sup> .....   | 180.749                     | 181.582   | 182.734   | 183.462   | 6.9  | 5.3       | 6.0       | 6.1       | 6.1             | 6.1       |
| Educational books and supplies .....   | 444.469                     | 447.821   | 459.494   | 461.555   | 7.0  | 1.2       | 6.4       | 16.3      | 4.1             | 11.2      |
| College textbooks <sup>1 2 11</sup> .....  | 146.622                     | 147.028   | 152.081   | 153.533   | 3.9  | 6.1       | 3.5       | 20.2      | 5.0             | 11.6      |
| Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....  | 520.969                     | 523.254   | 525.789   | 527.863   | 6.9  | 5.6       | 5.9       | 5.4       | 6.3             | 5.7       |
| College tuition and fees .....   | 571.469                     | 574.860   | 576.686   | 578.477   | 8.9  | 5.9       | 7.0       | 5.0       | 7.4             | 6.0       |
| Elementary and high school tuition and fees .....  | 568.642                     | 570.997   | 573.669   | 576.925   | 7.6  | 5.6       | 5.7       | 6.0       | 6.6             | 5.8       |
| Child care and nursery school <sup>10</sup> .....  | 223.574                     | 224.242   | 226.312   | 226.676   | 4.0  | 5.1       | 3.6       | 5.7       | 4.5             | 4.6       |
| Technical and business school tuition and fees <sup>3</sup> .....                          | 186.389                     | 187.004   | 187.740   | 188.129   | 7.5  | -.1       | 8.6       | 3.8       | 3.7             | 6.2       |
| Communication <sup>3</sup> .....   | 84.393                      | 84.840    | 84.702    | 84.526    | -1.9   | 1.0       | 4.3       | .6        | -.5             | 2.5       |
| Postage and delivery services <sup>3</sup> .....   | 137.001                     | 137.127   | 137.378   | 137.423   | .6   | 1.1       | 14.1      | 1.2       | .9              | 7.5       |
| Postage <sup>1</sup> .....   | 215.400                     | 215.400   | 215.400   | 215.400   | .0   | .0        | 13.0      | .0        | .0              | 6.3       |
| Delivery services <sup>3</sup> .....   | 214.318                     | 217.219   | 223.010   | 224.064   | 7.8  | 20.7      | 30.6      | 19.5      | 14.1            | 24.9      |
| Information and information processing <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                | 81.513                      | 81.965    | 81.815    | 81.635    | -2.1   | 1.0       | 3.8       | .6        | -.6             | 2.2       |
| Telephone services <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | 100.677                     | 101.339   | 101.301   | 101.311   | -.4  | 1.0       | 6.8       | 2.5       | .3              | 4.7       |
| Land-line telephone services, local charges <sup>1 6</sup> .....                           | 230.068                     | 232.449   | 231.704   | 231.896   | 2.3  | 2.1       | 5.8       | 3.2       | 2.2             | 4.5       |
| Land-line telephone services, long distance charges <sup>1 3</sup> .....                   | 75.509                      | 76.555    | 76.804    | 76.741    | -1.2   | .3        | 21.0      | 6.7       | -.5             | 13.6      |
| Land-line interstate toll calls <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                       | 54.122                      | 54.750    | 54.779    | 54.721    | -1.2   | -.2       | 22.3      | 4.5       | -.7             | 13.0      |
| Land-line intrastate toll calls <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                       | 81.202                      | 82.912    | 83.365    | 83.316    | -2.0   | 1.1       | 26.6      | 10.8      | -.5             | 18.4      |
| Wireless telephone services <sup>1 3</sup> .....   | 64.272                      | 64.272    | 64.270    | 64.270    | -2.1   | .5        | 1.2       | .0        | -.8             | .6        |
| Information technology, hardware and services <sup>1 14</sup> .....                        | 10.071                      | 10.087    | 10.012    | 9.901     | -9.6   | 1.2       | -6.7      | -6.6      | -4.4            | -6.6      |
| Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 4</sup> .....                           | 95.663                      | 94.711    | 92.921    | 90.797    | -20.2  | 1.4       | -17.4     | -18.8     | -10.0           | -18.1     |
| Computer software and accessories <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                     | 50.574                      | 50.503    | 50.447    | 50.150    | -6.5   | .8        | -1.9      | -3.3      | -2.9            | -2.6      |
| Internet services and electronic information providers <sup>1 3</sup> .....                | 73.546                      | 74.271    | 74.269    | 74.144    | -.4  | .0        | 2.0       | 3.3       | -.2             | 2.7       |
| Telephone hardware, calculators, and other consumer information items <sup>1 3</sup> ..... | 37.138                      | 37.492    | 37.379    | 36.804    | -12.2  | 6.3       | -3.9      | -3.5      | -3.4            | -3.7      |
| Other goods and services .....   | 345.693                     | 346.962   | 347.715   | 348.540   | 3.0  | 4.5       | 5.2       | 3.3       | 3.7             | 4.2       |
| Tobacco and smoking products <sup>1</sup> .....  | 589.904                     | 596.782   | 597.361   | 597.581   | 5.1  | 5.9       | 10.9      | 5.3       | 5.5             | 8.0       |
| Cigarettes <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | 239.454                     | 242.225   | 242.561   | 242.717   | 5.2  | 5.8       | 11.1      | 5.6       | 5.5             | 8.3       |
| Tobacco products other than cigarettes <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                | 169.206                     | 171.451   | 170.460   | 169.732   | 3.9  | 8.2       | 6.7       | 1.2       | 6.0             | 4.0       |
| Personal care .....  | 201.392                     | 201.660   | 202.169   | 202.768   | 2.4  | 4.1       | 3.6       | 2.8       | 3.2             | 3.2       |
| Personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....  | 158.868                     | 158.989   | 159.252   | 159.643   | 1.5  | .5        | 1.1       | 2.0       | 1.0             | 1.5       |
| Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products <sup>1 3</sup> .....       | 103.696                     | 104.198   | 104.703   | 104.349   | 1.5  | -.2       | -.4       | 2.5       | .6              | 1.1       |
| Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements <sup>1</sup> .....              | 178.139                     | 177.521   | 177.227   | 178.753   | 1.5  | 1.3       | 2.6       | 1.4       | 1.4             | 2.0       |
| Personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....  | 223.520                     | 223.719   | 224.151   | 224.614   | 3.9  | 5.8       | 1.4       | 2.0       | 4.8             | 1.7       |
| Haircuts and other personal care services <sup>1 3</sup> .....                             | 136.384                     | 136.505   | 136.769   | 137.051   | 3.9  | 5.8       | 1.4       | 2.0       | 4.8             | 1.7       |
| Miscellaneous personal services .....  | 340.085                     | 340.264   | 341.606   | 343.441   | 3.3  | 5.4       | 6.4       | 4.0       | 4.4             | 5.2       |
| Legal services <sup>8</sup> .....  | 271.323                     | 271.903   | 272.694   | 272.695   | 1.3  | 5.1       | 7.0       | 2.0       | 3.2             | 4.5       |
| Funeral expenses <sup>8</sup> .....  | 264.998                     | 265.963   | 267.204   | 268.784   | 3.6  | 5.5       | 6.2       | 5.8       | 4.5             | 6.0       |
| Laundry and dry cleaning services <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                     | 135.432                     | 136.294   | 136.785   | 137.177   | .6   | 5.3       | 9.1       | 5.3       | 2.9             | 7.2       |
| Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning <sup>1 3</sup> .....                  | 145.560                     | 147.060   | 147.584   | 147.898   | 3.5  | 9.8       | 8.9       | 6.6       | 6.6             | 7.7       |
| Financial services <sup>1 8</sup> .....  | 279.942                     | 273.051   | 273.058   | 281.226   | 2.9  | 7.2       | 2.8       | 1.8       | 5.1             | 2.3       |
| Checking account and other bank services <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                            | 131.760                     | 130.398   | 129.857   | 131.633   | 1.8  | 1.2       | 4.8       | -.4       | 1.5             | 2.2       |
| Tax return preparation and other accounting fees <sup>2 3</sup> .....                      | 169.320                     | 166.096   | 166.660   | 171.144   | 6.5  | 8.7       | 3.0       | 4.4       | 7.6             | 3.7       |
| Miscellaneous personal goods <sup>3</sup> .....  | 88.012                      | 88.568    | 88.266    | 88.309    | 2.7  | 5.1       | -2.2      | 1.4       | 3.9             | -.4       |
| Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap <sup>2</sup> .....                              | 153.063                     | 154.753   | 155.222   | 155.589   | .7   | 2.9       | -4.6      | 6.8       | 1.8             | .9        |
| Infants' equipment <sup>1 2 5</sup> .....  | 97.796                      | 96.659    | 96.190    | 98.170    | 2.9  | 7.2       | 1.9       | 1.5       | 5.0             | 1.7       |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>   |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| Commodities .....  | 178.550                     | 180.657   | 179.687   | 179.530   | 10.3   | 2.6       | 12.0      | 2.2       | 6.4             | 7.0       |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....  | 158.506                     | 160.622   | 158.775   | 158.058   | 15.0   | 1.1       | 14.2      | -1.1      | 7.8             | 6.3       |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....  | 208.661                     | 211.267   | 207.465   | 205.585   | 27.1   | 8.4       | 26.1      | -5.8      | 17.4            | 9.0       |
| Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....  | 269.755                     | 275.611   | 270.166   | 266.376   | 29.0   | 13.3      | 34.9      | -4.9      | 20.9            | 13.3      |
| Durables .....   | 111.258                     | 111.425   | 111.140   | 110.513   | -.3  | -1.1      | -1.9      | -2.7      | -.7             | -2.3      |
| Services .....   | 255.872                     | 257.269   | 257.642   | 257.662   | 3.6  | 3.5       | 5.1       | 2.8       | 3.5             | 4.0       |
| Rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....   | 257.040                     | 257.575   | 257.717   | 258.498   | 2.8  | 2.2       | 2.2       | 2.3       | 2.5             | 2.2       |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group                                     | Seasonally adjusted indexes |           |           |           | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for |           |           |           |                 |           |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|  |                             |           |           |           | 3 months ended—                                    |           |           |           | 6 months ended— |           |
|  | June 2008                   | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Dec. 2007  | Mar. 2008 | June 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Mar. 2008       | Sep. 2008 |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                   |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| Transportation services .....                      | 245.102                     | 246.409   | 248.277   | 248.422   | 3.7  | 5.5       | 8.7       | 5.5       | 4.6             | 7.1       |
| Other services .....                               | 295.504                     | 296.752   | 297.887   | 298.481   | 3.5  | 3.6       | 4.3       | 4.1       | 3.6             | 4.2       |
| All items less food .....                          | 218.065                     | 219.806   | 219.250   | 218.972   | 6.8  | 2.7       | 7.8       | 1.7       | 4.8             | 4.7       |
| All items less shelter .....                       | 208.438                     | 210.755   | 210.264   | 209.885   | 7.9  | 3.6       | 10.7      | 2.8       | 5.7             | 6.7       |
| All items less medical care .....                  | 209.955                     | 211.774   | 211.433   | 211.322   | 6.3  | 3.1       | 8.3       | 2.6       | 4.7             | 5.4       |
| Commodities less food .....                        | 160.607                     | 162.695   | 160.922   | 160.257   | 14.4   | 1.2       | 13.8      | -9        | 7.6             | 6.2       |
| Nondurables less food .....                        | 209.702                     | 212.335   | 208.004   | 206.042   | 26.3   | 6.0       | 28.3      | -6.8      | 15.7            | 9.3       |
| Nondurables less food and apparel .....            | 263.688                     | 269.125   | 263.228   | 259.597   | 29.5   | 10.4      | 34.2      | -6.1      | 19.6            | 12.3      |
| Nondurables .....                                  | 212.718                     | 215.067   | 213.122   | 212.583   | 14.9   | 5.9       | 18.8      | -3        | 10.3            | 8.9       |
| Apparel less footwear .....                        | 112.356                     | 113.749   | 114.846   | 114.761   | 3.4  | -6.3      | .2        | 8.8       | -1.6            | 4.5       |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>7</sup> .....   | 274.317                     | 276.996   | 277.598   | 276.660   | 3.9  | 5.1       | 9.5       | 3.5       | 4.5             | 6.5       |
| Services less medical care services .....          | 245.531                     | 246.945   | 247.327   | 247.172   | 3.2  | 3.5       | 5.6       | 2.7       | 3.4             | 4.2       |
| Energy .....                                       | 260.316                     | 270.602   | 262.107   | 257.086   | 45.6   | 8.6       | 53.6      | -4.9      | 25.8            | 20.9      |
| All items less energy .....                        | 214.624                     | 215.529   | 216.080   | 216.528   | 2.6  | 2.5       | 3.4       | 3.6       | 2.6             | 3.5       |
| All items less food and energy .....               | 215.526                     | 216.230   | 216.650   | 216.956   | 2.6  | 2.0       | 2.5       | 2.7       | 2.3             | 2.6       |
| Commodities less food and energy commodities ..... | 140.156                     | 140.792   | 140.885   | 140.655   | .7   | -1        | -1        | 1.4       | .3              | .7        |
| Energy commodities .....                           | 327.625                     | 340.411   | 325.603   | 321.888   | 80.9   | 5.6       | 71.8      | -6.8      | 38.3            | 26.5      |
| Services less energy services .....                | 261.005                     | 261.729   | 262.367   | 263.046   | 3.4  | 2.9       | 3.6       | 3.2       | 3.1             | 3.4       |
| Domestically produced farm food <sup>1</sup> ..... | 219.181                     | 222.161   | 223.685   | 225.025   | 5.0  | 4.9       | 10.7      | 11.1      | 5.0             | 10.9      |
| Utilities and public transportation .....          | 205.774                     | 210.181   | 209.782   | 206.699   | 3.2  | 8.0       | 18.0      | 1.8       | 5.6             | 9.6       |

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>2</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

<sup>10</sup> Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

<sup>11</sup> Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.

<sup>12</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>13</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>14</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.



**Table 5. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, unadjusted indexes for special detailed expenditure categories<sup>1</sup>**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item  | Indexes   |           |           |           | 1-month percent changes ended— |           |           |           | Percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
|   | June 2008 | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | June 2008                      | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                         |
| <b>Food and beverages</b>   |           |           |           |           |                                |           |           |           |                                   |
| Rice <sup>2</sup> .....   | 152.479   | 164.878   | 171.146   | 172.384   | 6.8                            | 8.1       | 3.8       | 0.7       | 42.9                              |
| White bread .....   | 296.716   | 302.437   | 299.471   | 298.343   | .7                             | 1.9       | -1.0      | -.4       | 15.5                              |
| Bread other than white .....  | 308.628   | 312.449   | 307.671   | 313.205   | .0                             | 1.2       | -1.5      | 1.8       | 20.5                              |
| Fresh cakes and cupcakes .....  | 247.948   | 248.890   | 250.234   | 252.049   | 2.0                            | .4        | .5        | .7        | 10.6                              |
| Cookies .....   | 232.705   | 237.471   | 235.288   | 237.041   | .0                             | 2.0       | -.9       | .7        | 9.2                               |
| Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts .....                        | 246.788   | 252.033   | 250.582   | 252.195   | 2.5                            | 2.1       | -.6       | .6        | 8.9                               |
| Crackers, bread, and cracker products .....                           | 278.199   | 280.858   | 284.472   | 284.125   | .3                             | 1.0       | 1.3       | -.1       | 8.8                               |
| Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers ..... | 242.838   | 245.135   | 247.563   | 246.735   | -.7                            | .9        | 1.0       | -.3       | 8.6                               |
| Bacon and related products .....                                      | 217.012   | 216.816   | 224.977   | 224.354   | .9                             | -.1       | 3.8       | -.3       | -1.0                              |
| Breakfast sausage and related products <sup>2</sup> .....             | 121.819   | 127.375   | 128.538   | 128.673   | -2.7                           | 4.6       | .9        | .1        | 3.5                               |
| Ham, excluding canned .....   | 199.555   | 206.961   | 208.799   | 212.752   | .2                             | 3.7       | .9        | 1.9       | 3.9                               |
| Frankfurters .....  | 176.684   | 179.062   | 178.255   | 189.541   | -.8                            | 1.3       | -.5       | 6.3       | 8.7                               |
| Lunchmeats <sup>2</sup> .....   | 121.209   | 123.237   | 125.174   | 127.717   | -.4                            | 1.7       | 1.6       | 2.0       | 7.0                               |
| Lamb and organ meats .....  | 248.388   | 247.660   | 257.536   | 263.121   | 3.2                            | -.3       | 4.0       | 2.2       | -                                 |
| Lamb and mutton <sup>2</sup> .....                                    | NA        | 143.377   | NA        | NA        | -                              | -         | -         | -         | -                                 |
| Fresh whole chicken .....   | 206.748   | 206.607   | 211.727   | 213.995   | 2.4                            | -.1       | 2.5       | 1.1       | 4.9                               |
| Fresh and frozen chicken parts .....                                  | 199.182   | 202.260   | 201.972   | 202.918   | .2                             | 1.5       | -.1       | .5        | 3.3                               |
| Canned fish and seafood .....   | 152.152   | 154.544   | 158.025   | 159.545   | -.7                            | 1.6       | 2.3       | 1.0       | 9.4                               |
| Frozen fish and seafood .....   | 255.584   | 258.504   | 264.272   | 261.435   | .9                             | 1.1       | 2.2       | -1.1      | 6.6                               |
| Fresh whole milk .....  | 215.777   | 225.366   | 221.218   | 217.221   | .7                             | 4.4       | -1.8      | -1.8      | -2.2                              |
| Fresh milk other than whole <sup>2</sup> .....                        | 148.241   | 154.576   | 152.639   | 150.939   | .1                             | 4.3       | -1.3      | -1.1      | 1.4                               |
| Oranges, including tangerines .....                                   | 420.262   | 446.708   | 491.634   | 504.273   | 8.7                            | 6.3       | 10.1      | 2.6       | -1.4                              |
| Canned fruits <sup>2</sup> .....                                      | 136.207   | 136.315   | 137.331   | 140.561   | .8                             | .1        | .7        | 2.4       | 11.7                              |
| Canned vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....                                  | 144.527   | 148.050   | 153.694   | 157.294   | 1.7                            | 2.4       | 3.8       | 2.3       | 18.1                              |
| Frozen vegetables .....   | 192.585   | 193.071   | 192.714   | 193.595   | 1.2                            | .3        | -.2       | .5        | 5.6                               |
| Dried beans, peas, and lentils <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 159.995   | 162.601   | 164.981   | 167.994   | 5.4                            | 1.6       | 1.5       | 1.8       | 23.3                              |
| Roasted coffee .....  | 195.365   | 197.648   | 198.256   | 196.864   | -.5                            | 1.2       | .3        | -.7       | 8.7                               |
| Instant and freeze dried coffee .....                                 | 206.714   | 207.831   | 208.545   | 211.184   | .0                             | .5        | .3        | 1.3       | 12.7                              |
| Butter .....  | 176.120   | 181.901   | 182.347   | 182.672   | -1.2                           | 3.3       | .2        | .2        | 4.0                               |
| Margarine .....   | 224.536   | 236.524   | 241.342   | 247.643   | .9                             | 5.3       | 2.0       | 2.6       | 30.9                              |
| Peanut butter <sup>2</sup> .....                                      | 128.708   | 127.064   | 129.942   | 131.983   | .0                             | -1.3      | 2.3       | 1.6       | 15.0                              |
| Salt and other seasonings and spices <sup>2</sup> .....               | 120.434   | 119.028   | 119.600   | 119.281   | -.2                            | -1.2      | .5        | -.3       | 2.2                               |
| Olives, pickles, relishes <sup>2</sup> .....                          | 124.699   | 125.961   | 128.507   | 129.457   | -1.9                           | 1.0       | 2.0       | .7        | -.3                               |
| Sauces and gravies <sup>2</sup> .....                                 | 117.132   | 115.293   | 117.519   | 121.959   | 2.5                            | -1.6      | 1.9       | 3.8       | 8.9                               |
| Other condiments .....  | 243.990   | 246.543   | 249.100   | 250.434   | .1                             | 1.0       | 1.0       | .5        | 11.9                              |
| Prepared salads <sup>3</sup> .....                                    | 102.031   | 103.249   | 103.750   | 104.057   | -.3                            | 1.2       | .5        | .3        | -                                 |
| Food at elementary and secondary schools <sup>4</sup> .....           | 108.059   | 108.744   | 110.838   | 113.401   | .1                             | .6        | 1.9       | 2.3       | 5.4                               |
| Whiskey at home .....   | 187.684   | 188.520   | 188.778   | 189.077   | .0                             | .4        | .1        | .2        | 2.0                               |
| Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home .....                   | 181.123   | 180.562   | 182.485   | 184.695   | -1.3                           | -.3       | 1.1       | 1.2       | 3.7                               |
| Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home <sup>2</sup> ..... | 140.288   | 140.515   | 140.893   | 141.349   | .5                             | .2        | .3        | .3        | 4.2                               |
| Wine away from home <sup>2</sup> .....                                | 151.333   | 151.739   | 152.915   | 152.978   | .5                             | .3        | .8        | .0        | 4.1                               |
| Distilled spirits away from home <sup>2</sup> .....                   | 148.456   | 147.948   | 148.396   | 148.513   | .1                             | -.3       | .3        | .1        | 3.9                               |
| <b>Housing</b>  |           |           |           |           |                                |           |           |           |                                   |
| Infants' furniture <sup>4</sup> .....                                 | NA        | NA        | NA        | NA        | -                              | -         | -         | -         | -                                 |
| Laundry equipment .....   | 118.395   | 117.818   | 118.059   | 117.958   | 1.7                            | -.5       | .2        | -.1       | 1.6                               |
| <b>Transportation</b>   |           |           |           |           |                                |           |           |           |                                   |
| New cars and trucks <sup>2</sup> .....                                | 93.238    | 93.141    | 92.448    | 91.748    | -.1                            | -.1       | -.7       | -.8       | -1.9                              |
| New cars .....  | 135.235   | 135.800   | 135.481   | 134.994   | .1                             | .4        | -.2       | -.4       | .3                                |
| New trucks <sup>5</sup> .....   | 137.886   | 137.073   | 135.194   | 133.674   | -.4                            | -.6       | -1.4      | -1.1      | -4.0                              |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular .....                                      | 346.357   | 348.665   | 322.373   | 314.138   | 8.0                            | .7        | -7.5      | -2.6      | 31.8                              |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6</sup> .....                        | 350.053   | 352.798   | 326.985   | 319.803   | 7.5                            | .8        | -7.3      | -2.2      | 31.9                              |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium .....                                      | 327.477   | 329.952   | 306.658   | 299.084   | 7.6                            | .8        | -7.1      | -2.5      | 30.5                              |
| Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires .....                    | 134.249   | 134.661   | 135.951   | 136.710   | .5                             | .3        | 1.0       | .6        | 6.2                               |
| Motor oil, coolant, and fluids .....                                  | 260.907   | 268.075   | 275.952   | 276.947   | 1.7                            | 2.7       | 2.9       | .4        | 19.0                              |
| Parking fees and tolls <sup>2</sup> .....                             | 160.632   | 160.773   | 161.483   | 161.678   | .3                             | .1        | .4        | .1        | 6.6                               |
| Automobile service clubs <sup>2</sup> .....                           | 119.125   | 118.953   | 121.097   | 121.694   | -.5                            | -.1       | 1.8       | .5        | .9                                |
| Intercity bus fare <sup>3</sup> .....                                 | 99.549    | 100.267   | 102.341   | 101.798   | .3                             | .7        | 2.1       | -.5       | -                                 |
| Intercity train fare <sup>3</sup> .....                               | 108.099   | 119.104   | 121.494   | 114.422   | 12.2                           | 10.2      | 2.0       | -5.8      | -                                 |
| Ship fare <sup>2</sup> .....  | 71.163    | 71.034    | 70.101    | 69.976    | .7                             | -.2       | -1.3      | -.2       | -.9                               |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 5. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, unadjusted indexes for special detailed expenditure categories<sup>1</sup>-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item  | Indexes   |           |           |           | 1-month percent changes ended— |           |           |           | Percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
|   | June 2008 | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | June 2008                      | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                         |
| <b>Medical care</b>   |           |           |           |           |                                |           |           |           |                                   |
| Inpatient hospital services <sup>7 8</sup> .....                    | 190.159   | 190.789   | 191.212   | 192.091   | 0.2                            | 0.3       | 0.2       | 0.5       | 6.8                               |
| Outpatient hospital services <sup>8 9</sup> .....                   | 453.609   | 455.837   | 458.660   | 460.508   | -.1                            | .5        | .6        | .4        | 7.1                               |
| <b>Recreation</b>   |           |           |           |           |                                |           |           |           |                                   |
| Video cassettes and discs, blank and prerecorded <sup>2</sup> ..... | 61.550    | 62.566    | 61.217    | 61.295    | -1.6                           | 1.7       | -2.2      | .1        | -4.5                              |
| Rental of video tapes and discs <sup>2</sup> .....                  | 96.282    | 95.633    | 95.008    | 96.771    | -.8                            | -.7       | -.7       | 1.9       | 4.4                               |
| Pet food <sup>2</sup> .....   | 130.699   | 133.660   | 135.863   | 138.135   | 1.3                            | 2.3       | 1.6       | 1.7       | 14.1                              |
| Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories <sup>2</sup> .....      | 114.489   | 116.530   | 117.371   | 117.828   | .4                             | 1.8       | .7        | .4        | 2.8                               |
| Pet services <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 151.616   | 152.005   | 152.671   | 153.090   | 1.9                            | .3        | .4        | .3        | 6.8                               |
| Veterinarian services <sup>2</sup> .....                            | 180.820   | 182.317   | 184.229   | 184.765   | .4                             | .8        | 1.0       | .3        | 7.0                               |
| Film and photographic supplies <sup>2</sup> .....                   | 87.070    | 87.155    | 86.669    | 88.516    | .3                             | .1        | -.6       | 2.1       | 1.6                               |
| Photographic equipment <sup>2</sup> .....                           | 36.499    | 36.269    | 36.717    | 36.818    | .0                             | -.6       | 1.2       | .3        | -10.8                             |
| Photographer fees <sup>2</sup> .....                                | 117.754   | 117.465   | 117.942   | 117.673   | .1                             | -.2       | .4        | -.2       | 1.5                               |
| Film processing <sup>2</sup> .....                                  | 100.298   | 100.328   | 100.204   | 100.975   | .3                             | .0        | -.1       | .8        | 1.6                               |
| Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment <sup>2</sup> .....    | 66.793    | 65.935    | 65.913    | 66.466    | -.9                            | -1.3      | .0        | .8        | -1.8                              |
| Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts <sup>2</sup> .....      | 149.658   | 150.413   | 151.822   | 152.102   | -.1                            | .5        | .9        | .2        | 3.6                               |
| Admission to sporting events <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 168.338   | 168.828   | 171.051   | 171.939   | .1                             | .3        | 1.3       | .5        | 7.2                               |
| <b>Education and communication</b>                                  |           |           |           |           |                                |           |           |           |                                   |
| College textbooks <sup>10</sup> .....                               | 146.622   | 147.028   | 152.081   | 153.533   | .1                             | .3        | 3.4       | 1.0       | 8.2                               |
| Land-line interstate toll calls .....                               | 54.122    | 54.750    | 54.779    | 54.721    | 2.6                            | 1.2       | .1        | -.1       | 5.9                               |
| Land-line intrastate toll calls .....                               | 81.202    | 82.912    | 83.365    | 83.316    | 4.7                            | 2.1       | .5        | -.1       | 8.6                               |
| <b>Other goods and services</b>                                     |           |           |           |           |                                |           |           |           |                                   |
| Checking account and other bank services <sup>2</sup> .....         | 131.760   | 130.398   | 129.857   | 131.633   | .1                             | -1.0      | -.4       | 1.4       | 1.8                               |
| Tax return preparation and other accounting fees <sup>2</sup> ..... | 169.899   | 165.561   | 165.542   | 171.094   | -.2                            | -2.6      | .0        | 3.4       | 5.6                               |
| Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap .....                    | 154.425   | 155.282   | 152.769   | 153.111   | -.7                            | .6        | -1.6      | .2        | 1.4                               |
| Infants' equipment <sup>4</sup> .....                               | 97.796    | 96.659    | 96.190    | 98.170    | .4                             | -1.2      | -.5       | 2.1       | 3.4                               |

<sup>1</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>10</sup> Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 6. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Relative importance, December 2007 | Unadjusted indexes |           | Unadjusted percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |           | Seasonally adjusted percent change from— |              |              |
|---|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|-----------|--|--------------|--------------|
|   |                                    | Aug. 2008          | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                    | Aug. 2008 | June to July                             | July to Aug. | Aug. to Sep. |
| Expenditure category  |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| All items .....   | 100.000                            | 215.247            | 214.935   | 5.4  | -0.1      | 0.9                                      | -0.2         | -0.1         |
| All items (1967=100) .....  | -                                  | 641.155            | 640.226   | -  | -         | -  | -            | -            |
| Food and beverages .....  | 15.926                             | 215.850            | 217.098   | 6.1  | .6        | .9                                       | .6           | .6           |
| Food .....  | 14.901                             | 215.812            | 217.090   | 6.3  | .6        | .9                                       | .6           | .6           |
| Food at home .....  | 8.595                              | 216.214            | 217.594   | 7.5  | .6        | 1.2                                      | .8           | .6           |
| Cereals and bakery products .....                                 | 1.110                              | 250.842            | 251.448   | 12.3   | .2        | 1.8                                      | .0           | .9           |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....                              | 2.192                              | 207.211            | 209.515   | 5.8  | 1.1       | 1.0                                      | 1.2          | .9           |
| Dairy and related products .....                                  | .965                               | 214.139            | 212.841   | 4.6  | -6        | 1.7                                      | .3           | -.7          |
| Fruits and vegetables .....                                       | 1.218                              | 282.171            | 284.612   | 10.6   | .9        | 1.2                                      | 1.9          | -.4          |
| Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....               | 1.094                              | 159.024            | 160.850   | 4.1  | 1.1       | .8                                       | .2           | 1.0          |
| Other food at home .....  | 2.016                              | 186.458            | 187.467   | 8.1  | .5        | .9                                       | .7           | 1.1          |
| Sugar and sweets .....  | .279                               | 186.860            | 188.914   | 7.1  | 1.1       | .4                                       | .7           | 1.6          |
| Fats and oils .....   | .232                               | 203.721            | 207.069   | 18.3   | 1.6       | 2.1                                      | 1.1          | 1.7          |
| Other foods .....   | 1.504                              | 201.119            | 201.632   | 6.6  | .3        | .8                                       | .6           | .9           |
| Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 2</sup> .....                    | .438                               | 121.443            | 121.589   | 6.1  | .1        | 1.8                                      | .4           | .1           |
| Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....                            | 6.305                              | 217.002            | 218.147   | 4.6  | .5        | .6                                       | .4           | .5           |
| Other food away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....                    | .218                               | 150.301            | 151.321   | 3.8  | .7        | .6                                       | .0           | .7           |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 1.025                              | 214.931            | 215.728   | 3.6  | .4        | .5                                       | .4           | .5           |
| Housing .....   | 39.994                             | 214.743            | 213.954   | 3.8  | -.4       | .7                                       | .0           | -.2          |
| Shelter .....   | 30.397                             | 240.038            | 240.163   | 2.5  | .1        | .2                                       | .1           | .2           |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....                      | 7.979                              | 243.010            | 243.741   | 3.6  | .3        | .3                                       | .3           | .3           |
| Lodging away from home <sup>2</sup> .....                         | 1.233                              | 148.368            | 142.591   | -.8  | -3.9      | -.1                                      | -1.0         | .8           |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3 4</sup> ..... | 20.888                             | 229.219            | 229.670   | 2.4  | .2        | .1                                       | .1           | .2           |
| Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....             | .297                               | 118.894            | 120.279   | 2.7  | 1.2       | -.2                                      | -.1          | 1.2          |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 5.637                              | 233.373            | 226.709   | 12.1   | -2.9      | 3.3                                      | -1.0         | -2.6         |
| Household energy .....  | 4.670                              | 213.807            | 206.544   | 13.3   | -3.4      | 3.8                                      | -1.4         | -3.2         |
| Fuel oil and other fuels .....                                    | .323                               | 363.535            | 345.907   | 36.9   | -4.8      | 1.4                                      | -5.6         | -5.8         |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>3</sup> .....                    | 4.347                              | 216.557            | 209.442   | 11.4   | -3.3      | 4.0                                      | -1.1         | -2.9         |
| Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....  | .966                               | 154.475            | 154.628   | 6.3  | .1        | .7                                       | 1.4          | .3           |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 3.960                              | 123.944            | 124.500   | 2.2  | .4        | .5                                       | .2           | .6           |
| Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....                         | .339                               | 152.083            | 152.850   | 6.7  | .5        | .3                                       | .5           | .5           |
| Apparel .....   | 3.998                              | 116.214            | 120.990   | 1.7  | 4.1       | .8                                       | 1.0          | .0           |
| Men's and boys' apparel .....                                     | 1.031                              | 110.513            | 112.973   | .9   | 2.2       | -.6                                      | 1.0          | -.3          |
| Women's and girls' apparel .....                                  | 1.619                              | 104.584            | 112.304   | 1.3  | 7.4       | 1.5                                      | 2.9          | .4           |
| Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....                              | .251                               | 111.593            | 115.764   | -.1  | 3.7       | -.5                                      | -1.3         | 1.5          |
| Footwear .....  | .821                               | 122.026            | 124.873   | 1.7  | 2.3       | 1.4                                      | -1.6         | -.4          |
| Transportation .....  | 20.054                             | 207.796            | 204.785   | 11.1   | -1.4      | 1.8                                      | -1.7         | -.7          |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 19.287                             | 204.348            | 201.476   | 11.0   | -1.4      | 1.8                                      | -1.8         | -.7          |
| New and used motor vehicles <sup>2</sup> .....                    | 7.952                              | 92.287             | 91.305    | -1.9   | -1.1      | .1                                       | -.4          | -1.1         |
| New vehicles .....  | 4.172                              | 134.540            | 133.504   | -1.9   | -.8       | .2                                       | -.5          | -.8          |
| Used cars and trucks <sup>1</sup> .....                           | 3.103                              | 136.186            | 133.669   | -3.1   | -1.8      | -.1                                      | -.3          | -1.8         |
| Motor fuel .....  | 6.940                              | 325.116            | 316.717   | 31.8   | -2.6      | 4.1                                      | -4.2         | -.8          |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 6.597                              | 322.930            | 315.324   | 31.8   | -2.4      | 4.1                                      | -4.2         | -.6          |
| Motor vehicle parts and equipment <sup>1</sup> .....              | .446                               | 130.228            | 131.072   | 7.3  | .6        | 1.0                                      | 1.0          | .6           |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....                        | 1.169                              | 238.583            | 239.571   | 5.6  | .4        | .7                                       | .6           | .4           |
| Public transportation .....                                       | .767                               | 264.755            | 258.142   | 12.7   | -2.5      | 1.0                                      | .8           | -1.1         |
| Medical care .....  | 5.192                              | 364.652            | 365.250   | 3.3  | .2        | .1                                       | .3           | .3           |
| Medical care commodities .....                                    | 1.295                              | 286.880            | 287.397   | 1.3  | .2        | -.2                                      | .2           | .2           |
| Medical care services .....                                       | 3.897                              | 387.420            | 388.036   | 3.9  | .2        | .1                                       | .4           | .4           |
| Professional services .....                                       | 2.159                              | 314.893            | 314.977   | 3.3  | .0        | .2                                       | .3           | .2           |
| Hospital and related services <sup>3</sup> .....                  | 1.260                              | 532.065            | 534.394   | 7.2  | .4        | .3                                       | .7           | .6           |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 6. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Relative importance, December 2007 | Unadjusted indexes |           | Unadjusted percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |           | Seasonally adjusted percent change from— |              |              |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|-----------|--|--------------|--------------|
|  |                                    | Aug. 2008          | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                    | Aug. 2008 | June to July                             | July to Aug. | Aug. to Sep. |
| Expenditure category   |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....                                      | 5.341                              | 110.698            | 110.904   | 2.2  | 0.2       | 0.4                                      | 0.5          | 0.2          |
| Video and audio <sup>2</sup> .....                                 | 1.987                              | 102.643            | 102.819   | .4   | .2        | .1                                       | .4           | .2           |
| Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 5.987                              | 120.809            | 121.439   | 3.2  | .5        | .5                                       | .2           | .0           |
| Education <sup>2</sup> .....                                       | 2.377                              | 180.819            | 183.613   | 6.1  | 1.5       | .5                                       | .8           | .3           |
| Educational books and supplies .....                               | .204                               | 461.104            | 465.570   | 7.4  | 1.0       | .8                                       | 2.4          | .7           |
| Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....                    | 2.174                              | 509.241            | 517.389   | 6.0  | 1.6       | .5                                       | .7           | .2           |
| Communication <sup>2</sup> .....                                   | 3.609                              | 87.369             | 87.224    | 1.2  | -.2       | .5                                       | -.1          | -.2          |
| Information and information processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....        | 3.488                              | 85.355             | 85.208    | 1.1  | -.2       | .6                                       | -.2          | -.2          |
| Telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....                            | 2.869                              | 101.339            | 101.350   | 2.3  | .0        | .6                                       | .0           | .0           |
| Information technology, hardware and services <sup>1 5</sup> ..... | .619                               | 10.525             | 10.414    | -5.0   | -1.1      | .1                                       | -.7          | -1.1         |
| Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 6</sup> .....   | .228                               | 92.931             | 90.722    | -14.2  | -2.4      | -1.1                                     | -1.9         | -2.4         |
| Other goods and services .....                                     | 3.508                              | 360.102            | 361.125   | 4.4  | .3        | .5                                       | .2           | .2           |
| Tobacco and smoking products <sup>1</sup> .....                    | 1.183                              | 599.823            | 600.293   | 7.0  | .1        | 1.2                                      | .1           | .1           |
| Personal care .....  | 2.325                              | 199.501            | 200.284   | 3.2  | .4        | .2                                       | .2           | .3           |
| Personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....                          | .647                               | 159.345            | 159.730   | 1.3  | .2        | .1                                       | .1           | .2           |
| Personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....                          | .560                               | 224.464            | 224.910   | 3.3  | .2        | .1                                       | .2           | .2           |
| Miscellaneous personal services .....                              | .910                               | 342.974            | 345.175   | 4.8  | .6        | .1                                       | .4           | .5           |
| Commodity and service group  |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| Commodities .....  | 44.745                             | 182.846            | 182.647   | 7.4  | -.1       | 1.3                                      | -.6          | -.1          |
| Food and beverages .....   | 15.926                             | 215.850            | 217.098   | 6.1  | .6        | .9                                       | .6           | .6           |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                          | 28.819                             | 163.761            | 162.971   | 8.1  | -.5       | 1.4                                      | -1.2         | -.5          |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                          | 17.315                             | 218.454            | 217.828   | 14.7   | -.3       | 1.3                                      | -1.9         | -.9          |
| Apparel .....  | 3.998                              | 116.214            | 120.990   | 1.7  | 4.1       | .8                                       | 1.0          | .0           |
| Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....                | 13.318                             | 287.124            | 283.056   | 18.8   | -1.4      | 2.5                                      | -2.6         | -1.6         |
| Durables .....   | 11.504                             | 111.357            | 110.451   | -1.5   | -.8       | .1                                       | -.3          | -.7          |
| Services .....   | 55.255                             | 253.304            | 252.861   | 3.9  | -.2       | .6                                       | .2           | -.1          |
| Rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....                                 | 30.100                             | 231.445            | 231.541   | 2.5  | .0        | .2                                       | .1           | .3           |
| Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....              | .297                               | 118.894            | 120.279   | 2.7  | 1.2       | -.2                                      | -.1          | 1.2          |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>3</sup> .....                     | 4.347                              | 216.557            | 209.442   | 11.4   | -3.3      | 4.0                                      | -1.1         | -2.9         |
| Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....   | .966                               | 154.475            | 154.628   | 6.3  | .1        | .7                                       | 1.4          | .3           |
| Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....                          | .339                               | 152.083            | 152.850   | 6.7  | .5        | .3                                       | .5           | .5           |
| Transportation services .....                                      | 5.266                              | 246.041            | 245.722   | 5.1  | -.1       | .5                                       | .7           | .1           |
| Medical care services .....  | 3.897                              | 387.420            | 388.036   | 3.9  | .2        | .1                                       | .4           | .4           |
| Other services .....   | 10.042                             | 286.389            | 287.792   | 3.6  | .5        | .5                                       | .4           | .2           |
| Special indexes  |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| All items less food .....  | 85.099                             | 214.950            | 214.361   | 5.3  | -.3       | .9                                       | -.3          | -.2          |
| All items less shelter .....                                       | 69.603                             | 208.544            | 208.068   | 6.7  | -.2       | 1.2                                      | -.3          | -.2          |
| All items less medical care .....                                  | 94.808                             | 208.900            | 208.563   | 5.5  | -.2       | .9                                       | -.2          | -.1          |
| Commodities less food .....  | 29.844                             | 165.689            | 164.937   | 7.9  | -.5       | 1.4                                      | -1.2         | -.5          |
| Nondurables less food .....  | 18.341                             | 218.562            | 218.010   | 14.0   | -.3       | 1.3                                      | -1.8         | -.8          |
| Nondurables less food and apparel .....                            | 14.343                             | 279.753            | 276.112   | 17.6   | -1.3      | 2.3                                      | -2.4         | -1.4         |
| Nondurables .....  | 33.241                             | 218.473            | 218.725   | 10.5   | .1        | 1.1                                      | -.8          | -.2          |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....                   | 25.155                             | 246.834            | 245.787   | 5.5  | -.4       | 1.1                                      | .2           | -.4          |
| Services less medical care services .....                          | 51.358                             | 243.354            | 242.868   | 3.9  | -.2       | .6                                       | .2           | -.1          |
| Energy .....   | 11.610                             | 267.624            | 259.864   | 23.8   | -2.9      | 4.0                                      | -3.2         | -1.7         |
| All items less energy .....  | 88.390                             | 209.718            | 210.325   | 3.1  | .3        | .4                                       | .3           | .2           |
| All items less food and energy .....                               | 73.489                             | 208.857            | 209.329   | 2.4  | .2        | .3                                       | .2           | .1           |
| Commodities less food and energy commodities .....                 | 22.581                             | 140.802            | 141.428   | .7   | .4        | .4                                       | .1           | -.2          |
| Energy commodities .....   | 7.264                              | 328.310            | 319.507   | 32.2   | -2.7      | 4.0                                      | -4.3         | -1.1         |
| Services less energy services .....                                | 50.908                             | 257.072            | 257.411   | 3.2  | .1        | .3                                       | .3           | .2           |
| Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00) .....     | -                                  | \$ .465            | \$ .465   | -  | -         | -  | -            | -            |
| Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00) .....        | -                                  | \$ .156            | \$ .156   | -  | -         | -  | -            | -            |

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

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<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 7. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Seasonally adjusted indexes |           |           |           | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for |           |           |           |                 |           |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|   |                             |           |           |           | 3 months ended—                                    |           |           |           | 6 months ended— |           |
|   | June 2008                   | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Dec. 2007  | Mar. 2008 | June 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Mar. 2008       | Sep. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>                                       |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| All items .....   | 213.601                     | 215.507   | 215.130   | 214.946   | 7.0  | 3.3       | 9.0       | 2.5       | 5.1             | 5.7       |
| Food and beverages .....  | 212.937                     | 214.883   | 216.195   | 217.401   | 2.5  | 5.1       | 8.4       | 8.7       | 3.8             | 8.5       |
| Food .....  | 212.814                     | 214.813   | 216.160   | 217.375   | 2.5  | 5.2       | 8.7       | 8.9       | 3.9             | 8.8       |
| Food at home .....  | 212.594                     | 215.085   | 216.812   | 218.085   | 2.4  | 5.8       | 11.4      | 10.7      | 4.1             | 11.1      |
| Cereals and bakery products .....                                 | 245.533                     | 249.875   | 249.930   | 252.230   | 6.4  | 16.0      | 15.7      | 11.4      | 11.1            | 13.5      |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....                              | 202.831                     | 204.852   | 207.265   | 209.114   | .8   | 2.4       | 7.5       | 13.0      | 1.6             | 10.2      |
| Dairy and related products .....                                  | 210.453                     | 214.042   | 214.768   | 213.317   | 2.5  | -2        | 10.9      | 5.6       | 1.2             | 8.2       |
| Fruits and vegetables .....                                       | 280.522                     | 283.919   | 289.447   | 288.190   | 5.2  | 4.1       | 22.7      | 11.4      | 4.6             | 16.9      |
| Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....               | 157.651                     | 158.971   | 159.322   | 160.916   | -2.0   | 7.5       | 2.8       | 8.5       | 2.6             | 5.6       |
| Other food at home .....  | 182.718                     | 184.409   | 185.692   | 187.670   | 2.7  | 6.5       | 12.1      | 11.3      | 4.6             | 11.7      |
| Sugar and sweets .....  | 184.097                     | 184.838   | 186.049   | 189.095   | 3.9  | 6.6       | 6.6       | 11.3      | 5.2             | 8.9       |
| Fats and oils .....   | 197.297                     | 201.406   | 203.666   | 207.065   | 9.9  | 7.8       | 36.3      | 21.3      | 8.8             | 28.6      |
| Other foods .....   | 197.277                     | 198.916   | 200.172   | 201.892   | 1.0  | 6.4       | 9.6       | 9.7       | 3.7             | 9.7       |
| Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 2</sup> .....                    | 118.879                     | 121.015   | 121.443   | 121.589   | 3.8  | 7.4       | 3.9       | 9.4       | 5.6             | 6.6       |
| Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....                            | 214.851                     | 216.177   | 217.002   | 218.147   | 2.6  | 4.4       | 5.1       | 6.3       | 3.5             | 5.7       |
| Other food away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....                    | 149.306                     | 150.232   | 150.301   | 151.321   | -3.6   | 7.8       | 5.9       | 5.5       | 1.9             | 5.7       |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 213.293                     | 214.434   | 215.219   | 216.292   | 2.6  | 3.0       | 3.0       | 5.7       | 2.8             | 4.3       |
| Housing .....   | 212.511                     | 213.943   | 213.851   | 213.496   | 3.9  | 3.6       | 5.9       | 1.9       | 3.8             | 3.9       |
| Shelter .....   | 239.047                     | 239.431   | 239.715   | 240.297   | 3.2  | 2.1       | 2.6       | 2.1       | 2.7             | 2.3       |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....                      | 241.841                     | 242.535   | 243.215   | 243.875   | 4.6  | 3.0       | 3.5       | 3.4       | 3.8             | 3.5       |
| Lodging away from home <sup>2</sup> .....                         | 144.505                     | 144.351   | 142.928   | 144.035   | -1.6   | -5.2      | 4.8       | -1.3      | -3.4            | 1.7       |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3 4</sup> ..... | 228.635                     | 228.943   | 229.239   | 229.663   | 3.1  | 2.6       | 2.0       | 1.8       | 2.8             | 1.9       |
| Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....             | 119.293                     | 119.006   | 118.894   | 120.279   | .9   | 2.1       | 4.5       | 3.3       | 1.5             | 3.9       |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 223.395                     | 230.774   | 228.472   | 222.522   | 10.1   | 13.1      | 28.3      | -1.6      | 11.6            | 12.4      |
| Household energy .....  | 203.870                     | 211.612   | 208.571   | 202.000   | 10.9   | 15.0      | 33.5      | -3.6      | 13.0            | 13.4      |
| Fuel oil and other fuels .....                                    | 388.227                     | 393.808   | 371.762   | 350.353   | 75.4   | 45.0      | 108.2     | -33.7     | 59.5            | 17.5      |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>3</sup> .....                    | 204.597                     | 212.785   | 210.473   | 204.284   | 6.6  | 12.8      | 28.7      | -.6       | 9.6             | 13.1      |
| Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....  | 151.009                     | 152.020   | 154.174   | 154.652   | 5.8  | 4.7       | 4.7       | 10.0      | 5.2             | 7.3       |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 123.200                     | 123.832   | 124.141   | 124.860   | -2   | 2.6       | 1.0       | 5.5       | 1.2             | 3.2       |
| Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....                         | 150.867                     | 151.290   | 152.083   | 152.850   | 4.0  | 7.6       | 10.0      | 5.4       | 5.8             | 7.7       |
| Apparel .....   | 117.920                     | 118.892   | 120.050   | 120.102   | 2.6  | -3.1      | .2        | 7.6       | -.3             | 3.8       |
| Men's and boys' apparel .....                                     | 113.486                     | 112.842   | 113.971   | 113.679   | .1   | 4.3       | -1.5      | .7        | 2.2             | -.4       |
| Women's and girls' apparel .....                                  | 105.595                     | 107.177   | 110.267   | 110.689   | 3.8  | -15.1     | -.8       | 20.7      | -6.1            | 9.4       |
| Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....                              | 115.785                     | 115.245   | 113.771   | 115.496   | 2.8  | .7        | -2.9      | -1.0      | 1.8             | -1.9      |
| Footwear .....  | 124.267                     | 126.005   | 124.021   | 123.558   | 2.0  | 4.2       | 2.7       | -2.3      | 3.1             | .2        |
| Transportation .....  | 207.141                     | 210.841   | 207.328   | 205.872   | 22.6   | 2.8       | 23.7      | -2.4      | 12.3            | 9.9       |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 203.949                     | 207.657   | 203.988   | 202.585   | 23.1   | 2.5       | 23.7      | -2.6      | 12.3            | 9.7       |
| New and used motor vehicles <sup>2</sup> .....                    | 92.928                      | 93.007    | 92.659    | 91.646    | -.4  | -.9       | -1.3      | -5.4      | -.6             | -3.4      |
| New vehicles .....  | 136.143                     | 136.460   | 135.721   | 134.684   | -.8  | -2.4      | -.2       | -4.2      | -1.6            | -2.2      |
| Used cars and trucks <sup>1</sup> .....                           | 136.790                     | 136.639   | 136.186   | 133.669   | -.6  | .8        | -3.7      | -8.8      | .1              | -6.3      |
| Motor fuel .....  | 322.859                     | 336.117   | 321.941   | 319.245   | 81.0   | 3.5       | 68.6      | -4.4      | 36.9            | 27.0      |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 320.576                     | 333.854   | 319.790   | 317.912   | 80.9   | 2.0       | 69.1      | -3.3      | 35.8            | 27.9      |
| Motor vehicle parts and equipment <sup>1</sup> .....              | 127.750                     | 128.997   | 130.228   | 131.072   | 5.5  | 8.5       | 4.6       | 10.8      | 7.0             | 7.6       |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....                        | 235.703                     | 237.365   | 238.826   | 239.756   | 2.9  | 6.4       | 6.1       | 7.1       | 4.6             | 6.6       |
| Public transportation .....                                       | 256.314                     | 258.873   | 261.046   | 258.294   | 12.3   | 11.4      | 24.9      | 3.1       | 11.8            | 13.5      |
| Medical care .....  | 363.629                     | 363.864   | 364.964   | 366.132   | 5.1  | 3.2       | 2.1       | 2.8       | 4.2             | 2.4       |
| Medical care commodities .....                                    | 286.749                     | 286.207   | 286.645   | 287.227   | 4.6  | 3.6       | -3.5      | .7        | 4.1             | -1.4      |
| Medical care services .....                                       | 386.038                     | 386.607   | 387.963   | 389.352   | 5.2  | 3.1       | 4.0       | 3.5       | 4.2             | 3.7       |
| Professional services .....                                       | 313.396                     | 314.053   | 315.066   | 315.757   | 3.8  | 2.1       | 4.4       | 3.0       | 2.9             | 3.7       |
| Hospital and related services <sup>3</sup> .....                  | 529.160                     | 530.663   | 534.373   | 537.382   | 8.9  | 7.4       | 6.1       | 6.4       | 8.2             | 6.2       |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 7. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Seasonally adjusted indexes |           |           |           | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for |           |           |           |                 |           |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|  |                             |           |           |           | 3 months ended—                                    |           |           |           | 6 months ended— |           |
|  | June 2008                   | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Dec. 2007  | Mar. 2008 | June 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Mar. 2008       | Sep. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....                                      | 109.737                     | 110.173   | 110.748   | 110.998   | 1.5  | 2.5       | 0.2       | 4.7       | 2.0             | 2.4       |
| Video and audio <sup>2</sup> .....                                 | 102.166                     | 102.269   | 102.685   | 102.922   | 2.1  | 1.1       | -4.4      | 3.0       | 1.6             | -8        |
| Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 119.805                     | 120.439   | 120.740   | 120.747   | 1.9  | 2.6       | 5.1       | 3.2       | 2.2             | 4.2       |
| Education <sup>2</sup> .....                                       | 178.167                     | 179.067   | 180.563   | 181.030   | 6.9  | 5.2       | 5.8       | 6.6       | 6.0             | 6.2       |
| Educational books and supplies .....                               | 446.991                     | 450.380   | 461.173   | 464.432   | 6.6  | 4         | 6.5       | 16.5      | 3.4             | 11.4      |
| Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....                    | 502.545                     | 504.965   | 508.443   | 509.542   | 6.9  | 5.7       | 5.7       | 5.7       | 6.3             | 5.7       |
| Communication <sup>2</sup> .....                                   | 87.016                      | 87.490    | 87.369    | 87.225    | -1.6   | .8        | 4.7       | 1.0       | -.4             | 2.8       |
| Information and information processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....        | 85.007                      | 85.484    | 85.355    | 85.208    | -1.7   | .8        | 4.4       | .9        | -.5             | 2.7       |
| Telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....                            | 100.723                     | 101.375   | 101.339   | 101.350   | -.6  | .8        | 6.8       | 2.5       | .1              | 4.6       |
| Information technology, hardware and services <sup>1 5</sup> ..... | 10.585                      | 10.600    | 10.525    | 10.414    | -8.3   | .9        | -5.8      | -6.3      | -3.8            | -6.1      |
| Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 6</sup> .....   | 95.766                      | 94.691    | 92.931    | 90.722    | -19.9  | 1.1       | -16.8     | -19.5     | -10.0           | -18.1     |
| Other goods and services .....                                     | 358.283                     | 360.084   | 360.634   | 361.459   | 3.2  | 4.8       | 6.1       | 3.6       | 4.0             | 4.8       |
| Tobacco and smoking products <sup>1</sup> .....                    | 592.248                     | 599.180   | 599.823   | 600.293   | 5.3  | 6.1       | 11.1      | 5.5       | 5.7             | 8.3       |
| Personal care .....  | 199.288                     | 199.599   | 199.951   | 200.567   | 2.3  | 4.1       | 3.7       | 2.6       | 3.2             | 3.1       |
| Personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....                          | 159.052                     | 159.237   | 159.345   | 159.730   | 1.9  | .8        | .8        | 1.7       | 1.4             | 1.3       |
| Personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....                          | 223.838                     | 223.994   | 224.464   | 224.910   | 4.0  | 5.8       | 1.4       | 1.9       | 4.9             | 1.7       |
| Miscellaneous personal services .....                              | 341.405                     | 341.783   | 343.214   | 345.068   | 3.1  | 5.2       | 6.6       | 4.4       | 4.1             | 5.5       |
| <b>Commodity and service group</b>                                 |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| Commodities .....  | 182.091                     | 184.380   | 183.312   | 183.072   | 11.4   | 3.1       | 13.3      | 2.2       | 7.1             | 7.6       |
| Food and beverages .....   | 212.937                     | 214.883   | 216.195   | 217.401   | 2.5  | 5.1       | 8.4       | 8.7       | 3.8             | 8.5       |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                          | 163.920                     | 166.283   | 164.264   | 163.433   | 16.9   | 1.8       | 16.0      | -1.2      | 9.1             | 7.1       |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                          | 219.911                     | 222.730   | 218.408   | 216.425   | 30.2   | 9.3       | 29.4      | -6.2      | 19.3            | 10.2      |
| Apparel .....  | 117.920                     | 118.892   | 120.050   | 120.102   | 2.6  | -3.1      | .2        | 7.6       | -.3             | 3.8       |
| Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....                | 288.571                     | 295.649   | 287.973   | 283.308   | 36.3   | 11.7      | 40.6      | -7.1      | 23.4            | 14.3      |
| Durables .....   | 111.778                     | 111.904   | 111.513   | 110.738   | .3   | -.3       | -2.2      | -3.7      | .0              | -2.9      |
| Services .....   | 250.646                     | 252.098   | 252.502   | 252.363   | 3.6  | 3.5       | 5.5       | 2.8       | 3.6             | 4.1       |
| Rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....                                 | 230.376                     | 230.750   | 231.020   | 231.740   | 3.3  | 2.0       | 2.5       | 2.4       | 2.6             | 2.4       |
| Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....              | 119.293                     | 119.006   | 118.894   | 120.279   | .9   | 2.1       | 4.5       | 3.3       | 1.5             | 3.9       |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>3</sup> .....                     | 204.597                     | 212.785   | 210.473   | 204.284   | 6.6  | 12.8      | 28.7      | -.6       | 9.6             | 13.1      |
| Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....   | 151.009                     | 152.020   | 154.174   | 154.652   | 5.8  | 4.7       | 4.7       | 10.0      | 5.2             | 7.3       |
| Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....                          | 150.867                     | 151.290   | 152.083   | 152.850   | 4.0  | 7.6       | 10.0      | 5.4       | 5.8             | 7.7       |
| Transportation services .....                                      | 243.223                     | 244.333   | 246.033   | 246.228   | 2.7  | 4.7       | 7.8       | 5.0       | 3.7             | 6.4       |
| Medical care services .....  | 386.038                     | 386.607   | 387.963   | 389.352   | 5.2  | 3.1       | 4.0       | 3.5       | 4.2             | 3.7       |
| Other services .....   | 283.979                     | 285.261   | 286.423   | 286.893   | 3.0  | 3.2       | 4.1       | 4.2       | 3.1             | 4.1       |
| <b>Special indexes</b>   |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| All items less food .....  | 213.542                     | 215.430   | 214.752   | 214.323   | 7.8  | 2.9       | 9.0       | 1.5       | 5.3             | 5.2       |
| All items less shelter .....                                       | 206.640                     | 209.123   | 208.500   | 208.034   | 8.6  | 3.8       | 11.8      | 2.7       | 6.2             | 7.2       |
| All items less medical care .....                                  | 207.249                     | 209.190   | 208.771   | 208.547   | 7.1  | 3.3       | 9.4       | 2.5       | 5.2             | 5.9       |
| Commodities less food .....  | 165.803                     | 168.143   | 166.189   | 165.404   | 16.3   | 1.9       | 15.6      | -1.0      | 8.9             | 7.0       |
| Nondurables less food .....  | 219.878                     | 222.640   | 218.543   | 216.742   | 28.2   | 9.2       | 27.9      | -5.6      | 18.3            | 9.9       |
| Nondurables less food and apparel .....                            | 281.115                     | 287.558   | 280.555   | 276.627   | 32.8   | 11.2      | 38.2      | -6.2      | 21.5            | 13.9      |
| Nondurables .....  | 218.042                     | 220.363   | 218.559   | 218.036   | 15.8   | 7.6       | 19.5      | .0        | 11.6            | 9.3       |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....                   | 242.816                     | 245.434   | 245.949   | 244.940   | 3.4  | 5.0       | 10.2      | 3.5       | 4.2             | 6.8       |
| Services less medical care services .....                          | 240.801                     | 242.231   | 242.706   | 242.484   | 3.1  | 3.4       | 6.1       | 2.8       | 3.3             | 4.5       |
| Energy .....   | 261.655                     | 272.093   | 263.479   | 258.926   | 47.5   | 8.3       | 54.1      | -4.1      | 26.4            | 21.6      |
| All items less energy .....  | 208.598                     | 209.458   | 210.097   | 210.452   | 2.5  | 2.6       | 3.5       | 3.6       | 2.6             | 3.6       |
| All items less food and energy .....                               | 208.116                     | 208.747   | 209.244   | 209.425   | 2.5  | 2.1       | 2.5       | 2.5       | 2.3             | 2.5       |
| Commodities less food and energy commodities .....                 | 141.128                     | 141.700   | 141.896   | 141.581   | .6   | .6        | .0        | 1.3       | .6              | .7        |
| Energy commodities .....   | 327.093                     | 340.121   | 325.564   | 322.124   | 80.7   | 5.5       | 70.2      | -5.9      | 38.1            | 26.5      |
| Services less energy services .....                                | 255.507                     | 256.168   | 256.890   | 257.459   | 3.4  | 2.7       | 3.6       | 3.1       | 3.0             | 3.3       |

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<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

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<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and Group   | Relative importance, December 2007 | Unadjusted indexes |           | Unadjusted percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |           | Seasonally adjusted percent change from— |              |              |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|-----------|--|--------------|--------------|
|  |                                    | Aug. 2008          | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                    | Aug. 2008 | June to July                             | July to Aug. | Aug. to Sep. |
| Expenditure category   |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| All items .....  | 100.000                            | 215.247            | 214.935   | 5.4  | -0.1      | 0.9                                      | -0.2         | -0.1         |
| All items (1967=100) .....   | -                                  | 641.155            | 640.226   | -  | -         | -  | -            | -            |
| Food and beverages .....   | 15.926                             | 215.850            | 217.098   | 6.1  | .6        | .9                                       | .6           | .6           |
| Food .....   | 14.901                             | 215.812            | 217.090   | 6.3  | .6        | .9                                       | .6           | .6           |
| Food at home .....   | 8.595                              | 216.214            | 217.594   | 7.5  | .6        | 1.2                                      | .8           | .6           |
| Cereals and bakery products .....  | 1.110                              | 250.842            | 251.448   | 12.3   | .2        | 1.8                                      | .0           | .9           |
| Cereals and cereal products .....  | .375                               | 221.112            | 221.335   | 12.6   | .1        | 2.6                                      | .2           | 1.0          |
| Flour and prepared flour mixes .....                                     | .041                               | 236.046            | 231.166   | 18.6   | -2.1      | 1.0                                      | -.2          | -.8          |
| Breakfast cereal <sup>1</sup> .....                                      | .214                               | 214.333            | 215.444   | 4.2  | .5        | 1.7                                      | -.3          | .5           |
| Rice, pasta, commmeal <sup>1</sup> .....                                 | .121                               | 230.155            | 230.650   | 25.3   | .2        | 3.7                                      | 1.4          | .2           |
| Bakery products .....  | .736                               | 267.034            | 267.876   | 12.2   | .3        | 1.4                                      | -.1          | .8           |
| Bread <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | .229                               | 163.231            | 163.679   | 17.3   | .3        | 1.6                                      | -1.1         | .3           |
| Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins <sup>1 2</sup> .....                      | .100                               | 155.302            | 156.338   | 13.6   | .7        | 2.7                                      | -.1          | .7           |
| Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies .....                                       | .195                               | 242.296            | 243.517   | 9.6  | .5        | 1.2                                      | .3           | .4           |
| Other bakery products .....  | .211                               | 246.102            | 246.174   | 8.6  | .0        | .8                                       | .3           | 1.2          |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....                                     | 2.192                              | 207.211            | 209.515   | 5.8  | 1.1       | 1.0                                      | 1.2          | .9           |
| Meats, poultry, and fish .....   | 2.048                              | 207.132            | 209.017   | 6.1  | .9        | .9                                       | 1.6          | .8           |
| Meats .....  | 1.350                              | 205.713            | 207.879   | 6.1  | 1.1       | 1.1                                      | 1.9          | .9           |
| Beef and veal <sup>1</sup> .....   | .656                               | 227.332            | 227.540   | 6.1  | .1        | .7                                       | 2.6          | .1           |
| Uncooked ground beef <sup>1</sup> .....                                  | .272                               | 199.978            | 201.711   | 8.3  | .9        | -.1                                      | 3.4          | .9           |
| Uncooked beef roasts <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                | .101                               | 163.805            | 165.455   | 5.5  | 1.0       | 1.7                                      | 1.9          | 1.0          |
| Uncooked beef steaks <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                | .222                               | 162.304            | 160.340   | 4.0  | -1.2      | 1.3                                      | 2.0          | -1.2         |
| Uncooked other beef and veal <sup>1 2</sup> .....                        | .061                               | 158.804            | 158.500   | 5.7  | -.2       | .6                                       | 2.2          | -.2          |
| Pork .....   | .411                               | 188.950            | 191.363   | 5.5  | 1.3       | 1.0                                      | 1.5          | .9           |
| Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products <sup>2</sup> .....        | .142                               | 130.609            | 130.683   | .8   | .1        | 1.5                                      | 2.0          | .5           |
| Ham .....  | .082                               | 185.885            | 188.870   | 3.3  | 1.6       | 1.5                                      | -.1          | .9           |
| Pork chops .....   | .085                               | 179.569            | 183.115   | 6.6  | 2.0       | .5                                       | .1           | 2.1          |
| Other pork including roasts and picnics <sup>2</sup> .....               | .102                               | 119.724            | 122.198   | 13.7   | 2.1       | 1.7                                      | 3.1          | .8           |
| Other meats .....  | .283                               | 188.124            | 193.876   | 6.9  | 3.1       | 2.1                                      | .7           | 2.8          |
| Poultry <sup>1</sup> .....   | .391                               | 203.985            | 205.199   | 4.1  | .6        | .9                                       | 1.1          | .6           |
| Chicken <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | .326                               | 133.261            | 133.623   | 3.6  | .3        | .8                                       | 1.4          | .3           |
| Other poultry including turkey <sup>2</sup> .....                        | .066                               | 124.263            | 126.903   | 6.7  | 2.1       | 1.6                                      | -.7          | 2.6          |
| Fish and seafood <sup>1</sup> .....                                      | .307                               | 237.686            | 239.311   | 8.6  | .7        | .4                                       | 1.4          | .7           |
| Fresh fish and seafood <sup>1 2</sup> .....                              | .168                               | 141.314            | 142.561   | 8.8  | .9        | -.3                                      | 1.2          | .9           |
| Processed fish and seafood <sup>2</sup> .....                            | .139                               | 122.720            | 123.263   | 8.3  | .4        | 1.1                                      | 1.6          | .7           |
| Eggs .....   | .144                               | 210.113            | 219.564   | 3.5  | 4.5       | 1.9                                      | -5.8         | 2.5          |
| Dairy and related products .....   | .965                               | 214.139            | 212.841   | 4.6  | -.6       | 1.7                                      | .3           | -.7          |
| Milk <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | .381                               | 150.974            | 148.749   | -.3  | -1.5      | 4.3                                      | -1.5         | -1.5         |
| Cheese and related products <sup>1</sup> .....                           | .279                               | 220.748            | 220.101   | 11.0   | -.3       | 3.1                                      | 1.5          | -.3          |
| Ice cream and related products .....                                     | .143                               | 193.463            | 195.206   | 5.2  | .9        | -.5                                      | 1.0          | .6           |
| Other dairy and related products <sup>2</sup> .....                      | .162                               | 142.313            | 141.604   | 5.0  | -.5       | .6                                       | -.8          | .9           |
| Fruits and vegetables .....  | 1.218                              | 282.171            | 284.612   | 10.6   | .9        | 1.2                                      | 1.9          | -.4          |
| Fresh fruits and vegetables .....  | .947                               | 331.750            | 333.738   | 10.0   | .6        | 1.4                                      | 2.0          | -1.3         |
| Fresh fruits .....   | .480                               | 350.115            | 357.003   | 9.6  | 2.0       | .1                                       | 3.3          | .1           |
| Apples .....   | .083                               | 391.754            | 381.362   | 22.3   | -2.7      | .9                                       | 5.4          | 1.3          |
| Bananas .....  | .075                               | 215.863            | 216.692   | 22.0   | .4        | -.7                                      | 2.3          | 1.9          |
| Citrus fruits <sup>2</sup> .....   | .089                               | 234.802            | 240.931   | 2.3  | 2.6       | .2                                       | 3.0          | -.4          |
| Other fresh fruits <sup>2</sup> .....                                    | .232                               | 105.376            | 110.780   | 5.0  | 5.1       | 1.5                                      | 1.3          | -.2          |
| Fresh vegetables .....   | .466                               | 312.733            | 310.146   | 10.3   | -.8       | 2.8                                      | .8           | -2.7         |
| Potatoes .....   | .074                               | 366.280            | 375.859   | 32.9   | 2.6       | 9.2                                      | 4.5          | 6.3          |
| Lettuce <sup>1</sup> .....   | .061                               | 276.777            | 288.038   | 8.5  | 4.1       | 2.4                                      | 3.2          | 4.1          |
| Tomatoes .....   | .109                               | 312.581            | 297.627   | 8.2  | -4.8      | -3.1                                     | -2.4         | -10.7        |
| Other fresh vegetables .....   | .222                               | 309.803            | 303.663   | 3.9  | -2.0      | 1.9                                      | .4           | -4.6         |
| Processed fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....                       | .271                               | 142.227            | 144.676   | 12.3   | 1.7       | .6                                       | 1.6          | 2.5          |
| Canned fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....                          | .136                               | 145.048            | 148.603   | 16.6   | 2.5       | .7                                       | 3.1          | 3.6          |
| Frozen fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....                          | .083                               | 135.573            | 136.382   | 5.4  | .6        | -.8                                      | -.2          | .5           |
| Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried <sup>2</sup> ..... | .052                               | 143.759            | 145.901   | 12.4   | 1.5       | 2.0                                      | .9           | 2.0          |

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**Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and Group   | Relative importance, December 2007 | Unadjusted indexes |           | Unadjusted percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |           | Seasonally adjusted percent change from— |              |              |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|-----------|--|--------------|--------------|
|  |                                    | Aug. 2008          | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                    | Aug. 2008 | June to July                             | July to Aug. | Aug. to Sep. |
| Expenditure category   |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....                  | 1.094                              | 159.024            | 160.850   | 4.1  | 1.1       | 0.8                                      | 0.2          | 1.0          |
| Juices and nonalcoholic drinks <sup>2</sup> .....                    | .751                               | 122.677            | 125.247   | 4.2  | 2.1       | 1.0                                      | -.2          | 1.8          |
| Carbonated drinks .....  | .386                               | 145.995            | 151.238   | 4.7  | 3.6       | .4                                       | -.5          | 3.3          |
| Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1 2</sup> .....          | .016                               | 144.594            | 147.596   | 3.5  | 2.1       | -.8                                      | .1           | 2.1          |
| Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1 2</sup> .....       | .349                               | 117.643            | 118.130   | 4.2  | .4        | 1.4                                      | .2           | .4           |
| Beverage materials including coffee and tea <sup>2</sup> .....       | .343                               | 114.139            | 113.101   | 3.9  | -.9       | .6                                       | .8           | -.7          |
| Coffee .....   | .109                               | 191.912            | 191.773   | 9.1  | -.1       | .4                                       | -.1          | 1.2          |
| Other beverage materials including tea <sup>2</sup> .....            | .234                               | 123.520            | 121.872   | 1.4  | -1.3      | .7                                       | 1.2          | -1.7         |
| Other food at home .....   | 2.016                              | 186.458            | 187.467   | 8.1  | .5        | .9                                       | .7           | 1.1          |
| Sugar and sweets .....   | .279                               | 186.860            | 188.914   | 7.1  | 1.1       | .4                                       | .7           | 1.6          |
| Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....                                | .058                               | 172.622            | 175.708   | 4.2  | 1.8       | .1                                       | 1.3          | 2.0          |
| Candy and chewing gum <sup>1 2</sup> .....                           | .166                               | 122.727            | 123.362   | 6.7  | .5        | 1.3                                      | -.1          | .5           |
| Other sweets <sup>2</sup> .....                                      | .055                               | 136.311            | 139.165   | 11.1   | 2.1       | 1.2                                      | .6           | 2.8          |
| Fats and oils .....  | .232                               | 203.721            | 207.069   | 18.3   | 1.6       | 2.1                                      | 1.1          | 1.7          |
| Butter and margarine <sup>2</sup> .....                              | .057                               | 162.261            | 164.303   | 17.7   | 1.3       | 4.7                                      | .9           | 1.4          |
| Salad dressing <sup>2</sup> .....                                    | .066                               | 120.270            | 124.281   | 11.2   | 3.3       | 1.3                                      | -.5          | 2.5          |
| Other fats and oils including peanut butter <sup>2</sup> .....       | .109                               | 150.670            | 152.076   | 23.2   | .9        | 1.1                                      | 2.1          | 1.2          |
| Other foods .....  | 1.504                              | 201.119            | 201.632   | 6.6  | .3        | .8                                       | .6           | .9           |
| Soups .....  | .092                               | 232.650            | 226.612   | 3.6  | -2.6      | -.3                                      | .6           | .6           |
| Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods .....                         | .328                               | 162.511            | 164.347   | 6.2  | 1.1       | .7                                       | 1.4          | 1.1          |
| Snacks <sup>1</sup> .....  | .293                               | 204.577            | 203.297   | 10.3   | -.6       | .1                                       | 1.3          | -.6          |
| Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces .....                         | .253                               | 208.554            | 211.357   | 5.5  | 1.3       | -.9                                      | 1.9          | 1.5          |
| Baby food <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                       | .101                               | 139.616            | 140.412   | 6.1  | .6        | .1                                       | -1.0         | .6           |
| Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 2</sup> .....                       | .438                               | 121.443            | 121.589   | 6.1  | .1        | 1.8                                      | .4           | .1           |
| Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....                               | 6.305                              | 217.002            | 218.147   | 4.6  | .5        | .6                                       | .4           | .5           |
| Full service meals and snacks <sup>1 2</sup> .....                   | 2.645                              | 135.999            | 136.578   | 4.1  | .4        | .4                                       | .2           | .4           |
| Limited service meals and snacks <sup>1 2</sup> .....                | 2.880                              | 137.866            | 138.619   | 5.1  | .5        | .8                                       | .4           | .5           |
| Food at employee sites and schools <sup>2</sup> .....                | .329                               | 133.418            | 135.166   | 5.3  | 1.3       | .8                                       | 1.7          | .3           |
| Food from vending machines and mobile vendors <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | .233                               | 124.442            | 124.694   | 4.1  | .2        | .2                                       | .2           | .2           |
| Other food away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....                       | .218                               | 150.301            | 151.321   | 3.8  | .7        | .6                                       | .0           | .7           |
| Alcoholic beverages .....  | 1.025                              | 214.931            | 215.728   | 3.6  | .4        | .5                                       | .4           | .5           |
| Alcoholic beverages at home .....                                    | .584                               | 186.610            | 187.436   | 3.2  | .4        | .7                                       | .3           | .5           |
| Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home .....                    | .405                               | 190.023            | 190.614   | 2.8  | .3        | .8                                       | -.1          | .5           |
| Distilled spirits at home .....                                      | .057                               | 183.400            | 184.733   | 3.5  | .7        | .1                                       | 1.3          | .6           |
| Wine at home .....   | .122                               | 168.027            | 169.272   | 4.7  | .7        | .6                                       | .9           | .4           |
| Alcoholic beverages away from home .....                             | .441                               | 278.442            | 279.210   | 4.2  | .3        | .0                                       | .5           | .4           |
|  |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| Housing .....  | 39.994                             | 214.743            | 213.954   | 3.8  | -.4       | .7                                       | .0           | -.2          |
| Shelter .....  | 30.397                             | 240.038            | 240.163   | 2.5  | .1        | .2                                       | .1           | .2           |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....                         | 7.979                              | 243.010            | 243.741   | 3.6  | .3        | .3                                       | .3           | .3           |
| Lodging away from home <sup>2</sup> .....                            | 1.233                              | 148.368            | 142.591   | -.8  | -3.9      | -.1                                      | -1.0         | .8           |
| Housing at school, excluding board <sup>3 4</sup> .....              | .111                               | 399.069            | 404.484   | 4.5  | 1.4       | .4                                       | .3           | -.2          |
| Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels .....       | 1.123                              | 310.212            | 296.666   | -.9  | -4.4      | -.2                                      | -1.1         | .9           |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3 4</sup> .....    | 20.888                             | 229.219            | 229.670   | 2.4  | .2        | .1                                       | .1           | .2           |
| Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....                | .297                               | 118.894            | 120.279   | 2.7  | 1.2       | -.2                                      | -.1          | 1.2          |
| Fuels and utilities .....  | 5.637                              | 233.373            | 226.709   | 12.1   | -2.9      | 3.3                                      | -1.0         | -2.6         |
| Household energy .....   | 4.670                              | 213.807            | 206.544   | 13.3   | -3.4      | 3.8                                      | -1.4         | -3.2         |
| Fuel oil and other fuels .....                                       | .323                               | 363.535            | 345.907   | 36.9   | -4.8      | 1.4                                      | -5.6         | -5.8         |
| Fuel oil .....   | .196                               | 410.195            | 382.644   | 43.3   | -6.7      | -.4                                      | -9.2         | -8.2         |
| Propane, kerosene, and firewood <sup>5</sup> .....                   | .128                               | 367.079            | 361.237   | 26.3   | -1.6      | 4.0                                      | -1.2         | -1.9         |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>3</sup> .....                       | 4.347                              | 216.557            | 209.442   | 11.4   | -3.3      | 4.0                                      | -1.1         | -2.9         |
| Electricity <sup>3</sup> .....                                       | 3.179                              | 199.151            | 197.036   | 8.1  | -1.1      | 2.5                                      | 1.2          | -.8          |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>3</sup> .....                       | 1.168                              | 273.160            | 248.702   | 20.0   | -9.0      | 7.4                                      | -6.1         | -8.0         |
| Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....     | .966                               | 154.475            | 154.628   | 6.3  | .1        | .7                                       | 1.4          | .3           |
| Water and sewerage maintenance <sup>3</sup> .....                    | .719                               | 331.467            | 331.667   | 6.3  | .1        | .6                                       | 1.6          | .3           |
| Garbage and trash collection <sup>1 6</sup> .....                    | .247                               | 368.858            | 369.649   | 6.3  | .2        | .8                                       | .9           | .2           |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                           | 3.960                              | 123.944            | 124.500   | 2.2  | .4        | .5                                       | .2           | .6           |
| Window and floor coverings and other linens <sup>2</sup> .....       | .297                               | 79.286             | 79.588    | -1.5   | .4        | -.6                                      | -.1          | .0           |
| Floor coverings <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                 | .053                               | 119.766            | 119.814   | 1.7  | .0        | 1.4                                      | 1.6          | .0           |
| Window coverings <sup>2</sup> .....                                  | .063                               | 90.840             | 91.473    | 1.9  | .7        | -.1                                      | 2.3          | .0           |
| Other linens <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                    | .181                               | 66.016             | 66.260    | -3.7   | .4        | -1.6                                     | -1.4         | .4           |
| Furniture and bedding <sup>1</sup> .....                             | .993                               | 121.757            | 122.755   | 1.0  | .8        | .8                                       | .2           | .8           |
| Bedroom furniture <sup>1</sup> .....                                 | .384                               | 143.505            | 145.996   | 2.4  | 1.7       | .8                                       | .5           | 1.7          |
| Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture <sup>1 2</sup> ..... | .455                               | 89.702             | 89.960    | -.2  | .3        | 1.3                                      | .0           | .3           |
| Other furniture <sup>2</sup> .....                                   | .143                               | 87.310             | 87.369    | .9   | .1        | -.1                                      | 1.3          | 1.1          |

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**Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and Group  | Relative importance, December 2007 | Unadjusted indexes |           | Unadjusted percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |           | Seasonally adjusted percent change from— |              |              |
|---|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|-----------|--|--------------|--------------|
|   |                                    | Aug. 2008          | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                    | Aug. 2008 | June to July                             | July to Aug. | Aug. to Sep. |
| Expenditure category  |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| Appliances <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | .331                               | 91.529             | 91.053    | 0.8  | -0.5      | 0.3                                      | 0.4          | -0.5         |
| Major appliances <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                       | .212                               | 103.444            | 103.238   | 2.2  | -.2       | .1                                       | .6           | -.2          |
| Other appliances <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                       | .114                               | 75.981             | 75.119    | -1.8   | -1.1      | .7                                       | .1           | -1.1         |
| Other household equipment and furnishings <sup>2</sup> .....                | .435                               | 76.434             | 76.323    | .5   | -.1       | -.5                                      | -.4          | .5           |
| Clocks, lamps, and decorator items <sup>1</sup> .....                       | .232                               | 67.063             | 66.422    | -2.8   | -1.0      | -.8                                      | -.9          | -1.0         |
| Indoor plants and flowers <sup>7</sup> .....                                | .078                               | 131.425            | 132.566   | 6.3  | .9        | -.8                                      | 1.1          | 1.0          |
| Dishes and flatware <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                    | .048                               | 74.581             | 76.569    | 4.6  | 2.7       | -.5                                      | -.7          | 2.7          |
| Nonelectric cookware and tableware <sup>2</sup> .....                       | .077                               | 97.035             | 96.518    | 1.8  | -.5       | -.4                                      | -.8          | .0           |
| Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....          | .661                               | 94.082             | 94.020    | .4   | -.1       | 1.0                                      | .3           | .1           |
| Tools, hardware and supplies <sup>1 2</sup> .....                           | .240                               | 100.744            | 100.999   | 1.6  | .3        | .7                                       | .5           | .3           |
| Outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....                           | .284                               | 88.396             | 88.093    | -.7  | -.3       | 1.1                                      | .1           | -.1          |
| Housekeeping supplies <sup>1</sup> .....                                    | .905                               | 177.400            | 179.247   | 5.6  | 1.0       | .4                                       | .2           | 1.0          |
| Household cleaning products <sup>1 2</sup> .....                            | .391                               | 116.611            | 117.576   | 4.9  | .8        | .1                                       | .3           | .8           |
| Household paper products <sup>1 2</sup> .....                               | .241                               | 146.299            | 149.141   | 10.0   | 1.9       | .6                                       | .1           | 1.9          |
| Miscellaneous household products <sup>1 2</sup> .....                       | .273                               | 115.563            | 116.177   | 2.6  | .5        | .6                                       | .2           | .5           |
| Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                   | .339                               | 152.083            | 152.850   | 6.7  | .5        | .3                                       | .5           | .5           |
| Domestic services <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                      | .070                               | 141.504            | 142.259   | 4.5  | .5        | .0                                       | .3           | .5           |
| Gardening and lawn care services <sup>1 2</sup> .....                       | .103                               | 156.008            | 157.818   | 10.7   | 1.2       | .2                                       | .8           | 1.2          |
| Moving, storage, freight expense <sup>2</sup> .....                         | .062                               | 135.693            | 135.107   | 2.3  | -.4       | 2.2                                      | -.5          | -.1          |
| Repair of household items <sup>1 2</sup> .....                              | .065                               | 174.728            | 175.362   | 6.6  | .4        | -1.3                                     | 1.0          | .4           |
| Apparel .....   | 3.998                              | 116.214            | 120.990   | 1.7  | 4.1       | .8                                       | 1.0          | .0           |
| Men's and boys' apparel .....   | 1.031                              | 110.513            | 112.973   | .9   | 2.2       | -.6                                      | 1.0          | -.3          |
| Men's apparel .....   | .790                               | 117.847            | 119.826   | 1.7  | 1.7       | -.4                                      | 1.0          | -.2          |
| Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear .....                               | .118                               | 118.888            | 124.471   | 2.5  | 4.7       | -.4                                      | -1.5         | 3.2          |
| Men's furnishings .....   | .186                               | 132.131            | 133.808   | 4.1  | 1.3       | -.2                                      | -1.2         | 2.0          |
| Men's shirts and sweaters <sup>2</sup> .....                                | .248                               | 79.820             | 82.306    | -2.8   | 3.1       | .9                                       | 1.8          | -2.2         |
| Men's pants and shorts .....  | .227                               | 112.780            | 111.805   | 3.9  | -.9       | -1.4                                     | 4.0          | -2.4         |
| Boys' apparel .....   | .241                               | 88.990             | 92.724    | -2.3   | 4.2       | .2                                       | -.9          | -.7          |
| Women's and girls' apparel .....  | 1.619                              | 104.584            | 112.304   | 1.3  | 7.4       | 1.5                                      | 2.9          | .4           |
| Women's apparel .....   | 1.306                              | 106.568            | 114.760   | .8   | 7.7       | 1.6                                      | 3.0          | .5           |
| Women's outerwear .....   | .109                               | 98.559             | 114.642   | 6.3  | 16.3      | 3.6                                      | 4.3          | 2.6          |
| Women's dresses .....   | .125                               | 106.808            | 125.764   | .3   | 17.7      | 5.8                                      | 4.2          | 3.8          |
| Women's suits and separates <sup>2</sup> .....                              | .714                               | 84.557             | 90.872    | .9   | 7.5       | 1.7                                      | 3.5          | -.9          |
| Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories <sup>2</sup> ..... | .345                               | 88.909             | 90.785    | .8   | 2.1       | .7                                       | 1.3          | 1.9          |
| Girls' apparel .....  | .313                               | 96.593             | 102.448   | 4.3  | 6.1       | 1.0                                      | 2.2          | -.1          |
| Footwear .....  | .821                               | 122.026            | 124.873   | 1.7  | 2.3       | 1.4                                      | -1.6         | -.4          |
| Men's footwear <sup>1</sup> .....   | .291                               | 121.199            | 121.517   | 1.7  | .3        | -.7                                      | .3           | .3           |
| Boys' and girls' footwear .....   | .188                               | 124.398            | 129.074   | 1.1  | 3.8       | .8                                       | -1.3         | -.4          |
| Women's footwear .....  | .342                               | 120.043            | 124.081   | 2.0  | 3.4       | 2.3                                      | -2.7         | -.5          |
| Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....  | .251                               | 111.593            | 115.764   | -.1  | 3.7       | -.5                                      | -1.3         | 1.5          |
| Jewelry and watches <sup>5</sup> .....                                      | .276                               | 150.320            | 148.712   | 8.6  | -1.1      | 1.6                                      | -.1          | -.8          |
| Watches <sup>5</sup> .....  | .040                               | 110.826            | 111.024   | -1.3   | .2        | .5                                       | -.2          | .1           |
| Jewelry <sup>5</sup> .....  | .236                               | 161.450            | 159.415   | 10.4   | -1.3      | 1.8                                      | -.3          | -.7          |
| Transportation .....  | 20.054                             | 207.796            | 204.785   | 11.1   | -1.4      | 1.8                                      | -1.7         | -.7          |
| Private transportation .....  | 19.287                             | 204.348            | 201.476   | 11.0   | -1.4      | 1.8                                      | -1.8         | -.7          |
| New and used motor vehicles <sup>2</sup> .....                              | 7.952                              | 92.287             | 91.305    | -1.9   | -1.1      | .1                                       | -.4          | -1.1         |
| New vehicles .....  | 4.172                              | 134.540            | 133.504   | -1.9   | -.8       | .2                                       | -.5          | -.8          |
| Used cars and trucks <sup>1</sup> .....                                     | 3.103                              | 136.186            | 133.669   | -3.1   | -1.8      | -.1                                      | -.3          | -1.8         |
| Leased cars and trucks <sup>8</sup> .....                                   | .490                               | 93.741             | 95.802    | 3.3  | 2.2       | .1                                       | 1.1          | 1.3          |
| Car and truck rental <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | .060                               | 125.023            | 114.876   | .5   | -8.1      | -.1                                      | -2.1         | -5.4         |
| Motor fuel .....  | 6.940                              | 325.116            | 316.717   | 31.8   | -2.6      | 4.1                                      | -4.2         | -.8          |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 6.597                              | 322.930            | 315.324   | 31.8   | -2.4      | 4.1                                      | -4.2         | -.6          |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>9</sup> .....                               | -                                  | 323.659            | 315.809   | 31.9   | -2.4      | 4.3                                      | -4.2         | -.7          |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9 10</sup> .....                           | -                                  | 328.564            | 321.724   | 31.9   | -2.1      | 4.0                                      | -4.0         | -.5          |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>9</sup> .....                               | -                                  | 307.593            | 300.321   | 30.6   | -2.4      | 3.8                                      | -4.0         | -.7          |
| Other motor fuels <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                      | .344                               | 324.502            | 302.461   | 38.9   | -6.8      | .2                                       | -6.8         | -6.8         |
| Motor vehicle parts and equipment <sup>1</sup> .....                        | .446                               | 130.228            | 131.072   | 7.3  | .6        | 1.0                                      | 1.0          | .6           |
| Tires <sup>1</sup> .....  | .238                               | 117.675            | 118.472   | 6.3  | .7        | 1.2                                      | .6           | .7           |
| Vehicle accessories other than tires <sup>1 2</sup> .....                   | .208                               | 139.453            | 140.310   | 8.5  | .6        | .7                                       | 1.4          | .6           |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....                                  | 1.169                              | 238.583            | 239.571   | 5.6  | .4        | .7                                       | .6           | .4           |
| Motor vehicle body work <sup>1</sup> .....                                  | .069                               | 240.497            | 243.171   | 4.6  | 1.1       | .5                                       | .8           | 1.1          |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing <sup>1</sup> .....                  | .442                               | 217.508            | 218.856   | 6.9  | .6        | .8                                       | .9           | .6           |
| Motor vehicle repair <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | .633                               | 145.480            | 145.770   | 4.8  | .2        | .7                                       | .5           | .0           |

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**Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and Group   | Relative importance, December 2007 | Unadjusted indexes |           | Unadjusted percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |           | Seasonally adjusted percent change from— |              |              |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|-----------|--|--------------|--------------|
|  |                                    | Aug. 2008          | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                    | Aug. 2008 | June to July                             | July to Aug. | Aug. to Sep. |
| Expenditure category   |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| Motor vehicle insurance .....  | 2.340                              | 343.273            | 343.944   | 3.1  | 0.2       | 0.3                                      | 0.7          | 0.3          |
| Motor vehicle fees <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | .440                               | 147.042            | 146.909   | 3.1  | -.1       | .2                                       | .7           | -.1          |
| State and local registration and license <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                  | .297                               | 143.970            | 143.963   | 2.4  | .0        | .2                                       | .6           | .0           |
| Parking and other fees <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                      | .134                               | 153.825            | 153.402   | 4.8  | -.3       | .0                                       | 1.1          | -.3          |
| Public transportation .....  | .767                               | 264.755            | 258.142   | 12.7   | -2.5      | 1.0                                      | .8           | -1.1         |
| Airline fare .....   | .483                               | 305.565            | 294.816   | 17.2   | -3.5      | 1.1                                      | 1.5          | -1.5         |
| Other intercity transportation <sup>1</sup> .....                                | .097                               | 166.751            | 162.523   | 4.9  | -2.5      | 2.6                                      | .4           | -2.5         |
| Intracity transportation <sup>1</sup> .....                                      | .181                               | 238.073            | 239.636   | 5.2  | .7        | .7                                       | .3           | .7           |
| Medical care .....   | 5.192                              | 364.652            | 365.250   | 3.3  | .2        | .1                                       | .3           | .3           |
| Medical care commodities .....   | 1.295                              | 286.880            | 287.397   | 1.3  | .2        | -.2                                      | .2           | .2           |
| Prescription drugs .....   | .998                               | 373.946            | 374.679   | 1.5  | .2        | -.3                                      | -.1          | .3           |
| Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies <sup>1 5</sup> .....                  | .297                               | 157.016            | 157.215   | 1.0  | .1        | -.1                                      | .8           | .1           |
| Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs <sup>1</sup> .....               | .211                               | 187.961            | 187.745   | 1.4  | -.1       | -.3                                      | .9           | -.1          |
| Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....                | .086                               | 185.098            | 186.459   | .2   | .7        | .5                                       | .5           | .7           |
| Medical care services .....  | 3.897                              | 387.420            | 388.036   | 3.9  | .2        | .1                                       | .4           | .4           |
| Professional services .....  | 2.159                              | 314.893            | 314.977   | 3.3  | .0        | .2                                       | .3           | .2           |
| Physicians' services <sup>3</sup> .....  | 1.123                              | 314.918            | 315.712   | 3.0  | .3        | .1                                       | .6           | .4           |
| Dental services <sup>3</sup> .....   | .614                               | 379.173            | 380.088   | 4.8  | .2        | .4                                       | .4           | .4           |
| Eyeglasses and eye care <sup>1 5</sup> .....                                     | .195                               | 173.852            | 170.361   | -1.3   | -2.0      | -.4                                      | -1.3         | -2.0         |
| Services by other medical professionals <sup>3 5</sup> .....                     | .228                               | 212.269            | 212.351   | 5.1  | .0        | 1.0                                      | -.1          | .1           |
| Hospital and related services <sup>3</sup> .....                                 | 1.260                              | 532.065            | 534.394   | 7.2  | .4        | .3                                       | .7           | .6           |
| Hospital services <sup>3 11</sup> .....  | 1.184                              | 197.225            | 198.122   | 7.4  | .5        | .3                                       | .7           | .6           |
| Inpatient hospital services <sup>3 9 11</sup> .....                              | -                                  | 189.673            | 190.509   | 7.1  | .4        | .3                                       | .5           | .6           |
| Outpatient hospital services <sup>1 3 5 9</sup> .....                            | -                                  | 460.041            | 462.042   | 7.4  | .4        | .5                                       | .7           | .4           |
| Nursing homes and adult day services <sup>3 11</sup> .....                       | .064                               | 177.337            | 177.658   | 3.5  | .2        | .4                                       | .1           | .3           |
| Care of invalids and elderly at home <sup>1 12</sup> .....                       | .011                               | 107.236            | 107.329   | 2.7  | .1        | .1                                       | .2           | .1           |
| Health insurance <sup>1 13</sup> .....   | .477                               | 114.468            | 114.469   | -2.1   | .0        | -.5                                      | -.3          | .0           |
| Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....  | 5.341                              | 110.698            | 110.904   | 2.2  | .2        | .4                                       | .5           | .2           |
| Video and audio <sup>2</sup> .....   | 1.987                              | 102.643            | 102.819   | .4   | .2        | .1                                       | .4           | .2           |
| Televisions .....  | .145                               | 13.899             | 13.556    | -15.2  | -2.5      | -1.1                                     | -.5          | -2.3         |
| Cable and satellite television and radio service <sup>6</sup> .....              | 1.317                              | 363.394            | 364.486   | 2.7  | .3        | .3                                       | .9           | .2           |
| Other video equipment <sup>2</sup> .....   | .038                               | 19.634             | 19.458    | -12.5  | -.9       | -3.3                                     | -1.0         | -.8          |
| Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental <sup>1 2</sup> .....    | .199                               | 76.300             | 77.327    | 1.5  | 1.3       | .1                                       | -1.8         | 1.3          |
| Audio equipment <sup>1</sup> .....   | .101                               | 49.245             | 49.503    | -3.0   | .5        | .1                                       | .7           | .5           |
| Audio discs, tapes and other media <sup>1 2</sup> .....                          | .094                               | 104.107            | 103.676   | -2.9   | -.4       | .3                                       | 1.7          | -.4          |
| Pets, pet products and services <sup>2</sup> .....                               | .708                               | 145.252            | 146.766   | 10.2   | 1.0       | 1.7                                      | 1.5          | 1.2          |
| Pets and pet products .....  | .469                               | 186.467            | 189.087   | 11.8   | 1.4       | 2.2                                      | 1.7          | 1.6          |
| Pet services including veterinary <sup>2</sup> .....                             | .239                               | 178.990            | 179.543   | 6.9  | .3        | .8                                       | 1.0          | .4           |
| Sporting goods <sup>1</sup> .....  | .627                               | 117.156            | 116.589   | .8   | -.5       | .6                                       | -.9          | -.5          |
| Sports vehicles including bicycles .....   | .320                               | 136.297            | 136.558   | -2.1   | .2        | .3                                       | -.5          | .6           |
| Sports equipment <sup>1</sup> .....  | .293                               | 96.302             | 95.329    | 4.1  | -1.0      | 1.0                                      | -1.5         | -1.0         |
| Photography <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | .145                               | 82.009             | 82.505    | -1.9   | .6        | -.2                                      | .2           | .6           |
| Photographic equipment and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....                           | .065                               | 77.272             | 78.184    | -5.8   | 1.2       | -.3                                      | .4           | 1.2          |
| Photographers and film processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....                           | .079                               | 107.756            | 107.922   | 1.5  | .2        | -.1                                      | .0           | .2           |
| Other recreational goods <sup>2</sup> .....                                      | .408                               | 60.916             | 61.027    | -2.3   | .2        | -.6                                      | .3           | .3           |
| Toys <sup>1</sup> .....  | .301                               | 68.088             | 68.187    | -3.6   | .1        | -1.2                                     | .6           | .1           |
| Sewing machines, fabric and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....                          | .053                               | 89.099             | 89.445    | 1.6  | .4        | 2.3                                      | -1.0         | .9           |
| Music instruments and accessories <sup>1 2</sup> .....                           | .036                               | 98.542             | 98.629    | 2.4  | .1        | .2                                       | .2           | .1           |
| Recreation services <sup>2</sup> .....   | 1.279                              | 145.456            | 145.427   | 3.1  | .0        | .5                                       | .9           | -.1          |
| Club dues and fees for participant sports and group exercises <sup>2</sup> ..... | .340                               | 126.286            | 126.259   | 1.8  | .0        | .2                                       | .1           | -.2          |
| Admissions .....   | .567                               | 312.351            | 312.870   | 3.8  | .2        | .7                                       | 1.5          | .2           |
| Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>5</sup> .....                              | .141                               | 257.407            | 256.185   | 2.9  | -.5       | .4                                       | .5           | -.8          |
| Recreational reading materials <sup>1</sup> .....                                | .187                               | 214.765            | 215.310   | 3.3  | .3        | -.3                                      | 1.0          | .3           |
| Newspapers and magazines <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                    | .106                               | 125.743            | 126.174   | 2.9  | .3        | .0                                       | 1.8          | .3           |
| Recreational books <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | .081                               | 105.605            | 105.748   | 4.2  | .1        | -.6                                      | .0           | .1           |
| Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....                                   | 5.987                              | 120.809            | 121.439   | 3.2  | .5        | .5                                       | .2           | .0           |
| Education <sup>2</sup> .....   | 2.377                              | 180.819            | 183.613   | 6.1  | 1.5       | .5                                       | .8           | .3           |
| Educational books and supplies .....   | .204                               | 461.104            | 465.570   | 7.4  | 1.0       | .8                                       | 2.4          | .7           |
| Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....                                  | 2.174                              | 509.241            | 517.389   | 6.0  | 1.6       | .5                                       | .7           | .2           |
| College tuition and fees .....   | .966                               | 582.806            | 592.497   | 6.9  | 1.7       | .7                                       | .3           | .1           |
| Elementary and high school tuition and fees .....                                | .263                               | 575.010            | 584.756   | 6.0  | 1.7       | .5                                       | .6           | .6           |
| Child care and nursery school <sup>7</sup> .....                                 | .803                               | 224.029            | 227.557   | 4.9  | 1.6       | .2                                       | 1.1          | .3           |

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**Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and Group   | Relative importance, December 2007 | Unadjusted indexes |           | Unadjusted percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |           | Seasonally adjusted percent change from— |              |              |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|-----------|--|--------------|--------------|
|  |                                    | Aug. 2008          | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                    | Aug. 2008 | June to July                             | July to Aug. | Aug. to Sep. |
| Expenditure category   |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| Technical and business school tuition and fees <sup>2</sup> .....                          | .049                               | 193.195            | 193.787   | 6.4  | 0.3       | 0.2                                      | 0.4          | 0.3          |
| Communication <sup>2</sup> .....   | 3.609                              | 87.369             | 87.224    | 1.2  | -.2       | .5                                       | -.1          | -.2          |
| Postage and delivery services <sup>2</sup> .....   | .121                               | 137.284            | 137.308   | 4.1  | .0        | .1                                       | .2           | .0           |
| Postage <sup>1</sup> .....   | .114                               | 216.173            | 216.173   | 3.1  | .0        | .0                                       | .0           | .0           |
| Delivery services <sup>2</sup> .....   | .008                               | 222.418            | 222.978   | 19.4   | .3        | 1.4                                      | 3.2          | .5           |
| Information and information processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                | 3.488                              | 85.355             | 85.208    | 1.1  | -.2       | .6                                       | -.2          | -.2          |
| Telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 2.869                              | 101.339            | 101.350   | 2.3  | .0        | .6                                       | .0           | .0           |
| Land-line telephone services, local charges <sup>1 3</sup> .....                           | .896                               | 231.683            | 231.902   | 3.4  | .1        | 1.1                                      | -.3          | .1           |
| Land-line telephone services, long distance charges <sup>1 2</sup> ...                     | .607                               | 76.722             | 76.655    | 6.3  | -.1       | 1.4                                      | .3           | -.1          |
| Wireless telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 1.365                              | 65.255             | 65.255    | -.2  | .0        | .0                                       | .0           | .0           |
| Information technology, hardware and services <sup>1 14</sup> .....                        | .619                               | 10.525             | 10.414    | -5.0   | -1.1      | .1                                       | -.7          | -1.1         |
| Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 12</sup> .....                          | .228                               | 92.931             | 90.722    | -14.2  | -2.4      | -1.1                                     | -1.9         | -2.4         |
| Computer software and accessories <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                     | .035                               | 49.655             | 49.443    | -2.0   | -.4       | .2                                       | -.1          | -.4          |
| Internet services and electronic information providers <sup>1 2</sup> ...                  | .287                               | 74.626             | 74.563    | 1.1  | -.1       | 1.0                                      | .0           | -.1          |
| Telephone hardware, calculators, and other consumer information items <sup>1 2</sup> ..... | .062                               | 40.999             | 40.402    | -.4  | -1.5      | .8                                       | -.2          | -1.5         |
| Other goods and services .....   | 3.508                              | 360.102            | 361.125   | 4.4  | .3        | .5                                       | .2           | .2           |
| Tobacco and smoking products <sup>1</sup> .....  | 1.183                              | 599.823            | 600.293   | 7.0  | .1        | 1.2                                      | .1           | .1           |
| Cigarettes <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 1.119                              | 242.886            | 243.121   | 7.0  | .1        | 1.2                                      | .1           | .1           |
| Tobacco products other than cigarettes <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                | .058                               | 170.412            | 169.927   | 5.9  | -.3       | 1.1                                      | -.2          | -.3          |
| Personal care .....  | 2.325                              | 199.501            | 200.284   | 3.2  | .4        | .2                                       | .2           | .3           |
| Personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....  | .647                               | 159.345            | 159.730   | 1.3  | .2        | .1                                       | .1           | .2           |
| Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products <sup>1 2</sup> .....       | .340                               | 104.700            | 104.402   | 1.1  | -.3       | .5                                       | .4           | -.3          |
| Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements <sup>1</sup> .....              | .302                               | 178.539            | 180.033   | 1.5  | .8        | -.3                                      | -.3          | .8           |
| Personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....  | .560                               | 224.464            | 224.910   | 3.3  | .2        | .1                                       | .2           | .2           |
| Haircuts and other personal care services <sup>1 2</sup> .....                             | .560                               | 136.812            | 137.083   | 3.3  | .2        | .1                                       | .2           | .2           |
| Miscellaneous personal services .....  | .910                               | 342.974            | 345.175   | 4.8  | .6        | .1                                       | .4           | .5           |
| Legal services <sup>5</sup> .....  | .230                               | 276.022            | 275.916   | 4.4  | .0        | .1                                       | .5           | .1           |
| Funeral expenses <sup>5</sup> .....  | .100                               | 274.901            | 276.607   | 5.8  | .6        | .4                                       | .6           | .8           |
| Laundry and dry cleaning services <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                     | .255                               | 136.410            | 136.846   | 5.1  | .3        | .7                                       | .4           | .3           |
| Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning <sup>1 2</sup> ...                    | .022                               | 148.632            | 148.819   | 6.9  | .1        | .8                                       | .4           | .1           |
| Financial services <sup>1 5</sup> .....  | .156                               | 277.592            | 284.875   | 3.8  | 2.6       | -2.1                                     | .0           | 2.6          |
| Miscellaneous personal goods <sup>2</sup> .....  | .207                               | 86.894             | 87.127    | 1.6  | .3        | .6                                       | -.6          | .0           |
| Special aggregate indexes  |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| Commodities .....  | 44.745                             | 182.846            | 182.647   | 7.4  | -.1       | 1.3                                      | -.6          | -.1          |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....  | 28.819                             | 163.761            | 162.971   | 8.1  | -.5       | 1.4                                      | -1.2         | -.5          |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....  | 17.315                             | 218.454            | 217.828   | 14.7   | -.3       | 1.3                                      | -1.9         | -.9          |
| Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....  | 13.318                             | 287.124            | 283.056   | 18.8   | -1.4      | 2.5                                      | -2.6         | -1.6         |
| Durables .....   | 11.504                             | 111.357            | 110.451   | -1.5   | -.8       | .1                                       | -.3          | -.7          |
| Services .....   | 55.255                             | 253.304            | 252.861   | 3.9  | -.2       | .6                                       | .2           | -.1          |
| Rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....   | 30.100                             | 231.445            | 231.541   | 2.5  | .0        | .2                                       | .1           | .3           |
| Transportation services .....  | 5.266                              | 246.041            | 245.722   | 5.1  | -.1       | .5                                       | .7           | .1           |
| Other services .....   | 10.042                             | 286.389            | 287.792   | 3.6  | .5        | .5                                       | .4           | .2           |
| All items less food .....  | 85.099                             | 214.950            | 214.361   | 5.3  | -.3       | .9                                       | -.3          | -.2          |
| All items less shelter .....   | 69.603                             | 208.544            | 208.068   | 6.7  | -.2       | 1.2                                      | -.3          | -.2          |
| All items less medical care .....  | 94.808                             | 208.900            | 208.563   | 5.5  | -.2       | .9                                       | -.2          | -.1          |
| Commodities less food .....  | 29.844                             | 165.689            | 164.937   | 7.9  | -.5       | 1.4                                      | -1.2         | -.5          |
| Nondurables less food .....  | 18.341                             | 218.562            | 218.010   | 14.0   | -.3       | 1.3                                      | -1.8         | -.8          |
| Nondurables less food and apparel .....  | 14.343                             | 279.753            | 276.112   | 17.6   | -1.3      | 2.3                                      | -2.4         | -1.4         |
| Nondurables .....  | 33.241                             | 218.473            | 218.725   | 10.5   | .1        | 1.1                                      | -.8          | -.2          |

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**Table 8. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and Group   | Relative importance, December 2007 | Unadjusted indexes |           | Unadjusted percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |           | Seasonally adjusted percent change from— |              |              |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|-----------|--|--------------|--------------|
|  |                                    | Aug. 2008          | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                    | Aug. 2008 | June to July                             | July to Aug. | Aug. to Sep. |
| Special aggregate indexes                                      |                                    |                    |           |  |           |  |              |              |
| Apparel less footwear .....                                    | 3.177                              | 110.532            | 115.593   | 1.7  | 4.6       | 0.7                                      | 1.7          | 0.2          |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....               | 25.155                             | 246.834            | 245.787   | 5.5  | -4        | 1.1                                      | .2           | -.4          |
| Services less medical care services .....                      | 51.358                             | 243.354            | 242.868   | 3.9  | -.2       | .6                                       | .2           | -.1          |
| Energy .....   | 11.610                             | 267.624            | 259.864   | 23.8   | -2.9      | 4.0                                      | -3.2         | -1.7         |
| All items less energy .....                                    | 88.390                             | 209.718            | 210.325   | 3.1  | .3        | .4                                       | .3           | .2           |
| All items less food and energy .....                           | 73.489                             | 208.857            | 209.329   | 2.4  | .2        | .3                                       | .2           | .1           |
| Commodities less food and energy commodities .....             | 22.581                             | 140.802            | 141.428   | .7   | .4        | .4                                       | .1           | -.2          |
| Energy commodities .....                                       | 7.264                              | 328.310            | 319.507   | 32.2   | -2.7      | 4.0                                      | -4.3         | -1.1         |
| Services less energy services .....                            | 50.908                             | 257.072            | 257.411   | 3.2  | .1        | .3                                       | .3           | .2           |
| Domestically produced farm food <sup>1</sup> .....             | 7.119                              | 222.729            | 223.982   | 7.8  | .6        | 1.4                                      | .7           | .6           |
| Utilities and public transportation .....                      | 10.267                             | 208.542            | 205.125   | 7.4  | -1.6      | 2.1                                      | -.2          | -1.4         |
| Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1982-84=\$1.00) ..... | -                                  | \$ .465            | \$ .465   | -  | -         | -  | -            | -            |
| Purchasing power of the consumer dollar (1967=\$1.00) .....    | -                                  | \$ .156            | \$ .156   | -  | -         | -  | -            | -            |

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>10</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>11</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>12</sup> Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

<sup>13</sup> Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.

<sup>14</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 9. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Seasonally adjusted indexes |           |           |           | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for |           |           |           |                 |           |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|  |                             |           |           |           | 3 months ended—                                    |           |           |           | 6 months ended— |           |
|  | June 2008                   | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Dec. 2007  | Mar. 2008 | June 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Mar. 2008       | Sep. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| All items .....  | 213.601                     | 215.507   | 215.130   | 214.946   | 7.0  | 3.3       | 9.0       | 2.5       | 5.1             | 5.7       |
| Food and beverages .....   | 212.937                     | 214.883   | 216.195   | 217.401   | 2.5  | 5.1       | 8.4       | 8.7       | 3.8             | 8.5       |
| Food .....   | 212.814                     | 214.813   | 216.160   | 217.375   | 2.5  | 5.2       | 8.7       | 8.9       | 3.9             | 8.8       |
| Food at home .....   | 212.594                     | 215.085   | 216.812   | 218.085   | 2.4  | 5.8       | 11.4      | 10.7      | 4.1             | 11.1      |
| Cereals and bakery products .....  | 245.533                     | 249.875   | 249.930   | 252.230   | 6.4  | 16.0      | 15.7      | 11.4      | 11.1            | 13.5      |
| Cereals and cereal products .....  | 213.955                     | 219.442   | 219.920   | 222.193   | 1.9  | 20.5      | 12.4      | 16.3      | 10.8            | 14.3      |
| Flour and prepared flour mixes .....                                     | 230.054                     | 232.374   | 232.004   | 230.145   | 10.4   | 29.9      | 37.9      | 2         | 19.8            | 17.5      |
| Breakfast cereal <sup>1</sup> .....                                      | 211.289                     | 214.973   | 214.333   | 215.444   | 3.0  | 7.4       | -1.2      | 8.1       | 5.2             | 3.3       |
| Rice, pasta, commmeal <sup>1</sup> .....                                 | 218.792                     | 226.947   | 230.155   | 230.650   | 1.0  | 42.1      | 39.2      | 23.5      | 19.8            | 31.1      |
| Bakery products .....  | 263.060                     | 266.707   | 266.515   | 268.749   | 8.6  | 14.3      | 17.1      | 8.9       | 11.4            | 12.9      |
| Bread <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 162.450                     | 165.016   | 163.231   | 163.679   | 25.1   | 26.2      | 16.2      | 3.1       | 25.7            | 9.4       |
| Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins <sup>1 2</sup> .....                      | 151.384                     | 155.496   | 155.302   | 156.338   | 8.4  | 20.8      | 11.9      | 13.7      | 14.4            | 12.8      |
| Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies .....                                       | 240.392                     | 243.253   | 244.068   | 244.994   | 5.3  | 9.4       | 16.1      | 7.9       | 7.3             | 11.9      |
| Other bakery products .....  | 239.268                     | 241.191   | 241.794   | 244.579   | -4   | 5.9       | 20.8      | 9.2       | 2.7             | 14.9      |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....                                     | 202.831                     | 204.852   | 207.265   | 209.114   | 8  | 2.4       | 7.5       | 13.0      | 1.6             | 10.2      |
| Meats, poultry, and fish .....   | 201.540                     | 203.430   | 206.771   | 208.414   | 4  | 1.5       | 8.7       | 14.4      | 9               | 11.5      |
| Meats .....  | 199.256                     | 201.418   | 205.169   | 206.970   | 1.1  | 1.2       | 6.3       | 16.4      | 1.1             | 11.3      |
| Beef and veal <sup>1</sup> .....   | 219.994                     | 221.627   | 227.332   | 227.540   | -2.1   | 5.3       | 7.5       | 14.4      | 1.6             | 10.9      |
| Uncooked ground beef <sup>1</sup> .....                                  | 193.535                     | 193.418   | 199.978   | 201.711   | 1.7  | 8.4       | 5.8       | 18.0      | 5.0             | 11.8      |
| Uncooked beef roasts <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                | 158.153                     | 160.795   | 163.805   | 165.455   | -6.9   | 6.2       | 4.5       | 19.8      | -6              | 11.9      |
| Uncooked beef steaks <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                | 157.026                     | 159.137   | 162.304   | 160.340   | -2.8   | -3        | 10.8      | 8.7       | -1.5            | 9.8       |
| Uncooked other beef and veal <sup>1 2</sup> .....                        | 154.351                     | 155.336   | 158.804   | 158.500   | -6.9   | 11.2      | 8.3       | 11.2      | 1.7             | 9.7       |
| Pork .....   | 182.233                     | 184.041   | 186.780   | 188.403   | 3.0  | -7.5      | 14.0      | 14.2      | -2.4            | 14.1      |
| Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products <sup>2</sup> ..           | 124.085                     | 125.951   | 128.421   | 129.033   | -8   | -7.2      | -4.2      | 16.9      | -4.0            | 5.8       |
| Ham .....  | 180.309                     | 183.036   | 182.874   | 184.553   | 1.7  | -10.4     | 13.8      | 9.8       | -4.5            | 11.7      |
| Pork chops .....   | 176.498                     | 177.418   | 177.528   | 181.195   | 1.1  | -6.9      | 23.2      | 11.1      | -2.9            | 17.0      |
| Other pork including roasts and picnics <sup>2</sup> .....               | 114.057                     | 116.006   | 119.652   | 120.625   | 13.5   | -10.2     | 30.8      | 25.1      | 1.0             | 27.9      |
| Other meats .....  | 183.822                     | 187.595   | 188.948   | 194.236   | 6.5  | 5.3       | -6.4      | 24.7      | 5.9             | 8.0       |
| Poultry <sup>1</sup> .....   | 200.014                     | 201.789   | 203.985   | 205.199   | -5.5   | 4.0       | 8.0       | 10.8      | -9              | 9.4       |
| Chicken <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 130.417                     | 131.422   | 133.261   | 133.623   | -3.5   | 6         | 7.5       | 10.2      | -1.5            | 8.8       |
| Other poultry including turkey <sup>2</sup> .....                        | 121.587                     | 123.551   | 122.663   | 125.816   | -1.3   | 7.9       | 6.3       | 14.7      | 3.2             | 10.4      |
| Fish and seafood <sup>1</sup> .....                                      | 233.558                     | 234.418   | 237.686   | 239.311   | 5.3  | -5        | 20.4      | 10.2      | 2.3             | 15.2      |
| Fresh fish and seafood <sup>1 2</sup> .....                              | 140.102                     | 139.614   | 141.314   | 142.561   | 4.9  | 3.3       | 20.8      | 7.2       | 4.1             | 13.8      |
| Processed fish and seafood <sup>2</sup> .....                            | 118.905                     | 120.249   | 122.201   | 123.021   | 9.5  | -3        | 10.2      | 14.6      | 4.5             | 12.4      |
| Eggs .....   | 226.354                     | 230.635   | 217.230   | 222.619   | 9.2  | 22.2      | -7.9      | -6.4      | 15.5            | -7.2      |
| Dairy and related products .....   | 210.453                     | 214.042   | 214.768   | 213.317   | 2.5  | -2        | 10.9      | 5.6       | 1.2             | 8.2       |
| Milk <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 146.996                     | 153.255   | 150.974   | 148.749   | -1   | -8.4      | 2.8       | 4.9       | -4.3            | 3.8       |
| Cheese and related products <sup>1</sup> .....                           | 210.941                     | 217.454   | 220.748   | 220.101   | 5.1  | 9.7       | 11.1      | 18.5      | 7.4             | 14.7      |
| Ice cream and related products .....                                     | 192.810                     | 191.885   | 193.765   | 194.964   | 8.1  | 1.0       | 7.1       | 4.5       | 4.5             | 5.8       |
| Other dairy and related products <sup>2</sup> .....                      | 140.414                     | 141.302   | 140.185   | 141.479   | 8.1  | 6.3       | 2.5       | 3.1       | 7.2             | 2.8       |
| Fruits and vegetables .....  | 280.522                     | 283.919   | 289.447   | 288.190   | 5.2  | 4.1       | 22.7      | 11.4      | 4.6             | 16.9      |
| Fresh fruits and vegetables .....  | 332.441                     | 337.084   | 343.946   | 339.498   | 6.1  | 3.1       | 22.8      | 8.8       | 4.6             | 15.6      |
| Fresh fruits .....   | 346.021                     | 346.230   | 357.501   | 357.718   | 7.6  | 1.3       | 15.9      | 14.2      | 4.4             | 15.1      |
| Apples .....   | 342.050                     | 345.141   | 363.827   | 368.554   | 5.5  | 26.5      | 24.6      | 34.8      | 15.5            | 29.6      |
| Bananas .....  | 213.669                     | 212.171   | 216.976   | 221.038   | 10.1   | 36.0      | 29.3      | 14.5      | 22.3            | 21.7      |
| Citrus fruits <sup>2</sup> .....   | 210.013                     | 210.395   | 216.681   | 215.820   | -13.3  | 1.0       | 12.3      | 11.5      | -6.5            | 11.9      |
| Other fresh fruits <sup>2</sup> .....                                    | 118.113                     | 119.850   | 121.436   | 121.161   | 14.6   | -17.9     | 16.9      | 10.7      | -3.0            | 13.8      |
| Fresh vegetables .....   | 317.875                     | 326.621   | 329.338   | 320.571   | 4.5  | 5.0       | 30.4      | 3.4       | 4.7             | 16.1      |
| Potatoes .....   | 304.852                     | 332.894   | 347.821   | 369.663   | 13.7   | 6         | 26.0      | 116.2     | 6.9             | 65.1      |
| Lettuce <sup>1</sup> .....   | 261.980                     | 268.284   | 276.777   | 288.038   | 35.0   | -20.1     | -12.2     | 46.1      | 3.8             | 13.3      |
| Tomatoes .....   | 375.964                     | 364.359   | 355.711   | 317.750   | 53.0   | 21.2      | 44.7      | -49.0     | 36.2            | -14.1     |
| Other fresh vegetables .....   | 319.607                     | 325.704   | 327.138   | 312.083   | -7.5   | 2.1       | 35.5      | -9.1      | -2.8            | 11.0      |
| Processed fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....                       | 137.765                     | 138.581   | 140.866   | 144.334   | 2.1  | 6.0       | 22.0      | 20.5      | 4.1             | 21.2      |
| Canned fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....                          | 137.853                     | 138.874   | 143.190   | 148.317   | 3.7  | 8.9       | 22.1      | 34.0      | 6.3             | 27.9      |
| Frozen fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....                          | 136.133                     | 135.051   | 134.750   | 135.381   | 4  | 6.9       | 17.3      | -2.2      | 3.6             | 7.1       |
| Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried <sup>2</sup> ..... | 138.956                     | 141.709   | 143.033   | 145.898   | -8   | 5.8       | 25.1      | 21.5      | 2.4             | 23.3      |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 9. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Seasonally adjusted indexes |           |           |           | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for |           |           |           |                 |           |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|  |                             |           |           |           | 3 months ended—                                    |           |           |           | 6 months ended— |           |
|  | June 2008                   | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Dec. 2007  | Mar. 2008 | June 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Mar. 2008       | Sep. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....                | 157.651                     | 158.971   | 159.322   | 160.916   | -2.0   | 7.5       | 2.8       | 8.5       | 2.6             | 5.6       |
| Juices and nonalcoholic drinks <sup>2</sup> .....                  | 121.878                     | 123.105   | 122.890   | 125.083   | -2.7   | 7.3       | 1.9       | 10.9      | 2.2             | 6.3       |
| Carbonated drinks .....  | 146.118                     | 146.720   | 145.926   | 150.694   | -6.8   | 11.4      | 2.4       | 13.1      | 1.9             | 7.6       |
| Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1 2</sup> .....        | 145.671                     | 144.439   | 144.594   | 147.596   | 3.7  | 3.6       | 1.5       | 5.4       | 3.6             | 3.4       |
| Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1 2</sup> .....     | 115.825                     | 117.392   | 117.643   | 118.130   | 3.0  | 7.3       | -1.4      | 8.2       | 5.1             | 3.3       |
| Beverage materials including coffee and tea <sup>2</sup> .....     | 112.665                     | 113.364   | 114.292   | 113.503   | .0   | 6.9       | 6.0       | 3.0       | 3.4             | 4.5       |
| Coffee .....   | 188.887                     | 189.722   | 189.576   | 191.760   | 2.6  | 10.6      | 17.7      | 6.2       | 6.5             | 11.8      |
| Other beverage materials including tea <sup>2</sup> .....          | 122.115                     | 122.970   | 124.484   | 122.417   | -1.4   | 5.4       | .8        | 1.0       | 2.0             | .9        |
| Other food at home .....   | 182.718                     | 184.409   | 185.692   | 187.670   | 2.7  | 6.5       | 12.1      | 11.3      | 4.6             | 11.7      |
| Sugar and sweets .....   | 184.097                     | 184.838   | 186.049   | 189.095   | 3.9  | 6.6       | 6.6       | 11.3      | 5.2             | 8.9       |
| Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....                              | 168.839                     | 169.018   | 171.223   | 174.623   | -2.3   | -3.5      | 9.5       | 14.4      | -2.9            | 11.9      |
| Candy and chewing gum <sup>1 2</sup> .....                         | 121.351                     | 122.873   | 122.727   | 123.362   | 5.7  | 7.5       | 6.6       | 6.8       | 6.6             | 6.7       |
| Other sweets <sup>2</sup> .....                                    | 133.021                     | 134.554   | 135.336   | 139.147   | 8.3  | 16.4      | 1.0       | 19.7      | 12.3            | 9.9       |
| Fats and oils .....  | 197.297                     | 201.406   | 203.666   | 207.065   | 9.9  | 7.8       | 36.3      | 21.3      | 8.8             | 28.6      |
| Butter and margarine <sup>2</sup> .....                            | 152.822                     | 159.934   | 161.300   | 163.604   | 7.5  | -4.1      | 41.5      | 31.4      | 1.6             | 36.3      |
| Salad dressing <sup>2</sup> .....                                  | 119.837                     | 121.407   | 120.779   | 123.751   | 10.0   | -1.6      | 24.2      | 13.7      | 4.0             | 18.8      |
| Other fats and oils including peanut butter <sup>2</sup> .....     | 146.384                     | 147.990   | 151.150   | 152.945   | 7.9  | 25.9      | 42.5      | 19.2      | 16.6            | 30.3      |
| Other foods .....  | 197.277                     | 198.916   | 200.172   | 201.892   | 1.0  | 6.4       | 9.6       | 9.7       | 3.7             | 9.7       |
| Soups .....  | 226.201                     | 225.503   | 226.920   | 228.226   | -8.1   | 14.0      | 6.3       | 3.6       | 2.3             | 4.9       |
| Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods .....                       | 159.223                     | 160.325   | 162.541   | 164.339   | 1.0  | 3.6       | 7.0       | 13.5      | 2.3             | 10.2      |
| Snacks <sup>1</sup> .....  | 201.560                     | 201.859   | 204.577   | 203.297   | 5.0  | 5.6       | 28.9      | 3.5       | 5.3             | 15.5      |
| Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces .....                       | 205.101                     | 203.216   | 207.065   | 210.220   | -1.0   | 3.6       | 9.6       | 10.4      | 1.3             | 10.0      |
| Baby food <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                     | 140.862                     | 141.011   | 139.616   | 140.412   | 7.4  | 8.2       | 10.4      | -1.3      | 7.8             | 4.4       |
| Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1 2</sup> .....                     | 118.879                     | 121.015   | 121.443   | 121.589   | 3.8  | 7.4       | 3.9       | 9.4       | 5.6             | 6.6       |
| Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....                             | 214.851                     | 216.177   | 217.002   | 218.147   | 2.6  | 4.4       | 5.1       | 6.3       | 3.5             | 5.7       |
| Full service meals and snacks <sup>1 2</sup> .....                 | 135.152                     | 135.717   | 135.999   | 136.578   | 3.3  | 4.2       | 4.7       | 4.3       | 3.7             | 4.5       |
| Limited service meals and snacks <sup>1 2</sup> .....              | 136.208                     | 137.327   | 137.866   | 138.619   | 3.0  | 4.5       | 5.6       | 7.3       | 3.8             | 6.4       |
| Food at employee sites and schools <sup>2</sup> .....              | 130.582                     | 131.629   | 133.886   | 134.313   | 2.3  | 4.2       | 3.0       | 11.9      | 3.2             | 7.4       |
| Food from vending machines and mobile vendors <sup>1 2</sup> ..... | 123.905                     | 124.163   | 124.442   | 124.694   | 1.7  | 3.8       | 8.6       | 2.6       | 2.7             | 5.5       |
| Other food away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....                     | 149.306                     | 150.232   | 150.301   | 151.321   | -3.6   | 7.8       | 5.9       | 5.5       | 1.9             | 5.7       |
| Alcoholic beverages .....  | 213.293                     | 214.434   | 215.219   | 216.292   | 2.6  | 3.0       | 3.0       | 5.7       | 2.8             | 4.3       |
| Alcoholic beverages at home .....                                  | 185.240                     | 186.607   | 187.147   | 188.100   | 1.9  | 3.7       | .9        | 6.3       | 2.8             | 3.6       |
| Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home .....                  | 189.355                     | 190.870   | 190.727   | 191.660   | 1.6  | 5.2       | -.7       | 5.0       | 3.4             | 2.1       |
| Distilled spirits at home .....                                    | 181.003                     | 181.216   | 183.495   | 184.576   | 2.6  | .2        | 3.1       | 8.1       | 1.4             | 5.6       |
| Wine at home .....   | 165.748                     | 166.666   | 168.096   | 168.846   | 5.4  | -1.6      | 7.7       | 7.7       | 1.8             | 7.7       |
| Alcoholic beverages away from home .....                           | 276.791                     | 276.677   | 277.980   | 279.176   | 3.4  | 4.6       | 5.2       | 3.5       | 4.0             | 4.4       |
| Housing .....  | 212.511                     | 213.943   | 213.851   | 213.496   | 3.9  | 3.6       | 5.9       | 1.9       | 3.8             | 3.9       |
| Shelter .....  | 239.047                     | 239.431   | 239.715   | 240.297   | 3.2  | 2.1       | 2.6       | 2.1       | 2.7             | 2.3       |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>3</sup> .....                       | 241.841                     | 242.535   | 243.215   | 243.875   | 4.6  | 3.0       | 3.5       | 3.4       | 3.8             | 3.5       |
| Lodging away from home <sup>2</sup> .....                          | 144.505                     | 144.351   | 142.928   | 144.035   | -1.6   | -5.2      | 4.8       | -1.3      | -3.4            | 1.7       |
| Housing at school, excluding board <sup>3 4</sup> .....            | 395.201                     | 396.950   | 398.225   | 397.547   | 5.2  | 5.7       | 4.7       | 2.4       | 5.4             | 3.5       |
| Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels .....     | 301.678                     | 301.205   | 297.871   | 300.443   | -2.0   | -4.7      | 4.8       | -1.6      | -3.4            | 1.5       |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>3 4</sup> .....  | 228.635                     | 228.943   | 229.239   | 229.663   | 3.1  | 2.6       | 2.0       | 1.8       | 2.8             | 1.9       |
| Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1 2</sup> .....              | 119.293                     | 119.006   | 118.894   | 120.279   | .9   | 2.1       | 4.5       | 3.3       | 1.5             | 3.9       |
| Fuels and utilities .....  | 223.395                     | 230.774   | 228.472   | 222.522   | 10.1   | 13.1      | 28.3      | -1.6      | 11.6            | 12.4      |
| Household energy .....   | 203.870                     | 211.612   | 208.571   | 202.000   | 10.9   | 15.0      | 33.5      | -3.6      | 13.0            | 13.4      |
| Fuel oil and other fuels .....                                     | 388.227                     | 393.808   | 371.762   | 350.353   | 75.4   | 45.0      | 108.2     | -33.7     | 59.5            | 17.5      |
| Fuel oil .....   | 459.633                     | 457.709   | 415.796   | 381.812   | 106.4  | 64.1      | 161.3     | -52.4     | 84.0            | 11.5      |
| Propane, kerosene, and firewood <sup>5</sup> .....                 | 363.977                     | 378.567   | 373.975   | 366.690   | 47.7   | 21.3      | 38.1      | 3.0       | 33.8            | 19.3      |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>3</sup> .....                     | 204.597                     | 212.785   | 210.473   | 204.284   | 6.6  | 12.8      | 28.7      | -.6       | 9.6             | 13.1      |
| Electricity <sup>3</sup> .....                                     | 183.249                     | 187.903   | 190.113   | 188.548   | 8.0  | 1.4       | 11.2      | 12.1      | 4.7             | 11.7      |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>3</sup> .....                     | 275.210                     | 295.591   | 277.520   | 255.289   | 3.2  | 47.0      | 84.8      | -26.0     | 23.1            | 17.0      |
| Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....   | 151.009                     | 152.020   | 154.174   | 154.652   | 5.8  | 4.7       | 4.7       | 10.0      | 5.2             | 7.3       |
| Water and sewerage maintenance <sup>3</sup> .....                  | 323.385                     | 325.390   | 330.601   | 331.733   | 5.5  | 4.4       | 4.6       | 10.7      | 4.9             | 7.6       |
| Garbage and trash collection <sup>1 6</sup> .....                  | 362.688                     | 365.639   | 368.858   | 369.649   | 6.7  | 5.7       | 5.0       | 7.9       | 6.2             | 6.4       |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                         | 123.200                     | 123.832   | 124.141   | 124.860   | -2   | 2.6       | 1.0       | 5.5       | 1.2             | 3.2       |
| Window and floor coverings and other linens <sup>2</sup> .....     | 80.285                      | 79.769    | 79.680    | 79.686    | .2   | -5.0      | 1.9       | -3.0      | -2.5            | -.6       |
| Floor coverings <sup>1 2</sup> .....                               | 116.256                     | 117.926   | 119.766   | 119.814   | .6   | -.7       | -5.1      | 12.8      | -.1             | 3.5       |
| Window coverings <sup>2</sup> .....                                | 89.034                      | 88.907    | 90.977    | 91.008    | .9   | 6.8       | -8.4      | 9.2       | 3.9             | .0        |
| Other linens <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                  | 68.097                      | 66.974    | 66.016    | 66.260    | .9   | -8.9      | 4.5       | -10.4     | -4.1            | -3.2      |

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**Table 9. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Seasonally adjusted indexes |           |           |           | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for |           |           |           |                 |           |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|   |                             |           |           |           | 3 months ended—                                    |           |           |           | 6 months ended— |           |
|   | June 2008                   | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Dec. 2007  | Mar. 2008 | June 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Mar. 2008       | Sep. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>   |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| Furniture and bedding <sup>1</sup> .....                                    | 120.565                     | 121.480   | 121.757   | 122.755   | -4.3   | 8.3       | -6.6      | 7.5       | 1.8             | 0.2       |
| Bedroom furniture <sup>1</sup> .....  | 141.661                     | 142.812   | 143.505   | 145.996   | -5.9   | 2.1       | 1.5       | 12.8      | -2.0            | 7.0       |
| Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture <sup>1 2</sup> .....        | 88.581                      | 89.727    | 89.702    | 89.960    | -3.1   | 7.7       | -10.6     | 6.4       | 2.1             | -2.5      |
| Other furniture <sup>2</sup> .....  | 86.588                      | 86.507    | 87.603    | 88.539    | -5.3   | 19.6      | -16.4     | 9.3       | 6.4             | -4.4      |
| Appliances <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 90.901                      | 91.142    | 91.529    | 91.053    | -1.9   | -2.0      | 6.6       | .7        | -1.9            | 3.6       |
| Major appliances <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                       | 102.758                     | 102.818   | 103.444   | 103.238   | -1.2   | -1        | 8.4       | 1.9       | -6              | 5.1       |
| Other appliances <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                       | 75.441                      | 75.934    | 75.981    | 75.119    | -3.0   | -5.5      | 3.2       | -1.7      | -4.3            | .7        |
| Other household equipment and furnishings <sup>2</sup> .....                | 77.470                      | 77.064    | 76.780    | 77.142    | -3.1   | 5.6       | 1.2       | -1.7      | 1.2             | -3        |
| Clocks, lamps, and decorator items <sup>1</sup> .....                       | 68.217                      | 67.651    | 67.063    | 66.422    | -3.5   | -5        | 3.3       | -10.1     | -2.0            | -3.7      |
| Indoor plants and flowers <sup>7</sup> .....                                | 132.791                     | 131.688   | 133.149   | 134.445   | 7.1  | 11.1      | 2.0       | 5.1       | 9.1             | 3.5       |
| Dishes and flatware <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                    | 75.450                      | 75.072    | 74.581    | 76.569    | 3.2  | 11.7      | -2.0      | 6.1       | 7.4             | 2.0       |
| Nonelectric cookware and tableware <sup>2</sup> .....                       | 97.821                      | 97.456    | 96.720    | 96.738    | 4.9  | 8.1       | -1.0      | -4.4      | 6.5             | -2.7      |
| Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....          | 93.024                      | 93.910    | 94.145    | 94.284    | .7   | -4.4      | -1        | 5.5       | -1.9            | 2.7       |
| Tools, hardware and supplies <sup>1 2</sup> .....                           | 99.613                      | 100.292   | 100.744   | 100.999   | -2.3   | 1.8       | 1.4       | 5.7       | -3              | 3.5       |
| Outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....                           | 87.516                      | 88.439    | 88.496    | 88.431    | 2.0  | -6.3      | -2.3      | 4.2       | -2.2            | .9        |
| Housekeeping supplies <sup>1</sup> .....                                    | 176.392                     | 177.078   | 177.400   | 179.247   | 3.5  | 7.5       | 4.6       | 6.6       | 5.5             | 5.6       |
| Household cleaning products <sup>1 2</sup> .....                            | 116.174                     | 116.311   | 116.611   | 117.576   | 4.2  | 4.7       | 5.7       | 4.9       | 4.4             | 5.3       |
| Household paper products <sup>1 2</sup> .....                               | 145.260                     | 146.182   | 146.299   | 149.141   | 8.7  | 12.3      | 7.8       | 11.1      | 10.5            | 9.5       |
| Miscellaneous household products <sup>1 2</sup> .....                       | 114.735                     | 115.373   | 115.563   | 116.177   | -2.1   | 7.5       | .3        | 5.1       | 2.6             | 2.7       |
| Household operations <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                   | 150.867                     | 151.290   | 152.083   | 152.850   | 4.0  | 7.6       | 10.0      | 5.4       | 5.8             | 7.7       |
| Domestic services <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                      | 141.036                     | 141.106   | 141.504   | 142.259   | 5.9  | 7.5       | 1.0       | 3.5       | 6.7             | 2.3       |
| Gardening and lawn care services <sup>1 2</sup> .....                       | 154.380                     | 154.706   | 156.008   | 157.818   | 3.2  | 15.5      | 15.3      | 9.2       | 9.1             | 12.2      |
| Moving, storage, freight expense <sup>2</sup> .....                         | 132.292                     | 135.214   | 134.588   | 134.502   | -2.8   | -.5       | 5.8       | 6.9       | -1.6            | 6.3       |
| Repair of household items <sup>1 2</sup> .....                              | 175.238                     | 172.941   | 174.728   | 175.362   | 10.4   | 5.8       | 10.2      | .3        | 8.1             | 5.1       |
| Apparel .....   | 117.920                     | 118.892   | 120.050   | 120.102   | 2.6  | -3.1      | .2        | 7.6       | -3              | 3.8       |
| Men's and boys' apparel .....   | 113.486                     | 112.842   | 113.971   | 113.679   | .1   | 4.3       | -1.5      | .7        | 2.2             | -.4       |
| Men's apparel .....   | 119.899                     | 119.438   | 120.641   | 120.348   | -2.4   | 7.1       | .8        | 1.5       | 2.2             | 1.1       |
| Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear .....                               | 122.426                     | 121.896   | 120.080   | 123.963   | 2.3  | -1.4      | 3.9       | 5.1       | .5              | 4.5       |
| Men's furnishings .....   | 136.289                     | 135.979   | 134.404   | 137.099   | -6.5   | 19.7      | 2.3       | 2.4       | 5.8             | 2.4       |
| Men's shirts and sweaters <sup>2</sup> .....                                | 80.610                      | 81.298    | 82.791    | 80.979    | -5.6   | 2.1       | -9.1      | 1.8       | -1.8            | -3.8      |
| Men's pants and shorts .....  | 112.897                     | 111.272   | 115.676   | 112.946   | 4.0  | 6.7       | 4.8       | .2        | 5.3             | 2.5       |
| Boys' apparel .....   | 94.528                      | 94.686    | 93.798    | 93.112    | 11.5   | -4.9      | -8.7      | -5.9      | 3.0             | -7.3      |
| Women's and girls' apparel .....  | 105.595                     | 107.177   | 110.267   | 110.689   | 3.8  | -15.1     | -.8       | 20.7      | -6.1            | 9.4       |
| Women's apparel .....   | 107.022                     | 108.739   | 112.053   | 112.617   | 1.3  | -12.1     | -5.3      | 22.6      | -5.6            | 7.8       |
| Women's outerwear .....   | 94.900                      | 98.301    | 102.490   | 105.140   | -7.8   | -15.1     | 8.3       | 50.7      | -11.6           | 27.7      |
| Women's dresses .....   | 102.993                     | 109.018   | 113.619   | 117.942   | 4.1  | -31.0     | -18.0     | 72.0      | -15.3           | 18.7      |
| Women's suits and separates <sup>2</sup> .....                              | 85.477                      | 86.932    | 90.015    | 89.196    | 4.9  | -11.1     | -6.4      | 18.6      | -3.4            | 5.3       |
| Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories <sup>2</sup> ..... | 90.048                      | 90.657    | 91.819    | 93.601    | -2.0   | -7.9      | -2.1      | 16.7      | -5.0            | 6.9       |
| Girls' apparel .....  | 99.792                      | 100.839   | 103.044   | 102.905   | 17.0   | -26.1     | 21.0      | 13.1      | -7.0            | 17.0      |
| Footwear .....  | 124.267                     | 126.005   | 124.021   | 123.558   | 2.0  | 4.2       | 2.7       | -2.3      | 3.1             | .2        |
| Men's footwear <sup>1</sup> .....   | 121.759                     | 120.851   | 121.199   | 121.517   | -1.7   | 2.1       | 7.3       | -.8       | .2              | 3.2       |
| Boys' and girls' footwear .....   | 127.862                     | 128.933   | 127.201   | 126.692   | 1.9  | 11.8      | -4.9      | -3.6      | 6.8             | -4.3      |
| Women's footwear .....  | 123.380                     | 126.233   | 122.870   | 122.228   | 6.5  | .6        | 4.8       | -3.7      | 3.5             | .4        |
| Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....  | 115.785                     | 115.245   | 113.771   | 115.496   | 2.8  | .7        | -2.9      | -1.0      | 1.8             | -1.9      |
| Jewelry and watches <sup>5</sup> .....                                      | 146.159                     | 148.504   | 148.323   | 147.168   | 6.8  | 17.8      | 7.4       | 2.8       | 12.2            | 5.1       |
| Watches <sup>5</sup> .....  | 109.610                     | 110.188   | 109.946   | 110.109   | -4.6   | -3.4      | 1.1       | 1.8       | -4.0            | 1.5       |
| Jewelry <sup>5</sup> .....  | 156.513                     | 159.333   | 158.890   | 157.711   | 9.7  | 21.5      | 8.0       | 3.1       | 15.5            | 5.5       |
| Transportation .....  | 207.141                     | 210.841   | 207.328   | 205.872   | 22.6   | 2.8       | 23.7      | -2.4      | 12.3            | 9.9       |
| Private transportation .....  | 203.949                     | 207.657   | 203.988   | 202.585   | 23.1   | 2.5       | 23.7      | -2.6      | 12.3            | 9.7       |
| New and used motor vehicles <sup>2</sup> .....                              | 92.928                      | 93.007    | 92.659    | 91.646    | -.4  | -.9       | -1.3      | -5.4      | -.6             | -3.4      |
| New vehicles .....  | 136.143                     | 136.460   | 135.721   | 134.684   | -.8  | -2.4      | -.2       | -4.2      | -1.6            | -2.2      |
| Used cars and trucks <sup>1</sup> .....                                     | 136.790                     | 136.639   | 136.186   | 133.669   | -.6  | .8        | -3.7      | -8.8      | .1              | -6.3      |
| Leased cars and trucks <sup>8</sup> .....                                   | 92.174                      | 92.305    | 93.305    | 94.525    | 4.9  | -2.0      | .1        | 10.6      | 1.4             | 5.2       |
| Car and truck rental <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 124.183                     | 124.057   | 121.429   | 114.825   | -9.3   | 10.7      | 38.7      | -26.9     | .2              | .7        |
| Motor fuel .....  | 322.859                     | 336.117   | 321.941   | 319.245   | 81.0   | 3.5       | 68.6      | -4.4      | 36.9            | 27.0      |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 320.576                     | 333.854   | 319.790   | 317.912   | 80.9   | 2.0       | 69.1      | -3.3      | 35.8            | 27.9      |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>9</sup> .....                               | 320.937                     | 334.615   | 320.528   | 318.176   | 82.6   | 1.0       | 69.8      | -3.4      | 35.8            | 28.1      |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9 10</sup> .....                           | 326.460                     | 339.662   | 325.956   | 324.427   | 78.7   | 3.9       | 67.1      | -2.5      | 36.3            | 27.7      |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>9</sup> .....                               | 305.787                     | 317.552   | 304.991   | 302.956   | 74.6   | 4.4       | 65.5      | -3.7      | 35.0            | 26.3      |
| Other motor fuels <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                      | 347.327                     | 348.171   | 324.502   | 302.461   | 71.5   | 68.9      | 123.4     | -42.5     | 70.2            | 13.3      |

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**Table 9. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Seasonally adjusted indexes |           |           |           | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for |           |           |           |                 |           |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|  |                             |           |           |           | 3 months ended—                                    |           |           |           | 6 months ended— |           |
|  | June 2008                   | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Dec. 2007  | Mar. 2008 | June 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Mar. 2008       | Sep. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| Motor vehicle parts and equipment <sup>1</sup> .....                             | 127.750                     | 128.997   | 130.228   | 131.072   | 5.5  | 8.5       | 4.6       | 10.8      | 7.0             | 7.6       |
| Tires <sup>1</sup> .....   | 115.569                     | 116.982   | 117.675   | 118.472   | 2.5  | 6.6       | 5.7       | 10.4      | 4.5             | 8.0       |
| Vehicle accessories other than tires <sup>1 2</sup> .....                        | 136.620                     | 137.570   | 139.453   | 140.310   | 9.0  | 10.6      | 3.3       | 11.2      | 9.8             | 7.2       |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....                                       | 235.703                     | 237.365   | 238.826   | 239.756   | 2.9  | 6.4       | 6.1       | 7.1       | 4.6             | 6.6       |
| Motor vehicle body work <sup>1</sup> .....                                       | 237.410                     | 238.526   | 240.497   | 243.171   | 5.3  | .4        | 2.7       | 10.1      | 2.8             | 6.3       |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing <sup>1</sup> .....                       | 213.922                     | 215.604   | 217.508   | 218.856   | 2.8  | 10.4      | 5.1       | 9.5       | 6.5             | 7.3       |
| Motor vehicle repair <sup>2</sup> .....  | 144.144                     | 145.127   | 145.790   | 145.757   | 3.4  | 4.7       | 6.6       | 4.6       | 4.0             | 5.6       |
| Motor vehicle insurance .....  | 342.210                     | 343.134   | 345.453   | 346.348   | .2   | 2.2       | 5.2       | 4.9       | 1.2             | 5.1       |
| Motor vehicle fees <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 145.727                     | 145.972   | 147.042   | 146.909   | .4   | 6.7       | 2.2       | 3.3       | 3.5             | 2.7       |
| State and local registration and license <sup>1 2 3</sup> .....                  | 142.798                     | 143.129   | 143.970   | 143.963   | .1   | 5.3       | 1.1       | 3.3       | 2.7             | 2.2       |
| Parking and other fees <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                      | 152.145                     | 152.196   | 153.825   | 153.402   | 1.2  | 10.1      | 4.6       | 3.3       | 5.6             | 4.0       |
| Public transportation .....  | 256.314                     | 258.873   | 261.046   | 258.294   | 12.3   | 11.4      | 24.9      | 3.1       | 11.8            | 13.5      |
| Airline fare .....   | 292.414                     | 295.588   | 300.141   | 295.768   | 19.1   | 13.8      | 33.0      | 4.7       | 16.4            | 18.0      |
| Other intercity transportation <sup>1</sup> .....                                | 161.887                     | 166.059   | 166.751   | 162.523   | 9.5  | -8.2      | 18.5      | 1.6       | .3              | 9.7       |
| Intracity transportation <sup>1</sup> .....                                      | 235.718                     | 237.297   | 238.073   | 239.636   | 1.9  | 9.4       | 2.7       | 6.8       | 5.6             | 4.7       |
| Medical care .....   | 363.629                     | 363.864   | 364.964   | 366.132   | 5.1  | 3.2       | 2.1       | 2.8       | 4.2             | 2.4       |
| Medical care commodities .....   | 286.749                     | 286.207   | 286.645   | 287.227   | 4.6  | 3.6       | -3.5      | .7        | 4.1             | -1.4      |
| Prescription drugs .....   | 374.617                     | 373.618   | 373.308   | 374.432   | 5.9  | 4.5       | -4.1      | -2        | 5.2             | -2.1      |
| Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies <sup>1 5</sup> .....                  | 155.867                     | 155.764   | 157.016   | 157.215   | 1.1  | .5        | -9        | 3.5       | .8              | 1.3       |
| Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs <sup>1</sup> .....               | 186.764                     | 186.223   | 187.961   | 187.745   | .6   | 2.3       | .6        | 2.1       | 1.5             | 1.4       |
| Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....                | 183.302                     | 184.216   | 185.098   | 186.459   | 2.4  | -3.7      | -4.6      | 7.1       | -7              | 1.1       |
| Medical care services .....  | 386.038                     | 386.607   | 387.963   | 389.352   | 5.2  | 3.1       | 4.0       | 3.5       | 4.2             | 3.7       |
| Professional services .....  | 313.396                     | 314.053   | 315.066   | 315.757   | 3.8  | 2.1       | 4.4       | 3.0       | 2.9             | 3.7       |
| Physicians' services <sup>3</sup> .....  | 312.815                     | 313.049   | 314.981   | 316.393   | 3.9  | -1.0      | 4.7       | 4.7       | 1.4             | 4.7       |
| Dental services <sup>3</sup> .....   | 376.596                     | 378.088   | 379.442   | 380.831   | 6.1  | 5.3       | 3.4       | 4.6       | 5.7             | 4.0       |
| Eyeglasses and eye care <sup>1 5</sup> .....                                     | 176.704                     | 176.061   | 173.852   | 170.361   | 2.3  | 6.9       | .4        | -13.6     | 4.6             | -6.9      |
| Services by other medical professionals <sup>3 5</sup> .....                     | 210.424                     | 212.558   | 212.303   | 212.617   | 6.1  | 3.0       | 7.1       | 4.2       | 4.5             | 5.6       |
| Hospital and related services <sup>3</sup> .....                                 | 529.160                     | 530.663   | 534.373   | 537.382   | 8.9  | 7.4       | 6.1       | 6.4       | 8.2             | 6.2       |
| Hospital services <sup>3 11</sup> .....  | 196.093                     | 196.671   | 198.055   | 199.230   | 9.1  | 7.7       | 6.1       | 6.6       | 8.4             | 6.3       |
| Inpatient hospital services <sup>3 9 11</sup> .....                              | 189.000                     | 189.504   | 190.423   | 191.640   | 8.2  | 7.8       | 6.8       | 5.7       | 8.0             | 6.3       |
| Outpatient hospital services <sup>1 3 5 9</sup> .....                            | 454.859                     | 457.040   | 460.041   | 462.042   | 12.2   | 9.3       | 1.9       | 6.5       | 10.7            | 4.2       |
| Nursing homes and adult day services <sup>3 11</sup> .....                       | 176.749                     | 177.423   | 177.606   | 178.080   | 3.9  | 4.1       | 2.9       | 3.0       | 4.0             | 3.0       |
| Care of invalids and elderly at home <sup>1 12</sup> .....                       | 106.955                     | 107.065   | 107.236   | 107.329   | 8.2  | .1        | 1.3       | 1.4       | 4.0             | 1.4       |
| Health insurance <sup>1 13</sup> .....   | 115.337                     | 114.798   | 114.468   | 114.469   | -.7  | .9        | -5.6      | -3.0      | .1              | -4.3      |
| Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....  | 109.737                     | 110.173   | 110.748   | 110.998   | 1.5  | 2.5       | .2        | 4.7       | 2.0             | 2.4       |
| Video and audio <sup>2</sup> .....   | 102.166                     | 102.269   | 102.685   | 102.922   | 2.1  | 1.1       | -4.4      | 3.0       | 1.6             | -.8       |
| Televisions .....  | 14.165                      | 14.012    | 13.943    | 13.619    | -6.6   | -23.3     | -15.6     | -14.5     | -15.4           | -15.1     |
| Cable and satellite television and radio service <sup>6</sup> .....              | 359.370                     | 360.533   | 363.608   | 364.348   | 3.3  | 4.5       | -2.4      | 5.7       | 3.9             | 1.5       |
| Other video equipment <sup>2</sup> .....   | 20.531                      | 19.857    | 19.653    | 19.505    | -11.6  | -5.0      | -14.4     | -18.5     | -8.4            | -16.5     |
| Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental <sup>1 2</sup> .....    | 77.603                      | 77.694    | 76.300    | 77.327    | 13.8   | -1.8      | -3.6      | -1.4      | 5.7             | -2.5      |
| Audio equipment <sup>1</sup> .....   | 48.835                      | 48.881    | 49.245    | 49.503    | .3   | -8.5      | -8.7      | 5.6       | -4.2            | -1.8      |
| Audio discs, tapes and other media <sup>1 2</sup> .....                          | 102.122                     | 102.412   | 104.107   | 103.676   | -4.2   | .3        | -13.0     | 6.2       | -2.0            | -3.9      |
| Pets, pet products and services <sup>2</sup> .....                               | 140.582                     | 142.984   | 145.059   | 146.817   | 5.2  | 10.1      | 7.0       | 19.0      | 7.6             | 12.8      |
| Pets and pet products .....  | 179.070                     | 182.995   | 186.063   | 189.031   | 5.2  | 12.8      | 6.2       | 24.2      | 8.9             | 14.8      |
| Pet services including veterinary <sup>2</sup> .....                             | 175.962                     | 177.284   | 179.056   | 179.843   | 5.2  | 4.9       | 8.6       | 9.1       | 5.1             | 8.9       |
| Sporting goods <sup>1</sup> .....  | 117.509                     | 118.254   | 117.156   | 116.589   | -3.1   | 1.6       | 8.2       | -3.1      | -.8             | 2.4       |
| Sports vehicles including bicycles .....   | 136.413                     | 136.844   | 136.208   | 137.037   | -6.8   | -.9       | -2.2      | 1.8       | -3.9            | -.2       |
| Sports equipment <sup>1</sup> .....  | 96.870                      | 97.794    | 96.302    | 95.329    | .6   | 3.8       | 19.8      | -6.2      | 2.2             | 6.0       |
| Photography <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 82.073                      | 81.881    | 82.009    | 82.505    | -5.7   | -5.1      | 1.6       | 2.1       | -5.4            | 1.8       |
| Photographic equipment and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....                           | 77.254                      | 76.984    | 77.272    | 78.184    | -13.6  | -11.3     | -1.9      | 4.9       | -12.5           | 1.4       |
| Photographers and film processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....                           | 107.927                     | 107.773   | 107.756   | 107.922   | 1.4  | .2        | 4.4       | .0        | .8              | 2.2       |
| Other recreational goods <sup>2</sup> .....                                      | 60.997                      | 60.630    | 60.831    | 60.986    | -2.3   | 1.2       | -7.7      | -.1       | -.5             | -4.0      |
| Toys <sup>1</sup> .....  | 68.505                      | 67.684    | 68.088    | 68.187    | -2.9   | -.4       | -8.9      | -1.8      | -1.7            | -5.4      |
| Sewing machines, fabric and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....                          | 87.101                      | 89.120    | 88.195    | 89.001    | -2.7   | 9.9       | -8.5      | 9.0       | 3.4             | -.1       |
| Music instruments and accessories <sup>1 2</sup> .....                           | 98.220                      | 98.370    | 98.542    | 98.629    | 2.7  | 2.5       | 2.7       | 1.7       | 2.6             | 2.2       |
| Recreation services <sup>2</sup> .....   | 143.833                     | 144.495   | 145.809   | 145.720   | 2.4  | 2.4       | 2.1       | 5.4       | 2.4             | 3.7       |
| Club dues and fees for participant sports and group exercises <sup>2</sup> ..... | 126.495                     | 126.723   | 126.909   | 126.673   | -2.0   | -.1       | 9.3       | .6        | -1.1            | 4.8       |
| Admissions .....   | 306.176                     | 308.405   | 313.143   | 313.915   | 4.2  | 3.4       | -2.4      | 10.5      | 3.8             | 3.9       |
| Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>5</sup> .....                              | 255.108                     | 256.028   | 257.391   | 255.404   | 4.1  | 4.0       | 3.3       | .5        | 4.0             | 1.9       |
| Recreational reading materials <sup>1</sup> .....                                | 213.195                     | 212.630   | 214.765   | 215.310   | 2.5  | 3.6       | 3.1       | 4.0       | 3.0             | 3.6       |
| Newspapers and magazines <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                    | 123.536                     | 123.544   | 125.743   | 126.174   | -1.6   | 3.4       | 1.2       | 8.8       | .9              | 4.9       |

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**Table 9. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Seasonally adjusted indexes |           |           |           | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for |           |           |           |                 |           |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|  |                             |           |           |           | 3 months ended—                                    |           |           |           | 6 months ended— |           |
|  | June 2008                   | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Dec. 2007  | Mar. 2008 | June 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Mar. 2008       | Sep. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| Recreational books <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 106.257                     | 105.605   | 105.605   | 105.748   | 9.9  | 3.7       | 5.6       | -1.9      | 6.8             | 1.8       |
| Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....   | 119.805                     | 120.439   | 120.740   | 120.747   | 1.9  | 2.6       | 5.1       | 3.2       | 2.2             | 4.2       |
| Education <sup>2</sup> .....   | 178.167                     | 179.067   | 180.563   | 181.030   | 6.9  | 5.2       | 5.8       | 6.6       | 6.0             | 6.2       |
| Educational books and supplies .....   | 446.991                     | 450.380   | 461.173   | 464.432   | 6.6  | .4        | 6.5       | 16.5      | 3.4             | 11.4      |
| Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....  | 502.545                     | 504.965   | 508.443   | 509.542   | 6.9  | 5.7       | 5.7       | 5.7       | 6.3             | 5.7       |
| College tuition and fees .....   | 573.865                     | 577.983   | 579.999   | 580.573   | 8.7  | 6.2       | 7.8       | 4.8       | 7.4             | 6.3       |
| Elementary and high school tuition and fees .....  | 564.455                     | 567.212   | 570.548   | 573.746   | 7.0  | 5.5       | 4.6       | 6.7       | 6.3             | 5.7       |
| Child care and nursery school <sup>7</sup> .....   | 221.966                     | 222.506   | 225.030   | 225.651   | 4.1  | 5.7       | 3.1       | 6.8       | 4.9             | 4.9       |
| Technical and business school tuition and fees <sup>2</sup> .....                          | 190.909                     | 191.295   | 191.999   | 192.503   | 9.8  | 3.0       | 9.8       | 3.4       | 6.3             | 6.5       |
| Communication <sup>2</sup> .....   | 87.016                      | 87.490    | 87.369    | 87.225    | -1.6   | .8        | 4.7       | 1.0       | -4              | 2.8       |
| Postage and delivery services <sup>2</sup> .....   | 136.892                     | 137.016   | 137.313   | 137.358   | .7   | .9        | 13.9      | 1.4       | .8              | 7.5       |
| Postage <sup>1</sup> .....   | 216.173                     | 216.173   | 216.173   | 216.173   | .0   | .0        | 12.8      | .0        | .0              | 6.2       |
| Delivery services <sup>2</sup> .....   | 213.311                     | 216.197   | 223.097   | 224.151   | 9.5  | 16.7      | 30.4      | 21.9      | 13.1            | 26.1      |
| Information and information processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                | 85.007                      | 85.484    | 85.355    | 85.208    | -1.7   | .8        | 4.4       | .9        | -5              | 2.7       |
| Telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 100.723                     | 101.375   | 101.339   | 101.350   | -6   | .8        | 6.8       | 2.5       | .1              | 4.6       |
| Land-line telephone services, local charges <sup>1 3</sup> .....                           | 229.992                     | 232.466   | 231.683   | 231.902   | 2.1  | 1.9       | 6.1       | 3.4       | 2.0             | 4.7       |
| Land-line telephone services, long distance charges <sup>1 2</sup> .....                   | 75.395                      | 76.469    | 76.722    | 76.655    | -1.3   | .0        | 21.1      | 6.9       | -7              | 13.7      |
| Wireless telephone services <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 65.257                      | 65.257    | 65.255    | 65.255    | -2.3   | .5        | 1.2       | .0        | -9              | .6        |
| Information technology, hardware and services <sup>1 14</sup> .....                        | 10.585                      | 10.600    | 10.525    | 10.414    | -8.3   | .9        | -5.8      | -6.3      | -3.8            | -6.1      |
| Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>1 12</sup> .....                          | 95.766                      | 94.691    | 92.931    | 90.722    | -19.9  | 1.1       | -16.8     | -19.5     | -10.0           | -18.1     |
| Computer software and accessories <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                     | 49.632                      | 49.727    | 49.655    | 49.443    | -7.4   | -.9       | 2.1       | -1.5      | -4.2            | .3        |
| Internet services and electronic information providers <sup>1 2</sup> .....                | 73.931                      | 74.645    | 74.626    | 74.563    | -.2  | -.8       | 2.0       | 3.5       | -.5             | 2.7       |
| Telephone hardware, calculators, and other consumer information items <sup>1 2</sup> ..... | 40.742                      | 41.078    | 40.999    | 40.402    | -3.7   | 9.0       | -3.1      | -3.3      | 2.4             | -3.2      |
| Other goods and services .....   | 358.283                     | 360.084   | 360.634   | 361.459   | 3.2  | 4.8       | 6.1       | 3.6       | 4.0             | 4.8       |
| Tobacco and smoking products <sup>1</sup> .....  | 592.248                     | 599.180   | 599.823   | 600.293   | 5.3  | 6.1       | 11.1      | 5.5       | 5.7             | 8.3       |
| Cigarettes <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 239.780                     | 242.590   | 242.886   | 243.121   | 5.4  | 6.0       | 11.2      | 5.7       | 5.7             | 8.4       |
| Tobacco products other than cigarettes <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                | 168.795                     | 170.717   | 170.412   | 169.927   | 4.0  | 9.3       | 7.6       | 2.7       | 6.6             | 5.1       |
| Personal care .....  | 199.288                     | 199.599   | 199.951   | 200.567   | 2.3  | 4.1       | 3.7       | 2.6       | 3.2             | 3.1       |
| Personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....  | 159.052                     | 159.237   | 159.345   | 159.730   | 1.9  | .8        | .8        | 1.7       | 1.4             | 1.3       |
| Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products <sup>1 2</sup> .....       | 103.770                     | 104.279   | 104.700   | 104.402   | 2.7  | .7        | -1.2      | 2.5       | 1.7             | .6        |
| Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements <sup>1</sup> .....              | 179.634                     | 179.099   | 178.539   | 180.033   | 1.0  | 1.0       | 3.1       | .9        | 1.0             | 2.0       |
| Personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....  | 223.838                     | 223.994   | 224.464   | 224.910   | 4.0  | 5.8       | 1.4       | 1.9       | 4.9             | 1.7       |
| Haircuts and other personal care services <sup>1 2</sup> .....                             | 136.430                     | 136.525   | 136.812   | 137.083   | 4.0  | 5.8       | 1.4       | 1.9       | 4.9             | 1.7       |
| Miscellaneous personal services .....  | 341.405                     | 341.783   | 343.214   | 345.068   | 3.1  | 5.2       | 6.6       | 4.4       | 4.1             | 5.5       |
| Legal services <sup>5</sup> .....  | 274.069                     | 274.409   | 275.667   | 275.888   | 2.3  | 5.9       | 6.7       | 2.7       | 4.1             | 4.7       |
| Funeral expenses <sup>5</sup> .....  | 272.111                     | 273.323   | 275.039   | 277.219   | 4.0  | 4.8       | 6.7       | 7.7       | 4.4             | 7.2       |
| Laundry and dry cleaning services <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                     | 135.012                     | 135.905   | 136.410   | 136.846   | .8   | 5.4       | 8.7       | 5.5       | 3.1             | 7.1       |
| Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning <sup>1 2</sup> .....                  | 146.907                     | 148.051   | 148.632   | 148.819   | 3.5  | 10.4      | 8.5       | 5.3       | 6.9             | 6.9       |
| Financial services <sup>1 5</sup> .....  | 283.574                     | 277.647   | 277.592   | 284.875   | 3.0  | 7.0       | 3.5       | 1.8       | 5.0             | 2.7       |
| Miscellaneous personal goods <sup>2</sup> .....  | 88.240                      | 88.736    | 88.192    | 88.173    | 1.8  | 5.4       | -.2       | -.3       | 3.6             | -.3       |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>   |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| Commodities .....  | 182.091                     | 184.380   | 183.312   | 183.072   | 11.4   | 3.1       | 13.3      | 2.2       | 7.1             | 7.6       |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....  | 163.920                     | 166.283   | 164.264   | 163.433   | 16.9   | 1.8       | 16.0      | -1.2      | 9.1             | 7.1       |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....  | 219.911                     | 222.730   | 218.408   | 216.425   | 30.2   | 9.3       | 29.4      | -6.2      | 19.3            | 10.2      |
| Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....  | 288.571                     | 295.649   | 287.973   | 283.308   | 36.3   | 11.7      | 40.6      | -7.1      | 23.4            | 14.3      |
| Durables .....   | 111.778                     | 111.904   | 111.513   | 110.738   | .3   | -.3       | -2.2      | -3.7      | .0              | -2.9      |
| Services .....   | 250.646                     | 252.098   | 252.502   | 252.363   | 3.6  | 3.5       | 5.5       | 2.8       | 3.6             | 4.1       |
| Rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....   | 230.376                     | 230.750   | 231.020   | 231.740   | 3.3  | 2.0       | 2.5       | 2.4       | 2.6             | 2.4       |
| Transportation services .....  | 243.223                     | 244.333   | 246.033   | 246.228   | 2.7  | 4.7       | 7.8       | 5.0       | 3.7             | 6.4       |
| Other services .....   | 283.979                     | 285.261   | 286.423   | 286.893   | 3.0  | 3.2       | 4.1       | 4.2       | 3.1             | 4.1       |
| All items less food .....  | 213.542                     | 215.430   | 214.752   | 214.323   | 7.8  | 2.9       | 9.0       | 1.5       | 5.3             | 5.2       |
| All items less shelter .....   | 206.640                     | 209.123   | 208.500   | 208.034   | 8.6  | 3.8       | 11.8      | 2.7       | 6.2             | 7.2       |
| All items less medical care .....  | 207.249                     | 209.190   | 208.771   | 208.547   | 7.1  | 3.3       | 9.4       | 2.5       | 5.2             | 5.9       |
| Commodities less food .....  | 165.803                     | 168.143   | 166.189   | 165.404   | 16.3   | 1.9       | 15.6      | -1.0      | 8.9             | 7.0       |
| Nondurables less food .....  | 219.878                     | 222.640   | 218.543   | 216.742   | 28.2   | 9.2       | 27.9      | -5.6      | 18.3            | 9.9       |
| Nondurables less food and apparel .....  | 281.115                     | 287.558   | 280.555   | 276.627   | 32.8   | 11.2      | 38.2      | -6.2      | 21.5            | 13.9      |
| Nondurables .....  | 218.042                     | 220.363   | 218.559   | 218.036   | 15.8   | 7.6       | 19.5      | .0        | 11.6            | 9.3       |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 9. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories -Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group                                     | Seasonally adjusted indexes |           |           |           | Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for |           |           |           |                 |           |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|  |                             |           |           |           | 3 months ended—                                    |           |           |           | 6 months ended— |           |
|  | June 2008                   | July 2008 | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Dec. 2007  | Mar. 2008 | June 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Mar. 2008       | Sep. 2008 |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                   |                             |           |           |           |  |           |           |           |                 |           |
| Apparel less footwear .....                        | 112.046                     | 112.799   | 114.666   | 114.839   | 2.8  | -5.1      | -0.5      | 10.3      | -1.2            | 4.8       |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>4</sup> .....   | 242.816                     | 245.434   | 245.949   | 244.940   | 3.4  | 5.0       | 10.2      | 3.5       | 4.2             | 6.8       |
| Services less medical care services .....          | 240.801                     | 242.231   | 242.706   | 242.484   | 3.1  | 3.4       | 6.1       | 2.8       | 3.3             | 4.5       |
| Energy .....                                       | 261.655                     | 272.093   | 263.479   | 258.926   | 47.5   | 8.3       | 54.1      | -4.1      | 26.4            | 21.6      |
| All items less energy .....                        | 208.598                     | 209.458   | 210.097   | 210.452   | 2.5  | 2.6       | 3.5       | 3.6       | 2.6             | 3.6       |
| All items less food and energy .....               | 208.116                     | 208.747   | 209.244   | 209.425   | 2.5  | 2.1       | 2.5       | 2.5       | 2.3             | 2.5       |
| Commodities less food and energy commodities ..... | 141.128                     | 141.700   | 141.896   | 141.581   | .6   | .6        | .0        | 1.3       | .6              | .7        |
| Energy commodities .....                           | 327.093                     | 340.121   | 325.564   | 322.124   | 80.7   | 5.5       | 70.2      | -5.9      | 38.1            | 26.5      |
| Services less energy services .....                | 255.507                     | 256.168   | 256.890   | 257.459   | 3.4  | 2.7       | 3.6       | 3.1       | 3.0             | 3.3       |
| Domestically produced farm food <sup>1</sup> ..... | 218.126                     | 221.072   | 222.729   | 223.982   | 4.5  | 5.0       | 10.8      | 11.2      | 4.8             | 11.0      |
| Utilities and public transportation .....          | 202.350                     | 206.697   | 206.246   | 203.408   | 2.6  | 7.7       | 17.8      | 2.1       | 5.1             | 9.7       |

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>10</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>11</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>12</sup> Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

<sup>13</sup> Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.

<sup>14</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 10. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, all items index**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Area  | All items                |              |              |              |              |                                      |              |              |                                      |              |              |
|---|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
|   | Pricing<br>schedule<br>1 | Indexes      |              |              |              | Percent change to<br>Sep. 2008 from— |              |              | Percent change to<br>Aug. 2008 from— |              |              |
|   |                          | June<br>2008 | July<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2007                         | July<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2007                         | June<br>2008 | July<br>2008 |
| U.S. city average .....                                     | M                        | 218.815      | 219.964      | 219.086      | 218.783      | 4.9                                  | -0.5         | -0.1         | 5.4                                  | 0.1          | -0.4         |
| <b>Region and area size<sup>2</sup></b>                     |                          |              |              |              |              |                                      |              |              |                                      |              |              |
| Northeast urban .....                                       | M                        | 232.649      | 234.545      | 233.788      | 232.841      | 5.2                                  | -7           | -4           | 5.5                                  | .5           | -3           |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                          | M                        | 234.518      | 236.460      | 236.107      | 235.314      | 4.9                                  | -5           | -3           | 5.3                                  | .7           | -1           |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....           | M                        | 138.542      | 139.623      | 138.537      | 137.723      | 5.8                                  | -1.4         | -6           | 6.1                                  | .0           | -8           |
| Midwest urban .....   | M                        | 208.968      | 210.071      | 209.351      | 209.252      | 4.8                                  | -4           | .0           | 5.4                                  | .2           | -3           |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                          | M                        | 209.813      | 211.003      | 210.341      | 210.283      | 4.5                                  | -3           | .0           | 5.3                                  | .3           | -3           |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....           | M                        | 134.018      | 134.595      | 133.969      | 133.982      | 5.1                                  | -5           | .0           | 5.6                                  | .0           | -5           |
| Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than<br>50,000) .....        | M                        | 205.122      | 206.435      | 206.251      | 205.522      | 5.1                                  | -4           | -4           | 5.9                                  | .6           | -1           |
| South urban .....   | M                        | 212.324      | 213.304      | 212.387      | 212.650      | 5.4                                  | -3           | .1           | 5.6                                  | .0           | -4           |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                          | M                        | 214.359      | 215.373      | 214.496      | 214.854      | 5.2                                  | -2           | .2           | 5.4                                  | .1           | -4           |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....           | M                        | 134.980      | 135.643      | 135.004      | 135.093      | 5.3                                  | -4           | .1           | 5.6                                  | .0           | -5           |
| Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than<br>50,000) .....        | M                        | 214.739      | 215.274      | 214.655      | 215.258      | 7.1                                  | .0           | .3           | 6.9                                  | .0           | -3           |
| West urban .....  | M                        | 223.040      | 223.867      | 222.823      | 222.132      | 4.3                                  | -8           | -3           | 4.9                                  | -1           | -5           |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                          | M                        | 226.767      | 227.562      | 226.541      | 225.910      | 4.4                                  | -7           | -3           | 5.0                                  | -1           | -4           |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....           | M                        | 135.283      | 136.021      | 135.207      | 134.834      | 4.5                                  | -9           | -3           | 4.9                                  | -1           | -6           |
| <b>Size classes</b>   |                          |              |              |              |              |                                      |              |              |                                      |              |              |
| A <sup>4</sup> .....  | M                        | 199.840      | 200.941      | 200.278      | 199.982      | 4.7                                  | -5           | -1           | 5.2                                  | .2           | -3           |
| B/C <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | M                        | 135.330      | 136.055      | 135.315      | 135.160      | 5.2                                  | -7           | -1           | 5.5                                  | .0           | -5           |
| D .....   | M                        | 211.989      | 212.555      | 212.138      | 211.740      | 5.4                                  | -4           | -2           | 5.9                                  | .1           | -2           |
| <b>Selected local areas<sup>5</sup></b>                     |                          |              |              |              |              |                                      |              |              |                                      |              |              |
| Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI .....                        | M                        | 215.738      | 217.459      | 215.971      | 215.465      | 4.4                                  | -9           | -2           | 4.9                                  | .1           | -7           |
| Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ...                 | M                        | 229.033      | 229.886      | 228.484      | 227.449      | 4.5                                  | -1.1         | -5           | 5.1                                  | -2           | -6           |
| New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island,<br>NY-NJ-CT-PA .....    | M                        | 238.580      | 240.273      | 240.550      | 240.089      | 5.2                                  | -1           | -2           | 5.4                                  | .8           | .1           |
| Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT .....                   | 1                        | -            | 241.258      | -            | 238.519      | 4.7                                  | -1.1         | -            | -                                    | -            | -            |
| Cleveland-Akron, OH .....                                   | 1                        | -            | 206.941      | -            | 206.219      | 4.7                                  | -3           | -            | -                                    | -            | -            |
| Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....                                 | 1                        | -            | 206.413      | -            | 205.883      | 5.7                                  | -3           | -            | -                                    | -            | -            |
| Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV <sup>6</sup> .....        | 1                        | -            | 142.065      | -            | 142.036      | 5.5                                  | .0           | -            | -                                    | -            | -            |
| Atlanta, GA .....   | 2                        | 212.032      | -            | 211.404      | -            | -                                    | -            | -            | 5.0                                  | -3           | -            |
| Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI .....                           | 2                        | 207.593      | -            | 209.484      | -            | -                                    | -            | -            | 4.9                                  | .9           | -            |
| Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....                        | 2                        | 193.567      | -            | 192.723      | -            | -                                    | -            | -            | 4.9                                  | -4           | -            |
| Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....                             | 2                        | 225.079      | -            | 225.473      | -            | -                                    | -            | -            | 5.8                                  | .2           | -            |
| Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City,<br>PA-NJ-DE-MD ..... | 2                        | 228.408      | -            | 228.337      | -            | -                                    | -            | -            | 4.4                                  | .0           | -            |
| San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....                    | 2                        | 225.181      | -            | 225.411      | -            | -                                    | -            | -            | 4.2                                  | .1           | -            |
| Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA .....                          | 2                        | 228.068      | -            | 227.745      | -            | -                                    | -            | -            | 5.4                                  | -1           | -            |

<sup>1</sup> Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all areas; most other goods and services priced as indicated:

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

<sup>2</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> In addition, the following metropolitan areas are published semiannually and appear in Tables 34 and 39 of the January and July issues of the CPI Detailed Report: Anchorage, AK; Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN; Denver-Boulder-Greeley, CO; Honolulu, HI; Kansas City, MO-KS; Milwaukee-Racine, WI; Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI; Phoenix-Mesa, AZ;

Pittsburgh, PA; Portland-Salem, OR-WA; St. Louis, MO-IL; San Diego, CA; Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a November 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Local area indexes are byproducts of the national CPI program. Each local index has a smaller sample size than the national index and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in their escalator clauses.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 11. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Regions<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Northeast |                      |           | Midwest |                      |           | South   |                      |           | West    |                      |           |
|---|-----------|----------------------|-----------|---------|----------------------|-----------|---------|----------------------|-----------|---------|----------------------|-----------|
|   | Index     | Percent change from— |           | Index   | Percent change from— |           | Index   | Percent change from— |           | Index   | Percent change from— |           |
|   |           | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 |         | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 |         | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 |         | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 |
|   |           |                      |           |         |                      |           |         |                      |           |         |                      |           |
| Expenditure category  |           |                      |           |         |                      |           |         |                      |           |         |                      |           |
| All items .....   | 232.841   | 5.2                  | -0.4      | 209.252 | 4.8                  | 0.0       | 212.650 | 5.4                  | 0.1       | 222.132 | 4.3                  | -0.3      |
| All items (December 1977=100) .....                               | 366.653   | -                    | -         | 340.465 | -                    | -         | 344.947 | -                    | -         | 359.064 | -                    | -         |
| Food and beverages .....  | 222.510   | 6.2                  | .8        | 211.122 | 6.5                  | .6        | 215.049 | 5.9                  | .5        | 222.465 | 5.6                  | .4        |
| Food .....  | 222.287   | 6.4                  | .9        | 210.986 | 6.8                  | .6        | 215.831 | 6.1                  | .5        | 222.005 | 5.8                  | .4        |
| Food at home .....  | 223.897   | 7.8                  | .9        | 208.642 | 8.1                  | .8        | 214.855 | 7.3                  | .5        | 228.134 | 7.3                  | .4        |
| Food away from home .....   | 223.347   | 4.6                  | .8        | 215.188 | 5.0                  | .4        | 220.484 | 4.6                  | .5        | 213.231 | 3.9                  | .4        |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 224.228   | 4.7                  | .2        | 212.280 | 3.3                  | .4        | 203.064 | 3.3                  | .6        | 226.703 | 3.4                  | .5        |
| Housing .....   | 244.361   | 3.9                  | -1.3      | 198.956 | 2.8                  | -6        | 202.951 | 4.2                  | -1        | 228.805 | 2.8                  | .0        |
| Shelter .....   | 287.076   | 2.3                  | -6        | 224.634 | .9                   | -2        | 221.545 | 3.0                  | .0        | 256.149 | 2.7                  | .2        |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>2</sup> .....                      | 276.956   | 4.1                  | .2        | 216.235 | 2.3                  | .3        | 220.882 | 4.1                  | .3        | 256.817 | 3.9                  | .4        |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>2 3</sup> ..... | 294.573   | 1.7                  | .1        | 226.709 | 1.1                  | .2        | 223.725 | 3.0                  | .2        | 268.801 | 3.2                  | .4        |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 237.234   | 15.7                 | -5.7      | 223.127 | 13.4                 | -3.4      | 231.671 | 12.2                 | -1.3      | 232.056 | 5.2                  | -2.6      |
| Household energy .....  | 224.987   | 16.8                 | -6.4      | 201.460 | 14.8                 | -3.9      | 205.462 | 13.5                 | -1.6      | 218.748 | 5.1                  | -3.4      |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>2</sup> .....                    | 216.936   | 10.6                 | -6.4      | 207.372 | 14.2                 | -4.0      | 205.399 | 12.6                 | -1.5      | 219.737 | 4.3                  | -3.4      |
| Electricity <sup>2</sup> .....                                    | 197.014   | 6.8                  | -6.0      | 177.246 | 5.9                  | .5        | 194.994 | 11.0                 | .1        | 226.335 | 3.7                  | -.2       |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>2</sup> .....                    | 251.863   | 17.6                 | -7.4      | 258.398 | 26.7                 | -9.6      | 257.124 | 21.0                 | -8.8      | 221.909 | 5.6                  | -11.5     |
| Household furnishings and operations ...                          | 128.767   | .8                   | .0        | 122.103 | 2.2                  | .0        | 128.350 | 2.3                  | .8        | 134.951 | 1.9                  | .6        |
| Apparel .....   | 123.837   | 2.6                  | 7.2       | 115.572 | 3.8                  | 4.5       | 131.481 | 1.3                  | 2.9       | 111.784 | -.8                  | 2.8       |
| Transportation .....  | 200.550   | 10.3                 | -1.7      | 207.735 | 10.1                 | -.8       | 204.357 | 11.6                 | -.4       | 202.514 | 9.6                  | -2.8      |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 194.266   | 10.3                 | -1.7      | 202.521 | 9.9                  | -.6       | 202.663 | 11.5                 | -.3       | 196.009 | 9.2                  | -2.8      |
| New and used motor vehicles <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 92.466    | .0                   | .1        | 93.729  | -.5                  | -1.1      | 92.310  | -2.7                 | -.8       | 91.832  | -2.2                 | -1.3      |
| New vehicles .....  | 132.905   | -.7                  | -.4       | 127.903 | -1.7                 | -1.1      | 136.013 | -2.5                 | -.3       | 131.419 | -2.1                 | -1.2      |
| New cars and trucks <sup>4 5</sup> .....                          | 92.093    | -.9                  | -.4       | 90.269  | -1.5                 | -1.1      | 92.516  | -2.5                 | -.3       | 91.364  | -2.1                 | -1.2      |
| New cars <sup>5</sup> .....                                       | 132.657   | -.2                  | .1        | 129.700 | 1.1                  | -.6       | 140.979 | -.5                  | .0        | 135.188 | .9                   | -.9       |
| Used cars and trucks .....  | 138.085   | -2.8                 | -1.8      | 134.485 | -2.4                 | -1.7      | 131.334 | -3.7                 | -1.9      | 130.710 | -3.0                 | -1.8      |
| Motor fuel .....  | 299.487   | 31.5                 | -4.9      | 329.561 | 26.7                 | -.6       | 321.149 | 35.3                 | -.2       | 304.860 | 32.0                 | -6.4      |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 297.278   | 31.3                 | -4.9      | 328.783 | 26.9                 | -.3       | 319.382 | 35.3                 | .2        | 303.302 | 31.9                 | -6.3      |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>5</sup> .....                     | 299.584   | 31.8                 | -4.9      | 328.262 | 27.2                 | -.4       | 320.378 | 35.8                 | .4        | 303.249 | 32.5                 | -6.4      |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>5 6</sup> .....                  | 301.735   | 30.7                 | -4.7      | 358.501 | 26.9                 | .0        | 329.729 | 34.7                 | .1        | 282.985 | 31.2                 | -6.2      |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>5</sup> .....                     | 285.714   | 29.4                 | -4.5      | 319.110 | 25.5                 | -.3       | 309.412 | 33.3                 | -.3       | 286.611 | 30.1                 | -6.0      |
| Medical care .....  | 388.311   | 3.2                  | .1        | 362.755 | 2.2                  | .4        | 348.105 | 3.5                  | .0        | 370.387 | 3.7                  | .2        |
| Medical care commodities .....                                    | 319.816   | 3.2                  | .3        | 291.854 | -.2                  | .5        | 282.119 | 1.5                  | -.2       | 299.341 | 1.4                  | .2        |
| Medical care services .....                                       | 406.351   | 3.2                  | .0        | 386.273 | 3.1                  | .4        | 370.008 | 4.3                  | .0        | 391.862 | 4.4                  | .2        |
| Professional services .....                                       | 318.319   | 2.9                  | -.2       | 330.155 | 3.2                  | .3        | 309.657 | 3.4                  | .0        | 293.476 | 3.7                  | .1        |
| Recreation <sup>4</sup> .....                                     | 116.159   | 2.5                  | .1        | 115.772 | 3.5                  | .4        | 114.782 | 2.4                  | .2        | 109.857 | 1.3                  | .2        |
| Education and communication <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 129.150   | 4.8                  | .6        | 127.070 | 3.2                  | .6        | 121.500 | 2.9                  | .6        | 125.217 | 3.3                  | .9        |
| Other goods and services .....                                    | 374.085   | 4.9                  | .2        | 335.242 | 3.8                  | .1        | 335.877 | 3.6                  | .7        | 349.167 | 3.9                  | .3        |
| Commodity and service group                                       |           |                      |           |         |                      |           |         |                      |           |         |                      |           |
| All items .....   | 232.841   | 5.2                  | -.4       | 209.252 | 4.8                  | .0        | 212.650 | 5.4                  | .1        | 222.132 | 4.3                  | -.3       |
| Commodities .....   | 184.296   | 7.4                  | .0        | 175.847 | 6.7                  | .4        | 180.861 | 7.0                  | .3        | 175.951 | 5.5                  | -.8       |
| Commodities less food and beverages ...                           | 160.541   | 8.2                  | -.5       | 157.086 | 6.9                  | .3        | 162.475 | 7.7                  | .2        | 150.490 | 5.5                  | -1.4      |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                         | 206.859   | 14.3                 | -.4       | 206.256 | 11.7                 | .8        | 216.887 | 14.4                 | .6        | 195.424 | 11.9                 | -1.9      |
| Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....               | 271.460   | 18.8                 | -2.6      | 265.132 | 14.1                 | -.2       | 269.144 | 18.6                 | .0        | 253.934 | 16.3                 | -3.2      |
| Durables .....  | 108.547   | -1.4                 | -.7       | 108.614 | -.5                  | -.6       | 112.239 | -1.8                 | -.5       | 110.376 | -1.9                 | -.8       |
| Services .....  | 280.369   | 3.7                  | -.7       | 244.079 | 3.3                  | -.4       | 245.223 | 4.3                  | .0        | 263.890 | 3.5                  | .0        |
| Rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....                                | 300.282   | 2.3                  | -.6       | 230.940 | .9                   | -.2       | 227.867 | 3.0                  | .0        | 272.461 | 2.7                  | .2        |
| Transportation services .....                                     | 236.388   | 6.2                  | .5        | 254.702 | 6.2                  | -.6       | 252.406 | 5.1                  | -.4       | 251.865 | 6.1                  | -.6       |
| Other services .....  | 320.066   | 4.3                  | .4        | 291.722 | 3.7                  | .5        | 289.766 | 3.6                  | .7        | 296.457 | 3.9                  | .6        |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 11. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Regions<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group                                   | Northeast |                      |           | Midwest   |                      |           | South     |                      |           | West      |                      |           |
|--|-----------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|
|  | Index     | Percent change from— |           | Index     | Percent change from— |           | Index     | Percent change from— |           | Index     | Percent change from— |           |
|  | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                 |           |                      |           |           |                      |           |           |                      |           |           |                      |           |
| All items less medical care .....                | 225.727   | 5.3                  | -0.4      | 201.705   | 5.0                  | -0.1      | 204.519   | 5.6                  | 0.1       | 214.911   | 4.4                  | -0.3      |
| All items less food .....                        | 234.989   | 5.0                  | -6        | 208.884   | 4.4                  | -2        | 211.992   | 5.3                  | .1        | 222.305   | 4.1                  | -4        |
| All items less shelter .....                     | 214.843   | 6.7                  | -3        | 205.904   | 6.4                  | .0        | 210.487   | 6.5                  | .2        | 209.647   | 5.2                  | -6        |
| Commodities less food .....                      | 163.107   | 8.1                  | -5        | 158.984   | 6.7                  | .3        | 163.940   | 7.5                  | .2        | 153.624   | 5.4                  | -1.3      |
| Nondurables .....                                | 215.725   | 10.1                 | .2        | 209.518   | 9.1                  | .7        | 216.640   | 10.2                 | .6        | 210.474   | 8.7                  | -8        |
| Nondurables less food .....                      | 207.747   | 13.6                 | -4        | 206.322   | 11.1                 | .8        | 215.959   | 13.7                 | .6        | 198.173   | 11.3                 | -1.7      |
| Nondurables less food and apparel .....          | 264.637   | 17.4                 | -2.4      | 258.835   | 13.1                 | -2        | 262.312   | 17.4                 | .1        | 250.678   | 15.1                 | -2.9      |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> ..... | 282.986   | 5.5                  | -8        | 272.503   | 5.8                  | -6        | 274.516   | 5.7                  | -1        | 282.377   | 4.7                  | -2        |
| Services less medical care services .....        | 271.115   | 3.8                  | -7        | 232.810   | 3.4                  | -4        | 232.862   | 4.3                  | .0        | 254.343   | 3.5                  | .0        |
| Energy .....                                     | 256.169   | 23.5                 | -5.7      | 257.484   | 21.2                 | -2.0      | 253.336   | 25.1                 | -7        | 270.952   | 21.4                 | -5.4      |
| All items less energy .....                      | 232.476   | 3.3                  | .3        | 206.277   | 2.9                  | .2        | 208.518   | 3.1                  | .2        | 220.061   | 2.9                  | .2        |
| All items less food and energy .....             | 235.753   | 2.8                  | .1        | 206.005   | 2.1                  | .2        | 207.590   | 2.6                  | .2        | 220.391   | 2.4                  | .2        |
| Commodities less food and energy                 |           |                      |           |           |                      |           |           |                      |           |           |                      |           |
| commodities .....                                | 144.267   | 1.3                  | 1.3       | 139.408   | 1.5                  | .6        | 142.457   | .2                   | .4        | 136.392   | -.4                  | .2        |
| Energy commodities .....                         | 312.880   | 33.5                 | -5.2      | 328.589   | 26.7                 | -7        | 325.115   | 35.5                 | -2        | 308.252   | 31.9                 | -6.3      |
| Services less energy services .....              | 286.706   | 3.2                  | -2        | 249.482   | 2.4                  | .0        | 249.035   | 3.6                  | .1        | 267.380   | 3.5                  | .2        |

<sup>1</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>2</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 12. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Population size classes<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Size class A <sup>2</sup> |                      |           | Size class B/C <sup>3</sup> |                      |           | Size class D |                      |           |
|---|---------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----------|--------------|----------------------|-----------|
|   | Index                     | Percent change from— |           | Index                       | Percent change from— |           | Index        | Percent change from— |           |
|   | Sep. 2008                 | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008                   | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008    | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>                                       |                           |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
| All items <sup>4</sup> .....                                      | 199.982                   | 4.7                  | -0.1      | 135.160                     | 5.2                  | -0.1      | 211.740      | 5.4                  | -0.2      |
| All items (December 1977=100) .....                               | 199.982                   | -                    | -         | -                           | -                    | -         | 341.484      | -                    | -         |
| Food and beverages .....  | 196.752                   | 5.9                  | .6        | 136.036                     | 6.1                  | .4        | 216.650      | 6.4                  | .8        |
| Food .....  | 196.844                   | 6.1                  | .7        | 136.277                     | 6.3                  | .4        | 217.032      | 6.6                  | .8        |
| Food at home .....  | 202.888                   | 7.5                  | .7        | 135.989                     | 7.6                  | .4        | 214.025      | 7.6                  | .9        |
| Food away from home .....   | 188.377                   | 4.4                  | .6        | 137.083                     | 4.6                  | .4        | 223.892      | 5.0                  | .7        |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 193.984                   | 3.6                  | .4        | 132.688                     | 3.7                  | .5        | 210.511      | 3.9                  | .7        |
| Housing .....   | 201.794                   | 3.3                  | -.4       | 132.606                     | 3.5                  | -.4       | 195.247      | 4.3                  | -.5       |
| Shelter .....   | 216.476                   | 2.4                  | .0        | 131.641                     | 2.2                  | -.2       | 216.855      | 3.1                  | -.2       |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....                      | 212.366                   | 4.0                  | .3        | 135.570                     | 3.5                  | .3        | 207.544      | 2.9                  | .3        |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5 6</sup> ..... | 214.069                   | 2.4                  | .3        | 129.819                     | 2.3                  | .1        | 226.219      | 3.7                  | .1        |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 232.034                   | 11.3                 | -4.0      | 173.641                     | 12.5                 | -2.0      | 222.823      | 12.0                 | -1.8      |
| Household energy .....  | 236.653                   | 12.5                 | -4.8      | 177.598                     | 13.9                 | -2.4      | 193.428      | 12.5                 | -2.2      |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>5</sup> .....                    | 222.531                   | 10.2                 | -4.8      | 167.599                     | 11.9                 | -2.1      | 204.348      | 11.5                 | -2.2      |
| Electricity <sup>5</sup> .....                                    | 203.863                   | 6.5                  | -2.0      | 152.390                     | 9.2                  | -.1       | 194.235      | 8.3                  | -.8       |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>5</sup> .....                    | 257.822                   | 18.4                 | -10.3     | 217.776                     | 19.4                 | -7.9      | 247.660      | 22.5                 | -6.9      |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 122.829                   | 1.9                  | .5        | 100.779                     | 1.9                  | .5        | 126.317      | 2.6                  | -.5       |
| Apparel .....   | 116.207                   | 2.3                  | 4.9       | 87.989                      | 1.5                  | 3.1       | 112.133      | -4.2                 | 3.1       |
| Transportation .....  | 197.950                   | 9.9                  | -1.8      | 144.658                     | 11.0                 | -.9       | 207.520      | 11.2                 | -1.0      |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 196.926                   | 9.7                  | -1.7      | 144.242                     | 10.9                 | -.8       | 202.773      | 11.1                 | -.9       |
| New and used motor vehicles <sup>3</sup> .....                    | 92.874                    | -1.4                 | -.8       | 92.071                      | -1.7                 | -.8       | 91.564       | -2.9                 | -.9       |
| New vehicles .....  | 115.183                   | -2.2                 | -1.0      | 92.757                      | -1.3                 | -.4       | 136.697      | -3.4                 | -.5       |
| New cars and trucks <sup>3 7</sup> .....                          | 90.695                    | -2.1                 | -1.0      | 92.751                      | -1.4                 | -.4       | 94.290       | -3.4                 | -.5       |
| New cars <sup>7</sup> .....                                       | 117.849                   | -.2                  | -.7       | 96.386                      | .6                   | .0        | 141.779      | 2.7                  | .5        |
| Used cars and trucks .....  | 127.331                   | -2.9                 | -1.8      | 89.293                      | -3.2                 | -1.9      | 122.709      | -3.0                 | -1.8      |
| Motor fuel .....  | 452.810                   | 30.5                 | -3.9      | 315.825                     | 32.8                 | -1.4      | 309.822      | 33.5                 | -1.4      |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 450.510                   | 30.5                 | -3.8      | 316.504                     | 32.8                 | -1.1      | 307.568      | 33.6                 | -1.0      |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>7</sup> .....                     | 462.528                   | 30.5                 | -3.9      | 324.621                     | 33.0                 | -1.1      | 294.898      | 33.3                 | -1.4      |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7 8</sup> .....                  | 306.352                   | 30.9                 | -3.6      | 308.143                     | 32.6                 | -.8       | 345.012      | 33.9                 | -.1       |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>7</sup> .....                     | 398.631                   | 29.3                 | -3.8      | 294.006                     | 31.5                 | -1.2      | 311.815      | 34.3                 | .6        |
| Medical care .....  | 289.156                   | 3.1                  | .3        | 153.693                     | 3.5                  | .0        | 355.290      | 2.7                  | .0        |
| Medical care commodities .....                                    | 233.335                   | 1.2                  | .2        | 138.254                     | 1.3                  | .1        | 299.273      | 2.8                  | .2        |
| Medical care services .....                                       | 305.706                   | 3.6                  | .3        | 159.213                     | 4.2                  | .0        | 374.605      | 2.7                  | .0        |
| Professional services .....                                       | 245.321                   | 3.4                  | .0        | 145.573                     | 3.3                  | .0        | 319.525      | 3.2                  | .0        |
| Recreation <sup>3</sup> .....                                     | 115.612                   | 2.2                  | .3        | 111.209                     | 2.5                  | .1        | 116.427      | 3.0                  | .1        |
| Education and communication <sup>3</sup> .....                    | 127.783                   | 3.8                  | .8        | 121.145                     | 2.9                  | .6        | 129.410      | 3.9                  | .0        |
| Other goods and services .....                                    | 275.440                   | 3.8                  | .6        | 154.045                     | 4.4                  | .1        | 355.108      | 3.6                  | -.2       |
| <b>Commodity and service group</b>                                |                           |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
| All items <sup>4</sup> .....                                      | 199.982                   | 4.7                  | -.1       | 135.160                     | 5.2                  | -.1       | 211.740      | 5.4                  | -.2       |
| Commodities .....   | 170.893                   | 6.4                  | -.1       | 126.487                     | 7.0                  | .0        | 180.680      | 6.9                  | .0        |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                         | 154.979                   | 6.7                  | -.5       | 121.128                     | 7.5                  | -.2       | 162.573      | 7.1                  | -.4       |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                         | 210.179                   | 12.6                 | -.4       | 158.741                     | 13.9                 | .0        | 213.136      | 13.3                 | -.1       |
| Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....               | 279.838                   | 16.5                 | -2.0      | 193.850                     | 17.5                 | -.7       | 266.493      | 17.9                 | -.8       |
| Durables .....  | 102.749                   | -1.7                 | -.7       | 85.517                      | -1.3                 | -.5       | 113.303      | -1.5                 | -.8       |
| Services .....  | 222.982                   | 3.7                  | -.2       | 138.919                     | 3.8                  | -.2       | 245.441      | 4.2                  | -.4       |
| Rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....                                | 217.344                   | 2.4                  | .0        | 131.847                     | 2.1                  | -.3       | 224.321      | 3.1                  | -.2       |
| Transportation services .....                                     | 200.503                   | 6.1                  | -.2       | 136.671                     | 5.7                  | -.3       | 257.337      | 4.8                  | -.7       |
| Other services .....  | 245.913                   | 4.0                  | .7        | 138.199                     | 3.6                  | .5        | 299.653      | 4.0                  | .0        |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 12. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Population size classes<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group                                     | Size class A <sup>2</sup> |                      |           | Size class B/C <sup>3</sup> |                      |           | Size class D |                      |           |
|--|---------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----------|--------------|----------------------|-----------|
|  | Index                     | Percent change from— |           | Index                       | Percent change from— |           | Index        | Percent change from— |           |
|  | Sep. 2008                 | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008                   | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008    | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                   |                           |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
| All items less medical care .....                  | 195.551                   | 4.8                  | -0.2      | 131.952                     | 5.3                  | -0.1      | 202.281      | 5.6                  | -0.2      |
| All items less food .....                          | 200.592                   | 4.5                  | -.3       | 132.813                     | 5.0                  | -.2       | 210.790      | 5.2                  | -.4       |
| All items less shelter .....                       | 192.946                   | 6.0                  | -.2       | 134.101                     | 6.5                  | -.1       | 211.907      | 6.3                  | -.2       |
| Commodities less food .....                        | 156.904                   | 6.5                  | -.4       | 121.468                     | 7.3                  | -.2       | 163.884      | 7.0                  | -.4       |
| Nondurables .....                                  | 203.559                   | 9.2                  | .1        | 147.136                     | 10.1                 | .2        | 215.972      | 10.1                 | .3        |
| Nondurables less food .....                        | 209.276                   | 11.9                 | -.3       | 157.063                     | 13.3                 | .1        | 212.664      | 12.8                 | -.1       |
| Nondurables less food and apparel .....            | 269.203                   | 15.2                 | -1.8      | 188.367                     | 16.4                 | -.6       | 261.548      | 17.0                 | -.7       |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....   | 229.708                   | 5.4                  | -.4       | 146.492                     | 5.6                  | -.2       | 280.127      | 5.4                  | -.5       |
| Services less medical care services .....          | 216.923                   | 3.7                  | -.2       | 136.988                     | 3.7                  | -.3       | 231.579      | 4.4                  | -.4       |
| Energy .....                                       | 324.702                   | 22.0                 | -4.3      | 238.310                     | 24.2                 | -1.8      | 251.469      | 24.4                 | -1.7      |
| All items less energy .....                        | 191.663                   | 3.1                  | .3        | 125.297                     | 3.0                  | .1        | 207.715      | 3.0                  | .0        |
| All items less food and energy .....               | 190.900                   | 2.6                  | .3        | 123.257                     | 2.4                  | .1        | 206.449      | 2.3                  | -.1       |
| Commodities less food and energy commodities ..... | 127.975                   | .5                   | .7        | 98.566                      | .7                   | .4        | 142.759      | -.2                  | .1        |
| Energy commodities .....                           | 456.720                   | 31.2                 | -4.0      | 321.228                     | 33.2                 | -1.7      | 308.475      | 33.2                 | -1.4      |
| Services less energy services .....                | 223.083                   | 3.3                  | .1        | 136.745                     | 3.1                  | -.1       | 249.960      | 3.6                  | -.2       |

<sup>1</sup> See region and area size on Table 10 for information about population size classes.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> The 'All items' index size B/C is on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means

estimator.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 13. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of regions and population size classes<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Northeast    |                      |              |                             |                      |              |
|---|--------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
|   | Size class A |                      |              | Size class B/C <sup>2</sup> |                      |              |
|   | Index        | Percent change from— |              | Index                       | Percent change from— |              |
|   | Sep.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2007         | Aug.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2008                | Sep.<br>2007         | Aug.<br>2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>                                       |              |                      |              |                             |                      |              |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 235.314      | 4.9                  | -0.3         | 137.723                     | 5.8                  | -0.6         |
| All items (December 1977=100) .....                               | 363.605      | -                    | -            | -                           | -                    | -            |
| Food and beverages .....  | 221.946      | 6.0                  | .9           | 138.446                     | 6.7                  | .7           |
| Food .....  | 221.573      | 6.2                  | .9           | 138.908                     | 6.8                  | .8           |
| Food at home .....  | 224.592      | 7.7                  | 1.0          | 138.027                     | 8.0                  | .6           |
| Food away from home .....   | 221.085      | 4.4                  | .8           | 140.634                     | 5.1                  | 1.0          |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 225.591      | 4.3                  | .3           | 131.477                     | 5.3                  | -1           |
| Housing .....   | 248.693      | 3.7                  | -1.1         | 137.593                     | 4.3                  | -1.7         |
| Shelter .....   | 292.948      | 2.5                  | -.3          | 132.792                     | 1.7                  | -1.6         |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>4</sup> .....                      | 284.849      | 4.3                  | .1           | 139.030                     | 3.4                  | .2           |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>4 5</sup> ..... | 296.630      | 1.7                  | .1           | 130.079                     | 1.4                  | .3           |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 231.093      | 15.1                 | -6.8         | 197.981                     | 16.8                 | -3.4         |
| Household energy .....  | 226.735      | 16.2                 | -7.5         | 202.474                     | 18.0                 | -3.9         |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 216.423      | 10.4                 | -8.0         | 165.479                     | 11.0                 | -2.5         |
| Electricity <sup>4</sup> .....                                    | 199.325      | 7.6                  | -7.8         | 135.791                     | 4.7                  | -1.2         |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 244.301      | 14.8                 | -8.2         | 231.450                     | 26.8                 | -5.2         |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 128.771      | .1                   | -.1          | 103.591                     | 2.4                  | .4           |
| Apparel .....   | 122.137      | 3.3                  | 7.8          | 88.787                      | 1.1                  | 5.3          |
| Transportation .....  | 201.495      | 10.1                 | -1.7         | 140.762                     | 10.7                 | -1.7         |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 194.772      | 10.2                 | -1.7         | 141.261                     | 10.4                 | -1.7         |
| Motor fuel .....  | 292.068      | 31.8                 | -5.2         | 304.850                     | 31.1                 | -4.3         |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 289.527      | 31.5                 | -5.2         | 304.356                     | 30.9                 | -4.2         |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....                     | 291.467      | 32.0                 | -5.3         | 310.448                     | 31.4                 | -4.3         |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....                  | 289.528      | 31.0                 | -5.1         | 300.968                     | 30.2                 | -3.8         |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....                     | 280.523      | 29.6                 | -4.7         | 283.316                     | 28.7                 | -4.0         |
| Medical care .....  | 391.770      | 2.8                  | .0           | 158.937                     | 3.9                  | .2           |
| Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 117.008      | 1.9                  | .1           | 114.034                     | 3.7                  | .1           |
| Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....                    | 131.572      | 4.8                  | .3           | 122.564                     | 4.6                  | 1.7          |
| Other goods and services .....                                    | 363.447      | 4.4                  | .1           | 163.936                     | 6.1                  | .3           |
| <b>Commodity and service group</b>                                |              |                      |              |                             |                      |              |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 235.314      | 4.9                  | -.3          | 137.723                     | 5.8                  | -.6          |
| Commodities .....   | 183.935      | 7.0                  | .1           | 131.829                     | 8.5                  | -.3          |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                         | 158.918      | 7.6                  | -.3          | 127.698                     | 9.5                  | -.8          |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                         | 202.000      | 13.6                 | .0           | 166.424                     | 15.8                 | -1.1         |
| Durables .....  | 108.668      | -2.2                 | -.9          | 87.367                      | .1                   | -.4          |
| Services .....  | 282.171      | 3.7                  | -.6          | 139.198                     | 3.7                  | -.8          |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                                  |              |                      |              |                             |                      |              |
| All items less medical care .....                                 | 228.241      | 5.0                  | -.4          | 134.536                     | 5.9                  | -.6          |
| All items less shelter .....                                      | 214.643      | 6.4                  | -.4          | 137.223                     | 7.4                  | -.2          |
| Commodities less food .....                                       | 161.692      | 7.5                  | -.3          | 127.803                     | 9.3                  | -.8          |
| Nondurables .....   | 213.600      | 9.6                  | .4           | 151.573                     | 11.3                 | -.3          |
| Nondurables less food .....                                       | 203.493      | 12.9                 | .0           | 163.685                     | 15.1                 | -1.1         |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....                  | 280.183      | 5.4                  | -1.1         | 145.764                     | 5.7                  | .0           |
| Services less medical care services .....                         | 272.997      | 3.8                  | -.7          | 137.037                     | 3.7                  | -.9          |
| Energy .....  | 254.766      | 23.1                 | -6.4         | 244.387                     | 24.3                 | -4.1         |
| All items less energy .....                                       | 235.437      | 3.3                  | .4           | 127.303                     | 3.5                  | -.1          |
| All items less food and energy .....                              | 239.460      | 2.8                  | .3           | 124.998                     | 2.8                  | -.2          |

See footnotes at end of table.



**Table 13. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of regions and population size classes<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Midwest      |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
|---|--------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----------|--------------|----------------------|-----------|
|   | Size class A |                      |           | Size class B/C <sup>2</sup> |                      |           | Size class D |                      |           |
|   | Index        | Percent change from— |           | Index                       | Percent change from— |           | Index        | Percent change from— |           |
|   | Sep. 2008    | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008                   | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008    | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>                                       |              |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 210.283      | 4.5                  | 0.0       | 133.982                     | 5.1                  | 0.0       | 205.522      | 5.1                  | -0.4      |
| All items (December 1977=100) .....                               | 347.190      | -                    | -         | -                           | -                    | -         | 329.498      | -                    | -         |
| Food and beverages .....  | 212.575      | 6.1                  | .5        | 135.316                     | 6.8                  | .6        | 213.858      | 7.6                  | .9        |
| Food .....  | 212.629      | 6.4                  | .6        | 135.583                     | 7.1                  | .6        | 213.538      | 7.8                  | .9        |
| Food at home .....  | 212.623      | 7.6                  | .8        | 133.817                     | 8.5                  | .7        | 206.377      | 9.8                  | 1.1       |
| Food away from home .....   | 213.218      | 5.0                  | .3        | 137.758                     | 5.1                  | .4        | 227.079      | 5.3                  | .5        |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 210.676      | 3.6                  | .2        | 132.353                     | 2.6                  | .7        | 218.763      | 4.8                  | 1.7       |
| Housing .....   | 201.520      | 2.6                  | -.6       | 126.665                     | 2.9                  | -.8       | 192.432      | 4.4                  | -.8       |
| Shelter .....   | 230.216      | .7                   | -.1       | 124.163                     | 1.3                  | -.1       | 209.204      | 1.8                  | -.9       |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>4</sup> .....                      | 226.796      | 2.1                  | .4        | 124.074                     | 2.1                  | .2        | 196.718      | 3.8                  | .7        |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>4 5</sup> ..... | 232.084      | .7                   | .2        | 121.268                     | 1.8                  | .2        | 214.571      | 1.9                  | -.1       |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 215.567      | 13.5                 | -3.8      | 180.426                     | 12.5                 | -3.3      | 237.643      | 16.5                 | -1.6      |
| Household energy .....  | 197.981      | 14.9                 | -4.4      | 187.099                     | 13.5                 | -3.8      | 193.657      | 18.7                 | -1.8      |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 200.636      | 14.5                 | -4.5      | 181.744                     | 12.6                 | -3.8      | 205.758      | 18.5                 | -1.8      |
| Electricity <sup>4</sup> .....                                    | 162.815      | 4.6                  | .4        | 154.386                     | 6.7                  | 1.0       | 170.970      | 9.4                  | -.7       |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 246.222      | 27.1                 | -9.5      | 238.933                     | 23.0                 | -11.4     | 285.371      | 36.8                 | -3.7      |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 119.148      | 3.1                  | .6        | 95.933                      | .4                   | -1.0      | 120.546      | 3.1                  | .6        |
| Apparel .....   | 114.138      | 4.9                  | 4.7       | 86.673                      | 3.1                  | 5.4       | 123.999      | -1.3                 | -.1       |
| Transportation .....  | 207.089      | 10.1                 | -1.0      | 152.115                     | 10.6                 | -.4       | 190.616      | 8.3                  | -1.0      |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 203.411      | 9.9                  | -.7       | 151.854                     | 10.3                 | -.3       | 182.563      | 8.2                  | -.8       |
| Motor fuel .....  | 336.661      | 27.0                 | -.7       | 337.474                     | 26.9                 | -.2       | 281.387      | 24.0                 | -1.6      |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 335.418      | 27.3                 | -.4       | 338.331                     | 27.3                 | .2        | 278.603      | 24.1                 | -1.5      |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....                     | 336.141      | 27.6                 | -.5       | 347.176                     | 27.6                 | .2        | 268.665      | 24.0                 | -1.7      |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....                  | 356.513      | 27.3                 | .0        | 329.757                     | 27.2                 | .5        | 323.659      | 24.3                 | -1.0      |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....                     | 319.402      | 25.7                 | -.2       | 312.404                     | 25.2                 | -.1       | 284.908      | 24.5                 | -1.5      |
| Medical care .....  | 357.853      | 2.2                  | .4        | 157.920                     | 2.7                  | .5        | 352.515      | 1.0                  | .0        |
| Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 116.842      | 2.9                  | .4        | 115.088                     | 4.7                  | .3        | 111.880      | 2.8                  | .2        |
| Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....                    | 128.786      | 3.1                  | .7        | 126.129                     | 2.9                  | .9        | 117.963      | 4.4                  | -.3       |
| Other goods and services .....                                    | 333.707      | 3.0                  | .1        | 153.691                     | 4.7                  | .0        | 342.689      | 4.7                  | .3        |
| <b>Commodity and service group</b>                                |              |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 210.283      | 4.5                  | .0        | 133.982                     | 5.1                  | .0        | 205.522      | 5.1                  | -.4       |
| Commodities .....   | 175.259      | 6.7                  | .4        | 126.121                     | 6.9                  | .4        | 179.803      | 6.4                  | .1        |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                         | 154.668      | 7.1                  | .4        | 120.996                     | 6.9                  | .3        | 162.336      | 5.7                  | -.3       |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                         | 203.039      | 11.9                 | 1.0       | 158.395                     | 11.9                 | .9        | 213.057      | 9.8                  | -.5       |
| Durables .....  | 107.124      | -.5                  | -.6       | 83.011                      | -.5                  | -.8       | 111.346      | -.7                  | -.1       |
| Services .....  | 245.036      | 3.0                  | -.4       | 138.336                     | 3.7                  | -.3       | 233.664      | 4.1                  | -.7       |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                                  |              |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
| All items less medical care .....                                 | 203.575      | 4.7                  | -.1       | 130.870                     | 5.3                  | .0        | 195.819      | 5.5                  | -.4       |
| All items less shelter .....                                      | 205.121      | 6.3                  | .0        | 136.103                     | 6.6                  | .1        | 205.410      | 6.3                  | -.2       |
| Commodities less food .....                                       | 156.854      | 6.9                  | .4        | 121.320                     | 6.8                  | .3        | 163.875      | 5.7                  | -.3       |
| Nondurables .....   | 209.137      | 9.0                  | .8        | 146.693                     | 9.4                  | .7        | 214.436      | 8.8                  | .1        |
| Nondurables less food .....                                       | 203.294      | 11.2                 | .9        | 156.562                     | 11.4                 | .9        | 213.097      | 9.6                  | -.4       |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....                  | 271.524      | 5.7                  | -.6       | 152.834                     | 6.0                  | -.4       | 262.016      | 6.0                  | -.6       |
| Services less medical care services .....                         | 235.335      | 3.1                  | -.4       | 135.695                     | 3.6                  | -.4       | 217.344      | 4.2                  | -.8       |
| Energy .....  | 257.566      | 21.5                 | -2.3      | 252.663                     | 20.8                 | -1.8      | 234.085      | 21.7                 | -1.7      |
| All items less energy .....                                       | 207.612      | 2.7                  | .3        | 123.841                     | 3.1                  | .3        | 202.676      | 2.9                  | -.1       |
| All items less food and energy .....                              | 207.366      | 2.1                  | .2        | 121.621                     | 2.3                  | .2        | 200.621      | 1.9                  | -.3       |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 13. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of regions and population size classes<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | South        |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
|---|--------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----------|--------------|----------------------|-----------|
|   | Size class A |                      |           | Size class B/C <sup>2</sup> |                      |           | Size class D |                      |           |
|   | Index        | Percent change from— |           | Index                       | Percent change from— |           | Index        | Percent change from— |           |
|   | Sep. 2008    | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008                   | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008    | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>                                       |              |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 214.854      | 5.2                  | 0.2       | 135.093                     | 5.3                  | 0.1       | 215.258      | 7.1                  | 0.3       |
| All items (December 1977=100) .....                               | 346.846      | -                    | -         | -                           | -                    | -         | 349.562      | -                    | -         |
| Food and beverages .....  | 217.370      | 6.1                  | .6        | 135.069                     | 5.6                  | .4        | 212.866      | 6.7                  | 1.3       |
| Food .....  | 218.613      | 6.3                  | .5        | 135.567                     | 5.8                  | .4        | 212.694      | 6.5                  | 1.3       |
| Food at home .....  | 216.179      | 7.6                  | .5        | 135.997                     | 7.1                  | .3        | 214.389      | 7.5                  | 1.6       |
| Food away from home .....   | 224.512      | 4.7                  | .6        | 135.572                     | 4.4                  | .4        | 214.181      | 5.2                  | .9        |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 201.765      | 3.7                  | .9        | 127.176                     | 2.5                  | .3        | 209.482      | 6.8                  | .5        |
| Housing .....   | 209.361      | 4.3                  | .0        | 133.363                     | 3.6                  | -.1       | 197.220      | 6.9                  | -.5       |
| Shelter .....   | 227.499      | 3.2                  | .1        | 134.372                     | 2.3                  | -.1       | 219.580      | 6.1                  | .1        |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>4</sup> .....                      | 228.200      | 4.0                  | .2        | 138.603                     | 3.9                  | .5        | 215.566      | 5.5                  | .2        |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>4 5</sup> ..... | 231.524      | 3.0                  | .3        | 132.589                     | 2.4                  | .0        | 229.920      | 7.0                  | .2        |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 233.060      | 11.2                 | -1.4      | 164.200                     | 12.9                 | -.9       | 218.805      | 12.9                 | -2.7      |
| Household energy .....  | 217.464      | 12.4                 | -1.7      | 166.790                     | 14.8                 | -1.1      | 194.276      | 12.4                 | -3.2      |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 220.704      | 11.6                 | -1.6      | 162.788                     | 13.8                 | -1.1      | 197.626      | 11.3                 | -3.3      |
| Electricity <sup>4</sup> .....                                    | 206.238      | 10.3                 | .4        | 155.118                     | 11.9                 | .1        | 192.230      | 9.9                  | -1.1      |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 253.241      | 19.8                 | -10.1     | 207.615                     | 22.0                 | -6.6      | 222.239      | 19.5                 | -16.3     |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 139.065      | 3.6                  | 1.1       | 98.440                      | 1.2                  | .8        | 123.790      | 3.9                  | -.3       |
| Apparel .....   | 150.103      | 1.9                  | 4.2       | 87.525                      | 1.6                  | 1.7       | 111.910      | -2.5                 | 5.1       |
| Transportation .....  | 201.237      | 10.5                 | -1.2      | 144.103                     | 11.9                 | -.1       | 223.484      | 13.9                 | .4        |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 201.087      | 10.3                 | -1.1      | 143.692                     | 11.9                 | .0        | 222.441      | 14.0                 | .5        |
| Motor fuel .....  | 325.031      | 34.0                 | -2.1      | 321.404                     | 35.0                 | .6        | 316.250      | 40.1                 | 1.9       |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 321.683      | 34.0                 | -1.9      | 321.730                     | 35.0                 | 1.0       | 313.204      | 40.4                 | 2.9       |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....                     | 324.934      | 34.6                 | -1.8      | 333.104                     | 35.4                 | 1.1       | 305.475      | 41.3                 | 2.8       |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....                  | 320.452      | 33.7                 | -2.0      | 309.974                     | 34.6                 | .8        | 361.866      | 38.4                 | 3.1       |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....                     | 310.572      | 32.1                 | -2.5      | 298.564                     | 33.1                 | .5        | 319.039      | 38.6                 | 3.8       |
| Medical care .....  | 338.778      | 3.2                  | .2        | 149.794                     | 3.8                  | -.2       | 345.312      | 2.9                  | .1        |
| Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 114.208      | .8                   | -.1       | 114.366                     | 3.2                  | .4        | 118.413      | 2.7                  | .4        |
| Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....                    | 122.784      | 3.3                  | 1.5       | 119.635                     | 2.5                  | .0        | 127.085      | 3.7                  | .2        |
| Other goods and services .....                                    | 319.996      | 3.5                  | 1.7       | 151.131                     | 3.6                  | .2        | 344.467      | 4.0                  | -.5       |
| <b>Commodity and service group</b>                                |              |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 214.854      | 5.2                  | .2        | 135.093                     | 5.3                  | .1        | 215.258      | 7.1                  | .3        |
| Commodities .....   | 181.861      | 6.7                  | .1        | 126.042                     | 6.9                  | .3        | 185.688      | 8.7                  | 1.0       |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                         | 162.084      | 7.2                  | -.1       | 121.100                     | 7.6                  | .3        | 171.771      | 9.7                  | .8        |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                         | 212.447      | 13.9                 | .2        | 159.194                     | 14.2                 | .7        | 225.101      | 17.4                 | 1.8       |
| Durables .....  | 114.976      | -2.3                 | -.6       | 85.830                      | -1.6                 | -.3       | 116.296      | -1.7                 | -.8       |
| Services .....  | 247.096      | 4.2                  | .2        | 139.382                     | 4.1                  | -.1       | 246.401      | 5.8                  | -.3       |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                                  |              |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
| All items less medical care .....                                 | 208.302      | 5.3                  | .2        | 132.140                     | 5.4                  | .1        | 204.993      | 7.5                  | .3        |
| All items less shelter .....                                      | 211.097      | 6.2                  | .2        | 133.019                     | 6.6                  | .1        | 215.215      | 7.5                  | .4        |
| Commodities less food .....                                       | 163.845      | 7.0                  | -.1       | 121.259                     | 7.5                  | .3        | 172.699      | 9.7                  | .8        |
| Nondurables .....   | 215.017      | 9.9                  | .4        | 146.890                     | 10.0                 | .5        | 220.449      | 12.5                 | 1.5       |
| Nondurables less food .....                                       | 211.626      | 13.1                 | .2        | 157.302                     | 13.5                 | .6        | 224.210      | 17.0                 | 1.7       |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....                  | 276.780      | 5.5                  | .3        | 144.376                     | 6.0                  | -.2       | 276.877      | 5.6                  | -.7       |
| Services less medical care services .....                         | 236.884      | 4.2                  | .2        | 137.942                     | 4.0                  | -.1       | 231.653      | 6.2                  | -.4       |
| Energy .....  | 261.373      | 23.1                 | -1.9      | 232.174                     | 26.0                 | -.1       | 250.653      | 27.8                 | -.1       |
| All items less energy .....                                       | 211.745      | 3.2                  | .4        | 125.198                     | 2.9                  | .1        | 208.638      | 4.1                  | .4        |
| All items less food and energy .....                              | 210.986      | 2.7                  | .4        | 123.251                     | 2.3                  | .0        | 208.203      | 3.6                  | .2        |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 13. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Cross classification of regions and population size classes<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | West         |                      |              |                             |                      |              |
|---|--------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
|   | Size class A |                      |              | Size class B/C <sup>2</sup> |                      |              |
|   | Index        | Percent change from— |              | Index                       | Percent change from— |              |
|   | Sep.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2007         | Aug.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2008                | Sep.<br>2007         | Aug.<br>2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>                                       |              |                      |              |                             |                      |              |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 225.910      | 4.4                  | -0.3         | 134.834                     | 4.5                  | -0.3         |
| All items (December 1977=100) .....                               | 368.378      | -                    | -            | -                           | -                    | -            |
| Food and beverages .....  | 223.214      | 5.5                  | .6           | 137.264                     | 6.1                  | .3           |
| Food .....  | 223.042      | 5.8                  | .6           | 136.563                     | 6.1                  | .2           |
| Food at home .....  | 230.875      | 7.4                  | .6           | 136.378                     | 7.5                  | .3           |
| Food away from home .....   | 212.584      | 3.8                  | .6           | 136.886                     | 3.9                  | .0           |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 222.936      | 2.8                  | .3           | 150.503                     | 7.2                  | 1.2          |
| Housing .....   | 239.589      | 2.9                  | .0           | 132.885                     | 3.3                  | .2           |
| Shelter .....   | 268.698      | 2.9                  | .2           | 132.172                     | 2.8                  | .3           |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>4</sup> .....                      | 274.275      | 4.4                  | .5           | 137.042                     | 3.9                  | .2           |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>4 5</sup> ..... | 282.655      | 3.6                  | .5           | 131.961                     | 2.9                  | .2           |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 235.039      | 4.8                  | -3.2         | 168.173                     | 6.1                  | -2.0         |
| Household energy .....  | 226.179      | 4.5                  | -4.5         | 169.440                     | 6.6                  | -2.6         |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 226.698      | 3.7                  | -4.5         | 166.033                     | 5.9                  | -2.6         |
| Electricity <sup>4</sup> .....                                    | 242.097      | 1.9                  | .2           | 153.209                     | 7.0                  | -.8          |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 220.582      | 8.0                  | -15.4        | 198.449                     | 3.2                  | -6.8         |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 136.219      | 1.2                  | .6           | 109.053                     | 3.7                  | 1.4          |
| Apparel .....   | 114.320      | -.1                  | 2.4          | 90.758                      | .8                   | 3.4          |
| Transportation .....  | 198.653      | 9.4                  | -2.8         | 142.446                     | 9.6                  | -2.6         |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 192.659      | 8.9                  | -2.8         | 140.608                     | 9.4                  | -2.6         |
| Motor fuel .....  | 300.993      | 30.3                 | -6.7         | 283.544                     | 34.9                 | -5.7         |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 298.827      | 30.2                 | -6.6         | 285.539                     | 34.9                 | -5.4         |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....                     | 301.907      | 30.6                 | -6.7         | 286.848                     | 35.6                 | -5.5         |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....                  | 274.106      | 29.8                 | -6.4         | 279.913                     | 34.1                 | -5.3         |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....                     | 284.294      | 28.7                 | -6.2         | 268.856                     | 32.8                 | -5.4         |
| Medical care .....  | 365.368      | 3.9                  | .5           | 154.837                     | 3.3                  | -.2          |
| Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 114.158      | 2.7                  | .5           | 98.356                      | -2.5                 | -.6          |
| Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....                    | 126.179      | 3.5                  | .9           | 117.875                     | 2.5                  | 1.0          |
| Other goods and services .....                                    | 355.674      | 4.0                  | .5           | 151.824                     | 4.5                  | -.2          |
| <b>Commodity and service group</b>                                |              |                      |              |                             |                      |              |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 225.910      | 4.4                  | -.3          | 134.834                     | 4.5                  | -.3          |
| Commodities .....   | 176.013      | 5.4                  | -.7          | 123.632                     | 6.1                  | -.7          |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                         | 149.043      | 5.3                  | -1.5         | 116.257                     | 6.1                  | -1.1         |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                         | 191.437      | 11.2                 | -2.0         | 150.906                     | 13.6                 | -1.4         |
| Durables .....  | 109.935      | -1.9                 | -.7          | 86.401                      | -1.9                 | -.8          |
| Services .....  | 269.633      | 3.8                  | .0           | 138.405                     | 3.3                  | .0           |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                                  |              |                      |              |                             |                      |              |
| All items less medical care .....                                 | 219.468      | 4.4                  | -.3          | 130.741                     | 4.5                  | -.3          |
| All items less shelter .....                                      | 209.338      | 5.2                  | -.6          | 132.151                     | 5.3                  | -.5          |
| Commodities less food .....                                       | 152.431      | 5.2                  | -1.4         | 117.203                     | 6.1                  | -1.0         |
| Nondurables .....   | 209.004      | 8.3                  | -.8          | 144.338                     | 9.9                  | -.6          |
| Nondurables less food .....                                       | 194.392      | 10.6                 | -1.9         | 150.921                     | 13.2                 | -1.2         |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....                  | 281.709      | 5.0                  | -.2          | 145.518                     | 4.1                  | -.2          |
| Services less medical care services .....                         | 261.562      | 3.7                  | .0           | 136.270                     | 3.2                  | .1           |
| Energy .....  | 270.015      | 20.6                 | -6.0         | 232.005                     | 22.7                 | -4.5         |
| All items less energy .....                                       | 224.546      | 3.1                  | .3           | 125.562                     | 2.7                  | .2           |
| All items less food and energy .....                              | 225.584      | 2.7                  | .2           | 123.709                     | 2.1                  | .2           |

<sup>1</sup> See region and area size on Table 10 for information about cross classifications.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> The 'All items' index size B/C is on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 14. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Food at home, selected areas**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Area  | Food at home             |              |              |              |              |                                      |              |              |                                      |              |              |
|---|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
|   | Pricing<br>schedule<br>1 | Indexes      |              |              |              | Percent change to<br>Sep. 2008 from— |              |              | Percent change to<br>Aug. 2008 from— |              |              |
|   |                          | June<br>2008 | July<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2007                         | July<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2007                         | June<br>2008 | July<br>2008 |
| U.S. city average .....                                     | M                        | 213.171      | 215.785      | 217.259      | 218.629      | 7.6                                  | 1.3          | 0.6          | 7.5                                  | 1.9          | 0.7          |
| <b>Region and area size<sup>2</sup></b>                     |                          |              |              |              |              |                                      |              |              |                                      |              |              |
| Northeast urban .....                                       | M                        | 216.993      | 219.811      | 221.916      | 223.897      | 7.8                                  | 1.9          | .9           | 7.3                                  | 2.3          | 1.0          |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                          | M                        | 218.134      | 220.669      | 222.295      | 224.592      | 7.7                                  | 1.8          | 1.0          | 7.1                                  | 1.9          | .7           |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....           | M                        | 133.124      | 135.265      | 137.234      | 138.027      | 8.0                                  | 2.0          | .6           | 7.9                                  | 3.1          | 1.5          |
| Midwest urban .....   | M                        | 202.476      | 204.951      | 207.019      | 208.642      | 8.1                                  | 1.8          | .8           | 7.7                                  | 2.2          | 1.0          |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                          | M                        | 206.265      | 208.912      | 210.972      | 212.623      | 7.6                                  | 1.8          | .8           | 7.2                                  | 2.3          | 1.0          |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....           | M                        | 130.529      | 131.882      | 132.887      | 133.817      | 8.5                                  | 1.5          | .7           | 8.2                                  | 1.8          | .8           |
| Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than<br>50,000) .....        | M                        | 196.973      | 200.077      | 204.134      | 206.377      | 9.8                                  | 3.1          | 1.1          | 9.2                                  | 3.6          | 2.0          |
| South urban .....   | M                        | 209.559      | 212.345      | 213.761      | 214.855      | 7.3                                  | 1.2          | .5           | 7.9                                  | 2.0          | .7           |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                          | M                        | 211.109      | 213.264      | 215.161      | 216.179      | 7.6                                  | 1.4          | .5           | 8.4                                  | 1.9          | .9           |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....           | M                        | 132.361      | 134.425      | 135.541      | 135.997      | 7.1                                  | 1.2          | .3           | 7.8                                  | 2.4          | .8           |
| Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than<br>50,000) .....        | M                        | 210.593      | 213.053      | 211.038      | 214.389      | 7.5                                  | .6           | 1.6          | 6.2                                  | .2           | -.9          |
| West urban .....  | M                        | 224.337      | 226.684      | 227.153      | 228.134      | 7.3                                  | .6           | .4           | 6.9                                  | 1.3          | .2           |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                          | M                        | 226.348      | 229.108      | 229.452      | 230.875      | 7.4                                  | .8           | .6           | 6.5                                  | 1.4          | .2           |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....           | M                        | 134.331      | 135.710      | 136.020      | 136.378      | 7.5                                  | .5           | .3           | 8.0                                  | 1.3          | .2           |
| <b>Size classes</b>   |                          |              |              |              |              |                                      |              |              |                                      |              |              |
| A <sup>4</sup> .....  | M                        | 197.777      | 200.103      | 201.400      | 202.888      | 7.5                                  | 1.4          | .7           | 7.2                                  | 1.8          | .6           |
| B/C <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | M                        | 132.520      | 134.321      | 135.400      | 135.989      | 7.6                                  | 1.2          | .4           | 7.9                                  | 2.2          | .8           |
| D .....   | M                        | 209.578      | 211.496      | 212.167      | 214.025      | 7.6                                  | 1.2          | .9           | 6.8                                  | 1.2          | .3           |
| <b>Selected local areas<sup>5</sup></b>                     |                          |              |              |              |              |                                      |              |              |                                      |              |              |
| Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI .....                        | M                        | 212.182      | 217.123      | 219.159      | 219.218      | 7.0                                  | 1.0          | .0           | 6.6                                  | 3.3          | .9           |
| Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ...                 | M                        | 231.762      | 233.765      | 235.900      | 237.775      | 7.8                                  | 1.7          | .8           | 7.1                                  | 1.8          | .9           |
| New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island,<br>NY-NJ-CT-PA .....    | M                        | 221.524      | 223.293      | 225.000      | 227.432      | 8.4                                  | 1.9          | 1.1          | 7.8                                  | 1.6          | .8           |
| Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT .....                   | 1                        | 215.394      | 218.626      | 222.748      | 223.698      | 6.9                                  | 2.3          | .4           | 6.2                                  | 3.4          | 1.9          |
| Cleveland-Akron, OH .....                                   | 1                        | 210.689      | 208.735      | 214.876      | 218.510      | 9.5                                  | 4.7          | 1.7          | 8.5                                  | 2.0          | 2.9          |
| Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....                                 | 1                        | 198.832      | 202.587      | 203.359      | 203.041      | 7.4                                  | .2           | -.2          | 9.6                                  | 2.3          | .4           |
| Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV <sup>3</sup> .....        | 1                        | 134.742      | 135.435      | 136.493      | 137.697      | 6.4                                  | 1.7          | .9           | 6.7                                  | 1.3          | .8           |
| Atlanta, GA .....   | 2                        | 218.862      | 217.068      | 221.986      | 225.716      | 7.2                                  | 4.0          | 1.7          | 7.2                                  | 1.4          | 2.3          |
| Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI .....                           | 2                        | 191.077      | 192.145      | 193.518      | 194.178      | 4.7                                  | 1.1          | .3           | 5.7                                  | 1.3          | .7           |
| Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....                        | 2                        | 202.069      | 205.635      | 205.900      | 205.176      | 8.1                                  | -.2          | -.4          | 9.9                                  | 1.9          | .1           |
| Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....                             | 2                        | 227.519      | 230.993      | 234.601      | 235.075      | 10.1                                 | 1.8          | .2           | 10.4                                 | 3.1          | 1.6          |
| Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City,<br>PA-NJ-DE-MD ..... | 2                        | 213.771      | 218.483      | 217.116      | 222.175      | 6.6                                  | 1.7          | 2.3          | 5.3                                  | 1.6          | -.6          |
| San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....                    | 2                        | 225.556      | 228.336      | 228.094      | 230.207      | 6.3                                  | .8           | .9           | 4.4                                  | 1.1          | -.1          |
| Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA .....                          | 2                        | 229.692      | 233.491      | 229.902      | 228.552      | 6.6                                  | -2.1         | -.6          | 8.0                                  | .1           | -1.5         |

<sup>1</sup> Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all areas; most other goods and services priced as indicated:

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

<sup>2</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> In addition, the following metropolitan areas are published semiannually and appear in Tables 34 and 39 of the January and July issues of the CPI Detailed Report: Anchorage, AK; Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN; Denver-Boulder-Greeley, CO; Honolulu, HI; Kansas City, MO-KS; Milwaukee-Racine, WI; Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI; Phoenix-Mesa, AZ; Pittsburgh, PA; Portland-Salem, OR-WA; St. Louis, MO-IL; San Diego, CA; Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 15. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Areas priced monthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | U.S.<br>city<br>average |                         |              | Chicago-<br>Gary-<br>Kenosha, IL-IN-WI |                         |              | Los Angeles-<br>Riverside-<br>Orange County, CA |                         |              | New York-<br>Northern N.J.-<br>Long Island,<br>NY-NJ-CT-PA |                         |              |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|--|-------------------------|--------------|---|-------------------------|--------------|--|-------------------------|--------------|
|  | Index                   | Percent<br>change from— |              | Index                                  | Percent<br>change from— |              | Index   | Percent<br>change from— |              | Index  | Percent<br>change from— |              |
|  |                         | Sep.<br>2007            | Aug.<br>2008 |  | Sep.<br>2007            | Aug.<br>2008 |   | Sep.<br>2007            | Aug.<br>2008 |  | Sep.<br>2007            | Aug.<br>2008 |
| Expenditure category   |                         |                         |              |  |                         |              |   |                         |              |  |                         |              |
| All items .....  | 218.783                 | 4.9                     | -0.1         | 215.465                                | 4.4                     | -0.2         | 227.449   | 4.5                     | -0.5         | 240.089  | 5.2                     | -0.2         |
| All items (1967=100) .....   | 655.376                 | -                       | -            | 643.721                                | -                       | -            | 671.986   | -                       | -            | 694.064  | -                       | -            |
| Food and beverages .....   | 217.672                 | 6.0                     | .6           | 213.986                                | 6.5                     | .1           | 224.393   | 5.9                     | .7           | 226.728  | 6.6                     | 1.0          |
| Food .....   | 217.696                 | 6.2                     | .6           | 213.230                                | 6.6                     | .2           | 223.445   | 6.0                     | .8           | 226.022  | 6.8                     | 1.0          |
| Food at home .....   | 218.629                 | 7.6                     | .6           | 219.218                                | 7.0                     | .0           | 237.775   | 7.8                     | .8           | 227.432  | 8.4                     | 1.1          |
| Food away from home .....  | 218.225                 | 4.5                     | .5           | 200.490                                | 6.1                     | .3           | 203.391   | 3.8                     | .7           | 230.353  | 4.8                     | 1.0          |
| Alcoholic beverages .....  | 216.055                 | 3.7                     | .4           | 224.798                                | 6.4                     | -6           | 224.637   | 4.0                     | .0           | 232.965  | 4.7                     | .4           |
| Housing .....  | 218.184                 | 3.5                     | -.4          | 219.013                                | 2.5                     | -.7          | 244.984   | 2.8                     | -.2          | 258.439  | 4.5                     | -.8          |
| Shelter .....  | 247.737                 | 2.4                     | -.1          | 260.886                                | .0                      | -.2          | 275.330   | 2.9                     | -.1          | 309.178  | 3.8                     | .2           |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>1</sup> .....                         | 244.926                 | 3.8                     | .3           | 266.148                                | 3.2                     | .6           | 278.027   | 4.4                     | .5           | 299.508  | 5.4                     | .1           |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary<br>residence <sup>1 2</sup> ..... | 253.493                 | 2.4                     | .2           | 260.431                                | -.6                     | .2           | 286.983   | 3.5                     | .4           | 314.933  | 3.3                     | .2           |
| Fuels and utilities .....  | 228.450                 | 11.8                    | -3.1         | 207.643                                | 18.7                    | -4.6         | 236.544   | 5.1                     | -3.6         | 216.646  | 15.5                    | -8.1         |
| Household energy .....   | 209.501                 | 13.1                    | -3.7         | 193.287                                | 20.0                    | -5.3         | 231.228   | 3.7                     | -5.0         | 220.224  | 16.5                    | -8.9         |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>1</sup> .....                       | 210.950                 | 10.9                    | -3.5         | 196.944                                | 19.9                    | -5.3         | 228.810   | 3.1                     | -5.0         | 205.583  | 10.6                    | -9.8         |
| Electricity <sup>1</sup> .....                                       | 198.579                 | 7.7                     | -1.1         | 148.109                                | 6.7                     | 5.2          | 243.727   | -2.3                    | .0           | 191.571  | 8.4                     | -13.0        |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>1</sup> .....                       | 247.788                 | 19.0                    | -9.2         | 256.868                                | 36.0                    | -13.6        | 227.593   | 16.4                    | -13.8        | 229.714  | 12.8                    | -2.7         |
| Household furnishings and operations ...                             | 128.584                 | 1.9                     | .4           | 109.093                                | 2.9                     | 1.0          | 128.700   | .3                      | 1.5          | 127.420  | -1.9                    | .1           |
| Apparel .....  | 121.168                 | 1.4                     | 4.1          | 96.386                                 | 2.3                     | 6.2          | 110.365   | 3.9                     | 2.4          | 119.185  | 3.6                     | 7.1          |
| Transportation .....   | 203.861                 | 10.5                    | -1.4         | 195.756                                | 9.7                     | -2.0         | 196.459   | 9.3                     | -3.3         | 208.757  | 10.1                    | -1.6         |
| Private transportation .....   | 199.153                 | 10.3                    | -1.3         | 193.306                                | 9.5                     | -1.5         | 189.865   | 9.3                     | -3.1         | 198.879  | 10.3                    | -1.5         |
| Motor fuel .....   | 315.078                 | 31.8                    | -2.7         | 346.009                                | 27.3                    | -1.1         | 292.610   | 30.4                    | -7.4         | 278.997  | 31.2                    | -5.6         |
| Gasoline (all types) .....   | 313.535                 | 31.7                    | -2.5         | 343.403                                | 27.4                    | -1.0         | 286.240   | 30.3                    | -7.4         | 277.603  | 31.1                    | -5.6         |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>3</sup> .....                        | 314.138                 | 31.8                    | -2.6         | 339.927                                | 27.8                    | -1.1         | 287.594   | 31.3                    | -7.5         | 281.104  | 32.0                    | -5.7         |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>3 4</sup> .....                     | 319.803                 | 31.9                    | -2.2         | 356.145                                | 26.7                    | -.8          | 269.725   | 29.3                    | -7.3         | 277.454  | 30.1                    | -5.7         |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>3</sup> .....                        | 299.084                 | 30.5                    | -2.5         | 323.051                                | 25.7                    | -.7          | 271.868   | 28.0                    | -7.1         | 273.482  | 28.6                    | -4.9         |
| Medical care .....   | 365.036                 | 3.2                     | .2           | 362.601                                | 2.2                     | .6           | 355.536   | 4.4                     | .7           | 368.930  | 1.8                     | -.2          |
| Recreation <sup>5</sup> .....  | 114.032                 | 2.4                     | .2           | 112.573                                | 2.4                     | .0           | 116.394   | 2.2                     | .7           | 115.340  | .7                      | -.1          |
| Education and communication <sup>5</sup> .....                       | 125.505                 | 3.5                     | .7           | 133.962                                | 3.8                     | 1.1          | 127.359   | 3.9                     | .8           | 132.151  | 3.6                     | .2           |
| Other goods and services .....                                       | 348.166                 | 4.0                     | .3           | 334.518                                | 3.1                     | .3           | 342.683   | 3.5                     | .1           | 353.597  | 4.4                     | .2           |
| Commodity and service group  |                         |                         |              |  |                         |              |   |                         |              |  |                         |              |
| All items .....  | 218.783                 | 4.9                     | -.1          | 215.465                                | 4.4                     | -.2          | 227.449   | 4.5                     | -.5          | 240.089  | 5.2                     | -.2          |
| Commodities .....  | 179.117                 | 6.6                     | .0           | 170.699                                | 6.2                     | .1           | 175.288   | 6.1                     | -.8          | 185.511  | 6.9                     | .3           |
| Commodities less food and beverages ...                              | 157.621                 | 7.0                     | -.4          | 146.316                                | 6.1                     | .2           | 146.554   | 6.2                     | -1.6         | 156.450  | 7.0                     | -.2          |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                            | 206.919                 | 13.1                    | -.2          | 195.223                                | 10.7                    | 1.1          | 193.290   | 12.9                    | -2.7         | 196.667  | 13.1                    | .1           |
| Durables .....   | 110.077                 | -1.5                    | -.6          | 99.163                                 | -1.9                    | -1.6         | 103.448   | -1.9                    | -.1          | 105.221  | -3.9                    | -.8          |
| Services .....   | 258.059                 | 3.8                     | -.2          | 257.353                                | 3.1                     | -.5          | 272.594   | 3.5                     | -.2          | 286.893  | 4.3                     | -.5          |
| Special aggregate indexes  |                         |                         |              |  |                         |              |   |                         |              |  |                         |              |
| All items less medical care .....                                    | 211.321                 | 5.1                     | -.2          | 208.769                                | 4.5                     | -.3          | 221.187   | 4.5                     | -.5          | 234.119  | 5.3                     | -.2          |
| All items less shelter .....   | 209.936                 | 6.2                     | -.2          | 200.466                                | 6.5                     | -.2          | 206.589   | 5.5                     | -.7          | 213.176  | 6.0                     | -.4          |
| Commodities less food .....  | 159.825                 | 6.9                     | -.3          | 149.379                                | 6.0                     | .1           | 150.397   | 6.1                     | -1.5         | 159.751  | 6.9                     | -.2          |
| Nondurables .....  | 213.274                 | 9.6                     | .2           | 206.347                                | 8.4                     | .6           | 211.525   | 9.3                     | -1.1         | 214.185  | 9.7                     | .6           |
| Nondurables less food .....  | 207.483                 | 12.5                    | -.1          | 197.049                                | 10.1                    | 1.0          | 197.545   | 12.3                    | -2.5         | 199.276  | 12.5                    | .1           |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 277.615                 | 5.5                     | -.4          | 266.936                                | 6.9                     | -.8          | 276.025   | 4.4                     | -.5          | 272.156  | 4.9                     | -1.3         |
| Services less medical care services .....                            | 247.563                 | 3.8                     | -.3          | 249.008                                | 3.1                     | -.6          | 264.987   | 3.4                     | -.3          | 279.599  | 4.4                     | -.5          |
| Energy .....   | 258.020                 | 23.1                    | -3.1         | 251.624                                | 24.0                    | -3.0         | 273.488   | 21.5                    | -6.8         | 245.543  | 22.8                    | -7.3         |
| All items less energy .....  | 216.397                 | 3.0                     | .2           | 213.265                                | 2.4                     | .1           | 225.834   | 3.2                     | .2           | 241.221  | 3.7                     | .6           |
| All items less food and energy .....                                 | 216.862                 | 2.5                     | .2           | 214.005                                | 1.7                     | .1           | 226.771   | 2.7                     | .1           | 245.494  | 3.2                     | .5           |

<sup>1</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 16. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 <sup>1</sup> |                         |              |  |                         |              |   |                         |              |
|---|--|-------------------------|--------------|--|-------------------------|--------------|---|-------------------------|--------------|
|   | U.S.<br>city<br>average                            |                         |              | Boston-<br>Brockton-<br>Nashua,<br>MA-NH-ME-CT |                         |              | Chicago-<br>Gary-<br>Kenosha,<br>IL-IN-WI |                         |              |
|   | Index  | Percent change<br>from— |              | Index  | Percent change<br>from— |              | Index                                     | Percent change<br>from— |              |
|   |  | Sep.<br>2007            | July<br>2008 |  | Sep.<br>2007            | July<br>2008 |   | Sep.<br>2007            | July<br>2008 |
| Sep.<br>2008  | Sep.<br>2007                                       | July<br>2008            | Sep.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2007                                   | July<br>2008            | Sep.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2007                              | July<br>2008            |              |
| Expenditure category  |  |                         |              |  |                         |              |   |                         |              |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 218.783  | 4.9                     | -0.5         | 238.519  | 4.7                     | -1.1         | 215.465                                   | 4.4                     | -0.9         |
| All items (1967=100) .....  | 655.376  | -                       | -            | 693.263  | -                       | -            | 643.721                                   | -                       | -            |
| Food and beverages <sup>3</sup> .....                             | 217.672  | 6.0                     | 1.1          | 228.366  | 6.2                     | 1.7          | 213.986                                   | 6.5                     | .9           |
| Food <sup>3</sup> .....   | 217.696  | 6.2                     | 1.1          | 228.922  | 6.2                     | 1.8          | 213.230                                   | 6.6                     | 1.1          |
| Food at home .....  | 218.629  | 7.6                     | 1.3          | 223.698  | 6.9                     | 2.3          | 219.218                                   | 7.0                     | 1.0          |
| Food away from home <sup>4</sup> .....                            | 218.225  | 4.5                     | .9           | 239.263  | 5.5                     | 1.1          | 200.490                                   | 6.1                     | 1.3          |
| Alcoholic beverages <sup>4</sup> .....                            | 216.055  | 3.7                     | .8           | 223.712  | 5.5                     | .5           | 224.798                                   | 6.4                     | -.5          |
| Housing <sup>3</sup> .....  | 218.184  | 3.5                     | -.6          | 237.827  | 2.2                     | -3.6         | 219.013                                   | 2.5                     | -2.3         |
| Shelter .....   | 247.737  | 2.4                     | -.1          | 274.081  | -.2                     | -2.1         | 260.886                                   | .0                      | -.7          |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>3 5</sup> .....                    | 244.926  | 3.8                     | .6           | 272.849  | 1.2                     | .2           | 266.148                                   | 3.2                     | .9           |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5 6</sup> ..... | 253.493  | 2.4                     | .4           | 281.409  | -2.2                    | -.3          | 260.431                                   | -.6                     | .2           |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 228.450  | 11.8                    | -4.4         | 258.169  | 18.8                    | -13.2        | 207.643                                   | 18.7                    | -12.4        |
| Household energy .....  | 209.501  | 13.1                    | -5.5         | 227.225  | 20.2                    | -14.2        | 193.287                                   | 20.0                    | -14.1        |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>5</sup> .....                    | 210.950  | 10.9                    | -4.9         | 214.354  | 10.3                    | -14.0        | 196.944                                   | 19.9                    | -14.2        |
| Electricity <sup>5</sup> .....                                    | 198.579  | 7.7                     | -.2          | 217.064  | 10.4                    | .0           | 148.109                                   | 6.7                     | 3.4          |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>5</sup> .....                    | 247.788  | 19.0                    | -15.1        | 198.746  | 13.0                    | -34.0        | 256.868                                   | 36.0                    | -26.1        |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 128.584  | 1.9                     | .5           | 125.583  | 2.2                     | -.8          | 109.093                                   | 2.9                     | .2           |
| Apparel <sup>3</sup> .....  | 121.168  | 1.4                     | 6.0          | 148.274  | 2.6                     | 26.4         | 96.386                                    | 2.3                     | 10.4         |
| Transportation <sup>3</sup> .....                                 | 203.861  | 10.5                    | -4.2         | 190.531  | 9.5                     | -4.0         | 195.756                                   | 9.7                     | -4.4         |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 199.153  | 10.3                    | -4.3         | 190.033  | 9.6                     | -4.1         | 193.306                                   | 9.5                     | -3.9         |
| Motor fuel .....  | 315.078  | 31.8                    | -9.9         | 306.824  | 33.8                    | -11.6        | 346.009                                   | 27.3                    | -6.6         |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 313.535  | 31.7                    | -9.7         | 301.791  | 33.4                    | -11.6        | 343.403                                   | 27.4                    | -6.6         |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>7</sup> .....                     | 314.138  | 31.8                    | -9.9         | 300.706  | 34.0                    | -11.8        | 339.927                                   | 27.8                    | -6.9         |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7 8</sup> .....                  | 319.803  | 31.9                    | -9.4         | 302.114  | 32.2                    | -11.0        | 356.145                                   | 26.7                    | -5.8         |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>7</sup> .....                     | 299.084  | 30.5                    | -9.4         | 293.136  | 31.1                    | -10.4        | 323.051                                   | 25.7                    | -5.9         |
| Medical care <sup>3</sup> .....                                   | 365.036  | 3.2                     | .3           | 501.884  | 2.8                     | .6           | 362.601                                   | 2.2                     | .3           |
| Recreation <sup>9</sup> .....                                     | 114.032  | 2.4                     | .7           | 119.247  | 2.3                     | .8           | 112.573                                   | 2.4                     | .2           |
| Education and communication <sup>9</sup> .....                    | 125.505  | 3.5                     | 1.7          | 133.727  | 10.5                    | 1.7          | 133.962                                   | 3.8                     | 2.7          |
| Other goods and services <sup>3</sup> .....                       | 348.166  | 4.0                     | .4           | 376.808  | 8.2                     | .1           | 334.518                                   | 3.1                     | .8           |
| Commodity and service group                                       |  |                         |              |  |                         |              |   |                         |              |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 218.783  | 4.9                     | -.5          | 238.519  | 4.7                     | -1.1         | 215.465                                   | 4.4                     | -.9          |
| Commodities .....   | 179.117  | 6.6                     | -1.1         | 186.659  | 8.0                     | -.3          | 170.699                                   | 6.2                     | .0           |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                         | 157.621  | 7.0                     | -2.3         | 163.695  | 9.2                     | -1.5         | 146.316                                   | 6.1                     | -.7          |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                         | 206.919  | 13.1                    | -3.0         | 221.467  | 16.2                    | -1.5         | 195.223                                   | 10.7                    | -.1          |
| Durables .....  | 110.077  | -1.5                    | -1.1         | 109.145  | -.8                     | -1.6         | 99.163                                    | -1.9                    | -1.8         |
| Services .....  | 258.059  | 3.8                     | -.1          | 284.479  | 2.6                     | -1.7         | 257.353                                   | 3.1                     | -1.5         |
| Special aggregate indexes   |  |                         |              |  |                         |              |   |                         |              |
| All items less medical care <sup>3</sup> .....                    | 211.321  | 5.1                     | -.6          | 227.589  | 4.8                     | -1.2         | 208.769                                   | 4.5                     | -1.0         |
| All items less shelter .....                                      | 209.936  | 6.2                     | -.7          | 226.929  | 7.4                     | -.6          | 200.466                                   | 6.5                     | -1.0         |
| Commodities less food .....                                       | 159.825  | 6.9                     | -2.2         | 166.233  | 9.0                     | -1.4         | 149.379                                   | 6.0                     | -.7          |
| Nondurables .....   | 213.274  | 9.6                     | -1.1         | 223.417  | 10.9                    | .1           | 206.347                                   | 8.4                     | .4           |
| Nondurables less food .....                                       | 207.483  | 12.5                    | -2.8         | 220.201  | 15.3                    | -1.3         | 197.049                                   | 10.1                    | -.1          |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....                  | 277.615  | 5.5                     | -.1          | 310.838  | 6.5                     | -1.1         | 266.936                                   | 6.9                     | -2.5         |
| Services less medical care services .....                         | 247.563  | 3.8                     | -.2          | 267.978  | 2.5                     | -1.9         | 249.008                                   | 3.1                     | -1.7         |
| Energy <sup>3</sup> .....   | 258.020  | 23.1                    | -8.1         | 261.098  | 26.9                    | -12.9        | 251.624                                   | 24.0                    | -10.1        |
| All items less energy .....                                       | 216.397  | 3.0                     | .5           | 239.490  | 2.6                     | .4           | 213.265                                   | 2.4                     | .3           |
| All items less food and energy <sup>3</sup> .....                 | 216.862  | 2.5                     | .4           | 242.138  | 1.9                     | .1           | 214.005                                   | 1.7                     | .1           |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 16. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Monthly cities and pricing schedule <sup>1</sup> |                      |           |                       |                      |           |   |                      |           |
|---|--|----------------------|-----------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------|---|----------------------|-----------|
|   | Cleveland-Akron, OH                              |                      |           | Dallas-Fort Worth, TX |                      |           | Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA |                      |           |
|   | Index  | Percent change from— |           | Index                 | Percent change from— |           | Index                                   | Percent change from— |           |
|   |  | Sep. 2008            | Sep. 2007 |                       | July 2008            | Sep. 2008 |   | Sep. 2007            | July 2008 |
| Expenditure category  |  |                      |           |                       |                      |           |   |                      |           |
| All items <sup>3</sup>                                      | 206.219  | 4.7                  | -0.3      | 205.883               | 5.7                  | -0.3      | 227.449                                 | 4.5                  | -1.1      |
| All items (1967=100)  | 660.823  | -                    | -         | 645.843               | -                    | -         | 671.986                                 | -                    | -         |
| Food and beverages <sup>3</sup>                             | 218.617  | 6.4                  | 2.7       | 221.091               | 6.3                  | .7        | 224.393                                 | 5.9                  | 1.2       |
| Food <sup>3</sup>   | 222.877  | 6.9                  | 2.9       | 216.490               | 6.4                  | .6        | 223.445                                 | 6.0                  | 1.3       |
| Food at home  | 218.510  | 9.5                  | 4.7       | 203.041               | 7.4                  | .2        | 237.775                                 | 7.8                  | 1.7       |
| Food away from home <sup>4</sup>                            | 233.579  | 3.5                  | .4        | 238.162               | 5.2                  | 1.1       | 203.391                                 | 3.8                  | .7        |
| Alcoholic beverages <sup>4</sup>                            | 173.132  | 1.3                  | .4        | 281.293               | 5.9                  | 1.3       | 224.637                                 | 4.0                  | .4        |
| Housing <sup>3</sup>  | 193.069  | 2.6                  | -1.7      | 186.698               | 4.7                  | .5        | 244.984                                 | 2.8                  | -.4       |
| Shelter   | 210.857  | -.2                  | -.6       | 187.305               | 3.2                  | 1.3       | 275.330                                 | 2.9                  | .3        |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>3 5</sup>                    | 207.565  | -.4                  | .2        | 186.322               | 5.0                  | 1.1       | 278.027                                 | 4.4                  | .7        |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5 6</sup> | 209.496  | -.7                  | .1        | 199.606               | 3.4                  | .9        | 286.983                                 | 3.5                  | .5        |
| Fuels and utilities   | 223.779  | 14.9                 | -8.3      | 261.914               | 11.7                 | -2.9      | 236.544                                 | 5.1                  | -9.4      |
| Household energy  | 220.681  | 16.7                 | -9.9      | 271.642               | 14.2                 | -3.8      | 231.228                                 | 3.7                  | -13.1     |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>5</sup>                    | 220.722  | 16.1                 | -10.0     | 268.789               | 13.6                 | -3.7      | 228.810                                 | 3.1                  | -13.2     |
| Electricity <sup>5</sup>                                    | 170.695  | 6.0                  | .0        | 250.048               | 13.2                 | -1.6      | 243.727                                 | -2.3                 | -.8       |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>5</sup>                    | 269.242  | 24.8                 | -17.4     | 321.822               | 16.0                 | -14.9     | 227.593                                 | 16.4                 | -30.7     |
| Household furnishings and operations                        | 123.993  | 4.2                  | 3.2       | 138.036               | 3.9                  | 1.3       | 128.700                                 | .3                   | 1.7       |
| Apparel <sup>3</sup>  | 122.360  | 7.7                  | 13.8      | 130.484               | -1.2                 | 4.1       | 110.365                                 | 3.9                  | 6.6       |
| Transportation <sup>3</sup>                                 | 209.760  | 10.4                 | -3.3      | 205.471               | 11.5                 | -5.0      | 196.459                                 | 9.3                  | -6.9      |
| Private transportation                                      | 211.451  | 10.8                 | -3.1      | 207.186               | 11.6                 | -4.9      | 189.865                                 | 9.3                  | -6.9      |
| Motor fuel  | 372.437  | 30.6                 | -6.1      | 328.709               | 34.8                 | -10.0     | 292.610                                 | 30.4                 | -16.6     |
| Gasoline (all types)  | 369.445  | 30.6                 | -6.2      | 326.936               | 34.8                 | -9.9      | 286.240                                 | 30.3                 | -16.6     |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>7</sup>                     | 360.572  | 31.9                 | -5.8      | 324.906               | 36.0                 | -10.1     | 287.594                                 | 31.3                 | -16.7     |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7 8</sup>                  | 373.416  | 27.8                 | -7.1      | 326.174               | 33.5                 | -9.1      | 269.725                                 | 29.3                 | -16.4     |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>7</sup>                     | 351.008  | 27.4                 | -6.9      | 314.573               | 31.4                 | -10.2     | 271.868                                 | 28.0                 | -16.1     |
| Medical care <sup>3</sup>                                   | 341.535  | 2.6                  | .1        | 329.764               | 3.9                  | 1.3       | 355.536                                 | 4.4                  | .9        |
| Recreation <sup>9</sup>                                     | 112.929  | 3.9                  | 1.8       | 117.991               | 2.7                  | 1.8       | 116.394                                 | 2.2                  | .2        |
| Education and communication <sup>9</sup>                    | 112.133  | 1.1                  | .1        | 133.844               | 3.1                  | 2.0       | 127.359                                 | 3.9                  | 1.6       |
| Other goods and services <sup>3</sup>                       | 335.229  | 2.3                  | .3        | 326.318               | 2.2                  | .0        | 342.683                                 | 3.5                  | -.1       |
| Commodity and service group                                 |  |                      |           |                       |                      |           |   |                      |           |
| All items <sup>3</sup>                                      | 206.219  | 4.7                  | -.3       | 205.883               | 5.7                  | -.3       | 227.449                                 | 4.5                  | -1.1      |
| Commodities   | 185.408  | 7.8                  | 1.1       | 179.511               | 6.4                  | -1.6      | 175.288                                 | 6.1                  | -2.3      |
| Commodities less food and beverages                         | 165.899  | 8.6                  | .3        | 158.457               | 6.4                  | -2.9      | 146.554                                 | 6.2                  | -4.0      |
| Nondurables less food and beverages                         | 216.135  | 13.8                 | .6        | 199.323               | 12.1                 | -3.5      | 193.290                                 | 12.9                 | -6.3      |
| Durables  | 113.015  | .8                   | -1.1      | 121.849               | -1.7                 | -1.9      | 103.448                                 | -1.9                 | -.8       |
| Services  | 228.854  | 2.6                  | -1.4      | 232.025               | 5.1                  | .7        | 272.594                                 | 3.5                  | -.3       |
| Special aggregate indexes                                   |  |                      |           |                       |                      |           |   |                      |           |
| All items less medical care <sup>3</sup>                    | 200.133  | 4.8                  | -.4       | 199.451               | 5.8                  | -.4       | 221.187                                 | 4.5                  | -1.1      |
| All items less shelter                                      | 206.425  | 6.9                  | -.2       | 215.077               | 6.7                  | -.9       | 206.589                                 | 5.5                  | -1.9      |
| Commodities less food                                       | 166.209  | 8.2                  | .3        | 162.215               | 6.4                  | -2.8      | 150.397                                 | 6.1                  | -3.9      |
| Nondurables   | 219.148  | 10.3                 | 1.6       | 209.934               | 9.2                  | -1.5      | 211.525                                 | 9.3                  | -2.8      |
| Nondurables less food                                       | 212.381  | 12.9                 | .6        | 204.135               | 11.6                 | -3.2      | 197.545                                 | 12.3                 | -6.0      |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup>                  | 252.901  | 5.6                  | -2.1      | 296.724               | 6.9                  | .1        | 276.025                                 | 4.4                  | -1.2      |
| Services less medical care services                         | 220.453  | 2.6                  | -1.5      | 221.152               | 5.0                  | .6        | 264.987                                 | 3.4                  | -.3       |
| Energy <sup>3</sup>   | 276.376  | 23.4                 | -7.9      | 299.891               | 24.5                 | -7.2      | 273.488                                 | 21.5                 | -15.6     |
| All items less energy                                       | 200.700  | 2.4                  | .9        | 200.473               | 3.4                  | .8        | 225.834                                 | 3.2                  | .6        |
| All items less food and energy <sup>3</sup>                 | 196.841  | 1.7                  | .5        | 197.790               | 2.8                  | .9        | 226.771                                 | 2.7                  | .4        |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 16. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 <sup>1</sup> |                      |           |  |                      |           |
|---|--|----------------------|-----------|--|----------------------|-----------|
|   | New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA    |                      |           | Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV <sup>2</sup> |                      |           |
|   | Index  | Percent change from— |           | Index  | Percent change from— |           |
|   |  | Sep. 2007            | July 2008 |  | Sep. 2007            | July 2008 |
| Sep. 2008   | Sep. 2007  | July 2008            | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                      | July 2008            |           |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>                                       |  |                      |           |  |                      |           |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 240.089  | 5.2                  | -0.1      | 142.036  | 5.5                  | 0.0       |
| All items (1967=100) .....  | 694.064  | -                    | -         | -  | -                    | -         |
| Food and beverages <sup>3</sup> .....                             | 226.728  | 6.6                  | 1.5       | 139.410  | 5.4                  | 1.5       |
| Food <sup>3</sup> .....   | 226.022  | 6.8                  | 1.6       | 140.852  | 5.7                  | 1.5       |
| Food at home .....  | 227.432  | 8.4                  | 1.9       | 137.697  | 6.4                  | 1.7       |
| Food away from home <sup>4</sup> .....                            | 230.353  | 4.8                  | 1.2       | 142.375  | 5.1                  | 1.3       |
| Alcoholic beverages <sup>4</sup> .....                            | 232.965  | 4.7                  | 1.2       | 119.364  | 2.2                  | 1.4       |
| Housing <sup>3</sup> .....  | 258.439  | 4.5                  | -.5       | 151.671  | 5.0                  | -.4       |
| Shelter .....   | 309.178  | 3.8                  | .7        | 154.309  | 4.4                  | -.1       |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>3 5</sup> .....                    | 299.508  | 5.4                  | .7        | 164.570  | 5.6                  | 1.9       |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5 6</sup> ..... | 314.933  | 3.3                  | .5        | 153.206  | 4.2                  | 1.1       |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 216.646  | 15.5                 | -8.4      | 197.859  | 11.7                 | -5.0      |
| Household energy .....  | 220.224  | 16.5                 | -9.2      | 205.055  | 12.5                 | -5.5      |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>5</sup> .....                    | 205.583  | 10.6                 | -8.2      | 197.297  | 11.1                 | -5.2      |
| Electricity <sup>5</sup> .....                                    | 191.571  | 8.4                  | -7.0      | 197.484  | 11.2                 | 1.4       |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>5</sup> .....                    | 229.714  | 12.8                 | -10.4     | 174.887  | 14.4                 | -23.7     |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 127.420  | -1.9                 | -.2       | 102.681  | 1.7                  | 2.8       |
| Apparel <sup>3</sup> .....  | 119.185  | 3.6                  | 11.9      | 95.933   | .0                   | 8.8       |
| Transportation <sup>3</sup> .....                                 | 208.757  | 10.1                 | -4.3      | 142.709  | 12.2                 | -4.3      |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 198.879  | 10.3                 | -4.5      | 142.637  | 12.0                 | -4.2      |
| Motor fuel .....  | 278.997  | 31.2                 | -12.5     | 300.079  | 33.9                 | -10.3     |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 277.603  | 31.1                 | -12.5     | 299.959  | 33.8                 | -10.2     |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>7</sup> .....                     | 281.104  | 32.0                 | -13.1     | 305.389  | 34.1                 | -10.5     |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7 8</sup> .....                  | 277.454  | 30.1                 | -11.6     | 296.617  | 34.2                 | -9.7      |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>7</sup> .....                     | 273.482  | 28.6                 | -11.3     | 293.362  | 33.2                 | -9.6      |
| Medical care <sup>3</sup> .....                                   | 368.930  | 1.8                  | -.2       | 140.865  | 3.5                  | .1        |
| Recreation <sup>9</sup> .....                                     | 115.340  | .7                   | .0        | 117.400  | 1.6                  | -1.2      |
| Education and communication <sup>9</sup> .....                    | 132.151  | 3.6                  | 1.8       | 131.330  | 3.1                  | 3.0       |
| Other goods and services <sup>3</sup> .....                       | 353.597  | 4.4                  | .2        | 157.226  | 4.6                  | 6.9       |
| <b>Commodity and service group</b>                                |  |                      |           |  |                      |           |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 240.089  | 5.2                  | -.1       | 142.036  | 5.5                  | .0        |
| Commodities .....   | 185.511  | 6.9                  | -.4       | 127.401  | 6.9                  | -.1       |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                         | 156.450  | 7.0                  | -1.7      | 120.539  | 7.9                  | -1.1      |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                         | 196.667  | 13.1                 | -1.7      | 152.652  | 13.7                 | -1.5      |
| Durables .....  | 105.221  | -3.9                 | -1.5      | 86.045   | -1.3                 | -.4       |
| Services .....  | 286.893  | 4.3                  | .1        | 151.707  | 4.7                  | .0        |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                                  |  |                      |           |  |                      |           |
| All items less medical care <sup>3</sup> .....                    | 234.119  | 5.3                  | -.1       | 142.036  | 5.6                  | .0        |
| All items less shelter .....                                      | 213.176  | 6.0                  | -.5       | 135.929  | 6.1                  | .0        |
| Commodities less food .....                                       | 159.751  | 6.9                  | -1.5      | 120.547  | 7.6                  | -1.0      |
| Nondurables .....   | 214.185  | 9.7                  | -.1       | 144.994  | 9.4                  | .0        |
| Nondurables less food .....                                       | 199.276  | 12.5                 | -1.6      | 149.818  | 12.7                 | -1.3      |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....                  | 272.156  | 4.9                  | -.8       | 149.582  | 5.3                  | .1        |
| Services less medical care services .....                         | 279.599  | 4.4                  | .1        | 152.559  | 4.8                  | .0        |
| Energy <sup>3</sup> .....   | 245.543  | 22.8                 | -10.8     | 241.537  | 22.4                 | -8.0      |
| All items less energy .....                                       | 241.221  | 3.7                  | 1.1       | 134.845  | 3.8                  | 1.0       |
| All items less food and energy <sup>3</sup> .....                 | 245.494  | 3.2                  | 1.1       | 134.750  | 3.5                  | .9        |

<sup>1</sup> Areas on pricing schedule 2 (see Table 10) will appear next month.

<sup>2</sup> For Washington-Baltimore, indexes are on a December 1997=100 base unless otherwise noted.

<sup>3</sup> For Washington-Baltimore, index is on a November 1996=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> For Washington-Baltimore, index is on a November 1997=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.



**Table 17. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, all items index**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Area  | All items                |              |              |              |              |                                      |              |              |                                      |              |              |
|---|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
|   | Pricing<br>schedule<br>1 | Indexes      |              |              |              | Percent change to<br>Sep. 2008 from— |              |              | Percent change to<br>Aug. 2008 from— |              |              |
|   |                          | June<br>2008 | July<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2007                         | July<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2007                         | June<br>2008 | July<br>2008 |
| U.S. city average .....                                     | M                        | 215.223      | 216.304      | 215.247      | 214.935      | 5.4                                  | -0.6         | -0.1         | 5.9                                  | 0.0          | -0.5         |
| <b>Region and area size<sup>2</sup></b>                     |                          |              |              |              |              |                                      |              |              |                                      |              |              |
| Northeast urban .....                                       | M                        | 229.829      | 231.488      | 230.790      | 229.949      | 5.7                                  | -7           | -4           | 6.2                                  | .4           | -3           |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                          | M                        | 230.120      | 231.808      | 231.465      | 230.579      | 5.4                                  | -5           | -4           | 6.0                                  | .6           | -1           |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....           | M                        | 139.286      | 140.253      | 139.329      | 138.881      | 6.5                                  | -1.0         | -3           | 6.6                                  | .0           | -7           |
| Midwest urban .....   | M                        | 204.867      | 206.038      | 205.121      | 205.023      | 5.2                                  | -5           | .0           | 5.9                                  | .1           | -4           |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                          | M                        | 204.509      | 205.761      | 204.989      | 205.002      | 5.0                                  | -4           | .0           | 5.6                                  | .2           | -4           |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....           | M                        | 134.409      | 135.037      | 134.236      | 134.215      | 5.6                                  | -6           | .0           | 6.2                                  | -1           | -6           |
| Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than<br>50,000) .....        | M                        | 204.023      | 205.452      | 204.812      | 204.064      | 5.4                                  | -7           | -4           | 6.4                                  | .4           | -3           |
| South urban .....   | M                        | 210.469      | 211.438      | 210.362      | 210.572      | 5.9                                  | -4           | .1           | 6.2                                  | -1           | -5           |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                          | M                        | 213.549      | 214.379      | 213.439      | 213.579      | 5.5                                  | -4           | .1           | 6.0                                  | -1           | -4           |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....           | M                        | 134.222      | 134.952      | 134.179      | 134.285      | 5.8                                  | -5           | .1           | 6.1                                  | .0           | -6           |
| Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than<br>50,000) .....        | M                        | 216.357      | 216.901      | 216.031      | 216.762      | 7.7                                  | -1           | .3           | 7.5                                  | -2           | -4           |
| West urban .....  | M                        | 218.508      | 219.248      | 217.854      | 217.028      | 4.8                                  | -1.0         | -4           | 5.4                                  | -3           | -6           |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                          | M                        | 220.603      | 221.232      | 219.827      | 219.169      | 4.9                                  | -9           | -3           | 5.6                                  | -4           | -6           |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....           | M                        | 135.738      | 136.478      | 135.464      | 134.873      | 4.8                                  | -1.2         | -4           | 5.4                                  | -2           | -7           |
| <b>Size classes</b>   |                          |              |              |              |              |                                      |              |              |                                      |              |              |
| A <sup>4</sup> .....  | M                        | 199.028      | 200.009      | 199.187      | 198.842      | 5.2                                  | -6           | -2           | 5.8                                  | .1           | -4           |
| B/C <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | M                        | 135.240      | 135.986      | 135.138      | 135.003      | 5.7                                  | -7           | -1           | 6.1                                  | -1           | -6           |
| D .....   | M                        | 211.236      | 211.929      | 211.233      | 210.844      | 5.8                                  | -5           | -2           | 6.4                                  | .0           | -3           |
| <b>Selected local areas<sup>5</sup></b>                     |                          |              |              |              |              |                                      |              |              |                                      |              |              |
| Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI .....                        | M                        | 209.021      | 211.020      | 209.435      | 209.084      | 4.8                                  | -9           | -2           | 5.4                                  | .2           | -8           |
| Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ...                 | M                        | 222.435      | 223.245      | 221.230      | 220.285      | 5.0                                  | -1.3         | -4           | 5.7                                  | -5           | -9           |
| New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island,<br>NY-NJ-CT-PA .....    | M                        | 233.776      | 235.446      | 235.510      | 234.703      | 5.6                                  | -3           | -3           | 6.1                                  | .7           | .0           |
| Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT .....                   | 1                        | -            | 240.511      | -            | 238.133      | 4.7                                  | -1.0         | -            | -                                    | -            | -            |
| Cleveland-Akron, OH .....                                   | 1                        | -            | 198.063      | -            | 197.260      | 5.0                                  | -4           | -            | -                                    | -            | -            |
| Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....                                 | 1                        | -            | 210.830      | -            | 209.666      | 6.4                                  | -6           | -            | -                                    | -            | -            |
| Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV <sup>6</sup> .....        | 1                        | -            | 141.622      | -            | 141.679      | 5.5                                  | .0           | -            | -                                    | -            | -            |
| Atlanta, GA .....   | 2                        | 212.013      | -            | 211.113      | -            | -                                    | -            | -            | 5.5                                  | -4           | -            |
| Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI .....                           | 2                        | 203.524      | -            | 205.492      | -            | -                                    | -            | -            | 5.5                                  | 1.0          | -            |
| Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....                        | 2                        | 193.742      | -            | 193.206      | -            | -                                    | -            | -            | 5.9                                  | -3           | -            |
| Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....                             | 2                        | 223.849      | -            | 224.597      | -            | -                                    | -            | -            | 6.4                                  | .3           | -            |
| Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City,<br>PA-NJ-DE-MD ..... | 2                        | 228.429      | -            | 228.212      | -            | -                                    | -            | -            | 5.0                                  | -1           | -            |
| San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....                    | 2                        | 221.454      | -            | 221.385      | -            | -                                    | -            | -            | 4.6                                  | .0           | -            |
| Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA .....                          | 2                        | 223.573      | -            | 223.273      | -            | -                                    | -            | -            | 6.2                                  | -1           | -            |

<sup>1</sup> Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all areas; most other goods and services priced as indicated:

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

<sup>2</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> In addition, the following metropolitan areas are published semiannually and appear in Tables 34 and 39 of the January and July issues of the CPI Detailed Report: Anchorage, AK; Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN; Denver-Boulder-Greeley, CO; Honolulu, HI; Kansas City, MO-KS; Milwaukee-Racine, WI; Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI; Phoenix-Mesa, AZ;

Pittsburgh, PA; Portland-Salem, OR-WA; St. Louis, MO-IL; San Diego, CA; Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a November 1996=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Local area indexes are byproducts of the national CPI program. Each local index has a smaller sample size than the national index and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in their escalator clauses.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 18. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Regions<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Northeast |                      |           | Midwest |                      |           | South   |                      |           | West    |                      |           |
|---|-----------|----------------------|-----------|---------|----------------------|-----------|---------|----------------------|-----------|---------|----------------------|-----------|
|   | Index     | Percent change from— |           | Index   | Percent change from— |           | Index   | Percent change from— |           | Index   | Percent change from— |           |
|   |           | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 |         | Sep. 2008            | Sep. 2007 |         | Aug. 2008            | Sep. 2008 |         | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>                                       |           |                      |           |         |                      |           |         |                      |           |         |                      |           |
| All items .....   | 229.949   | 5.7                  | -0.4      | 205.023 | 5.2                  | 0.0       | 210.572 | 5.9                  | 0.1       | 217.028 | 4.8                  | -0.4      |
| All items (December 1977=100) .....                               | 359.168   | -                    | -         | 331.568 | -                    | -         | 341.045 | -                    | -         | 349.187 | -                    | -         |
| Food and beverages .....  | 221.866   | 6.4                  | .8        | 211.225 | 6.5                  | .6        | 213.865 | 5.9                  | .5        | 222.515 | 5.8                  | .5        |
| Food .....  | 221.731   | 6.5                  | .9        | 211.185 | 6.8                  | .6        | 214.728 | 6.1                  | .5        | 221.688 | 5.9                  | .5        |
| Food at home .....  | 222.518   | 7.7                  | .9        | 208.794 | 7.9                  | .8        | 213.473 | 7.3                  | .5        | 227.365 | 7.3                  | .5        |
| Food away from home .....   | 223.841   | 4.9                  | .9        | 215.614 | 5.3                  | .4        | 219.341 | 4.5                  | .5        | 213.975 | 3.9                  | .5        |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 221.570   | 4.7                  | .1        | 211.262 | 3.3                  | .3        | 200.368 | 2.7                  | .5        | 231.311 | 4.0                  | .4        |
| Housing .....   | 240.303   | 4.2                  | -1.1      | 193.559 | 3.3                  | -6        | 202.197 | 4.4                  | -1        | 224.873 | 3.2                  | .0        |
| Shelter .....   | 280.336   | 2.3                  | -3        | 213.689 | 1.2                  | -1        | 219.978 | 3.0                  | .1        | 248.173 | 3.1                  | .3        |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>2</sup> .....                      | 274.247   | 3.9                  | .2        | 216.671 | 2.3                  | .4        | 219.825 | 3.9                  | .3        | 257.905 | 3.9                  | .4        |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>2 3</sup> ..... | 259.201   | 1.8                  | .1        | 211.051 | 1.2                  | .1        | 208.383 | 2.9                  | .1        | 238.350 | 3.2                  | .4        |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 233.503   | 16.0                 | -5.8      | 223.873 | 13.7                 | -3.3      | 231.366 | 12.3                 | -1.1      | 229.895 | 4.7                  | -2.6      |
| Household energy .....  | 220.482   | 17.0                 | -6.5      | 201.373 | 15.0                 | -3.8      | 203.126 | 13.6                 | -1.3      | 216.556 | 4.5                  | -3.4      |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>2</sup> .....                    | 215.313   | 11.6                 | -6.6      | 206.286 | 14.3                 | -3.8      | 204.162 | 12.7                 | -1.3      | 218.282 | 3.9                  | -3.4      |
| Electricity <sup>2</sup> .....                                    | 195.729   | 7.5                  | -6.3      | 177.286 | 6.0                  | .5        | 193.191 | 11.2                 | .0        | 224.740 | 3.3                  | -.3       |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>2</sup> .....                    | 251.148   | 19.7                 | -7.1      | 259.011 | 26.8                 | -9.4      | 260.640 | 21.4                 | -8.3      | 222.568 | 5.3                  | -11.2     |
| Household furnishings and operations ...                          | 123.271   | 1.6                  | .5        | 119.375 | 2.1                  | .1        | 122.880 | 2.4                  | .5        | 133.787 | 2.4                  | .6        |
| Apparel .....   | 123.618   | 2.9                  | 6.5       | 113.860 | 4.5                  | 4.4       | 131.817 | 1.2                  | 2.9       | 112.769 | -9                   | 3.4       |
| Transportation .....  | 204.845   | 11.3                 | -2.1      | 208.870 | 10.3                 | -7        | 203.831 | 12.3                 | -4        | 201.356 | 10.0                 | -2.9      |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 200.299   | 11.4                 | -2.1      | 205.632 | 10.2                 | -6        | 202.325 | 12.2                 | -4        | 197.246 | 9.8                  | -3.0      |
| New and used motor vehicles <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 92.476    | -5                   | -2        | 92.997  | -8                   | -1.2      | 90.640  | -2.9                 | -1.1      | 90.164  | -2.4                 | -1.4      |
| New vehicles .....  | 133.484   | -9                   | -4        | 131.029 | -1.4                 | -1.0      | 135.862 | -2.4                 | -3        | 133.505 | -2.2                 | -1.2      |
| Used cars and trucks .....  | 138.299   | -2.8                 | -1.8      | 135.671 | -2.4                 | -1.7      | 132.040 | -3.7                 | -1.9      | 131.289 | -3.0                 | -1.8      |
| Motor fuel .....  | 299.398   | 31.4                 | -4.9      | 330.328 | 26.5                 | -6        | 321.454 | 35.3                 | -1        | 305.888 | 32.2                 | -6.4      |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 297.317   | 31.2                 | -4.9      | 329.502 | 26.7                 | -4        | 319.818 | 35.3                 | .3        | 304.566 | 32.2                 | -6.3      |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>5</sup> .....                     | 299.199   | 31.6                 | -4.9      | 328.796 | 27.0                 | -4        | 320.819 | 35.9                 | .5        | 304.304 | 32.7                 | -6.4      |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>5 6</sup> .....                  | 301.982   | 30.6                 | -4.7      | 358.094 | 26.7                 | .0        | 330.082 | 34.7                 | .2        | 284.640 | 31.4                 | -6.2      |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>5</sup> .....                     | 285.161   | 29.3                 | -4.5      | 318.909 | 25.3                 | -3        | 309.333 | 33.4                 | -2        | 287.912 | 30.3                 | -6.0      |
| Medical care .....  | 384.927   | 3.1                  | .0        | 364.838 | 2.2                  | .4        | 350.958 | 3.9                  | .0        | 368.621 | 3.8                  | .3        |
| Medical care commodities .....                                    | 312.346   | 3.5                  | .4        | 285.838 | -.3                  | .5        | 275.440 | 1.5                  | -2        | 288.363 | .7                   | .3        |
| Medical care services .....                                       | 403.700   | 2.9                  | -.1       | 389.364 | 3.1                  | .4        | 374.240 | 4.7                  | .1        | 390.867 | 4.6                  | .3        |
| Professional services .....                                       | 318.757   | 2.5                  | -.3       | 331.092 | 3.2                  | .3        | 311.001 | 3.6                  | .0        | 296.611 | 3.7                  | .0        |
| Recreation <sup>4</sup> .....                                     | 115.776   | 3.0                  | .0        | 111.979 | 3.1                  | .3        | 111.576 | 2.1                  | .3        | 105.435 | 1.1                  | .0        |
| Education and communication <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 123.498   | 4.4                  | .6        | 123.397 | 3.1                  | .5        | 117.167 | 2.5                  | .3        | 122.939 | 3.1                  | .8        |
| Other goods and services .....                                    | 405.279   | 6.3                  | .2        | 349.858 | 4.6                  | .1        | 345.598 | 3.7                  | .5        | 349.842 | 3.8                  | .3        |
| <b>Commodity and service group</b>                                |           |                      |           |         |                      |           |         |                      |           |         |                      |           |
| All items .....   | 229.949   | 5.7                  | -.4       | 205.023 | 5.2                  | .0        | 210.572 | 5.9                  | .1        | 217.028 | 4.8                  | -.4       |
| Commodities .....   | 190.779   | 8.5                  | .0        | 178.353 | 7.3                  | .3        | 183.578 | 7.8                  | .2        | 179.700 | 6.2                  | -.9       |
| Commodities less food and beverages ...                           | 169.894   | 9.7                  | -6        | 161.136 | 7.7                  | .2        | 166.995 | 8.8                  | .1        | 155.523 | 6.5                  | -1.7      |
| Nondurables less food and beverages                               | 218.062   | 15.5                 | -6        | 216.538 | 12.9                 | .7        | 228.229 | 16.2                 | .6        | 205.502 | 13.7                 | -2.2      |
| Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....               | 289.809   | 20.1                 | -2.7      | 279.638 | 15.3                 | -3        | 287.358 | 20.6                 | .1        | 272.912 | 18.7                 | -3.6      |
| Durables .....  | 111.376   | -.7                  | -6        | 108.129 | -.7                  | -8        | 111.346 | -1.9                 | -.7       | 111.937 | -1.9                 | -1.0      |
| Services .....  | 274.778   | 3.7                  | -6        | 237.745 | 3.5                  | -.4       | 243.819 | 4.4                  | .0        | 256.903 | 3.6                  | .1        |
| Rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....                                | 262.438   | 2.3                  | -.3       | 212.391 | 1.2                  | -1        | 209.542 | 3.0                  | .1        | 239.732 | 3.1                  | .3        |
| Transportation services .....                                     | 232.191   | 5.1                  | .4        | 249.258 | 5.3                  | -3        | 254.391 | 4.8                  | -2        | 248.333 | 5.2                  | -.3       |
| Other services .....  | 316.231   | 4.2                  | .4        | 274.764 | 3.5                  | .4        | 278.470 | 3.3                  | .5        | 281.468 | 3.7                  | .7        |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                                  |           |                      |           |         |                      |           |         |                      |           |         |                      |           |
| All items less medical care .....                                 | 224.108   | 5.9                  | -.4       | 198.564 | 5.4                  | -.1       | 203.345 | 6.0                  | .1        | 210.984 | 4.8                  | -.4       |
| All items less food .....   | 231.738   | 5.6                  | -6        | 203.654 | 4.9                  | -2        | 209.531 | 5.9                  | .0        | 216.046 | 4.6                  | -.5       |
| All items less shelter .....                                      | 214.609   | 7.4                  | -.4       | 204.382 | 6.8                  | .0        | 208.762 | 7.1                  | .1        | 206.291 | 5.6                  | -.7       |
| Commodities less food .....                                       | 172.086   | 9.6                  | -6        | 162.834 | 7.5                  | .2        | 168.120 | 8.6                  | .1        | 158.547 | 6.4                  | -1.6      |
| Nondurables .....   | 221.625   | 10.9                 | .1        | 214.981 | 9.8                  | .6        | 221.772 | 11.3                 | .6        | 215.992 | 9.6                  | -.9       |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 18. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Regions<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group                                   | Northeast |                      |           | Midwest   |                      |           | South     |                      |           | West      |                      |           |
|--|-----------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|
|  | Index     | Percent change from— |           | Index     | Percent change from— |           | Index     | Percent change from— |           | Index     | Percent change from— |           |
|  | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                 |           |                      |           |           |                      |           |           |                      |           |           |                      |           |
| Nondurables less food .....                      | 218.659   | 14.9                 | -0.6      | 216.067   | 12.3                 | 0.6       | 226.708   | 15.6                 | 0.6       | 208.249   | 13.0                 | -2.0      |
| Nondurables less food and apparel .....          | 282.403   | 18.9                 | -2.6      | 272.092   | 14.3                 | -.2       | 279.170   | 19.4                 | .1        | 268.388   | 17.5                 | -3.3      |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> ..... | 246.462   | 5.6                  | -1.0      | 243.480   | 5.9                  | -.6       | 246.712   | 5.9                  | -.1       | 247.912   | 4.4                  | -.2       |
| Services less medical care services .....        | 266.393   | 3.8                  | -.6       | 226.914   | 3.5                  | -.4       | 231.740   | 4.3                  | .0        | 248.023   | 3.6                  | .1        |
| Energy .....                                     | 255.360   | 24.1                 | -5.7      | 259.738   | 21.5                 | -1.9      | 255.223   | 25.8                 | -.5       | 276.216   | 22.3                 | -5.5      |
| All items less energy .....                      | 227.865   | 3.5                  | .4        | 199.611   | 3.0                  | .3        | 204.256   | 3.0                  | .2        | 212.674   | 2.9                  | .3        |
| All items less food and energy .....             | 230.387   | 2.9                  | .3        | 197.485   | 2.2                  | .2        | 202.331   | 2.4                  | .2        | 211.091   | 2.4                  | .3        |
| Commodities less food and energy                 |           |                      |           |           |                      |           |           |                      |           |           |                      |           |
| commodities .....                                | 149.640   | 2.3                  | 1.3       | 139.466   | 1.6                  | .5        | 141.878   | .1                   | .2        | 137.269   | -.3                  | .1        |
| Energy commodities .....                         | 309.921   | 32.9                 | -5.1      | 329.923   | 26.6                 | -.7       | 324.540   | 35.5                 | -.1       | 309.000   | 32.1                 | -6.3      |
| Services less energy services .....              | 281.003   | 3.1                  | .0        | 241.862   | 2.4                  | .1        | 247.681   | 3.5                  | .1        | 260.039   | 3.6                  | .3        |

<sup>1</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>2</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 19. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Population size classes<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Size class A <sup>2</sup> |                      |           | Size class B/C <sup>3</sup> |                      |           | Size class D |                      |           |
|---|---------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----------|--------------|----------------------|-----------|
|   | Index                     | Percent change from— |           | Index                       | Percent change from— |           | Index        | Percent change from— |           |
|   | Sep. 2008                 | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008                   | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008    | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>                                       |                           |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
| All items <sup>4</sup> .....                                      | 198.842                   | 5.2                  | -0.2      | 135.003                     | 5.7                  | -0.1      | 210.844      | 5.8                  | -0.2      |
| All items (December 1977=100) .....                               | 198.842                   | -                    | -         | -                           | -                    | -         | 340.759      | -                    | -         |
| Food and beverages .....  | 196.788                   | 6.1                  | .6        | 136.110                     | 6.1                  | .5        | 215.643      | 6.4                  | .8        |
| Food .....  | 196.843                   | 6.2                  | .7        | 136.365                     | 6.3                  | .5        | 215.627      | 6.5                  | .8        |
| Food at home .....  | 202.672                   | 7.5                  | .7        | 135.990                     | 7.5                  | .5        | 211.809      | 7.6                  | .9        |
| Food away from home .....   | 188.060                   | 4.5                  | .6        | 137.224                     | 4.6                  | .4        | 223.860      | 4.9                  | .7        |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 193.642                   | 3.6                  | .2        | 132.414                     | 3.3                  | .5        | 214.791      | 5.2                  | .6        |
| Housing .....   | 200.348                   | 3.7                  | -.4       | 133.069                     | 3.9                  | -.3       | 199.005      | 4.7                  | -.5       |
| Shelter .....   | 214.229                   | 2.6                  | .1        | 131.550                     | 2.3                  | .0        | 222.131      | 3.3                  | -.1       |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....                      | 211.352                   | 3.8                  | .3        | 135.608                     | 3.5                  | .3        | 208.044      | 3.2                  | .3        |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5 6</sup> ..... | 213.311                   | 2.3                  | .3        | 129.631                     | 2.2                  | .1        | 210.670      | 3.7                  | .1        |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 228.182                   | 11.5                 | -3.9      | 173.858                     | 12.7                 | -1.9      | 226.491      | 12.6                 | -1.7      |
| Household energy .....  | 231.083                   | 12.5                 | -4.6      | 177.641                     | 14.2                 | -2.3      | 194.359      | 13.1                 | -2.0      |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>5</sup> .....                    | 219.637                   | 10.8                 | -4.6      | 168.046                     | 12.1                 | -2.0      | 205.464      | 12.1                 | -2.0      |
| Electricity <sup>5</sup> .....                                    | 201.587                   | 6.7                  | -2.1      | 152.716                     | 9.7                  | .0        | 194.586      | 8.7                  | -.8       |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>5</sup> .....                    | 257.496                   | 19.7                 | -9.8      | 218.135                     | 19.4                 | -8.1      | 256.623      | 24.8                 | -6.1      |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 119.297                   | 2.3                  | .6        | 98.873                      | 2.2                  | .5        | 121.191      | 1.6                  | -.4       |
| Apparel .....   | 115.162                   | 2.8                  | 4.9       | 88.867                      | 1.8                  | 3.2       | 114.438      | -4.1                 | 2.8       |
| Transportation .....  | 202.669                   | 10.4                 | -1.9      | 144.437                     | 11.6                 | -1.0      | 204.765      | 11.5                 | -1.0      |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 202.236                   | 10.4                 | -1.9      | 144.179                     | 11.6                 | -.9       | 201.745      | 11.5                 | -.9       |
| New and used motor vehicles <sup>3</sup> .....                    | 92.086                    | -1.8                 | -1.1      | 90.607                      | -2.0                 | -1.0      | 90.419       | -3.0                 | -1.0      |
| New vehicles .....  | 115.674                   | -2.3                 | -1.1      | 92.843                      | -1.4                 | -.5       | 139.743      | -3.1                 | -.5       |
| Used cars and trucks .....  | 127.746                   | -3.0                 | -1.8      | 89.252                      | -3.3                 | -1.9      | 123.241      | -3.0                 | -1.8      |
| Motor fuel .....  | 454.947                   | 30.3                 | -3.9      | 317.133                     | 33.0                 | -1.4      | 311.294      | 33.7                 | -1.2      |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 452.836                   | 30.2                 | -3.8      | 317.844                     | 33.0                 | -1.1      | 309.112      | 33.8                 | -.8       |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>7</sup> .....                     | 464.783                   | 30.3                 | -3.8      | 326.251                     | 33.2                 | -1.1      | 296.627      | 33.6                 | -1.2      |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7 8</sup> .....                  | 308.639                   | 30.6                 | -3.6      | 308.935                     | 32.7                 | -.8       | 345.575      | 34.0                 | .0        |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>7</sup> .....                     | 400.117                   | 29.1                 | -3.8      | 294.941                     | 31.6                 | -1.3      | 311.200      | 34.4                 | .7        |
| Medical care .....  | 289.149                   | 3.2                  | .3        | 154.521                     | 3.6                  | .0        | 351.959      | 2.4                  | .0        |
| Medical care commodities .....                                    | 228.314                   | 1.3                  | .3        | 136.467                     | 1.2                  | .1        | 288.352      | 1.8                  | .2        |
| Medical care services .....                                       | 306.931                   | 3.7                  | .3        | 160.222                     | 4.4                  | .0        | 371.287      | 2.6                  | .0        |
| Professional services .....                                       | 247.466                   | 3.4                  | .0        | 145.859                     | 3.3                  | .1        | 317.166      | 3.1                  | .1        |
| Recreation <sup>3</sup> .....                                     | 113.372                   | 2.4                  | .3        | 107.544                     | 2.0                  | .0        | 112.652      | 2.5                  | .1        |
| Education and communication <sup>3</sup> .....                    | 123.421                   | 3.4                  | .6        | 117.592                     | 2.8                  | .5        | 126.750      | 3.5                  | .0        |
| Other goods and services .....                                    | 286.370                   | 4.2                  | .5        | 162.321                     | 4.8                  | .2        | 373.044      | 4.2                  | -.2       |
| <b>Commodity and service group</b>                                |                           |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
| All items <sup>4</sup> .....                                      | 198.842                   | 5.2                  | -.2       | 135.003                     | 5.7                  | -.1       | 210.844      | 5.8                  | -.2       |
| Commodities .....   | 176.225                   | 7.1                  | -.2       | 128.289                     | 7.7                  | -.1       | 183.266      | 7.3                  | -.1       |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                         | 162.809                   | 7.7                  | -.6       | 123.980                     | 8.6                  | -.3       | 166.631      | 7.8                  | -.4       |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                         | 223.186                   | 13.8                 | -.5       | 166.591                     | 15.7                 | -.1       | 224.581      | 15.0                 | -.1       |
| Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....               | 303.194                   | 18.0                 | -2.2      | 205.810                     | 19.3                 | -.8       | 284.305      | 19.9                 | -.7       |
| Durables .....  | 105.786                   | -1.5                 | -.8       | 85.609                      | -1.4                 | -.8       | 113.069      | -1.9                 | -.9       |
| Services .....  | 219.846                   | 3.8                  | -.2       | 138.475                     | 3.9                  | -.1       | 246.949      | 4.4                  | -.3       |
| Rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....                                | 215.091                   | 2.6                  | .1        | 131.749                     | 2.2                  | .0        | 207.675      | 3.3                  | -.2       |
| Transportation services .....                                     | 201.119                   | 5.2                  | -.1       | 136.500                     | 5.2                  | -.1       | 251.971      | 3.8                  | -.4       |
| Other services .....  | 238.277                   | 3.7                  | .6        | 134.673                     | 3.4                  | .4        | 290.103      | 3.9                  | .0        |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 19. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Population size classes<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group                                     | Size class A <sup>2</sup> |                      |           | Size class B/C <sup>3</sup> |                      |           | Size class D |                      |           |
|--|---------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----------|--------------|----------------------|-----------|
|  | Index                     | Percent change from— |           | Index                       | Percent change from— |           | Index        | Percent change from— |           |
|  | Sep. 2008                 | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008                   | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008    | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                   |                           |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
| All items less medical care .....                  | 195.102                   | 5.3                  | -0.2      | 132.308                     | 5.8                  | -0.1      | 203.201      | 6.0                  | -0.2      |
| All items less food .....                          | 199.253                   | 5.0                  | -.3       | 132.872                     | 5.6                  | -.2       | 209.864      | 5.7                  | -.4       |
| All items less shelter .....                       | 193.037                   | 6.5                  | -.3       | 134.204                     | 7.0                  | -.1       | 209.136      | 6.7                  | -.2       |
| Commodities less food .....                        | 164.375                   | 7.5                  | -.6       | 124.215                     | 8.4                  | -.3       | 168.044      | 7.7                  | -.4       |
| Nondurables .....                                  | 209.689                   | 9.9                  | .0        | 150.680                     | 11.1                 | .2        | 222.404      | 11.0                 | .3        |
| Nondurables less food .....                        | 221.749                   | 13.1                 | -.5       | 164.397                     | 15.0                 | .0        | 224.042      | 14.5                 | -.1       |
| Nondurables less food and apparel .....            | 290.929                   | 16.8                 | -2.0      | 199.104                     | 18.2                 | -.7       | 278.592      | 19.0                 | -.7       |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....   | 225.501                   | 5.4                  | -.6       | 145.487                     | 5.6                  | -.2       | 249.463      | 5.5                  | -.5       |
| Services less medical care services .....          | 214.164                   | 3.8                  | -.2       | 136.657                     | 3.8                  | -.1       | 234.769      | 4.6                  | -.3       |
| Energy .....                                       | 328.779                   | 22.4                 | -4.2      | 241.919                     | 25.0                 | -1.7      | 255.559      | 25.3                 | -1.5      |
| All items less energy .....                        | 188.531                   | 3.2                  | .4        | 123.945                     | 3.0                  | .2        | 203.966      | 2.9                  | .1        |
| All items less food and energy .....               | 186.944                   | 2.6                  | .4        | 121.403                     | 2.3                  | .1        | 202.317      | 2.1                  | -.1       |
| Commodities less food and energy commodities ..... | 131.033                   | .9                   | .7        | 98.934                      | .7                   | .2        | 142.259      | -.5                  | -.1       |
| Energy commodities .....                           | 457.580                   | 30.7                 | -4.0      | 320.445                     | 33.4                 | -1.6      | 309.358      | 33.6                 | -1.2      |
| Services less energy services .....                | 219.689                   | 3.2                  | .2        | 135.861                     | 3.1                  | .1        | 251.192      | 3.6                  | -.1       |

<sup>1</sup> See region and area size on Table 10 for information about population size classes.  
<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.  
<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.  
<sup>4</sup> The 'All items' index size B/C is on a December 1996=100 base.  
<sup>5</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item

stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.  
<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base  
<sup>7</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.  
<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.  
- Data not available.  
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Northeast    |                      |              |                             |                      |              |
|---|--------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
|   | Size class A |                      |              | Size class B/C <sup>2</sup> |                      |              |
|   | Index        | Percent change from— |              | Index                       | Percent change from— |              |
|   | Sep.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2007         | Aug.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2008                | Sep.<br>2007         | Aug.<br>2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>                                       |              |                      |              |                             |                      |              |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 230.579      | 5.4                  | -0.4         | 138.881                     | 6.5                  | -0.3         |
| All items (December 1977=100) .....                               | 352.338      | -                    | -            | -                           | -                    | -            |
| Food and beverages .....  | 221.090      | 6.3                  | .9           | 138.313                     | 6.8                  | .7           |
| Food .....  | 220.841      | 6.4                  | 1.0          | 138.666                     | 6.9                  | .8           |
| Food at home .....  | 222.815      | 7.6                  | 1.1          | 137.396                     | 8.0                  | .6           |
| Food away from home .....   | 220.491      | 4.7                  | .8           | 140.733                     | 5.2                  | 1.0          |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 222.077      | 4.3                  | .3           | 132.113                     | 5.3                  | -1           |
| Housing .....   | 241.120      | 4.1                  | -1.1         | 138.601                     | 4.5                  | -1.1         |
| Shelter .....   | 281.436      | 2.6                  | -2           | 132.477                     | 1.5                  | -7           |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>4</sup> .....                      | 282.913      | 4.0                  | .1           | 139.030                     | 3.4                  | .2           |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>4 5</sup> ..... | 262.544      | 1.9                  | .1           | 130.079                     | 1.4                  | .3           |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 223.458      | 15.6                 | -7.1         | 197.107                     | 16.6                 | -3.3         |
| Household energy .....  | 218.732      | 16.5                 | -7.8         | 201.341                     | 17.7                 | -3.8         |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 214.029      | 12.0                 | -8.2         | 165.682                     | 10.7                 | -2.4         |
| Electricity <sup>4</sup> .....                                    | 196.990      | 8.1                  | -8.4         | 135.791                     | 4.7                  | -1.2         |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 242.808      | 17.4                 | -7.8         | 231.450                     | 26.8                 | -5.2         |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 122.859      | 1.0                  | .4           | 102.482                     | 2.7                  | .8           |
| Apparel .....   | 120.207      | 3.7                  | 7.0          | 90.273                      | 1.8                  | 5.0          |
| Transportation .....  | 206.206      | 11.0                 | -2.1         | 143.747                     | 11.8                 | -2.0         |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 201.089      | 11.3                 | -2.2         | 144.142                     | 11.7                 | -2.0         |
| Motor fuel .....  | 292.034      | 31.5                 | -5.3         | 304.849                     | 31.1                 | -4.3         |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 289.646      | 31.3                 | -5.2         | 304.356                     | 30.9                 | -4.2         |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....                     | 291.230      | 31.8                 | -5.4         | 310.448                     | 31.4                 | -4.3         |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....                  | 290.106      | 30.8                 | -5.2         | 300.968                     | 30.2                 | -3.8         |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....                     | 280.802      | 29.5                 | -4.7         | 283.316                     | 28.7                 | -4.0         |
| Medical care .....  | 386.878      | 2.5                  | -1           | 159.442                     | 4.0                  | .3           |
| Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 116.489      | 2.4                  | .0           | 114.655                     | 4.1                  | .2           |
| Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....                    | 127.016      | 4.5                  | .3           | 114.827                     | 4.2                  | 1.6          |
| Other goods and services .....                                    | 396.106      | 5.7                  | .0           | 177.124                     | 7.4                  | .6           |
| <b>Commodity and service group</b>                                |              |                      |              |                             |                      |              |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 230.579      | 5.4                  | -4           | 138.881                     | 6.5                  | -3           |
| Commodities .....   | 188.785      | 7.8                  | .1           | 135.352                     | 9.7                  | -3           |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                         | 165.906      | 8.8                  | -4           | 133.800                     | 11.2                 | -9           |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                         | 207.891      | 14.4                 | -3           | 179.587                     | 17.5                 | -1.2         |
| Durables .....  | 110.559      | -1.3                 | -8           | 88.438                      | .4                   | -3           |
| Services .....  | 275.218      | 3.8                  | -7           | 138.497                     | 3.5                  | -3           |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                                  |              |                      |              |                             |                      |              |
| All items less medical care .....                                 | 224.679      | 5.5                  | -4           | 136.238                     | 6.6                  | -4           |
| All items less shelter .....                                      | 213.455      | 7.0                  | -5           | 138.994                     | 8.2                  | -2           |
| Commodities less food .....                                       | 168.328      | 8.7                  | -4           | 133.696                     | 11.0                 | -9           |
| Nondurables .....   | 216.614      | 10.2                 | .3           | 157.494                     | 12.4                 | -3           |
| Nondurables less food .....                                       | 209.381      | 13.8                 | -3           | 175.990                     | 16.8                 | -1.1         |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....                  | 242.861      | 5.6                  | -1.5         | 144.570                     | 5.5                  | .0           |
| Services less medical care services .....                         | 266.843      | 3.9                  | -7           | 136.577                     | 3.5                  | -4           |
| Energy .....  | 250.816      | 23.6                 | -6.5         | 247.420                     | 24.8                 | -4.1         |
| All items less energy .....                                       | 229.659      | 3.4                  | .5           | 127.164                     | 3.8                  | .3           |
| All items less food and energy .....                              | 232.814      | 2.8                  | .4           | 124.734                     | 2.9                  | .2           |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Midwest      |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
|---|--------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----------|--------------|----------------------|-----------|
|   | Size class A |                      |           | Size class B/C <sup>2</sup> |                      |           | Size class D |                      |           |
|   | Index        | Percent change from— |           | Index                       | Percent change from— |           | Index        | Percent change from— |           |
|   | Sep. 2008    | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008                   | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008    | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>                                       |              |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 205.002      | 5.0                  | 0.0       | 134.215                     | 5.6                  | 0.0       | 204.064      | 5.4                  | -0.4      |
| All items (December 1977=100) .....                               | 335.139      | -                    | -         | -                           | -                    | -         | 330.635      | -                    | -         |
| Food and beverages .....  | 212.457      | 6.1                  | .5        | 135.592                     | 6.9                  | .6        | 213.673      | 7.5                  | .8        |
| Food .....  | 212.778      | 6.4                  | .6        | 135.890                     | 7.1                  | .6        | 213.125      | 7.6                  | .8        |
| Food at home .....  | 212.920      | 7.1                  | .7        | 134.422                     | 8.5                  | .8        | 205.030      | 9.4                  | 1.1       |
| Food away from home .....   | 213.163      | 5.2                  | .3        | 137.803                     | 5.2                  | .4        | 228.118      | 5.3                  | .4        |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 207.981      | 3.6                  | .0        | 132.230                     | 2.8                  | .4        | 219.908      | 5.1                  | 1.8       |
| Housing .....   | 193.999      | 2.9                  | -.5       | 126.834                     | 3.4                  | -.8       | 193.241      | 4.9                  | -.7       |
| Shelter .....   | 215.758      | .8                   | .0        | 123.382                     | 1.5                  | -.1       | 209.064      | 2.2                  | -.6       |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>4</sup> .....                      | 227.037      | 2.0                  | .4        | 124.074                     | 2.1                  | .2        | 196.718      | 3.8                  | .7        |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>4 5</sup> ..... | 212.452      | .7                   | .1        | 121.268                     | 1.8                  | .2        | 204.236      | 1.9                  | -.1       |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 216.361      | 13.8                 | -3.7      | 180.131                     | 12.7                 | -3.3      | 241.401      | 16.7                 | -1.6      |
| Household energy .....  | 197.276      | 15.1                 | -4.3      | 186.240                     | 13.7                 | -3.7      | 195.682      | 19.0                 | -1.8      |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 199.793      | 14.8                 | -4.4      | 179.642                     | 12.5                 | -3.7      | 205.826      | 18.3                 | -1.9      |
| Electricity <sup>4</sup> .....                                    | 161.117      | 4.9                  | .5        | 154.386                     | 6.7                  | 1.0       | 170.976      | 9.4                  | -.7       |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 246.980      | 27.0                 | -9.4      | 238.933                     | 23.0                 | -11.4     | 285.211      | 36.8                 | -3.7      |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 115.617      | 2.6                  | .7        | 94.639                      | .8                   | -.9       | 121.708      | 3.2                  | .6        |
| Apparel .....   | 111.993      | 6.3                  | 4.8       | 85.870                      | 2.6                  | 5.5       | 125.245      | -1.4                 | -.9       |
| Transportation .....  | 206.712      | 10.2                 | -.9       | 154.200                     | 10.9                 | -.4       | 192.977      | 8.4                  | -1.0      |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 204.022      | 10.1                 | -.8       | 154.139                     | 10.8                 | -.3       | 187.808      | 8.3                  | -.8       |
| Motor fuel .....  | 337.131      | 26.9                 | -.7       | 337.481                     | 27.0                 | -.2       | 281.350      | 23.9                 | -1.6      |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 335.855      | 27.2                 | -.5       | 338.331                     | 27.3                 | .2        | 278.612      | 24.1                 | -1.5      |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....                     | 336.189      | 27.4                 | -.6       | 347.176                     | 27.6                 | .2        | 268.674      | 24.0                 | -1.7      |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....                  | 356.740      | 27.2                 | -.1       | 329.757                     | 27.2                 | .5        | 323.659      | 24.3                 | -1.0      |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....                     | 318.905      | 25.6                 | -.2       | 312.404                     | 25.2                 | -.1       | 284.904      | 24.5                 | -1.5      |
| Medical care .....  | 360.473      | 2.1                  | .4        | 158.521                     | 2.7                  | .5        | 350.076      | 1.0                  | .0        |
| Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 114.660      | 2.5                  | .3        | 109.829                     | 4.3                  | .3        | 109.842      | 1.6                  | .0        |
| Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....                    | 124.925      | 3.1                  | .7        | 121.564                     | 2.7                  | .7        | 120.915      | 4.1                  | -.3       |
| Other goods and services .....                                    | 342.192      | 3.4                  | .1        | 165.394                     | 5.9                  | -.1       | 358.879      | 5.0                  | .4        |
| <b>Commodity and service group</b>                                |              |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 205.002      | 5.0                  | .0        | 134.215                     | 5.6                  | .0        | 204.064      | 5.4                  | -.4       |
| Commodities .....   | 176.521      | 7.2                  | .4        | 129.143                     | 7.6                  | .3        | 183.900      | 6.7                  | -.1       |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                         | 157.106      | 7.9                  | .4        | 125.930                     | 8.0                  | .2        | 168.891      | 6.3                  | -.6       |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                         | 211.191      | 12.9                 | 1.0       | 168.845                     | 13.5                 | .7        | 223.223      | 11.1                 | -.7       |
| Durables .....  | 106.258      | -.9                  | -.8       | 84.864                      | -.8                  | -.9       | 112.329      | -1.0                 | -.3       |
| Services .....  | 237.878      | 3.1                  | -.3       | 137.362                     | 3.8                  | -.3       | 230.742      | 4.3                  | -.6       |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                                  |              |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
| All items less medical care .....                                 | 198.938      | 5.1                  | .0        | 131.553                     | 5.8                  | -.1       | 196.795      | 5.7                  | -.4       |
| All items less shelter .....                                      | 203.337      | 6.7                  | .0        | 136.677                     | 7.0                  | .0        | 204.503      | 6.5                  | -.3       |
| Commodities less food .....                                       | 158.982      | 7.7                  | .3        | 126.004                     | 7.8                  | .2        | 170.361      | 6.3                  | -.5       |
| Nondurables .....   | 213.333      | 9.5                  | .8        | 151.558                     | 10.4                 | .7        | 220.282      | 9.5                  | .0        |
| Nondurables less food .....                                       | 210.946      | 12.2                 | .9        | 166.042                     | 13.0                 | .7        | 223.427      | 10.9                 | -.6       |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....                  | 244.622      | 5.8                  | -.7       | 151.523                     | 6.0                  | -.5       | 230.574      | 6.2                  | -.6       |
| Services less medical care services .....                         | 228.097      | 3.2                  | -.4       | 134.859                     | 3.8                  | -.4       | 217.196      | 4.3                  | -.6       |
| Energy .....  | 259.546      | 21.7                 | -2.2      | 253.796                     | 21.2                 | -1.6      | 239.133      | 21.9                 | -1.7      |
| All items less energy .....                                       | 200.138      | 2.8                  | .3        | 122.622                     | 3.2                  | .3        | 198.609      | 2.8                  | -.1       |
| All items less food and energy .....                              | 197.720      | 2.1                  | .3        | 119.871                     | 2.4                  | .2        | 196.043      | 1.9                  | -.3       |

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**Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | South        |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
|---|--------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----------|--------------|----------------------|-----------|
|   | Size class A |                      |           | Size class B/C <sup>2</sup> |                      |           | Size class D |                      |           |
|   | Index        | Percent change from— |           | Index                       | Percent change from— |           | Index        | Percent change from— |           |
|   | Sep. 2008    | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008                   | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 | Sep. 2008    | Sep. 2007            | Aug. 2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>                                       |              |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 213.579      | 5.5                  | 0.1       | 134.285                     | 5.8                  | 0.1       | 216.762      | 7.7                  | 0.3       |
| All items (December 1977=100) .....                               | 345.999      | -                    | -         | -                           | -                    | -         | 350.889      | -                    | -         |
| Food and beverages .....  | 215.781      | 6.0                  | .4        | 135.401                     | 5.6                  | .4        | 212.011      | 6.7                  | 1.3       |
| Food .....  | 216.681      | 6.2                  | .4        | 135.972                     | 5.9                  | .4        | 211.793      | 6.5                  | 1.4       |
| Food at home .....  | 215.020      | 7.6                  | .3        | 136.253                     | 7.0                  | .4        | 212.868      | 7.6                  | 1.7       |
| Food away from home .....   | 221.728      | 4.3                  | .5        | 135.889                     | 4.4                  | .4        | 214.281      | 5.0                  | 1.0       |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 202.226      | 3.4                  | .8        | 125.866                     | 1.4                  | .4        | 209.679      | 7.5                  | .3        |
| Housing .....   | 206.986      | 4.4                  | .0        | 133.658                     | 4.0                  | .0        | 204.056      | 7.2                  | -.4       |
| Shelter .....   | 223.314      | 3.1                  | .1        | 134.403                     | 2.4                  | .0        | 234.080      | 6.3                  | .1        |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>4</sup> .....                      | 225.084      | 3.7                  | .1        | 138.603                     | 3.9                  | .5        | 215.566      | 5.5                  | .2        |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>4 5</sup> ..... | 214.936      | 2.7                  | .3        | 132.589                     | 2.4                  | .0        | 217.305      | 7.0                  | .2        |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 230.853      | 11.5                 | -1.2      | 164.416                     | 12.9                 | -.7       | 220.248      | 12.9                 | -2.4      |
| Household energy .....  | 215.126      | 12.4                 | -1.4      | 166.793                     | 14.7                 | -.9       | 191.552      | 12.3                 | -2.8      |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 219.945      | 12.0                 | -1.4      | 163.209                     | 13.7                 | -.9       | 196.504      | 11.2                 | -2.9      |
| Electricity <sup>4</sup> .....                                    | 205.979      | 10.9                 | .4        | 155.118                     | 11.9                 | .1        | 192.392      | 9.9                  | -1.1      |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 259.950      | 20.9                 | -8.7      | 207.615                     | 22.0                 | -6.6      | 222.378      | 19.5                 | -16.3     |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 132.851      | 3.5                  | .8        | 96.343                      | 1.5                  | .6        | 114.064      | 3.8                  | -.3       |
| Apparel .....   | 150.112      | 1.1                  | 4.1       | 88.253                      | 2.2                  | 1.7       | 111.363      | -3.4                 | 5.8       |
| Transportation .....  | 209.361      | 11.6                 | -1.2      | 141.157                     | 12.1                 | -.2       | 218.310      | 14.9                 | .5        |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 208.856      | 11.6                 | -1.2      | 140.713                     | 12.1                 | -.1       | 217.185      | 15.0                 | .5        |
| Motor fuel .....  | 325.951      | 34.1                 | -2.0      | 321.384                     | 35.0                 | .6        | 316.270      | 40.1                 | 1.9       |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 322.633      | 34.1                 | -1.8      | 321.730                     | 35.0                 | 1.0       | 313.218      | 40.4                 | 2.9       |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....                     | 326.612      | 34.7                 | -1.6      | 333.104                     | 35.4                 | 1.1       | 305.453      | 41.3                 | 2.8       |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....                  | 321.122      | 33.6                 | -2.0      | 309.974                     | 34.6                 | .8        | 361.866      | 38.4                 | 3.1       |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....                     | 310.459      | 32.1                 | -2.4      | 298.564                     | 33.1                 | .5        | 319.034      | 38.6                 | 3.8       |
| Medical care .....  | 343.200      | 3.8                  | .3        | 150.300                     | 4.1                  | -.2       | 343.700      | 2.8                  | .1        |
| Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 111.057      | .9                   | .2        | 111.044                     | 2.5                  | .4        | 115.092      | 2.9                  | .4        |
| Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....                    | 116.567      | 2.4                  | .8        | 116.235                     | 2.5                  | .0        | 125.998      | 3.4                  | .1        |
| Other goods and services .....                                    | 326.689      | 4.0                  | 1.3       | 157.385                     | 3.5                  | .2        | 361.907      | 4.0                  | -.6       |
| <b>Commodity and service group</b>                                |              |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 213.579      | 5.5                  | .1        | 134.285                     | 5.8                  | .1        | 216.762      | 7.7                  | .3        |
| Commodities .....   | 187.421      | 7.4                  | .0        | 127.122                     | 7.6                  | .2        | 186.958      | 9.6                  | 1.0       |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                         | 170.947      | 8.4                  | -.3       | 122.628                     | 8.6                  | .2        | 173.264      | 11.0                 | .9        |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                         | 230.842      | 15.3                 | .0        | 165.517                     | 16.2                 | .7        | 234.064      | 19.5                 | 1.9       |
| Durables .....  | 113.949      | -2.0                 | -.8       | 85.404                      | -1.9                 | -.6       | 113.333      | -2.2                 | -1.0      |
| Services .....  | 244.351      | 4.2                  | .1        | 138.955                     | 4.2                  | -.1       | 255.887      | 5.9                  | -.3       |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                                  |              |                      |           |                             |                      |           |              |                      |           |
| All items less medical care .....                                 | 207.383      | 5.6                  | .1        | 131.890                     | 5.9                  | .1        | 207.983      | 8.0                  | .4        |
| All items less shelter .....                                      | 211.992      | 6.8                  | .0        | 132.473                     | 7.0                  | .1        | 213.494      | 8.2                  | .4        |
| Commodities less food .....                                       | 172.391      | 8.2                  | -.2       | 122.732                     | 8.4                  | .2        | 174.193      | 11.0                 | .9        |
| Nondurables .....   | 223.149      | 10.7                 | .2        | 150.019                     | 11.2                 | .5        | 225.993      | 13.8                 | 1.6       |
| Nondurables less food .....                                       | 229.300      | 14.7                 | .1        | 163.335                     | 15.4                 | .6        | 232.575      | 19.2                 | 1.8       |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....                  | 246.433      | 5.7                  | .1        | 143.280                     | 6.0                  | -.2       | 254.130      | 5.8                  | -.7       |
| Services less medical care services .....                         | 233.732      | 4.2                  | .1        | 137.566                     | 4.1                  | -.1       | 242.814      | 6.3                  | -.3       |
| Energy .....  | 264.538      | 23.7                 | -1.7      | 235.726                     | 26.6                 | .0        | 250.081      | 28.6                 | .2        |
| All items less energy .....                                       | 207.851      | 3.1                  | .4        | 123.233                     | 2.8                  | .1        | 207.742      | 4.1                  | .4        |
| All items less food and energy .....                              | 206.290      | 2.5                  | .4        | 120.615                     | 2.2                  | .0        | 207.620      | 3.6                  | .2        |

See footnotes at end of table.



**Table 20. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Cross classification of regions and population size classes<sup>1</sup>, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | West         |                      |              |                             |                      |              |
|---|--------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
|   | Size class A |                      |              | Size class B/C <sup>2</sup> |                      |              |
|   | Index        | Percent change from— |              | Index                       | Percent change from— |              |
|   | Sep.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2007         | Aug.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2008                | Sep.<br>2007         | Aug.<br>2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>                                       |              |                      |              |                             |                      |              |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 219.169      | 4.9                  | -0.3         | 134.873                     | 4.8                  | -0.4         |
| All items (December 1977=100) .....                               | 354.792      | -                    | -            | -                           | -                    | -            |
| Food and beverages .....  | 224.266      | 5.9                  | .6           | 136.749                     | 5.9                  | .3           |
| Food .....  | 223.664      | 6.0                  | .7           | 136.178                     | 5.9                  | .2           |
| Food at home .....  | 231.196      | 7.6                  | .7           | 136.145                     | 7.3                  | .3           |
| Food away from home .....   | 212.851      | 3.9                  | .6           | 137.008                     | 3.9                  | .0           |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 227.353      | 3.2                  | .1           | 150.214                     | 7.2                  | 1.3          |
| Housing .....   | 231.442      | 3.3                  | .0           | 133.984                     | 3.5                  | .1           |
| Shelter .....   | 254.053      | 3.4                  | .4           | 133.154                     | 3.0                  | .3           |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>4</sup> .....                      | 277.060      | 4.4                  | .5           | 136.756                     | 3.9                  | .2           |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>4 5</sup> ..... | 245.393      | 3.6                  | .5           | 132.055                     | 2.9                  | .2           |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 231.422      | 3.9                  | -3.3         | 167.415                     | 6.1                  | -1.9         |
| Household energy .....  | 223.826      | 3.3                  | -4.6         | 168.345                     | 6.5                  | -2.5         |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 224.822      | 2.8                  | -4.6         | 166.365                     | 6.1                  | -2.5         |
| Electricity <sup>4</sup> .....                                    | 240.283      | .7                   | -1           | 153.555                     | 7.2                  | -8           |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 217.972      | 7.7                  | -15.0        | 198.761                     | 3.3                  | -6.9         |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 136.722      | 2.3                  | .5           | 106.882                     | 4.0                  | 1.3          |
| Apparel .....   | 116.002      | -1                   | 3.4          | 91.600                      | .5                   | 3.6          |
| Transportation .....  | 198.699      | 9.7                  | -3.0         | 143.213                     | 10.7                 | -2.7         |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 194.439      | 9.4                  | -3.0         | 142.450                     | 10.6                 | -2.8         |
| Motor fuel .....  | 302.800      | 30.5                 | -6.7         | 283.649                     | 34.8                 | -5.7         |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 300.800      | 30.4                 | -6.6         | 285.635                     | 34.9                 | -5.4         |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....                     | 303.733      | 30.9                 | -6.7         | 286.924                     | 35.6                 | -5.5         |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>6 7</sup> .....                  | 275.950      | 30.0                 | -6.5         | 280.273                     | 34.1                 | -5.3         |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....                     | 286.207      | 28.9                 | -6.3         | 269.047                     | 32.7                 | -5.4         |
| Medical care .....  | 361.901      | 4.1                  | .5           | 156.410                     | 3.2                  | -1           |
| Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 110.732      | 3.1                  | .7           | 95.388                      | -2.9                 | -1.3         |
| Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....                    | 123.650      | 3.4                  | .7           | 118.868                     | 2.7                  | 1.0          |
| Other goods and services .....                                    | 347.888      | 3.6                  | .6           | 155.239                     | 4.5                  | -1           |
| <b>Commodity and service group</b>                                |              |                      |              |                             |                      |              |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 219.169      | 4.9                  | -3           | 134.873                     | 4.8                  | -4           |
| Commodities .....   | 180.413      | 6.2                  | -8           | 125.159                     | 6.5                  | -1.0         |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                         | 154.670      | 6.5                  | -1.7         | 118.641                     | 7.1                  | -1.5         |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                         | 203.189      | 13.0                 | -2.3         | 155.254                     | 15.2                 | -1.8         |
| Durables .....  | 111.724      | -1.8                 | -8           | 86.472                      | -2.0                 | -1.2         |
| Services .....  | 259.416      | 3.9                  | .1           | 138.377                     | 3.4                  | .0           |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                                  |              |                      |              |                             |                      |              |
| All items less medical care .....                                 | 213.867      | 4.9                  | -3           | 131.127                     | 4.9                  | -5           |
| All items less shelter .....                                      | 206.658      | 5.7                  | -6           | 132.021                     | 5.6                  | -7           |
| Commodities less food .....                                       | 157.830      | 6.3                  | -1.6         | 119.470                     | 7.1                  | -1.4         |
| Nondurables .....   | 215.868      | 9.3                  | -9           | 145.687                     | 10.5                 | -8           |
| Nondurables less food .....                                       | 206.115      | 12.4                 | -2.1         | 154.836                     | 14.7                 | -1.6         |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>5</sup> .....                  | 244.928      | 4.6                  | -2           | 144.157                     | 4.1                  | -2           |
| Services less medical care services .....                         | 251.859      | 3.8                  | .1           | 136.435                     | 3.4                  | .0           |
| Energy .....  | 275.633      | 21.4                 | -6.1         | 235.536                     | 23.7                 | -4.6         |
| All items less energy .....                                       | 215.638      | 3.3                  | .4           | 124.624                     | 2.7                  | .2           |
| All items less food and energy .....                              | 214.287      | 2.8                  | .4           | 122.316                     | 2.1                  | .2           |

<sup>1</sup> See region and area size on Table 10 for information about cross classifications.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> The 'All items' index size B/C is on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

<sup>6</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 21. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Food at home, selected areas**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Area  | Food at home             |              |              |              |              |                                      |              |              |                                      |              |              |
|---|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
|   | Pricing<br>schedule<br>1 | Indexes      |              |              |              | Percent change to<br>Sep. 2008 from— |              |              | Percent change to<br>Aug. 2008 from— |              |              |
|   |                          | June<br>2008 | July<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2007                         | July<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2007                         | June<br>2008 | July<br>2008 |
| U.S. city average .....                                     | M                        | 212.079      | 214.679      | 216.214      | 217.594      | 7.5                                  | 1.4          | 0.6          | 7.4                                  | 1.9          | 0.7          |
| <b>Region and area size<sup>2</sup></b>                     |                          |              |              |              |              |                                      |              |              |                                      |              |              |
| Northeast urban .....                                       | M                        | 215.780      | 218.486      | 220.531      | 222.518      | 7.7                                  | 1.8          | .9           | 7.1                                  | 2.2          | .9           |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                          | M                        | 216.680      | 219.030      | 220.442      | 222.815      | 7.6                                  | 1.7          | 1.1          | 6.8                                  | 1.7          | .6           |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....           | M                        | 132.537      | 134.617      | 136.605      | 137.396      | 8.0                                  | 2.1          | .6           | 7.7                                  | 3.1          | 1.5          |
| Midwest urban .....   | M                        | 202.556      | 205.221      | 207.180      | 208.794      | 7.9                                  | 1.7          | .8           | 7.4                                  | 2.3          | 1.0          |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                          | M                        | 206.651      | 209.621      | 211.363      | 212.920      | 7.1                                  | 1.6          | .7           | 6.8                                  | 2.3          | .8           |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....           | M                        | 130.996      | 132.377      | 133.421      | 134.422      | 8.5                                  | 1.5          | .8           | 8.0                                  | 1.9          | .8           |
| Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than<br>50,000) .....        | M                        | 195.652      | 198.725      | 202.862      | 205.030      | 9.4                                  | 3.2          | 1.1          | 8.8                                  | 3.7          | 2.1          |
| South urban .....   | M                        | 208.152      | 210.888      | 212.442      | 213.473      | 7.3                                  | 1.2          | .5           | 7.9                                  | 2.1          | .7           |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                          | M                        | 209.784      | 212.028      | 214.313      | 215.020      | 7.6                                  | 1.4          | .3           | 8.6                                  | 2.2          | 1.1          |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....           | M                        | 132.587      | 134.622      | 135.769      | 136.253      | 7.0                                  | 1.2          | .4           | 7.7                                  | 2.4          | .9           |
| Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than<br>50,000) .....        | M                        | 209.347      | 211.339      | 209.410      | 212.868      | 7.6                                  | .7           | 1.7          | 6.2                                  | .0           | -.9          |
| West urban .....  | M                        | 223.323      | 225.602      | 226.273      | 227.365      | 7.3                                  | .8           | .5           | 6.9                                  | 1.3          | .3           |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                          | M                        | 226.097      | 228.837      | 229.562      | 231.196      | 7.6                                  | 1.0          | .7           | 6.7                                  | 1.5          | .3           |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 <sup>3</sup> .....           | M                        | 134.054      | 135.495      | 135.800      | 136.145      | 7.3                                  | .5           | .3           | 7.8                                  | 1.3          | .2           |
| <b>Size classes</b>   |                          |              |              |              |              |                                      |              |              |                                      |              |              |
| A <sup>4</sup> .....  | M                        | 197.469      | 199.844      | 201.191      | 202.672      | 7.5                                  | 1.4          | .7           | 7.2                                  | 1.9          | .7           |
| B/C <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | M                        | 132.453      | 134.249      | 135.370      | 135.990      | 7.5                                  | 1.3          | .5           | 7.8                                  | 2.2          | .8           |
| D .....   | M                        | 207.573      | 209.106      | 209.917      | 211.809      | 7.6                                  | 1.3          | .9           | 6.7                                  | 1.1          | .4           |
| <b>Selected local areas<sup>5</sup></b>                     |                          |              |              |              |              |                                      |              |              |                                      |              |              |
| Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI .....                        | M                        | 211.623      | 216.841      | 218.545      | 218.778      | 7.1                                  | .9           | .1           | 6.4                                  | 3.3          | .8           |
| Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA ...                 | M                        | 231.903      | 233.954      | 236.389      | 238.296      | 8.1                                  | 1.9          | .8           | 7.2                                  | 1.9          | 1.0          |
| New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island,<br>NY-NJ-CT-PA .....    | M                        | 219.543      | 221.064      | 222.623      | 225.204      | 8.5                                  | 1.9          | 1.2          | 7.6                                  | 1.4          | .7           |
| Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT .....                   | 1                        | 210.550      | 214.020      | 218.068      | 218.920      | 6.4                                  | 2.3          | .4           | 5.9                                  | 3.6          | 1.9          |
| Cleveland-Akron, OH .....                                   | 1                        | 208.343      | 206.450      | 212.500      | 216.384      | 9.1                                  | 4.8          | 1.8          | 8.0                                  | 2.0          | 2.9          |
| Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....                                 | 1                        | 198.162      | 202.413      | 203.052      | 202.729      | 7.6                                  | .2           | -.2          | 9.8                                  | 2.5          | .3           |
| Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV <sup>3</sup> .....        | 1                        | 133.998      | 134.768      | 136.011      | 137.027      | 6.1                                  | 1.7          | .7           | 6.7                                  | 1.5          | .9           |
| Atlanta, GA .....   | 2                        | 211.237      | 209.019      | 214.390      | 217.599      | 6.7                                  | 4.1          | 1.5          | 6.9                                  | 1.5          | 2.6          |
| Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI .....                           | 2                        | 194.042      | 195.433      | 196.562      | 197.165      | 4.4                                  | .9           | .3           | 5.3                                  | 1.3          | .6           |
| Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....                        | 2                        | 205.358      | 209.160      | 209.822      | 208.898      | 8.1                                  | -.1          | -.4          | 10.1                                 | 2.2          | .3           |
| Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....                             | 2                        | 225.610      | 229.274      | 232.783      | 232.945      | 9.9                                  | 1.6          | .1           | 10.5                                 | 3.2          | 1.5          |
| Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City,<br>PA-NJ-DE-MD ..... | 2                        | 215.597      | 220.243      | 218.474      | 223.846      | 6.6                                  | 1.6          | 2.5          | 5.0                                  | 1.3          | -.8          |
| San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....                    | 2                        | 224.475      | 226.970      | 226.543      | 229.574      | 6.5                                  | 1.1          | 1.3          | 4.2                                  | .9           | -.2          |
| Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA .....                          | 2                        | 226.441      | 230.452      | 227.263      | 226.169      | 6.7                                  | -1.9         | -.5          | 7.8                                  | .4           | -1.4         |

<sup>1</sup> Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all areas; most other goods and services priced as indicated:

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

<sup>2</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> In addition, the following metropolitan areas are published semiannually and appear in Tables 34 and 39 of the January and July issues of the CPI Detailed Report: Anchorage, AK; Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN; Denver-Boulder-Greeley, CO; Honolulu, HI; Kansas City, MO-KS; Milwaukee-Racine, WI; Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI; Phoenix-Mesa, AZ; Pittsburgh, PA; Portland-Salem, OR-WA; St. Louis, MO-IL; San Diego, CA; Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 22. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Areas priced monthly, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | U.S.<br>city<br>average |                         |              | Chicago-<br>Gary-<br>Kenosha, IL-IN-WI |                         |              | Los Angeles-<br>Riverside-<br>Orange County, CA |                         |              | New York-<br>Northern N.J.-<br>Long Island,<br>NY-NJ-CT-PA |                         |              |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|--|-------------------------|--------------|---|-------------------------|--------------|--|-------------------------|--------------|
|  | Index                   | Percent<br>change from— |              | Index                                  | Percent<br>change from— |              | Index   | Percent<br>change from— |              | Index  | Percent<br>change from— |              |
|  |                         | Sep.<br>2007            | Aug.<br>2008 |  | Sep.<br>2007            | Aug.<br>2008 |   | Sep.<br>2007            | Aug.<br>2008 |  | Sep.<br>2007            | Aug.<br>2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                         |                         |              |  |                         |              |   |                         |              |  |                         |              |
| All items .....  | 214.935                 | 5.4                     | -0.1         | 209.084                                | 4.8                     | -0.2         | 220.285   | 5.0                     | -0.4         | 234.703  | 5.6                     | -0.3         |
| All items (1967=100) .....   | 640.226                 | -                       | -            | 614.052                                | -                       | -            | 651.009   | -                       | -            | 668.259  | -                       | -            |
| Food and beverages .....   | 217.098                 | 6.1                     | .6           | 214.059                                | 6.6                     | .1           | 226.555   | 6.3                     | .7           | 225.064  | 7.0                     | 1.1          |
| Food .....   | 217.090                 | 6.3                     | .6           | 213.673                                | 6.7                     | .2           | 224.646   | 6.3                     | .8           | 224.867  | 7.1                     | 1.1          |
| Food at home .....   | 217.594                 | 7.5                     | .6           | 218.778                                | 7.1                     | .1           | 238.296   | 8.1                     | .8           | 225.204  | 8.5                     | 1.2          |
| Food away from home .....  | 218.147                 | 4.6                     | .5           | 202.041                                | 6.2                     | .4           | 204.203   | 3.7                     | .7           | 229.186  | 5.3                     | 1.0          |
| Alcoholic beverages .....  | 215.728                 | 3.6                     | .4           | 219.374                                | 5.6                     | -1.3         | 232.731   | 6.5                     | -8           | 225.007  | 5.0                     | .4           |
| Housing .....  | 213.954                 | 3.8                     | -.4          | 206.500                                | 2.9                     | -.7          | 237.867   | 3.2                     | .0           | 251.763  | 4.8                     | -1.1         |
| Shelter .....  | 240.163                 | 2.5                     | .1           | 238.555                                | .1                      | .0           | 261.913   | 3.3                     | .3           | 300.122  | 3.8                     | .0           |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>1</sup> .....                         | 243.741                 | 3.6                     | .3           | 266.148                                | 3.2                     | .6           | 278.828   | 4.4                     | .5           | 297.295  | 5.1                     | .1           |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary<br>residence <sup>1 2</sup> ..... | 229.670                 | 2.4                     | .2           | 233.011                                | -.6                     | .2           | 254.872   | 3.3                     | .3           | 281.029  | 3.3                     | .2           |
| Fuels and utilities .....  | 226.709                 | 12.1                    | -2.9         | 209.085                                | 19.4                    | -5.0         | 233.296   | 4.5                     | -3.7         | 207.972  | 15.5                    | -8.7         |
| Household energy .....   | 206.544                 | 13.3                    | -3.4         | 192.511                                | 20.5                    | -5.5         | 229.950   | 3.1                     | -5.1         | 212.958  | 16.3                    | -9.5         |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>1</sup> .....                       | 209.442                 | 11.4                    | -3.3         | 196.598                                | 20.4                    | -5.6         | 228.069   | 2.5                     | -5.1         | 204.415  | 11.6                    | -10.3        |
| Electricity <sup>1</sup> .....                                       | 197.036                 | 8.1                     | -1.1         | 148.109                                | 6.7                     | 5.2          | 241.864   | -3.2                    | .0           | 188.984  | 8.4                     | -13.6        |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>1</sup> .....                       | 248.702                 | 20.0                    | -9.0         | 256.865                                | 36.0                    | -13.6        | 227.618   | 16.6                    | -13.8        | 230.376  | 14.8                    | -2.9         |
| Household furnishings and operations ...                             | 124.500                 | 2.2                     | .4           | 103.870                                | 2.4                     | 1.1          | 128.831   | 1.4                     | 1.1          | 119.084  | -1.0                    | .7           |
| Apparel .....  | 120.990                 | 1.7                     | 4.1          | 95.251                                 | 2.9                     | 6.0          | 109.237   | 2.5                     | 3.5          | 111.559  | 3.5                     | 7.1          |
| Transportation .....   | 204.785                 | 11.1                    | -1.4         | 194.074                                | 10.7                    | -1.7         | 198.508   | 9.6                     | -3.4         | 210.802  | 10.7                    | -2.2         |
| Private transportation .....   | 201.476                 | 11.0                    | -1.4         | 191.452                                | 10.6                    | -1.4         | 193.931   | 9.6                     | -3.3         | 203.267  | 11.2                    | -2.2         |
| Motor fuel .....   | 316.717                 | 31.8                    | -2.6         | 346.024                                | 27.3                    | -1.1         | 292.496   | 30.4                    | -7.4         | 279.190  | 31.1                    | -5.6         |
| Gasoline (all types) .....   | 315.324                 | 31.8                    | -2.4         | 343.398                                | 27.4                    | -1.0         | 286.073   | 30.3                    | -7.4         | 277.811  | 31.0                    | -5.6         |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>3</sup> .....                        | 315.809                 | 31.9                    | -2.4         | 339.928                                | 27.8                    | -1.1         | 287.572   | 31.3                    | -7.5         | 281.013  | 31.8                    | -5.7         |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>3 4</sup> .....                     | 321.724                 | 31.9                    | -2.1         | 356.145                                | 26.7                    | -.8          | 269.865   | 29.3                    | -7.3         | 278.324  | 30.1                    | -5.7         |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>3</sup> .....                        | 300.321                 | 30.6                    | -2.4         | 323.057                                | 25.7                    | -.7          | 271.978   | 28.1                    | -7.1         | 274.150  | 28.5                    | -5.0         |
| Medical care .....   | 365.250                 | 3.3                     | .2           | 369.527                                | 2.2                     | .6           | 350.291   | 4.6                     | .7           | 365.561  | 1.3                     | -.4          |
| Recreation <sup>5</sup> .....  | 110.904                 | 2.2                     | .2           | 109.390                                | 1.8                     | -.1          | 111.902   | 2.4                     | .5           | 112.378  | .8                      | -.3          |
| Education and communication <sup>5</sup> .....                       | 121.439                 | 3.2                     | .5           | 133.810                                | 3.2                     | 1.0          | 125.820   | 4.0                     | .5           | 128.109  | 3.5                     | .2           |
| Other goods and services .....                                       | 361.125                 | 4.4                     | .3           | 348.887                                | 3.5                     | .4           | 330.453   | 4.0                     | .2           | 393.211  | 6.4                     | .1           |
| <b>Commodity and service group</b>                                   |                         |                         |              |  |                         |              |   |                         |              |  |                         |              |
| All items .....  | 214.935                 | 5.4                     | -.1          | 209.084                                | 4.8                     | -.2          | 220.285   | 5.0                     | -.4          | 234.703  | 5.6                     | -.3          |
| Commodities .....  | 182.647                 | 7.4                     | -.1          | 171.930                                | 6.7                     | .2           | 179.619   | 6.7                     | -1.0         | 188.293  | 7.8                     | .3           |
| Commodities less food and beverages ...                              | 162.971                 | 8.1                     | -.5          | 149.202                                | 6.9                     | .2           | 151.979   | 7.0                     | -1.8         | 161.104  | 8.3                     | -.2          |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                            | 217.828                 | 14.7                    | -.3          | 206.432                                | 11.5                    | 1.1          | 201.024   | 14.4                    | -2.8         | 200.109  | 14.1                    | .1           |
| Durables .....   | 110.451                 | -1.5                    | -.8          | 97.988                                 | -1.8                    | -1.5         | 107.046   | -2.1                    | -.4          | 106.213  | -2.8                    | -.8          |
| Services .....   | 252.861                 | 3.9                     | -.2          | 247.547                                | 3.3                     | -.4          | 262.695   | 3.7                     | .0           | 281.677  | 4.3                     | -.8          |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                                     |                         |                         |              |  |                         |              |   |                         |              |  |                         |              |
| All items less medical care .....                                    | 208.563                 | 5.5                     | -.2          | 202.106                                | 5.0                     | -.2          | 215.387   | 5.0                     | -.5          | 229.626  | 5.8                     | -.3          |
| All items less shelter .....   | 208.068                 | 6.7                     | -.2          | 199.672                                | 7.0                     | -.2          | 203.815   | 5.9                     | -.8          | 210.857  | 6.7                     | -.5          |
| Commodities less food .....  | 164.937                 | 7.9                     | -.5          | 151.806                                | 6.8                     | .1           | 156.065   | 7.0                     | -1.7         | 163.805  | 8.2                     | -.2          |
| Nondurables .....  | 218.725                 | 10.5                    | .1           | 212.441                                | 8.8                     | .6           | 217.136   | 10.2                    | -1.2         | 215.176  | 10.5                    | .6           |
| Nondurables less food .....  | 218.010                 | 14.0                    | -.3          | 207.626                                | 11.0                    | .9           | 206.656   | 14.0                    | -2.7         | 202.203  | 13.7                    | .1           |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 245.787                 | 5.5                     | -.4          | 242.096                                | 7.3                     | -.9          | 239.674   | 4.2                     | -.5          | 235.818  | 5.0                     | -1.9         |
| Services less medical care services .....                            | 242.868                 | 3.9                     | -.2          | 237.329                                | 3.3                     | -.5          | 256.099   | 3.6                     | -.1          | 274.782  | 4.5                     | -.8          |
| Energy .....   | 259.864                 | 23.8                    | -2.9         | 254.168                                | 24.3                    | -3.0         | 277.868   | 22.4                    | -6.9         | 243.275  | 23.1                    | -7.5         |
| All items less energy .....  | 210.325                 | 3.1                     | .3           | 204.669                                | 2.6                     | .3           | 216.469   | 3.3                     | .4           | 235.003  | 3.9                     | .6           |
| All items less food and energy .....                                 | 209.329                 | 2.4                     | .2           | 202.754                                | 1.6                     | .3           | 214.998   | 2.8                     | .3           | 238.398  | 3.3                     | .5           |

<sup>1</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

<sup>3</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 23. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 <sup>1</sup> |                         |              |  |                         |              |   |                         |              |
|---|--|-------------------------|--------------|--|-------------------------|--------------|---|-------------------------|--------------|
|   | U.S.<br>city<br>average                            |                         |              | Boston-<br>Brockton-<br>Nashua,<br>MA-NH-ME-CT |                         |              | Chicago-<br>Gary-<br>Kenosha,<br>IL-IN-WI |                         |              |
|   | Index  | Percent change<br>from— |              | Index  | Percent change<br>from— |              | Index                                     | Percent change<br>from— |              |
|   |  | Sep.<br>2007            | July<br>2008 |  | Sep.<br>2007            | July<br>2008 |   | Sep.<br>2007            | July<br>2008 |
| Sep.<br>2008  | Sep.<br>2007                                       | July<br>2008            | Sep.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2007                                   | July<br>2008            | Sep.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2007                              | July<br>2008            |              |
| Expenditure category  |  |                         |              |  |                         |              |   |                         |              |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 214.935  | 5.4                     | -0.6         | 238.133  | 4.7                     | -1.0         | 209.084                                   | 4.8                     | -0.9         |
| All items (1967=100) .....  | 640.226  | -                       | -            | 688.291  | -                       | -            | 614.052                                   | -                       | -            |
| Food and beverages <sup>3</sup> .....                             | 217.098  | 6.1                     | 1.1          | 225.956  | 5.9                     | 1.7          | 214.059                                   | 6.6                     | .9           |
| Food <sup>3</sup> .....   | 217.090  | 6.3                     | 1.2          | 226.653  | 6.0                     | 1.8          | 213.673                                   | 6.7                     | 1.0          |
| Food at home .....  | 217.594  | 7.5                     | 1.4          | 218.920  | 6.4                     | 2.3          | 218.778                                   | 7.1                     | .9           |
| Food away from home <sup>4</sup> .....                            | 218.147  | 4.6                     | .9           | 242.799  | 5.5                     | 1.1          | 202.041                                   | 6.2                     | 1.2          |
| Alcoholic beverages <sup>4</sup> .....                            | 215.728  | 3.6                     | .6           | 217.225  | 4.0                     | .5           | 219.374                                   | 5.6                     | -1.2         |
| Housing <sup>3</sup> .....  | 213.954  | 3.8                     | -.5          | 236.412  | 1.9                     | -2.7         | 206.500                                   | 2.9                     | -2.3         |
| Shelter .....   | 240.163  | 2.5                     | .1           | 273.177  | -.7                     | -1.0         | 238.555                                   | .1                      | -.2          |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>3 5</sup> .....                    | 243.741  | 3.6                     | .6           | 272.849  | 1.2                     | .2           | 266.148                                   | 3.2                     | .9           |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5 6</sup> ..... | 229.670  | 2.4                     | .4           | 247.310  | -2.2                    | -.3          | 233.011                                   | -.6                     | .2           |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 226.709  | 12.1                    | -4.1         | 246.985  | 17.4                    | -13.0        | 209.085                                   | 19.4                    | -13.1        |
| Household energy .....  | 206.544  | 13.3                    | -5.1         | 214.077  | 18.6                    | -13.8        | 192.511                                   | 20.5                    | -14.5        |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>5</sup> .....                    | 209.442  | 11.4                    | -4.6         | 214.433  | 11.9                    | -13.7        | 196.598                                   | 20.4                    | -14.6        |
| Electricity <sup>5</sup> .....                                    | 197.036  | 8.1                     | -.2          | 217.064  | 10.4                    | .0           | 148.109                                   | 6.7                     | 3.4          |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>5</sup> .....                    | 248.702  | 20.0                    | -15.1        | 198.751  | 13.0                    | -34.0        | 256.865                                   | 36.0                    | -26.1        |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 124.500  | 2.2                     | .6           | 125.315  | 3.2                     | -.5          | 103.870                                   | 2.4                     | .2           |
| Apparel <sup>3</sup> .....  | 120.990  | 1.7                     | 6.2          | 157.811  | -1.4                    | 24.3         | 95.251                                    | 2.9                     | 10.0         |
| Transportation <sup>3</sup> .....                                 | 204.785  | 11.1                    | -4.5         | 199.265  | 10.8                    | -5.0         | 194.074                                   | 10.7                    | -4.3         |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 201.476  | 11.0                    | -4.6         | 197.605  | 11.1                    | -5.1         | 191.452                                   | 10.6                    | -4.1         |
| Motor fuel .....  | 316.717  | 31.8                    | -9.8         | 306.846  | 33.8                    | -11.6        | 346.024                                   | 27.3                    | -6.6         |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 315.324  | 31.8                    | -9.6         | 301.795  | 33.4                    | -11.6        | 343.398                                   | 27.4                    | -6.6         |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>7</sup> .....                     | 315.809  | 31.9                    | -9.8         | 300.683  | 34.0                    | -11.8        | 339.928                                   | 27.8                    | -6.9         |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7 8</sup> .....                  | 321.724  | 31.9                    | -9.3         | 302.114  | 32.2                    | -11.0        | 356.145                                   | 26.7                    | -5.8         |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>7</sup> .....                     | 300.321  | 30.6                    | -9.3         | 293.130  | 31.1                    | -10.4        | 323.057                                   | 25.7                    | -5.9         |
| Medical care <sup>3</sup> .....                                   | 365.250  | 3.3                     | .4           | 494.497  | 3.1                     | .7           | 369.527                                   | 2.2                     | .2           |
| Recreation <sup>9</sup> .....                                     | 110.904  | 2.2                     | .6           | 124.428  | 3.4                     | .8           | 109.390                                   | 1.8                     | .0           |
| Education and communication <sup>9</sup> .....                    | 121.439  | 3.2                     | 1.3          | 128.224  | 8.5                     | 1.3          | 133.810                                   | 3.2                     | 2.5          |
| Other goods and services <sup>3</sup> .....                       | 361.125  | 4.4                     | .3           | 416.237  | 10.1                    | -.2          | 348.887                                   | 3.5                     | 1.0          |
| Commodity and service group                                       |  |                         |              |  |                         |              |   |                         |              |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 214.935  | 5.4                     | -.6          | 238.133  | 4.7                     | -1.0         | 209.084                                   | 4.8                     | -.9          |
| Commodities .....   | 182.647  | 7.4                     | -1.3         | 196.175  | 8.4                     | -.5          | 171.930                                   | 6.7                     | -.1          |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                         | 162.971  | 8.1                     | -2.6         | 178.607  | 9.7                     | -1.9         | 149.202                                   | 6.9                     | -.8          |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                         | 217.828  | 14.7                    | -3.4         | 238.500  | 15.5                    | -2.1         | 206.432                                   | 11.5                    | -.4          |
| Durables .....  | 110.451  | -1.5                    | -1.2         | 113.799  | .1                      | -1.6         | 97.988                                    | -1.8                    | -1.8         |
| Services .....  | 252.861  | 3.9                     | -.1          | 283.448  | 2.1                     | -1.4         | 247.547                                   | 3.3                     | -1.6         |
| Special aggregate indexes   |  |                         |              |  |                         |              |   |                         |              |
| All items less medical care <sup>3</sup> .....                    | 208.563  | 5.5                     | -.7          | 228.247  | 4.8                     | -1.1         | 202.106                                   | 5.0                     | -1.0         |
| All items less shelter .....                                      | 208.068  | 6.7                     | -1.0         | 228.821  | 7.7                     | -1.0         | 199.672                                   | 7.0                     | -1.2         |
| Commodities less food .....                                       | 164.937  | 7.9                     | -2.5         | 179.942  | 9.5                     | -1.8         | 151.806                                   | 6.8                     | -.9          |
| Nondurables .....   | 218.725  | 10.5                    | -1.4         | 231.698  | 10.8                    | -.2          | 212.441                                   | 8.8                     | .3           |
| Nondurables less food .....                                       | 218.010  | 14.0                    | -3.2         | 235.710  | 14.8                    | -2.0         | 207.626                                   | 11.0                    | -.4          |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....                  | 245.787  | 5.5                     | -.3          | 277.848  | 6.3                     | -1.9         | 242.096                                   | 7.3                     | -3.1         |
| Services less medical care services .....                         | 242.868  | 3.9                     | -.1          | 267.975  | 2.0                     | -1.5         | 237.329                                   | 3.3                     | -1.7         |
| Energy <sup>3</sup> .....   | 259.864  | 23.8                    | -8.0         | 253.285  | 26.9                    | -12.6        | 254.168                                   | 24.3                    | -10.1        |
| All items less energy .....                                       | 210.325  | 3.1                     | .6           | 238.901  | 2.2                     | .8           | 204.669                                   | 2.6                     | .6           |
| All items less food and energy <sup>3</sup> .....                 | 209.329  | 2.4                     | .5           | 242.479  | 1.4                     | .6           | 202.754                                   | 1.6                     | .4           |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 23. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 <sup>1</sup> |                      |           |                       |                      |           |   |                      |           |
|---|--|----------------------|-----------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------|---|----------------------|-----------|
|   | Cleveland-Akron, OH                                |                      |           | Dallas-Fort Worth, TX |                      |           | Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA |                      |           |
|   | Index  | Percent change from— |           | Index                 | Percent change from— |           | Index                                   | Percent change from— |           |
|   |  | Sep. 2007            | July 2008 |                       | Sep. 2007            | July 2008 |   | Sep. 2007            | July 2008 |
| Sep. 2008   | Sep. 2007  | July 2008            | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007             | July 2008            | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                               | July 2008            |           |
| Expenditure category  |  |                      |           |                       |                      |           |   |                      |           |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 197.260  | 5.0                  | -0.4      | 209.666               | 6.4                  | -0.6      | 220.285                                 | 5.0                  | -1.3      |
| All items (1967=100) .....  | 616.377  | -                    | -         | 646.540               | -                    | -         | 651.009                                 | -                    | -         |
| Food and beverages <sup>3</sup> .....                             | 217.965  | 6.7                  | 2.9       | 219.423               | 6.2                  | .6        | 226.555                                 | 6.3                  | 1.2       |
| Food <sup>3</sup> .....   | 221.924  | 7.2                  | 3.1       | 214.876               | 6.3                  | .5        | 224.646                                 | 6.3                  | 1.4       |
| Food at home .....  | 216.384  | 9.1                  | 4.8       | 202.729               | 7.6                  | .2        | 238.296                                 | 8.1                  | 1.9       |
| Food away from home <sup>4</sup> .....                            | 233.297  | 4.2                  | .4        | 238.095               | 4.8                  | .9        | 204.203                                 | 3.7                  | .7        |
| Alcoholic beverages <sup>4</sup> .....                            | 171.702  | .6                   | .3        | 271.956               | 4.3                  | 2.1       | 232.731                                 | 6.5                  | -.7       |
| Housing <sup>3</sup> .....  | 179.440  | 2.7                  | -1.6      | 188.639               | 5.4                  | .3        | 237.867                                 | 3.2                  | -.3       |
| Shelter .....   | 187.786  | -.4                  | -.4       | 187.645               | 3.7                  | 1.0       | 261.913                                 | 3.3                  | .5        |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>3 5</sup> .....                    | 207.565  | -.4                  | .2        | 186.322               | 5.0                  | 1.1       | 278.828                                 | 4.4                  | .7        |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5 6</sup> ..... | 194.715  | -.7                  | .1        | 181.245               | 3.4                  | .9        | 254.872                                 | 3.3                  | .5        |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 226.208  | 16.0                 | -8.1      | 258.515               | 11.4                 | -2.4      | 233.296                                 | 4.5                  | -9.6      |
| Household energy .....  | 221.065  | 17.9                 | -9.5      | 271.170               | 14.0                 | -3.1      | 229.950                                 | 3.1                  | -13.2     |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>5</sup> .....                    | 219.519  | 17.0                 | -9.6      | 267.315               | 13.5                 | -3.1      | 228.069                                 | 2.5                  | -13.3     |
| Electricity <sup>5</sup> .....                                    | 170.695  | 6.0                  | .0        | 250.048               | 13.2                 | -1.6      | 241.864                                 | -3.2                 | -.8       |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>5</sup> .....                    | 269.250  | 24.8                 | -17.4     | 321.823               | 16.0                 | -14.9     | 227.618                                 | 16.6                 | -30.7     |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 122.285  | 5.5                  | 3.3       | 127.289               | 3.3                  | 1.3       | 128.831                                 | 1.4                  | 1.7       |
| Apparel <sup>3</sup> .....  | 118.536  | 7.7                  | 11.9      | 130.077               | -3.0                 | 6.9       | 109.237                                 | 2.5                  | 5.9       |
| Transportation <sup>3</sup> .....                                 | 208.836  | 11.5                 | -3.5      | 222.147               | 13.0                 | -5.3      | 198.508                                 | 9.6                  | -7.4      |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 209.193  | 11.7                 | -3.4      | 223.654               | 13.1                 | -5.3      | 193.931                                 | 9.6                  | -7.4      |
| Motor fuel .....  | 372.408  | 30.6                 | -6.1      | 328.669               | 34.8                 | -10.0     | 292.496                                 | 30.4                 | -16.6     |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 369.471  | 30.6                 | -6.2      | 326.930               | 34.8                 | -9.9      | 286.073                                 | 30.3                 | -16.6     |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>7</sup> .....                     | 360.567  | 31.9                 | -5.8      | 324.909               | 36.0                 | -10.1     | 287.572                                 | 31.3                 | -16.8     |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7 8</sup> .....                  | 373.416  | 27.8                 | -7.1      | 326.174               | 33.5                 | -9.1      | 269.865                                 | 29.3                 | -16.4     |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>7</sup> .....                     | 351.010  | 27.4                 | -6.9      | 314.544               | 31.4                 | -10.2     | 271.978                                 | 28.1                 | -16.1     |
| Medical care <sup>3</sup> .....                                   | 338.930  | 2.6                  | .0        | 338.076               | 4.6                  | 1.7       | 350.291                                 | 4.6                  | .9        |
| Recreation <sup>9</sup> .....                                     | 111.150  | 3.6                  | .7        | 112.753               | 1.3                  | 1.3       | 111.902                                 | 2.4                  | .4        |
| Education and communication <sup>9</sup> .....                    | 105.862  | 1.2                  | .1        | 124.882               | 3.2                  | 1.7       | 125.820                                 | 4.0                  | 1.2       |
| Other goods and services <sup>3</sup> .....                       | 372.646  | 2.4                  | .3        | 336.366               | 2.7                  | -.1       | 330.453                                 | 4.0                  | -.1       |
| Commodity and service group                                       |  |                      |           |                       |                      |           |   |                      |           |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 197.260  | 5.0                  | -.4       | 209.666               | 6.4                  | -.6       | 220.285                                 | 5.0                  | -1.3      |
| Commodities .....   | 183.809  | 8.5                  | .9        | 190.697               | 7.3                  | -2.1      | 179.619                                 | 6.7                  | -2.7      |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                         | 165.725  | 9.5                  | -.2       | 172.959               | 7.9                  | -3.5      | 151.979                                 | 7.0                  | -4.6      |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                         | 226.515  | 14.7                 | .2        | 224.788               | 14.8                 | -4.3      | 201.024                                 | 14.4                 | -7.2      |
| Durables .....  | 109.494  | .6                   | -1.1      | 124.141               | -2.5                 | -2.0      | 107.046                                 | -2.1                 | -.9       |
| Services .....  | 216.203  | 2.6                  | -1.3      | 232.405               | 5.6                  | .6        | 262.695                                 | 3.7                  | -.2       |
| Special aggregate indexes   |  |                      |           |                       |                      |           |   |                      |           |
| All items less medical care <sup>3</sup> .....                    | 192.000  | 5.2                  | -.4       | 203.504               | 6.5                  | -.7       | 215.387                                 | 5.0                  | -1.4      |
| All items less shelter .....                                      | 205.132  | 7.6                  | -.4       | 220.016               | 7.5                  | -1.2      | 203.815                                 | 5.9                  | -2.2      |
| Commodities less food .....                                       | 165.823  | 9.1                  | -.2       | 176.931               | 7.8                  | -3.3      | 156.065                                 | 7.0                  | -4.5      |
| Nondurables .....   | 223.136  | 10.9                 | 1.4       | 223.014               | 10.6                 | -2.1      | 217.136                                 | 10.2                 | -3.3      |
| Nondurables less food .....                                       | 221.916  | 13.8                 | .2        | 229.824               | 14.2                 | -4.0      | 206.656                                 | 14.0                 | -6.9      |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....                  | 233.255  | 6.1                  | -2.3      | 266.764               | 7.3                  | .1        | 239.674                                 | 4.2                  | -1.4      |
| Services less medical care services .....                         | 208.112  | 2.6                  | -1.4      | 221.125               | 5.5                  | .4        | 256.099                                 | 3.6                  | -.3       |
| Energy <sup>3</sup> .....   | 279.283  | 24.2                 | -7.7      | 303.606               | 25.1                 | -7.0      | 277.868                                 | 22.4                 | -15.8     |
| All items less energy .....                                       | 189.574  | 2.5                  | .9        | 200.262               | 3.4                  | .8        | 216.469                                 | 3.3                  | .6        |
| All items less food and energy <sup>3</sup> .....                 | 183.362  | 1.6                  | .5        | 196.901               | 2.8                  | .9        | 214.998                                 | 2.8                  | .5        |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 23. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Monthly cities and pricing schedule 1 <sup>1</sup>         |                      |              |   |                      |              |
|---|--|----------------------|--------------|---|----------------------|--------------|
|   | New York-<br>Northern N.J.-<br>Long Island,<br>NY-NJ-CT-PA |                      |              | Washington-<br>Baltimore,<br>DC-MD-VA-WV<br>2 |                      |              |
|   | Index  | Percent change from— |              | Index   | Percent change from— |              |
|   |  | Sep.<br>2008         | Sep.<br>2007 |   | July<br>2008         | Sep.<br>2008 |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>                                       |  |                      |              |   |                      |              |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 234.703  | 5.6                  | -0.3         | 141.679                                       | 5.5                  | 0.0          |
| All items (1967=100) .....  | 668.259  | -                    | -            | -   | -                    | -            |
| Food and beverages <sup>3</sup> .....                             | 225.064  | 7.0                  | 1.6          | 137.839                                       | 4.9                  | 1.5          |
| Food <sup>3</sup> .....   | 224.867  | 7.1                  | 1.7          | 139.113                                       | 5.1                  | 1.5          |
| Food at home .....  | 225.204  | 8.5                  | 1.9          | 137.027                                       | 6.1                  | 1.7          |
| Food away from home <sup>4</sup> .....                            | 229.186  | 5.3                  | 1.3          | 140.155                                       | 4.1                  | 1.4          |
| Alcoholic beverages <sup>4</sup> .....                            | 225.007  | 5.0                  | 1.1          | 120.269                                       | 2.3                  | .9           |
| Housing <sup>3</sup> .....  | 251.763  | 4.8                  | -.8          | 153.847                                       | 5.4                  | .2           |
| Shelter .....   | 300.122  | 3.8                  | .4           | 155.390                                       | 4.6                  | .8           |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>3 5</sup> .....                    | 297.295  | 5.1                  | .7           | 164.589                                       | 5.6                  | 1.9          |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5 6</sup> ..... | 281.029  | 3.3                  | .5           | 152.692                                       | 4.3                  | 1.1          |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 207.972  | 15.5                 | -8.6         | 194.026                                       | 11.1                 | -4.1         |
| Household energy .....  | 212.958  | 16.3                 | -9.3         | 199.654                                       | 11.7                 | -4.5         |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>5</sup> .....                    | 204.415  | 11.6                 | -8.5         | 195.465                                       | 10.8                 | -4.4         |
| Electricity <sup>5</sup> .....                                    | 188.984  | 8.4                  | -7.4         | 193.147                                       | 10.9                 | 1.4          |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>5</sup> .....                    | 230.376  | 14.8                 | -10.8        | 180.261                                       | 16.2                 | -23.9        |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 119.084  | -1.0                 | .4           | 98.451  | 3.0                  | 2.7          |
| Apparel <sup>3</sup> .....  | 111.559  | 3.5                  | 11.9         | 94.715  | -1.4                 | 8.8          |
| Transportation <sup>3</sup> .....                                 | 210.802  | 10.7                 | -5.1         | 140.217                                       | 11.0                 | -4.2         |
| Private transportation .....                                      | 203.267  | 11.2                 | -5.4         | 140.309                                       | 10.9                 | -4.2         |
| Motor fuel .....  | 279.190  | 31.1                 | -12.5        | 299.716                                       | 34.0                 | -10.2        |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 277.811  | 31.0                 | -12.5        | 299.648                                       | 33.9                 | -10.2        |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>7</sup> .....                     | 281.013  | 31.8                 | -13.0        | 305.000                                       | 34.1                 | -10.5        |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>7 8</sup> .....                  | 278.324  | 30.1                 | -11.6        | 296.630                                       | 34.2                 | -9.7         |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>7</sup> .....                     | 274.150  | 28.5                 | -11.3        | 293.122                                       | 33.3                 | -9.6         |
| Medical care <sup>3</sup> .....                                   | 365.561  | 1.3                  | -.3          | 140.373                                       | 3.6                  | .1           |
| Recreation <sup>9</sup> .....                                     | 112.378  | .8                   | -.4          | 114.407                                       | 1.5                  | -.3          |
| Education and communication <sup>9</sup> .....                    | 128.109  | 3.5                  | 1.5          | 122.383                                       | 1.5                  | 1.5          |
| Other goods and services <sup>3</sup> .....                       | 393.211  | 6.4                  | .3           | 175.923                                       | 7.3                  | 6.8          |
| <b>Commodity and service group</b>                                |  |                      |              |   |                      |              |
| All items <sup>3</sup> .....                                      | 234.703  | 5.6                  | -.3          | 141.679                                       | 5.5                  | .0           |
| Commodities .....   | 188.293  | 7.8                  | -.4          | 128.471                                       | 6.5                  | -.6          |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                         | 161.104  | 8.3                  | -1.7         | 122.938                                       | 7.5                  | -1.6         |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                         | 200.109  | 14.1                 | -1.8         | 161.792                                       | 14.1                 | -2.1         |
| Durables .....  | 106.213  | -2.8                 | -1.5         | 85.048  | -2.0                 | -.8          |
| Services .....  | 281.677  | 4.3                  | -.3          | 152.737                                       | 4.9                  | .4           |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                                  |  |                      |              |   |                      |              |
| All items less medical care <sup>3</sup> .....                    | 229.626  | 5.8                  | -.3          | 141.656                                       | 5.6                  | .0           |
| All items less shelter .....                                      | 210.857  | 6.7                  | -.7          | 135.904                                       | 6.1                  | -.5          |
| Commodities less food .....                                       | 163.805  | 8.2                  | -1.6         | 122.981                                       | 7.3                  | -1.5         |
| Nondurables .....   | 215.176  | 10.5                 | -.1          | 148.469                                       | 9.7                  | -.6          |
| Nondurables less food .....                                       | 202.203  | 13.7                 | -1.7         | 158.550                                       | 13.4                 | -1.9         |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....                  | 235.818  | 5.0                  | -1.2         | 150.837                                       | 5.5                  | -.2          |
| Services less medical care services .....                         | 274.782  | 4.5                  | -.3          | 153.498                                       | 5.0                  | .4           |
| Energy <sup>3</sup> .....   | 243.275  | 23.1                 | -11.0        | 240.432                                       | 21.7                 | -7.5         |
| All items less energy .....                                       | 235.003  | 3.9                  | 1.1          | 133.121                                       | 3.5                  | 1.3          |
| All items less food and energy <sup>3</sup> .....                 | 238.398  | 3.3                  | 1.0          | 132.886                                       | 3.3                  | 1.2          |

<sup>1</sup> Areas on pricing schedule 2 (see Table 10) will appear next month.

<sup>2</sup> For Washington-Baltimore, indexes are on a December 1997=100 base unless otherwise noted.

<sup>3</sup> For Washington-Baltimore, index is on a November 1996=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> For Washington-Baltimore, index is on a November 1997=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base

<sup>7</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 24. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U. S. city average, all items**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Year | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May  | June | July | Aug. | Sep. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1913 | 9.8  | 9.8  | 9.8  | 9.8  | 9.7  | 9.8  | 9.9  | 9.9  | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.1 | 10.0 |
| 1914 | 10.0 | 9.9  | 9.9  | 9.8  | 9.9  | 9.9  | 10.0 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 10.1 | 10.2 | 10.1 |
| 1915 | 10.1 | 10.0 | 9.9  | 10.0 | 10.1 | 10.1 | 10.1 | 10.1 | 10.1 | 10.2 | 10.3 | 10.3 |
| 1916 | 10.4 | 10.4 | 10.5 | 10.6 | 10.7 | 10.8 | 10.8 | 10.9 | 11.1 | 11.3 | 11.5 | 11.6 |
| 1917 | 11.7 | 12.0 | 12.0 | 12.6 | 12.8 | 13.0 | 12.8 | 13.0 | 13.3 | 13.5 | 13.5 | 13.7 |
| 1918 | 14.0 | 14.1 | 14.0 | 14.2 | 14.5 | 14.7 | 15.1 | 15.4 | 15.7 | 16.0 | 16.3 | 16.5 |
| 1919 | 16.5 | 16.2 | 16.4 | 16.7 | 16.9 | 16.9 | 17.4 | 17.7 | 17.8 | 18.1 | 18.5 | 18.9 |
| 1920 | 19.3 | 19.5 | 19.7 | 20.3 | 20.6 | 20.9 | 20.8 | 20.3 | 20.0 | 19.9 | 19.8 | 19.4 |
| 1921 | 19.0 | 18.4 | 18.3 | 18.1 | 17.7 | 17.6 | 17.7 | 17.7 | 17.5 | 17.5 | 17.4 | 17.3 |
| 1922 | 16.9 | 16.9 | 16.7 | 16.7 | 16.7 | 16.7 | 16.8 | 16.6 | 16.6 | 16.7 | 16.8 | 16.9 |
| 1923 | 16.8 | 16.8 | 16.8 | 16.9 | 16.9 | 17.0 | 17.2 | 17.1 | 17.2 | 17.3 | 17.3 | 17.3 |
| 1924 | 17.3 | 17.2 | 17.1 | 17.0 | 17.0 | 17.0 | 17.1 | 17.0 | 17.1 | 17.2 | 17.2 | 17.3 |
| 1925 | 17.3 | 17.2 | 17.3 | 17.2 | 17.3 | 17.5 | 17.7 | 17.7 | 17.7 | 17.7 | 18.0 | 17.9 |
| 1926 | 17.9 | 17.9 | 17.8 | 17.9 | 17.8 | 17.7 | 17.5 | 17.4 | 17.5 | 17.6 | 17.7 | 17.7 |
| 1927 | 17.5 | 17.4 | 17.3 | 17.3 | 17.4 | 17.6 | 17.3 | 17.2 | 17.3 | 17.4 | 17.3 | 17.3 |
| 1928 | 17.3 | 17.1 | 17.1 | 17.1 | 17.2 | 17.1 | 17.1 | 17.1 | 17.3 | 17.2 | 17.2 | 17.1 |
| 1929 | 17.1 | 17.1 | 17.0 | 16.9 | 17.0 | 17.1 | 17.3 | 17.3 | 17.3 | 17.3 | 17.3 | 17.2 |
| 1930 | 17.1 | 17.0 | 16.9 | 17.0 | 16.9 | 16.8 | 16.6 | 16.5 | 16.6 | 16.5 | 16.4 | 16.1 |
| 1931 | 15.9 | 15.7 | 15.6 | 15.5 | 15.3 | 15.1 | 15.1 | 15.1 | 15.0 | 14.9 | 14.7 | 14.6 |
| 1932 | 14.3 | 14.1 | 14.0 | 13.9 | 13.7 | 13.6 | 13.6 | 13.5 | 13.4 | 13.3 | 13.2 | 13.1 |
| 1933 | 12.9 | 12.7 | 12.6 | 12.6 | 12.6 | 12.7 | 13.1 | 13.2 | 13.2 | 13.2 | 13.2 | 13.2 |
| 1934 | 13.2 | 13.3 | 13.3 | 13.3 | 13.3 | 13.4 | 13.4 | 13.4 | 13.6 | 13.5 | 13.5 | 13.4 |
| 1935 | 13.6 | 13.7 | 13.7 | 13.8 | 13.8 | 13.7 | 13.7 | 13.7 | 13.7 | 13.7 | 13.8 | 13.8 |
| 1936 | 13.8 | 13.8 | 13.7 | 13.7 | 13.7 | 13.8 | 13.9 | 14.0 | 14.0 | 14.0 | 14.0 | 14.0 |
| 1937 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.2 | 14.3 | 14.4 | 14.4 | 14.5 | 14.5 | 14.6 | 14.6 | 14.5 | 14.4 |
| 1938 | 14.2 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.2 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.0 | 14.0 | 14.0 |
| 1939 | 14.0 | 13.9 | 13.9 | 13.8 | 13.8 | 13.8 | 13.8 | 13.8 | 14.1 | 14.0 | 14.0 | 14.0 |
| 1940 | 13.9 | 14.0 | 14.0 | 14.0 | 14.0 | 14.1 | 14.0 | 14.0 | 14.0 | 14.0 | 14.0 | 14.1 |
| 1941 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.2 | 14.3 | 14.4 | 14.7 | 14.7 | 14.9 | 15.1 | 15.3 | 15.4 | 15.5 |
| 1942 | 15.7 | 15.8 | 16.0 | 16.1 | 16.3 | 16.3 | 16.4 | 16.5 | 16.5 | 16.7 | 16.8 | 16.9 |
| 1943 | 16.9 | 16.9 | 17.2 | 17.4 | 17.5 | 17.5 | 17.4 | 17.3 | 17.4 | 17.4 | 17.4 | 17.4 |
| 1944 | 17.4 | 17.4 | 17.4 | 17.5 | 17.5 | 17.6 | 17.7 | 17.7 | 17.7 | 17.7 | 17.7 | 17.8 |
| 1945 | 17.8 | 17.8 | 17.8 | 17.8 | 17.9 | 18.1 | 18.1 | 18.1 | 18.1 | 18.1 | 18.1 | 18.2 |
| 1946 | 18.2 | 18.1 | 18.3 | 18.4 | 18.5 | 18.7 | 19.8 | 20.2 | 20.4 | 20.8 | 21.3 | 21.5 |
| 1947 | 21.5 | 21.5 | 21.9 | 21.9 | 21.9 | 22.0 | 22.2 | 22.5 | 23.0 | 23.0 | 23.1 | 23.4 |
| 1948 | 23.7 | 23.5 | 23.4 | 23.8 | 23.9 | 24.1 | 24.4 | 24.5 | 24.5 | 24.4 | 24.2 | 24.1 |
| 1949 | 24.0 | 23.8 | 23.8 | 23.9 | 23.8 | 23.9 | 23.7 | 23.8 | 23.9 | 23.7 | 23.8 | 23.6 |
| 1950 | 23.5 | 23.5 | 23.6 | 23.6 | 23.7 | 23.8 | 24.1 | 24.3 | 24.4 | 24.6 | 24.7 | 25.0 |
| 1951 | 25.4 | 25.7 | 25.8 | 25.8 | 25.9 | 25.9 | 25.9 | 25.9 | 26.1 | 26.2 | 26.4 | 26.5 |
| 1952 | 26.5 | 26.3 | 26.3 | 26.4 | 26.4 | 26.5 | 26.7 | 26.7 | 26.7 | 26.7 | 26.7 | 26.7 |
| 1953 | 26.6 | 26.5 | 26.6 | 26.6 | 26.7 | 26.8 | 26.8 | 26.9 | 26.9 | 27.0 | 26.9 | 26.9 |
| 1954 | 26.9 | 26.9 | 26.9 | 26.8 | 26.9 | 26.9 | 26.9 | 26.9 | 26.8 | 26.8 | 26.8 | 26.7 |
| 1955 | 26.7 | 26.7 | 26.7 | 26.7 | 26.7 | 26.7 | 26.8 | 26.8 | 26.9 | 26.9 | 26.9 | 26.8 |
| 1956 | 26.8 | 26.8 | 26.8 | 26.9 | 27.0 | 27.2 | 27.4 | 27.3 | 27.4 | 27.5 | 27.5 | 27.6 |
| 1957 | 27.6 | 27.7 | 27.8 | 27.9 | 28.0 | 28.1 | 28.3 | 28.3 | 28.3 | 28.3 | 28.4 | 28.4 |
| 1958 | 28.6 | 28.6 | 28.8 | 28.9 | 28.9 | 28.9 | 29.0 | 28.9 | 28.9 | 28.9 | 29.0 | 28.9 |
| 1959 | 29.0 | 28.9 | 28.9 | 29.0 | 29.0 | 29.1 | 29.2 | 29.2 | 29.3 | 29.4 | 29.4 | 29.4 |
| 1960 | 29.3 | 29.4 | 29.4 | 29.5 | 29.5 | 29.6 | 29.6 | 29.6 | 29.6 | 29.8 | 29.8 | 29.8 |
| 1961 | 29.8 | 29.8 | 29.8 | 29.8 | 29.8 | 29.8 | 30.0 | 29.9 | 30.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 |
| 1962 | 30.0 | 30.1 | 30.1 | 30.2 | 30.2 | 30.2 | 30.3 | 30.3 | 30.4 | 30.4 | 30.4 | 30.4 |
| 1963 | 30.4 | 30.4 | 30.5 | 30.5 | 30.5 | 30.6 | 30.7 | 30.7 | 30.7 | 30.8 | 30.8 | 30.9 |
| 1964 | 30.9 | 30.9 | 30.9 | 30.9 | 30.9 | 31.0 | 31.1 | 31.0 | 31.1 | 31.1 | 31.2 | 31.2 |
| 1965 | 31.2 | 31.2 | 31.3 | 31.4 | 31.4 | 31.6 | 31.6 | 31.6 | 31.6 | 31.7 | 31.7 | 31.8 |
| 1966 | 31.8 | 32.0 | 32.1 | 32.3 | 32.3 | 32.4 | 32.5 | 32.7 | 32.7 | 32.9 | 32.9 | 32.9 |
| 1967 | 32.9 | 32.9 | 33.0 | 33.1 | 33.2 | 33.3 | 33.4 | 33.5 | 33.6 | 33.7 | 33.8 | 33.9 |
| 1968 | 34.1 | 34.2 | 34.3 | 34.4 | 34.5 | 34.7 | 34.9 | 35.0 | 35.1 | 35.3 | 35.4 | 35.5 |
| 1969 | 35.6 | 35.8 | 36.1 | 36.3 | 36.4 | 36.6 | 36.8 | 37.0 | 37.1 | 37.3 | 37.5 | 37.7 |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 24. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U. S. city average, all items-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Year | Semiannual averages |          | Annual avg. | Percent change from previous |             |
|------|---------------------|----------|-------------|------------------------------|-------------|
|      | 1st half            | 2nd half |             | Dec.                         | Annual avg. |
| 1913 | -                   | -        | 9.9         | -                            | -           |
| 1914 | -                   | -        | 10.0        | 1.0                          | 1.0         |
| 1915 | -                   | -        | 10.1        | 2.0                          | 1.0         |
| 1916 | -                   | -        | 10.9        | 12.6                         | 7.9         |
| 1917 | -                   | -        | 12.8        | 18.1                         | 17.4        |
| 1918 | -                   | -        | 15.1        | 20.4                         | 18.0        |
| 1919 | -                   | -        | 17.3        | 14.5                         | 14.6        |
| 1920 | -                   | -        | 20.0        | 2.6                          | 15.6        |
| 1921 | -                   | -        | 17.9        | -10.8                        | -10.5       |
| 1922 | -                   | -        | 16.8        | -2.3                         | -6.1        |
| 1923 | -                   | -        | 17.1        | 2.4                          | 1.8         |
| 1924 | -                   | -        | 17.1        | .0                           | .0          |
| 1925 | -                   | -        | 17.5        | 3.5                          | 2.3         |
| 1926 | -                   | -        | 17.7        | -1.1                         | 1.1         |
| 1927 | -                   | -        | 17.4        | -2.3                         | -1.7        |
| 1928 | -                   | -        | 17.1        | -1.2                         | -1.7        |
| 1929 | -                   | -        | 17.1        | .6                           | .0          |
| 1930 | -                   | -        | 16.7        | -6.4                         | -2.3        |
| 1931 | -                   | -        | 15.2        | -9.3                         | -9.0        |
| 1932 | -                   | -        | 13.7        | -10.3                        | -9.9        |
| 1933 | -                   | -        | 13.0        | .8                           | -5.1        |
| 1934 | -                   | -        | 13.4        | 1.5                          | 3.1         |
| 1935 | -                   | -        | 13.7        | 3.0                          | 2.2         |
| 1936 | -                   | -        | 13.9        | 1.4                          | 1.5         |
| 1937 | -                   | -        | 14.4        | 2.9                          | 3.6         |
| 1938 | -                   | -        | 14.1        | -2.8                         | -2.1        |
| 1939 | -                   | -        | 13.9        | .0                           | -1.4        |
| 1940 | -                   | -        | 14.0        | .7                           | .7          |
| 1941 | -                   | -        | 14.7        | 9.9                          | 5.0         |
| 1942 | -                   | -        | 16.3        | 9.0                          | 10.9        |
| 1943 | -                   | -        | 17.3        | 3.0                          | 6.1         |
| 1944 | -                   | -        | 17.6        | 2.3                          | 1.7         |
| 1945 | -                   | -        | 18.0        | 2.2                          | 2.3         |
| 1946 | -                   | -        | 19.5        | 18.1                         | 8.3         |
| 1947 | -                   | -        | 22.3        | 8.8                          | 14.4        |
| 1948 | -                   | -        | 24.1        | 3.0                          | 8.1         |
| 1949 | -                   | -        | 23.8        | -2.1                         | -1.2        |
| 1950 | -                   | -        | 24.1        | 5.9                          | 1.3         |
| 1951 | -                   | -        | 26.0        | 6.0                          | 7.9         |
| 1952 | -                   | -        | 26.5        | .8                           | 1.9         |
| 1953 | -                   | -        | 26.7        | .7                           | .8          |
| 1954 | -                   | -        | 26.9        | -.7                          | .7          |
| 1955 | -                   | -        | 26.8        | .4                           | -.4         |
| 1956 | -                   | -        | 27.2        | 3.0                          | 1.5         |
| 1957 | -                   | -        | 28.1        | 2.9                          | 3.3         |
| 1958 | -                   | -        | 28.9        | 1.8                          | 2.8         |
| 1959 | -                   | -        | 29.1        | 1.7                          | .7          |
| 1960 | -                   | -        | 29.6        | 1.4                          | 1.7         |
| 1961 | -                   | -        | 29.9        | .7                           | 1.0         |
| 1962 | -                   | -        | 30.2        | 1.3                          | 1.0         |
| 1963 | -                   | -        | 30.6        | 1.6                          | 1.3         |
| 1964 | -                   | -        | 31.0        | 1.0                          | 1.3         |
| 1965 | -                   | -        | 31.5        | 1.9                          | 1.6         |
| 1966 | -                   | -        | 32.4        | 3.5                          | 2.9         |
| 1967 | -                   | -        | 33.4        | 3.0                          | 3.1         |
| 1968 | -                   | -        | 34.8        | 4.7                          | 4.2         |
| 1969 | -                   | -        | 36.7        | 6.2                          | 5.5         |

See footnotes at end of table.



**Table 24. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U. S. city average, all items-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Year | Jan.    | Feb.    | Mar.    | Apr.    | May     | June    | July    | Aug.    | Sep.    | Oct.    | Nov.    | Dec.    |
|------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 1970 | 37.8    | 38.0    | 38.2    | 38.5    | 38.6    | 38.8    | 39.0    | 39.0    | 39.2    | 39.4    | 39.6    | 39.8    |
| 1971 | 39.8    | 39.9    | 40.0    | 40.1    | 40.3    | 40.6    | 40.7    | 40.8    | 40.8    | 40.9    | 40.9    | 41.1    |
| 1972 | 41.1    | 41.3    | 41.4    | 41.5    | 41.6    | 41.7    | 41.9    | 42.0    | 42.1    | 42.3    | 42.4    | 42.5    |
| 1973 | 42.6    | 42.9    | 43.3    | 43.6    | 43.9    | 44.2    | 44.3    | 45.1    | 45.2    | 45.6    | 45.9    | 46.2    |
| 1974 | 46.6    | 47.2    | 47.8    | 48.0    | 48.6    | 49.0    | 49.4    | 50.0    | 50.6    | 51.1    | 51.5    | 51.9    |
| 1975 | 52.1    | 52.5    | 52.7    | 52.9    | 53.2    | 53.6    | 54.2    | 54.3    | 54.6    | 54.9    | 55.3    | 55.5    |
| 1976 | 55.6    | 55.8    | 55.9    | 56.1    | 56.5    | 56.8    | 57.1    | 57.4    | 57.6    | 57.9    | 58.0    | 58.2    |
| 1977 | 58.5    | 59.1    | 59.5    | 60.0    | 60.3    | 60.7    | 61.0    | 61.2    | 61.4    | 61.6    | 61.9    | 62.1    |
| 1978 | 62.5    | 62.9    | 63.4    | 63.9    | 64.5    | 65.2    | 65.7    | 66.0    | 66.5    | 67.1    | 67.4    | 67.7    |
| 1979 | 68.3    | 69.1    | 69.8    | 70.6    | 71.5    | 72.3    | 73.1    | 73.8    | 74.6    | 75.2    | 75.9    | 76.7    |
| 1980 | 77.8    | 78.9    | 80.1    | 81.0    | 81.8    | 82.7    | 82.7    | 83.3    | 84.0    | 84.8    | 85.5    | 86.3    |
| 1981 | 87.0    | 87.9    | 88.5    | 89.1    | 89.8    | 90.6    | 91.6    | 92.3    | 93.2    | 93.4    | 93.7    | 94.0    |
| 1982 | 94.3    | 94.6    | 94.5    | 94.9    | 95.8    | 97.0    | 97.5    | 97.7    | 97.9    | 98.2    | 98.0    | 97.6    |
| 1983 | 97.8    | 97.9    | 97.9    | 98.6    | 99.2    | 99.5    | 99.9    | 100.2   | 100.7   | 101.0   | 101.2   | 101.3   |
| 1984 | 101.9   | 102.4   | 102.6   | 103.1   | 103.4   | 103.7   | 104.1   | 104.5   | 105.0   | 105.3   | 105.3   | 105.3   |
| 1985 | 105.5   | 106.0   | 106.4   | 106.9   | 107.3   | 107.6   | 107.8   | 108.0   | 108.3   | 108.7   | 109.0   | 109.3   |
| 1986 | 109.6   | 109.3   | 108.8   | 108.6   | 108.9   | 109.5   | 109.5   | 109.7   | 110.2   | 110.3   | 110.4   | 110.5   |
| 1987 | 111.2   | 111.6   | 112.1   | 112.7   | 113.1   | 113.5   | 113.8   | 114.4   | 115.0   | 115.3   | 115.4   | 115.4   |
| 1988 | 115.7   | 116.0   | 116.5   | 117.1   | 117.5   | 118.0   | 118.5   | 119.0   | 119.8   | 120.2   | 120.3   | 120.5   |
| 1989 | 121.1   | 121.6   | 122.3   | 123.1   | 123.8   | 124.1   | 124.4   | 124.6   | 125.0   | 125.6   | 125.9   | 126.1   |
| 1990 | 127.4   | 128.0   | 128.7   | 128.9   | 129.2   | 129.9   | 130.4   | 131.6   | 132.7   | 133.5   | 133.8   | 133.8   |
| 1991 | 134.6   | 134.8   | 135.0   | 135.2   | 135.6   | 136.0   | 136.2   | 136.6   | 137.2   | 137.4   | 137.8   | 137.9   |
| 1992 | 138.1   | 138.6   | 139.3   | 139.5   | 139.7   | 140.2   | 140.5   | 140.9   | 141.3   | 141.8   | 142.0   | 141.9   |
| 1993 | 142.6   | 143.1   | 143.6   | 144.0   | 144.2   | 144.4   | 144.4   | 144.8   | 145.1   | 145.7   | 145.8   | 145.8   |
| 1994 | 146.2   | 146.7   | 147.2   | 147.4   | 147.5   | 148.0   | 148.4   | 149.0   | 149.4   | 149.5   | 149.7   | 149.7   |
| 1995 | 150.3   | 150.9   | 151.4   | 151.9   | 152.2   | 152.5   | 152.5   | 152.9   | 153.2   | 153.7   | 153.6   | 153.5   |
| 1996 | 154.4   | 154.9   | 155.7   | 156.3   | 156.6   | 156.7   | 157.0   | 157.3   | 157.8   | 158.3   | 158.6   | 158.6   |
| 1997 | 159.1   | 159.6   | 160.0   | 160.2   | 160.1   | 160.3   | 160.5   | 160.8   | 161.2   | 161.6   | 161.5   | 161.3   |
| 1998 | 161.6   | 161.9   | 162.2   | 162.5   | 162.8   | 163.0   | 163.2   | 163.4   | 163.6   | 164.0   | 164.0   | 163.9   |
| 1999 | 164.3   | 164.5   | 165.0   | 166.2   | 166.2   | 166.2   | 166.7   | 167.1   | 167.9   | 168.2   | 168.3   | 168.3   |
| 2000 | 168.8   | 169.8   | 171.2   | 171.3   | 171.5   | 172.4   | 172.8   | 172.8   | 173.7   | 174.0   | 174.1   | 174.0   |
| 2001 | 175.1   | 175.8   | 176.2   | 176.9   | 177.7   | 178.0   | 177.5   | 177.5   | 178.3   | 177.7   | 177.4   | 176.7   |
| 2002 | 177.1   | 177.8   | 178.8   | 179.8   | 179.8   | 179.9   | 180.1   | 180.7   | 181.0   | 181.3   | 181.3   | 180.9   |
| 2003 | 181.7   | 183.1   | 184.2   | 183.8   | 183.5   | 183.7   | 183.9   | 184.6   | 185.2   | 185.0   | 184.5   | 184.3   |
| 2004 | 185.2   | 186.2   | 187.4   | 188.0   | 189.1   | 189.7   | 189.4   | 189.5   | 189.9   | 190.9   | 191.0   | 190.3   |
| 2005 | 190.7   | 191.8   | 193.3   | 194.6   | 194.4   | 194.5   | 195.4   | 196.4   | 198.8   | 199.2   | 197.6   | 196.8   |
| 2006 | 198.3   | 198.7   | 199.8   | 201.5   | 202.5   | 202.9   | 203.5   | 203.9   | 202.9   | 201.8   | 201.5   | 201.8   |
| 2007 | 202.416 | 203.499 | 205.352 | 206.686 | 207.949 | 208.352 | 208.299 | 207.917 | 208.490 | 208.936 | 210.177 | 210.036 |
| 2008 | 211.080 | 211.693 | 213.528 | 214.823 | 216.632 | 218.815 | 219.964 | 219.086 | 218.783 | -       | -       | -       |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 24. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U. S. city average, all items-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Year | Semiannual averages |          | Annual avg. | Percent change from previous |             |
|------|---------------------|----------|-------------|------------------------------|-------------|
|      | 1st half            | 2nd half |             | Dec.                         | Annual avg. |
| 1970 | -                   | -        | 38.8        | 5.6                          | 5.7         |
| 1971 | -                   | -        | 40.5        | 3.3                          | 4.4         |
| 1972 | -                   | -        | 41.8        | 3.4                          | 3.2         |
| 1973 | -                   | -        | 44.4        | 8.7                          | 6.2         |
| 1974 | -                   | -        | 49.3        | 12.3                         | 11.0        |
| 1975 | -                   | -        | 53.8        | 6.9                          | 9.1         |
| 1976 | -                   | -        | 56.9        | 4.9                          | 5.8         |
| 1977 | -                   | -        | 60.6        | 6.7                          | 6.5         |
| 1978 | -                   | -        | 65.2        | 9.0                          | 7.6         |
| 1979 | -                   | -        | 72.6        | 13.3                         | 11.3        |
| 1980 | -                   | -        | 82.4        | 12.5                         | 13.5        |
| 1981 | -                   | -        | 90.9        | 8.9                          | 10.3        |
| 1982 | -                   | -        | 96.5        | 3.8                          | 6.2         |
| 1983 | -                   | -        | 99.6        | 3.8                          | 3.2         |
| 1984 | 102.9               | 104.9    | 103.9       | 3.9                          | 4.3         |
| 1985 | 106.6               | 108.5    | 107.6       | 3.8                          | 3.6         |
| 1986 | 109.1               | 110.1    | 109.6       | 1.1                          | 1.9         |
| 1987 | 112.4               | 114.9    | 113.6       | 4.4                          | 3.6         |
| 1988 | 116.8               | 119.7    | 118.3       | 4.4                          | 4.1         |
| 1989 | 122.7               | 125.3    | 124.0       | 4.6                          | 4.8         |
| 1990 | 128.7               | 132.6    | 130.7       | 6.1                          | 5.4         |
| 1991 | 135.2               | 137.2    | 136.2       | 3.1                          | 4.2         |
| 1992 | 139.2               | 141.4    | 140.3       | 2.9                          | 3.0         |
| 1993 | 143.7               | 145.3    | 144.5       | 2.7                          | 3.0         |
| 1994 | 147.2               | 149.3    | 148.2       | 2.7                          | 2.6         |
| 1995 | 151.5               | 153.2    | 152.4       | 2.5                          | 2.8         |
| 1996 | 155.8               | 157.9    | 156.9       | 3.3                          | 3.0         |
| 1997 | 159.9               | 161.2    | 160.5       | 1.7                          | 2.3         |
| 1998 | 162.3               | 163.7    | 163.0       | 1.6                          | 1.6         |
| 1999 | 165.4               | 167.8    | 166.6       | 2.7                          | 2.2         |
| 2000 | 170.8               | 173.6    | 172.2       | 3.4                          | 3.4         |
| 2001 | 176.6               | 177.5    | 177.1       | 1.6                          | 2.8         |
| 2002 | 178.9               | 180.9    | 179.9       | 2.4                          | 1.6         |
| 2003 | 183.3               | 184.6    | 184.0       | 1.9                          | 2.3         |
| 2004 | 187.6               | 190.2    | 188.9       | 3.3                          | 2.7         |
| 2005 | 193.2               | 197.4    | 195.3       | 3.4                          | 3.4         |
| 2006 | 200.6               | 202.6    | 201.6       | 2.5                          | 3.2         |
| 2007 | 205.709             | 208.976  | 207.342     | 4.1                          | 2.8         |
| 2008 | 214.429             | -        | -           | -                            | -           |

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 25. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Unadjusted indexes |       |       |       |       |       |       |         | Sep.<br>2008 |
|---|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------------|
|   | December           |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
|   | 2000               | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  | 2005  | 2006  | 2007    |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>   |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
| All items .....   | 174.0              | 176.7 | 180.9 | 184.3 | 190.3 | 196.8 | 201.8 | 210.036 | 218.783      |
| All items (1967=100) .....  | 521.1              | 529.2 | 541.9 | 552.1 | 570.1 | 589.4 | 604.5 | 629.174 | 655.376      |
| Food and beverages .....  | 170.5              | 175.2 | 177.8 | 184.1 | 188.9 | 193.2 | 197.4 | 206.936 | 217.672      |
| Food .....  | 170.0              | 174.7 | 177.3 | 183.6 | 188.5 | 192.9 | 197.0 | 206.704 | 217.696      |
| Food at home .....  | 170.2              | 174.7 | 176.1 | 184.1 | 188.5 | 191.7 | 194.3 | 205.208 | 218.629      |
| Cereals and bakery products .....   | 190.7              | 195.3 | 197.3 | 202.9 | 206.4 | 208.4 | 214.8 | 226.461 | 250.924      |
| Cereals and cereal products .....   | 175.7              | 179.2 | 180.1 | 183.9 | 185.7 | 185.1 | 189.0 | 196.793 | 220.575      |
| Flour and prepared flour mixes .....  | 151.9              | 158.9 | 165.0 | 171.4 | 165.4 | 171.6 | 177.0 | 190.014 | 232.248      |
| Breakfast cereal .....  | 199.0              | 202.2 | 202.2 | 203.2 | 205.7 | 201.3 | 202.3 | 207.828 | 214.866      |
| Rice, pasta, cornmeal .....   | 152.0              | 154.7 | 154.6 | 161.1 | 165.0 | 167.1 | 174.9 | 183.958 | 231.064      |
| Rice <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 98.9               | 97.9  | 98.2  | 103.4 | 108.3 | 110.1 | 117.3 | 122.254 | 172.384      |
| Bakery products .....   | 198.1              | 203.3 | 206.0 | 212.6 | 217.1 | 220.7 | 228.5 | 242.268 | 267.015      |
| Bread <sup>2</sup> .....  | 109.3              | 115.0 | 116.2 | 118.6 | 123.3 | 126.9 | 133.4 | 147.354 | 163.398      |
| White bread <sup>1</sup> .....  | 201.9              | 212.3 | 213.7 | 218.9 | 227.2 | 232.5 | 244.6 | 272.159 | 298.343      |
| Bread other than white <sup>1</sup> .....   | 210.0              | 218.8 | 223.3 | 222.5 | 233.7 | 240.2 | 251.3 | 276.643 | 313.205      |
| Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 109.3              | 113.4 | 115.5 | 119.9 | 123.1 | 126.1 | 134.0 | 139.977 | 155.732      |
| Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies .....  | 192.9              | 196.1 | 199.9 | 205.1 | 209.4 | 213.9 | 216.1 | 228.738 | 244.396      |
| Cookies <sup>1</sup> .....  | 191.0              | 196.2 | 201.6 | 203.1 | 208.1 | 212.5 | 216.2 | 222.193 | 237.041      |
| Fresh cakes and cupcakes <sup>1</sup> .....   | 193.9              | 197.4 | 199.9 | 207.7 | 211.6 | 216.1 | 216.9 | 235.227 | 252.049      |
| Other bakery products .....   | 195.0              | 195.9 | 197.3 | 206.5 | 206.9 | 205.9 | 212.4 | 217.459 | 243.755      |
| Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts <sup>1</sup> .....                           | 188.4              | 196.0 | 198.0 | 205.5 | 209.8 | 216.8 | 225.3 | 233.009 | 252.195      |
| Crackers, bread, and cracker products <sup>1</sup> .....                              | 226.4              | 225.1 | 227.0 | 242.4 | 239.8 | 236.6 | 244.4 | 247.888 | 284.125      |
| Frozen and refrigerated bakery products,<br>pies, tarts, turnovers <sup>1</sup> ..... | 195.3              | 202.0 | 203.7 | 207.0 | 211.9 | 211.6 | 217.3 | 225.129 | 246.735      |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....  | 156.6              | 162.0 | 162.4 | 181.1 | 183.1 | 185.7 | 188.6 | 198.755 | 209.937      |
| Meats, poultry, and fish .....  | 157.0              | 163.3 | 163.0 | 180.4 | 184.5 | 187.1 | 189.0 | 196.639 | 209.358      |
| Meats .....   | 152.9              | 160.0 | 160.3 | 182.7 | 185.6 | 187.8 | 189.4 | 195.558 | 208.114      |
| Beef and veal .....   | 150.9              | 160.2 | 161.1 | 198.9 | 197.1 | 201.5 | 202.6 | 212.808 | 227.046      |
| Uncooked ground beef .....  | 128.4              | 137.3 | 139.0 | 166.1 | 170.9 | 176.8 | 177.7 | 186.936 | 202.052      |
| Uncooked beef roasts <sup>2</sup> .....   | 109.7              | 118.7 | 119.1 | 147.1 | 146.1 | 147.8 | 147.5 | 155.076 | 166.834      |
| Uncooked beef steaks <sup>2</sup> .....   | 110.9              | 115.8 | 116.1 | 148.0 | 143.1 | 145.0 | 145.1 | 152.557 | 159.601      |
| Uncooked other beef and veal <sup>2</sup> .....                                       | 107.7              | 113.7 | 112.8 | 137.3 | 128.8 | 132.7 | 138.1 | 143.603 | 154.417      |
| Pork .....  | 157.2              | 163.0 | 159.2 | 167.5 | 175.4 | 175.2 | 176.4 | 178.818 | 192.681      |
| Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related<br>products <sup>2</sup> .....                  | 107.7              | 113.4 | 113.1 | 118.0 | 124.8 | 120.3 | 122.3 | 126.273 | 131.031      |
| Bacon and related products <sup>1</sup> .....   | 174.4              | 185.8 | 187.8 | 205.1 | 212.4 | 207.7 | 211.1 | 219.140 | 224.354      |
| Breakfast sausage and related products<br><sup>1 2</sup> .....                        | 108.3              | 111.8 | 110.7 | 115.1 | 123.6 | 117.7 | 119.3 | 122.097 | 128.673      |
| Ham .....   | 152.5              | 158.5 | 155.3 | 162.4 | 169.2 | 172.9 | 173.6 | 175.954 | 189.218      |
| Ham, excluding canned <sup>1</sup> .....  | 164.6              | 171.4 | 169.8 | 178.9 | 188.5 | 193.3 | 195.9 | 198.301 | 212.752      |
| Pork chops .....  | 155.0              | 159.4 | 154.9 | 163.2 | 166.9 | 166.8 | 166.2 | 167.482 | 182.551      |
| Other pork including roasts and picnics <sup>2</sup> ..                               | 98.8               | 100.7 | 95.4  | 102.2 | 108.8 | 111.6 | 112.1 | 111.596 | 125.886      |
| Other meats .....   | 155.1              | 159.7 | 164.8 | 173.8 | 178.9 | 180.4 | 184.0 | 187.239 | 194.616      |
| Frankfurters <sup>1</sup> .....   | 153.0              | 157.7 | 172.0 | 177.0 | 172.8 | 175.6 | 177.6 | 186.345 | 189.541      |
| Lunchmeats <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 104.2              | 108.2 | 109.5 | 113.3 | 116.8 | 118.0 | 119.1 | 120.873 | 127.717      |
| Lamb and organ meats <sup>1</sup> .....   | 169.7              | 173.4 | 189.8 | 202.7 | 207.5 | 214.2 | NA    | 231.966 | 263.121      |
| Lamb and mutton <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 105.3              | 102.5 | NA    | NA    | 114.9 | 126.8 | NA    | NA      | NA           |
| Poultry .....   | 160.7              | 167.7 | 166.6 | 174.4 | 183.3 | 183.8 | 182.5 | 193.998 | 205.067      |
| Chicken <sup>2</sup> .....  | 103.1              | 108.4 | 108.3 | 113.4 | 120.0 | 119.6 | 118.5 | 127.324 | 133.153      |
| Fresh whole chicken <sup>1</sup> .....  | 164.0              | 168.7 | 170.6 | 171.5 | 186.4 | 188.5 | 186.1 | 202.199 | 213.995      |
| Fresh and frozen chicken parts <sup>1</sup> .....                                     | 158.8              | 169.6 | 167.5 | 176.9 | 186.3 | 183.2 | 181.2 | 194.487 | 202.918      |
| Other poultry including turkey <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 105.0              | 107.1 | 104.0 | 108.5 | 111.2 | 114.3 | 114.7 | 116.282 | 128.917      |
| Fish and seafood .....  | 189.5              | 189.4 | 187.4 | 192.5 | 196.9 | 204.4 | 211.6 | 221.633 | 238.281      |
| Fresh fish and seafood <sup>2</sup> .....   | 110.5              | 109.6 | 106.3 | 111.3 | 114.4 | 120.9 | 125.9 | 132.385 | 142.861      |
| Processed fish and seafood <sup>2</sup> .....   | 102.4              | 103.5 | 105.3 | 105.3 | 106.9 | 108.2 | 110.9 | 115.420 | 123.546      |
| Canned fish and seafood <sup>1</sup> .....  | 125.3              | 128.2 | 130.5 | 130.2 | 133.7 | 136.5 | 144.0 | 148.631 | 159.545      |
| Frozen fish and seafood <sup>1</sup> .....  | 218.6              | 217.6 | 225.5 | 227.1 | 228.7 | 231.5 | 233.8 | 245.839 | 261.435      |
| Eggs .....  | 145.5              | 133.5 | 146.5 | 190.6 | 152.6 | 154.7 | 176.5 | 234.018 | 219.475      |
| Dairy and related products .....  | 161.5              | 170.8 | 167.3 | 173.0 | 180.1 | 183.2 | 181.0 | 205.299 | 213.533      |
| Milk <sup>2</sup> .....   | 109.3              | 114.1 | 109.9 | 117.5 | 124.4 | 128.7 | 125.5 | 149.692 | 149.266      |
| Fresh whole milk <sup>1</sup> .....   | 160.0              | 167.3 | 160.2 | 171.3 | 181.5 | 189.3 | 181.2 | 221.014 | 217.221      |
| Fresh milk other than whole <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                      | 110.6              | 114.4 | 111.8 | 119.1 | 125.1 | 128.0 | 128.0 | 149.603 | 150.939      |
| Cheese and related products .....   | 161.1              | 172.7 | 168.3 | 172.2 | 181.4 | 182.3 | 178.9 | 202.189 | 221.800      |
| Ice cream and related products .....  | 167.1              | 181.8 | 179.1 | 179.4 | 178.4 | 179.1 | 182.0 | 188.522 | 194.338      |
| Other dairy and related products <sup>2</sup> .....                                   | 109.5              | 112.6 | 114.9 | 116.7 | 120.1 | 121.9 | 121.7 | 136.064 | 141.383      |
| Fruits and vegetables .....   | 215.1              | 214.4 | 224.9 | 232.4 | 250.8 | 252.3 | 257.2 | 272.482 | 285.986      |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 25. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Unadjusted indexes |       |       |       |       |       |       |         | Sep.<br>2008 |
|---|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------------|
|   | December           |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
|   | 2000               | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  | 2005  | 2006  | 2007    |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>   |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
| Fresh fruits and vegetables .....   | 254.8              | 250.5 | 264.3 | 276.3 | 302.7 | 301.1 | 306.4 | 326.064 | 334.959      |
| Fresh fruits .....  | 269.0              | 270.7 | 283.3 | 287.3 | 308.2 | 312.3 | 325.7 | 344.733 | 357.496      |
| Apples .....  | 202.9              | 216.2 | 231.2 | 238.5 | 241.0 | 251.1 | 276.3 | 292.707 | 375.560      |
| Bananas .....   | 161.0              | 165.4 | 165.4 | 162.9 | 158.2 | 169.9 | 174.5 | 182.356 | 214.861      |
| Citrus fruits <sup>2</sup> .....  | 120.5              | 129.8 | 142.4 | 145.1 | 162.2 | 174.3 | 185.0 | 186.752 | 245.667      |
| Oranges, including tangerines <sup>1</sup> .....                            | 214.7              | 242.2 | 278.8 | 294.3 | 313.7 | 331.5 | 370.7 | 348.722 | 504.273      |
| Other fresh fruits <sup>2</sup> .....                                       | 114.3              | 107.7 | 111.7 | 113.7 | 126.8 | 121.8 | 124.4 | 134.596 | 111.602      |
| Fresh vegetables .....  | 240.2              | 230.4 | 245.2 | 263.8 | 295.1 | 288.3 | 286.1 | 306.142 | 311.349      |
| Potatoes .....  | 179.4              | 205.2 | 222.2 | 214.5 | 230.5 | 251.7 | 266.8 | 274.694 | 376.349      |
| Lettuce .....   | 281.6              | 231.6 | 218.5 | 301.8 | 276.9 | 260.0 | 281.9 | 295.313 | 297.399      |
| Tomatoes .....  | 285.9              | 264.2 | 288.5 | 284.2 | 425.0 | 342.3 | 318.5 | 378.746 | 303.012      |
| Other fresh vegetables .....  | 243.4              | 232.2 | 250.1 | 271.0 | 282.5 | 295.2 | 288.0 | 300.382 | 300.857      |
| Processed fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....                          | 105.3              | 110.1 | 113.3 | 112.4 | 114.2 | 120.3 | 123.5 | 128.488 | 145.180      |
| Canned fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....                             | 104.9              | 109.3 | 112.9 | 109.9 | 112.6 | 119.1 | 122.2 | 127.028 | 148.225      |
| Canned fruits <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 107.8              | 107.7 | 111.9 | 110.1 | 112.0 | 117.8 | 122.3 | 125.693 | 140.561      |
| Canned vegetables <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                      | 105.7              | 113.7 | 116.1 | 112.2 | 116.5 | 124.4 | 125.9 | 131.871 | 157.294      |
| Frozen fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....                             | 107.7              | 114.5 | 114.9 | 118.0 | 117.0 | 122.6 | 125.7 | 129.831 | 138.540      |
| Frozen vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....  | 159.1              | 168.8 | 168.6 | 173.2 | 171.4 | 177.5 | 178.7 | 179.760 | 193.595      |
| Other processed fruits and vegetables<br>including dried <sup>2</sup> ..... | 102.0              | 103.9 | 110.3 | 109.5 | 113.0 | 118.5 | 122.5 | 129.286 | 146.456      |
| Dried beans, peas, and lentils <sup>1 2</sup> .....                         | 99.0               | 103.6 | 110.1 | 108.9 | 113.8 | 116.6 | 123.6 | 139.039 | 167.994      |
| Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage<br>materials .....                      | 136.7              | 138.5 | 139.8 | 139.3 | 140.6 | 145.5 | 148.5 | 153.648 | 161.499      |
| Juices and nonalcoholic drinks <sup>2</sup> .....                           | 104.9              | 106.9 | 108.0 | 107.4 | 108.3 | 111.5 | 113.6 | 117.609 | 124.381      |
| Carbonated drinks .....   | 121.1              | 123.3 | 124.9 | 124.8 | 127.5 | 133.1 | 133.6 | 138.194 | 149.614      |
| Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>2</sup> .....                   | 111.3              | 114.4 | 113.7 | 115.0 | 111.5 | 111.7 | 126.5 | 143.465 | 146.553      |
| Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>2</sup> .....                | 104.6              | 106.5 | 107.5 | 106.1 | 105.7 | 107.4 | 110.7 | 114.034 | 118.018      |
| Beverage materials including coffee and tea <sup>2</sup> .....              | 96.8               | 96.5  | 97.4  | 97.5  | 98.7  | 103.1 | 105.6 | 109.195 | 113.437      |
| Coffee .....  | 147.7              | 142.6 | 142.2 | 143.2 | 145.5 | 162.3 | 165.8 | 175.083 | 192.765      |
| Roasted coffee <sup>1</sup> .....   | 151.7              | 142.7 | 142.0 | 144.6 | 146.4 | 167.1 | 166.3 | 180.752 | 196.864      |
| Instant and freeze dried coffee <sup>1</sup> .....                          | 159.3              | 164.2 | 164.2 | 161.0 | 167.8 | 175.0 | 188.5 | 184.030 | 211.184      |
| Other beverage materials including tea <sup>2</sup> .....                   | 109.6              | 112.7 | 114.7 | 114.3 | 115.4 | 115.9 | 118.9 | 121.631 | 122.144      |
| Other food at home .....  | 156.3              | 160.9 | 161.1 | 163.0 | 163.6 | 167.6 | 168.7 | 174.057 | 187.944      |
| Sugar and sweets .....  | 153.5              | 156.1 | 159.1 | 161.0 | 161.3 | 167.8 | 172.4 | 178.631 | 189.929      |
| Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....                                       | 133.6              | 136.7 | 140.1 | 143.0 | 142.7 | 154.3 | 163.3 | 162.521 | 175.655      |
| Candy and chewing gum <sup>2</sup> .....                                    | 104.2              | 105.3 | 107.0 | 107.3 | 107.5 | 111.4 | 113.1 | 118.555 | 124.609      |
| Other sweets <sup>2</sup> .....   | 106.4              | 109.2 | 112.1 | 115.8 | 116.6 | 118.6 | 123.3 | 127.536 | 138.853      |
| Fats and oils .....   | 150.2              | 156.9 | 152.8 | 157.7 | 167.4 | 165.2 | 166.7 | 176.068 | 206.274      |
| Butter and margarine <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 113.3              | 126.4 | 114.6 | 119.2 | 135.6 | 131.2 | 129.5 | 137.454 | 163.350      |
| Butter <sup>1</sup> .....   | 147.2              | 174.9 | 141.0 | 145.1 | 186.2 | 174.6 | 164.5 | 168.121 | 182.672      |
| Margarine <sup>1</sup> .....  | 153.8              | 160.7 | 161.4 | 171.1 | 173.0 | 174.1 | 177.0 | 193.811 | 247.643      |
| Salad dressing <sup>2</sup> .....   | 105.9              | 107.9 | 107.3 | 109.7 | 110.3 | 105.6 | 109.2 | 113.085 | 123.220      |
| Other fats and oils including peanut butter <sup>2</sup> .....              | 103.0              | 103.4 | 105.5 | 108.9 | 113.8 | 116.3 | 117.3 | 125.054 | 151.814      |
| Peanut butter <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 108.2              | 109.5 | 109.6 | 109.9 | 110.3 | 111.7 | 108.5 | 117.962 | 131.983      |
| Other foods .....   | 172.7              | 177.9 | 178.2 | 179.6 | 178.3 | 183.3 | 183.5 | 188.325 | 201.388      |
| Soups .....   | 196.9              | 202.8 | 205.3 | 207.1 | 207.4 | 211.4 | 211.3 | 211.165 | 226.564      |
| Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods .....                                | 150.2              | 154.7 | 153.1 | 153.6 | 152.9 | 154.3 | 151.7 | 157.409 | 167.558      |
| Snacks .....  | 166.8              | 173.7 | 167.9 | 175.4 | 171.4 | 181.3 | 179.5 | 187.632 | 203.600      |
| Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces .....                                | 173.0              | 182.3 | 187.9 | 183.8 | 178.4 | 185.2 | 185.0 | 191.486 | 209.719      |
| Salt and other seasonings and spices <sup>1 2</sup> .....                   | 101.0              | 108.5 | 108.2 | 107.0 | 106.7 | 113.2 | 109.0 | 115.302 | 119.281      |
| Olives, pickles, relishes <sup>1 2</sup> .....                              | 100.2              | 109.4 | 111.7 | 105.0 | 109.7 | 110.2 | 112.6 | 117.241 | 129.457      |
| Sauces and gravies <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                     | 106.5              | 109.6 | 113.5 | 111.9 | 102.4 | 106.3 | 109.4 | 110.635 | 121.959      |
| Other condiments <sup>1</sup> .....   | 182.6              | 184.4 | 195.4 | 202.8 | 195.5 | 198.9 | 199.3 | 211.775 | 250.434      |
| Baby food <sup>2</sup> .....  | 111.9              | 115.3 | 117.0 | 120.7 | 123.2 | 127.4 | 128.6 | 133.326 | 138.758      |
| Other miscellaneous foods <sup>2</sup> .....                                | 108.9              | 108.5 | 110.2 | 109.8 | 110.8 | 112.4 | 115.1 | 115.267 | 121.144      |
| Prepared salads <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | -                  | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | 100.000 | 104.057      |
| Food away from home .....   | 170.8              | 176.0 | 180.1 | 184.3 | 189.9 | 196.0 | 202.2 | 210.233 | 218.225      |
| Full service meals and snacks <sup>2</sup> .....                            | 108.0              | 111.6 | 114.0 | 116.5 | 119.9 | 123.3 | 127.5 | 132.413 | 136.695      |
| Limited service meals and snacks <sup>2</sup> .....                         | 107.8              | 111.3 | 113.7 | 116.3 | 120.0 | 124.0 | 127.7 | 132.959 | 138.668      |
| Food at employee sites and schools <sup>2</sup> .....                       | 104.3              | 106.2 | 111.3 | 114.1 | 117.4 | 120.6 | 125.0 | 128.545 | 135.202      |
| Food at elementary and secondary schools <sup>1</sup><br><sup>4</sup> ..... | -                  | -     | -     | -     | -     | 100.0 | 104.3 | 107.685 | 113.401      |
| Food from vending machines and mobile<br>vendors <sup>2</sup> .....         | 103.1              | 104.7 | 106.1 | 108.6 | 111.0 | 114.2 | 116.5 | 120.438 | 124.912      |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 25. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Unadjusted indexes |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
|---|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------------|
|   | December           |       |       |       |       |       |       |         | Sep.<br>2008 |
|   | 2000               | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  | 2005  | 2006  | 2007    |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>   |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
| Other food away from home <sup>2</sup> .....                            | 111.1              | 115.5 | 119.8 | 122.9 | 127.0 | 133.7 | 139.1 | 145.814 | 152.040      |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 176.5              | 180.9 | 184.9 | 188.7 | 193.9 | 196.4 | 201.1 | 208.704 | 216.055      |
| Alcoholic beverages at home .....                                       | 159.2              | 161.5 | 164.6 | 167.4 | 170.9 | 171.5 | 174.0 | 179.709 | 186.006      |
| Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home .....                       | 159.0              | 161.5 | 165.7 | 170.7 | 176.4 | 175.5 | 177.8 | 185.387 | 189.702      |
| Distilled spirits at home .....   | 163.5              | 169.4 | 170.3 | 173.9 | 175.3 | 177.2 | 178.7 | 179.844 | 187.323      |
| Whiskey at home <sup>1</sup> .....                                      | 160.0              | 165.8 | 168.1 | 172.9 | 173.8 | 177.1 | 178.9 | 183.048 | 189.077      |
| Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home <sup>1</sup> .....        | 164.7              | 171.0 | 171.3 | 173.6 | 175.7 | 176.8 | 177.2 | 177.552 | 184.695      |
| Wine at home .....  | 151.1              | 150.7 | 152.8 | 152.0 | 153.0 | 155.4 | 158.4 | 163.500 | 171.452      |
| Alcoholic beverages away from home .....                                | 210.4              | 219.4 | 225.9 | 232.0 | 240.9 | 248.0 | 258.4 | 270.329 | 279.916      |
| Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home <sup>1 2</sup> ..... | 108.7              | 111.9 | 114.8 | 118.9 | 123.1 | 125.7 | 131.7 | 136.117 | 141.349      |
| Wine away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                | 110.5              | 120.5 | 123.5 | 125.4 | 131.4 | 135.8 | 140.1 | 148.241 | 152.978      |
| Distilled spirits away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....                   | 109.6              | 114.6 | 117.9 | 122.4 | 126.3 | 131.6 | 136.2 | 144.053 | 148.513      |
| Housing .....   | 171.9              | 176.9 | 181.1 | 185.1 | 190.7 | 198.3 | 204.8 | 210.933 | 218.184      |
| Shelter .....   | 195.1              | 203.2 | 209.5 | 214.1 | 219.8 | 225.6 | 235.1 | 242.372 | 247.737      |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....                            | 187.6              | 196.4 | 202.5 | 207.9 | 213.9 | 220.5 | 230.0 | 239.102 | 244.926      |
| Lodging away from home <sup>2</sup> .....                               | 108.8              | 108.6 | 109.2 | 112.9 | 118.7 | 122.8 | 127.7 | 133.545 | 143.597      |
| Housing at school, excluding board <sup>5 6</sup> .....                 | 260.1              | 273.7 | 290.5 | 307.2 | 328.4 | 345.3 | 362.9 | 381.548 | 397.758      |
| Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels .....          | 231.1              | 229.3 | 229.4 | 236.6 | 248.5 | 256.7 | 266.8 | 278.872 | 300.422      |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5 6</sup> .....       | 201.8              | 210.9 | 217.9 | 222.2 | 227.2 | 232.8 | 242.8 | 249.532 | 253.493      |
| Tenants' and household insurance <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 104.7              | 106.3 | 112.3 | 114.3 | 118.7 | 116.1 | 117.1 | 117.003 | 119.944      |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 145.3              | 142.2 | 144.2 | 153.6 | 165.7 | 191.6 | 192.6 | 203.006 | 228.450      |
| Household energy .....  | 130.6              | 126.2 | 127.5 | 136.5 | 148.0 | 174.7 | 174.2 | 183.516 | 209.501      |
| Fuel oil and other fuels .....  | 144.9              | 112.7 | 125.6 | 137.0 | 183.7 | 227.8 | 233.2 | 299.296 | 349.164      |
| Fuel oil .....  | 146.5              | 107.4 | 123.2 | 132.8 | 185.2 | 235.5 | 240.9 | 319.208 | 381.707      |
| Propane, kerosene, and firewood <sup>7</sup> .....                      | 170.7              | 154.9 | 163.4 | 182.3 | 225.8 | 264.9 | 271.9 | 324.116 | 358.096      |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>5</sup> .....                          | 135.6              | 133.5 | 134.1 | 143.3 | 153.0 | 180.0 | 179.0 | 185.155 | 210.950      |
| Electricity <sup>5</sup> .....  | 126.9              | 134.6 | 132.1 | 135.6 | 138.5 | 153.3 | 164.8 | 173.357 | 198.579      |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>5</sup> .....                          | 160.1              | 136.0 | 145.1 | 170.3 | 198.2 | 258.0 | 221.3 | 220.496 | 247.788      |
| Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....        | 107.9              | 111.0 | 114.6 | 119.8 | 126.3 | 132.9 | 139.3 | 146.878 | 154.264      |
| Water and sewerage maintenance <sup>5</sup> .....                       | 230.8              | 237.8 | 246.2 | 257.8 | 273.7 | 288.8 | 302.5 | 319.460 | 336.067      |
| Garbage and trash collection <sup>8</sup> .....                         | 271.9              | 278.6 | 285.4 | 297.4 | 307.4 | 320.6 | 337.2 | 353.439 | 369.651      |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                              | 128.6              | 128.9 | 127.0 | 124.7 | 125.5 | 126.4 | 127.0 | 126.066 | 128.584      |
| Window and floor coverings and other linens <sup>2</sup> ...            | 101.1              | 98.5  | 93.3  | 89.5  | 88.2  | 86.6  | 82.4  | 79.801  | 77.940       |
| Floor coverings <sup>2</sup> .....                                      | 107.3              | 107.3 | 109.4 | 107.5 | 108.2 | 114.9 | 119.5 | 119.083 | 119.222      |
| Window coverings <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 101.2              | 94.8  | 91.3  | 89.9  | 88.5  | 88.6  | 87.9  | 85.646  | 85.510       |
| Other linens <sup>2</sup> .....   | 97.4               | 96.2  | 88.3  | 82.9  | 81.3  | 77.9  | 71.3  | 68.305  | 65.470       |
| Furniture and bedding .....   | 134.2              | 130.0 | 128.6 | 126.5 | 126.3 | 127.1 | 126.2 | 123.506 | 125.501      |
| Bedroom furniture .....   | 137.4              | 135.7 | 133.5 | 133.1 | 139.7 | 146.2 | 144.4 | 142.055 | 146.783      |
| Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture <sup>2</sup> .....      | 103.0              | 99.5  | 98.5  | 96.2  | 94.4  | 93.0  | 92.3  | 90.510  | 90.955       |
| Other furniture <sup>2</sup> .....                                      | 99.7               | 93.9  | 93.6  | 92.4  | 89.0  | 88.6  | 89.0  | 85.986  | 87.302       |
| Infants' furniture <sup>1 4</sup> .....                                 | -                  | -     | -     | -     | -     | 100.0 | 98.6  | NA      | NA           |
| Appliances <sup>2</sup> .....   | 94.9               | 94.4  | 91.5  | 87.9  | 84.6  | 87.0  | 88.0  | 89.273  | 90.039       |
| Major appliances <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 96.3               | 97.9  | 95.6  | 92.1  | 89.3  | 94.5  | 97.2  | 99.903  | 102.311      |
| Laundry equipment <sup>1</sup> .....                                    | 112.0              | 111.6 | 111.5 | 109.5 | 105.3 | 110.7 | 112.4 | 115.994 | 117.958      |
| Other appliances <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 92.8               | 89.2  | 85.5  | 81.9  | 78.0  | 77.1  | 76.1  | 75.756  | 74.485       |
| Other household equipment and furnishings <sup>2</sup> ....             | 96.1               | 95.6  | 91.5  | 86.9  | 87.3  | 83.2  | 78.7  | 74.948  | 75.451       |
| Clocks, lamps, and decorator items .....                                | 108.6              | 106.6 | 101.0 | 91.8  | 91.7  | 84.6  | 77.6  | 70.179  | 69.511       |
| Indoor plants and flowers <sup>9</sup> .....                            | 114.8              | 117.6 | 116.7 | 119.2 | 120.1 | 122.4 | 121.6 | 124.005 | 128.217      |
| Dishes and flatware <sup>2</sup> .....                                  | 93.4               | 90.6  | 85.7  | 83.7  | 85.0  | 79.2  | 74.2  | 72.305  | 74.199       |
| Nonelectric cookware and tableware <sup>2</sup> .....                   | 96.3               | 95.2  | 90.8  | 89.6  | 90.6  | 89.7  | 90.6  | 93.341  | 95.345       |
| Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....      | 96.4               | 95.8  | 94.6  | 92.1  | 93.6  | 93.7  | 94.8  | 93.772  | 93.360       |
| Tools, hardware and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....                         | 97.8               | 95.7  | 94.2  | 92.6  | 95.7  | 98.2  | 100.1 | 99.028  | 99.092       |
| Outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....                       | 95.6               | 95.8  | 94.6  | 91.7  | 92.4  | 91.4  | 92.1  | 91.213  | 90.391       |
| Housekeeping supplies .....   | 156.1              | 159.9 | 158.1 | 156.7 | 158.1 | 161.8 | 168.3 | 170.743 | 178.534      |
| Household cleaning products <sup>2</sup> .....                          | 107.6              | 110.5 | 109.0 | 107.3 | 106.5 | 109.9 | 112.9 | 112.712 | 116.922      |
| Household paper products <sup>2</sup> .....                             | 117.4              | 119.1 | 119.1 | 116.9 | 125.0 | 125.6 | 133.9 | 138.930 | 149.909      |
| Miscellaneous household products <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 104.0              | 106.9 | 105.2 | 106.0 | 104.7 | 107.3 | 111.4 | 113.655 | 117.076      |
| Household operations <sup>2</sup> .....                                 | 112.5              | 117.2 | 119.9 | 122.6 | 127.0 | 133.3 | 139.1 | 142.100 | 150.193      |
| Domestic services <sup>2</sup> .....                                    | 111.7              | 114.9 | 119.5 | 122.6 | 124.9 | 131.3 | 137.3 | 139.648 | 143.895      |
| Gardening and lawn care services <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 113.2              | 118.3 | 118.4 | 119.9 | 125.5 | NA    | NA    | 141.672 | 155.693      |
| Moving, storage, freight expense <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 111.3              | 115.6 | 117.2 | 119.9 | 123.4 | 128.4 | 128.6 | 128.413 | 132.360      |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 25. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Unadjusted indexes |       |       |       |       |       |       |         | Sep.<br>2008 |
|--|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------------|
|  | December           |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
|  | 2000               | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  | 2005  | 2006  | 2007    |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
| Repair of household items <sup>2</sup> .....                                   | 114.1              | 122.6 | 128.6 | 133.0 | 142.2 | 151.9 | 158.4 | 165.089 | 171.239      |
| Apparel .....  | 127.8              | 123.7 | 121.5 | 119.0 | 118.8 | 117.5 | 118.6 | 118.257 | 121.168      |
| Men's and boys' apparel .....  | 128.0              | 122.8 | 119.3 | 118.0 | 116.3 | 114.1 | 113.2 | 112.026 | 112.720      |
| Men's apparel .....  | 131.4              | 125.8 | 124.5 | 122.4 | 121.4 | 119.8 | 119.4 | 116.489 | 118.664      |
| Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear .....                                  | 130.0              | 128.1 | 127.2 | 128.1 | 126.0 | 125.3 | 120.2 | 121.449 | 124.357      |
| Men's furnishings .....  | 135.2              | 132.0 | 133.2 | 136.1 | 134.8 | 133.4 | 131.7 | 126.721 | 132.256      |
| Men's shirts and sweaters <sup>2</sup> .....                                   | 99.9               | 92.2  | 91.3  | 88.5  | 86.0  | 85.4  | 87.8  | 81.560  | 80.336       |
| Men's pants and shorts .....   | 123.6              | 117.5 | 113.7 | 106.8 | 110.3 | 106.4 | 106.8 | 108.284 | 111.666      |
| Boys' apparel .....  | 114.5              | 110.8 | 100.6 | 101.7 | 97.5  | 93.8  | 91.4  | 95.216  | 91.324       |
| Women's and girls' apparel .....   | 119.7              | 114.8 | 113.1 | 110.9 | 110.0 | 108.9 | 110.2 | 109.418 | 111.774      |
| Women's apparel .....  | 120.1              | 115.3 | 112.9 | 111.1 | 109.6 | 109.7 | 111.6 | 110.570 | 113.757      |
| Women's outerwear .....  | 121.8              | 113.3 | 113.8 | 112.6 | 106.8 | 102.4 | 101.7 | 96.725  | 105.723      |
| Women's dresses .....  | 95.8               | 99.1  | 100.3 | 100.4 | 96.8  | 104.2 | 112.4 | 115.453 | 122.557      |
| Women's suits and separates <sup>2</sup> .....                                 | 96.5               | 90.9  | 88.7  | 86.3  | 86.0  | 85.6  | 87.6  | 87.306  | 89.198       |
| Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear<br>and accessories <sup>2</sup> ..... | 100.6              | 97.5  | 93.8  | 93.3  | 92.2  | 91.8  | 91.0  | 88.867  | 89.899       |
| Girls' apparel .....   | 117.8              | 112.2 | 114.1 | 109.5 | 112.1 | 104.4 | 102.8 | 103.475 | 101.997      |
| Footwear .....   | 123.8              | 120.6 | 120.7 | 118.5 | 120.3 | 121.4 | 123.0 | 122.258 | 124.907      |
| Men's footwear .....   | 128.7              | 124.5 | 124.6 | 120.4 | 118.1 | 120.7 | 123.4 | 120.906 | 122.776      |
| Boys' and girls' footwear .....  | 123.5              | 122.1 | 120.6 | 118.2 | 122.9 | 124.4 | 123.4 | 125.993 | 128.720      |
| Women's footwear .....   | 120.0              | 116.7 | 117.3 | 116.5 | 119.7 | 119.7 | 121.7 | 120.615 | 123.738      |
| Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....   | 128.2              | 128.5 | 125.3 | 119.2 | 118.6 | 115.0 | 114.1 | 113.779 | 113.494      |
| Jewelry and watches <sup>7</sup> .....   | 132.4              | 132.3 | 127.2 | 122.1 | 126.0 | 123.2 | 129.1 | 134.325 | 149.397      |
| Watches <sup>7</sup> .....   | 119.3              | 117.1 | 110.9 | 111.0 | 112.8 | 113.7 | 115.7 | 113.726 | 117.229      |
| Jewelry <sup>7</sup> .....   | 136.2              | 136.6 | 131.7 | 125.6 | 129.8 | 126.4 | 133.0 | 139.691 | 157.125      |
| Transportation .....   | 154.4              | 148.5 | 154.2 | 154.7 | 164.8 | 172.7 | 175.4 | 189.984 | 203.861      |
| Private transportation .....   | 150.3              | 144.3 | 150.4 | 150.8 | 161.3 | 168.9 | 171.8 | 186.134 | 199.153      |
| New and used motor vehicles <sup>2</sup> .....                                 | 102.1              | 101.6 | 98.7  | 94.4  | 95.4  | 95.8  | 94.8  | 94.754  | 92.480       |
| New vehicles .....   | 143.6              | 143.5 | 140.6 | 138.0 | 138.8 | 138.3 | 137.1 | 136.664 | 132.399      |
| New cars and trucks <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                       | 99.6               | 99.6  | 97.6  | 95.7  | 96.3  | 95.9  | 95.0  | 94.727  | 91.748       |
| New cars <sup>1</sup> .....  | 140.5              | 140.5 | 137.7 | 134.8 | 135.5 | 136.6 | 136.9 | 136.371 | 134.994      |
| New trucks <sup>1 8</sup> .....  | 152.2              | 152.0 | 148.6 | 146.4 | 147.2 | 144.4 | 141.5 | 141.191 | 133.674      |
| Used cars and trucks .....   | 160.2              | 157.2 | 148.5 | 131.0 | 137.3 | 139.2 | 136.2 | 136.943 | 132.916      |
| Leased cars and trucks <sup>10</sup> .....                                     | -                  | 100.0 | 98.0  | 95.7  | 91.7  | 93.0  | 92.9  | 93.464  | 97.206       |
| Car and truck rental <sup>2</sup> .....  | 107.6              | 103.7 | 104.2 | 107.5 | 103.2 | 112.1 | 115.4 | 113.982 | 116.837      |
| Motor fuel .....   | 127.8              | 96.1  | 119.7 | 127.8 | 161.2 | 187.3 | 199.3 | 258.132 | 315.078      |
| Gasoline (all types) .....   | 127.0              | 95.4  | 119.1 | 127.2 | 160.4 | 186.2 | 198.1 | 256.790 | 313.535      |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>1</sup> .....                                  | 125.5              | 93.1  | 117.1 | 125.7 | 159.2 | 185.8 | 197.9 | 256.775 | 314.138      |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>1 11</sup> .....                              | 131.5              | 98.8  | 123.9 | 131.4 | 165.2 | 190.8 | 202.1 | 261.983 | 319.803      |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>1</sup> .....                                  | 126.7              | 97.0  | 119.8 | 127.1 | 158.0 | 181.1 | 192.3 | 247.369 | 299.084      |
| Other motor fuels <sup>2</sup> .....   | 134.3              | 112.0 | 113.8 | 115.8 | 152.6 | 186.4 | 200.1 | 248.393 | 301.418      |
| Motor vehicle parts and equipment .....  | 103.1              | 105.8 | 107.0 | 107.7 | 109.9 | 114.0 | 119.5 | 123.928 | 131.048      |
| Tires .....  | 98.5               | 101.2 | 101.3 | 100.8 | 103.2 | 106.2 | 110.0 | 113.060 | 119.195      |
| Vehicle accessories other than tires <sup>2</sup> .....                        | 103.6              | 106.2 | 108.7 | 111.1 | 112.7 | 118.4 | 126.2 | 132.574 | 140.850      |
| Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires <sup>1</sup> .....                | 110.1              | 111.3 | 113.9 | 115.5 | 116.0 | 119.9 | 125.6 | 131.420 | 136.710      |
| Motor oil, coolant, and fluids <sup>1</sup> .....                              | 141.7              | 150.7 | 154.3 | 160.2 | 170.3 | 195.1 | 224.4 | 240.510 | 276.947      |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....                                     | 179.9              | 186.4 | 193.3 | 198.0 | 203.3 | 210.7 | 218.8 | 226.120 | 237.121      |
| Motor vehicle body work .....  | 191.1              | 197.6 | 201.2 | 205.0 | 210.5 | 220.5 | 228.1 | 236.039 | 242.432      |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing .....                                  | 165.0              | 171.6 | 177.9 | 180.9 | 186.2 | 192.2 | 198.3 | 204.331 | 216.342      |
| Motor vehicle repair <sup>2</sup> .....  | 109.7              | 113.5 | 117.9 | 121.4 | 124.4 | 129.2 | 134.9 | 139.602 | 145.696      |
| Motor vehicle insurance .....  | 260.5              | 279.4 | 304.6 | 318.4 | 329.3 | 332.5 | 335.2 | 336.915 | 342.528      |
| Motor vehicle fees <sup>2</sup> .....  | 108.2              | 110.4 | 114.0 | 121.8 | 132.3 | 136.2 | 139.4 | 142.248 | 146.860      |
| State and local registration and license <sup>2 5</sup> .....                  | 105.3              | 106.4 | 110.1 | 119.4 | 131.8 | 134.4 | 137.6 | 139.320 | 142.752      |
| Parking and other fees <sup>2</sup> .....                                      | 114.8              | 119.6 | 122.9 | 126.5 | 133.0 | 139.5 | 142.3 | 147.630 | 154.357      |
| Parking fees and tolls <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                    | 115.3              | 120.2 | 123.9 | 128.0 | 135.4 | 144.2 | 146.5 | 153.178 | 161.678      |
| Automobile service clubs <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                  | 104.5              | 109.8 | 109.5 | 112.2 | 113.9 | 114.1 | 118.2 | 119.323 | 121.694      |
| Public transportation .....  | 209.5              | 204.8 | 203.0 | 205.6 | 205.4 | 217.6 | 217.8 | 233.408 | 261.318      |
| Airline fare .....   | 238.2              | 229.0 | 223.4 | 223.1 | 219.7 | 233.8 | 231.4 | 255.873 | 297.228      |
| Other intercity transportation .....   | 156.3              | 152.0 | 155.1 | 147.0 | 144.6 | 151.6 | 154.7 | 156.648 | 161.642      |
| Intercity bus fare <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | -                  | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | 100.000 | 101.798      |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 25. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Unadjusted indexes |       |       |       |       |       |       |         | Sep.<br>2008 |
|--|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------------|
|  | December           |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
|  | 2000               | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  | 2005  | 2006  | 2007    |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
| Intercity train fare <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | -                  | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | 100.000 | 114.422      |
| Ship fare <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 86.0               | 78.4  | 77.0  | 69.1  | 72.5  | 72.3  | 71.3  | 72.918  | 69.976       |
| Intracity transportation .....   | 177.5              | 182.3 | 185.1 | 204.1 | 211.9 | 223.3 | 227.5 | 232.378 | 242.930      |
| Medical care .....   | 264.8              | 277.3 | 291.3 | 302.1 | 314.9 | 328.4 | 340.1 | 357.661 | 365.036      |
| Medical care commodities .....   | 241.1              | 251.6 | 259.5 | 265.0 | 270.8 | 280.8 | 285.9 | 293.610 | 295.461      |
| Prescription drugs .....   | 290.0              | 307.3 | 321.2 | 329.1 | 340.7 | 355.7 | 362.3 | 374.389 | 377.094      |
| Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies <sup>7</sup> ....   | 150.2              | 151.1 | 151.2 | 153.0 | 151.0 | 153.6 | 156.3 | 158.094 | 158.598      |
| Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs<br>Nonprescription medical equipment and<br>supplies ..... | 177.4              | 179.5 | 179.9 | 182.5 | 178.3 | 182.1 | 185.5 | 187.414 | 189.332      |
| Medical care services .....  | 179.8              | 179.0 | 178.1 | 179.0 | 181.1 | 182.4 | 185.1 | 187.782 | 185.426      |
| Professional services .....  | 270.4              | 283.5 | 299.4 | 311.9 | 327.3 | 342.0 | 356.0 | 376.940 | 386.579      |
| Physicians' services <sup>5</sup> .....  | 240.3              | 248.9 | 257.0 | 264.1 | 274.6 | 284.9 | 292.4 | 304.784 | 312.527      |
| Dental services <sup>5</sup> .....   | 247.1              | 255.8 | 264.1 | 270.1 | 280.8 | 289.5 | 294.3 | 306.304 | 313.592      |
| Eyeglasses and eye care <sup>7</sup> .....   | 262.2              | 272.5 | 284.8 | 297.2 | 311.9 | 329.6 | 346.2 | 366.225 | 380.001      |
| Services by other medical professionals <sup>5 7</sup> .....   | 151.4              | 155.6 | 155.2 | 157.5 | 162.0 | 167.0 | 170.3 | 172.811 | 170.234      |
| Hospital and related services <sup>5</sup> .....   | 163.4              | 169.0 | 175.1 | 179.2 | 183.7 | 188.3 | 194.2 | 200.312 | 207.259      |
| Hospital services <sup>5 12</sup> .....  | 325.3              | 348.3 | 382.4 | 407.0 | 428.0 | 449.7 | 477.2 | 515.677 | 537.728      |
| Inpatient hospital services <sup>1 5 12</sup> .....  | 118.8              | 127.4 | 140.3 | 149.3 | 157.1 | 165.2 | 175.4 | 189.908 | 198.693      |
| Outpatient hospital services <sup>1 5 7</sup> .....  | 116.3              | 124.3 | 136.0 | 143.7 | 151.8 | 159.8 | 170.6 | 183.595 | 192.091      |
| Nursing homes and adult day services <sup>5 12</sup> .....   | 271.6              | 290.2 | 327.0 | 348.5 | 364.2 | 382.5 | 402.4 | 442.085 | 460.508      |
| Care of invalids and elderly at home <sup>3</sup> .....  | 119.0              | 124.3 | 129.8 | 137.3 | 142.1 | 147.1 | 154.5 | 161.981 | 166.007      |
| Health insurance <sup>4</sup> .....  | -                  | -     | -     | -     | -     | 100.0 | 103.1 | 106.602 | 108.152      |
| Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....  | -                  | -     | -     | -     | -     | 100.0 | 106.4 | 115.727 | 113.343      |
| Video and audio <sup>2</sup> .....   | 103.7              | 105.3 | 106.5 | 107.7 | 108.5 | 109.7 | 110.8 | 111.705 | 114.032      |
| Televisions .....  | 100.7              | 101.2 | 103.2 | 103.3 | 103.9 | 103.9 | 102.8 | 102.691 | 102.706      |
| Cable and satellite television and radio service <sup>8</sup> .....  | 47.4               | 42.3  | 37.8  | 32.4  | 28.4  | 24.3  | 18.8  | 15.352  | 13.438       |
| Other video equipment <sup>2</sup> .....   | 270.0              | 280.9 | 301.3 | 312.6 | 325.2 | 336.0 | 344.7 | 353.432 | 362.824      |
| Video cassettes, discs, and other media<br>including rental <sup>2</sup> .....                             | 60.4               | 50.4  | 43.8  | 38.4  | 32.9  | 29.4  | 25.3  | 22.009  | 19.872       |
| Video cassettes and discs, blank and<br>prerecorded <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                   | 85.4               | 83.9  | 78.0  | 78.0  | 77.1  | 76.5  | 77.4  | 77.808  | 76.711       |
| Rental of video tapes and discs <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 84.9               | 81.0  | 80.7  | 79.0  | 77.1  | 70.7  | 68.4  | 64.303  | 61.295       |
| Audio equipment .....  | 91.3               | 94.2  | 86.5  | 86.3  | 85.5  | 89.1  | 92.2  | 95.867  | 96.771       |
| Audio discs, tapes and other media <sup>2</sup> .....  | 79.4               | 75.9  | 72.5  | 68.6  | 64.0  | 58.4  | 55.9  | 53.242  | 51.532       |
| Pets, pet products and services <sup>2</sup> .....   | 104.0              | 108.5 | 109.6 | 105.3 | 109.0 | 109.1 | 105.9 | 105.202 | 103.824      |
| Pets and pet products .....  | 106.9              | 111.4 | 113.9 | 117.0 | 122.0 | 125.4 | 129.8 | 136.947 | 148.630      |
| Pet food <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 143.6              | 148.4 | 149.3 | 151.5 | 155.8 | 157.6 | 162.6 | 170.641 | 188.477      |
| Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 102.3              | 105.4 | 105.7 | 107.8 | 111.1 | 112.4 | 116.2 | 122.446 | 138.135      |
| Pet services including veterinary <sup>2</sup> .....   | 99.5               | 101.6 | 104.3 | 103.9 | 105.8 | 107.7 | 110.9 | 114.293 | 117.828      |
| Pet services <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 117.7              | 124.6 | 130.7 | 137.3 | 145.9 | 153.0 | 159.3 | 169.281 | 179.099      |
| Veterinarian services <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 110.9              | 113.0 | 117.5 | 122.0 | 128.2 | 133.2 | 138.6 | 144.294 | 153.090      |
| Sporting goods .....   | 118.1              | 125.7 | 132.2 | 139.3 | 148.6 | 156.3 | 163.0 | 174.382 | 184.765      |
| Sports vehicles including bicycles .....   | 119.2              | 117.3 | 115.7 | 114.9 | 113.5 | 115.5 | 117.2 | 116.125 | 118.812      |
| Sports equipment .....   | 132.4              | 131.8 | 130.7 | 127.8 | 129.6 | 134.7 | 138.8 | 138.424 | 139.459      |
| Photography <sup>2</sup> .....   | 106.3              | 103.5 | 101.6 | 102.2 | 98.2  | 97.8  | 96.8  | 95.030  | 99.147       |
| Photographic equipment and supplies .....  | 99.4               | 98.7  | 96.8  | 94.7  | 91.8  | 89.0  | 84.7  | 81.737  | 81.357       |
| Film and photographic supplies <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 125.0              | 122.3 | 114.7 | 108.2 | 100.5 | 95.6  | 84.9  | 79.082  | 77.305       |
| Photographic equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 96.0               | 97.3  | 91.7  | 88.8  | 87.5  | 88.0  | 84.5  | 86.304  | 88.516       |
| Photographers and film processing <sup>2</sup> .....   | 90.1               | 83.2  | 78.2  | 71.6  | 61.8  | 55.5  | 45.5  | 38.800  | 36.818       |
| Photographer fees <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 103.7              | 103.8 | 105.7 | 106.3 | 106.5 | 104.8 | 106.7 | 106.295 | 107.491      |
| Film processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 104.2              | 108.7 | 114.3 | 118.1 | 115.4 | 113.4 | 114.6 | 117.023 | 117.673      |
| Other recreational goods <sup>2</sup> .....  | 101.1              | 99.4  | 100.5 | 100.6 | 100.4 | 98.8  | 100.5 | 99.692  | 100.975      |
| Toys .....   | 86.4               | 83.1  | 77.0  | 74.5  | 71.3  | 68.5  | 66.4  | 62.868  | 62.121       |
| Toys, games, hobbies and playground<br>equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                      | 103.4              | 98.0  | 88.9  | 85.2  | 80.0  | 76.4  | 72.7  | 68.585  | 66.536       |
| Sewing machines, fabric and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....  | 85.9               | 82.4  | 78.1  | 75.7  | 73.6  | 71.8  | 70.0  | 67.586  | 66.466       |
| Music instruments and accessories <sup>2</sup> .....   | 95.2               | 96.2  | 94.1  | 94.6  | 94.9  | 91.7  | 92.6  | 86.794  | 90.329       |
| Recreation services <sup>2</sup> .....   | 100.1              | 100.1 | 98.9  | 97.5  | 98.7  | 96.9  | 96.9  | 95.018  | 96.490       |
| Club dues and fees for participant sports and<br>group exercises <sup>2</sup> .....                        | 113.3              | 117.7 | 121.4 | 125.6 | 128.3 | 132.1 | 137.2 | 140.427 | 143.745      |
| Admissions .....   | 110.1              | 112.4 | 113.1 | 116.1 | 116.4 | 119.4 | 122.0 | 123.864 | 126.061      |
| Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 234.8              | 245.3 | 257.4 | 266.1 | 275.3 | 284.9 | 299.8 | 307.108 | 315.513      |
| Admission to sporting events <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 116.4              | 119.4 | 125.4 | 130.3 | 133.5 | 138.2 | 145.7 | 148.620 | 152.102      |
|  | 119.2              | 126.4 | 131.4 | 132.3 | 141.4 | 150.4 | 156.0 | 163.370 | 171.939      |

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**Table 25. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group  | Unadjusted indexes |       |       |       |       |       |       |         | Sep.<br>2008 |
|---|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------------|
|   | December           |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
|   | 2000               | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  | 2005  | 2006  | 2007    |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>   |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
| Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>7</sup> .....   | 190.5              | 203.2 | 206.1 | 219.0 | 224.9 | 230.8 | 238.9 | 248.080 | 254.904      |
| Recreational reading materials .....  | 189.4              | 193.1 | 196.9 | 198.6 | 202.9 | 204.0 | 205.7 | 208.036 | 213.733      |
| Newspapers and magazines <sup>2</sup> .....   | 107.1              | 109.3 | 111.7 | 113.6 | 117.8 | 119.8 | 121.0 | 122.709 | 126.989      |
| Recreational books <sup>2</sup> .....   | 101.3              | 103.0 | 104.7 | 104.2 | 104.2 | 102.9 | 103.6 | 104.305 | 106.233      |
| Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....  | 103.6              | 106.9 | 109.2 | 110.9 | 112.6 | 115.3 | 118.0 | 121.506 | 125.505      |
| Education <sup>2</sup> .....  | 115.5              | 122.0 | 130.0 | 139.4 | 148.5 | 157.6 | 167.6 | 176.927 | 186.148      |
| Educational books and supplies .....  | 285.4              | 294.7 | 323.3 | 342.8 | 355.9 | 374.3 | 399.5 | 434.352 | 462.787      |
| Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....   | 332.7              | 352.2 | 374.0 | 401.7 | 428.9 | 455.3 | 484.0 | 510.016 | 536.082      |
| College tuition and fees .....  | 340.9              | 361.9 | 387.4 | 425.5 | 462.2 | 492.8 | 527.2 | 559.190 | 589.815      |
| Elementary and high school tuition and fees .....   | 361.4              | 387.3 | 413.6 | 440.4 | 471.4 | 497.8 | 527.1 | 556.271 | 587.529      |
| Child care and nursery school <sup>9</sup> .....  | 160.1              | 168.1 | 176.4 | 183.6 | 190.0 | 200.5 | 211.2 | 219.405 | 228.961      |
| Technical and business school tuition and fees<br><sup>2</sup> .....  | 119.0              | 126.0 | 132.3 | 144.3 | 155.8 | 166.0 | 174.4 | 183.016 | 189.501      |
| Communication <sup>2</sup> .....  | 93.0               | 93.4  | 91.8  | 88.2  | 85.4  | 84.3  | 83.1  | 83.282  | 84.524       |
| Postage and delivery services <sup>2</sup> .....  | 103.2              | 108.0 | 119.2 | 119.4 | 120.0 | 120.5 | 126.5 | 132.091 | 137.363      |
| Postage .....   | 165.1              | 172.7 | 190.9 | 190.9 | 190.9 | 190.9 | 201.1 | 208.927 | 215.400      |
| Delivery services <sup>2</sup> .....  | 116.0              | 123.7 | 129.4 | 135.1 | 154.0 | 169.3 | 171.5 | 189.551 | 222.674      |
| Information and information processing <sup>2</sup> .....   | 92.2               | 92.3  | 90.0  | 86.2  | 83.3  | 82.2  | 80.6  | 80.546  | 81.635       |
| Telephone services <sup>2</sup> .....   | 98.4               | 99.7  | 99.9  | 97.2  | 94.8  | 95.2  | 96.8  | 98.792  | 101.311      |
| Land-line telephone services, local charges <sup>5</sup><br>Land-line telephone services, long distance<br>charges <sup>2</sup> ..... | 180.1              | 188.2 | 198.2 | 203.3 | 205.5 | 212.2 | 216.8 | 225.675 | 231.896      |
| Land-line interstate toll calls <sup>1</sup> .....  | 89.5               | 87.9  | 82.6  | 74.3  | 68.6  | 67.4  | 69.6  | 71.946  | 76.741       |
| Land-line intrastate toll calls <sup>1</sup> .....  | 65.8               | 64.5  | 60.7  | 54.1  | 49.4  | 47.9  | 50.3  | 51.498  | 54.721       |
| Land-line intrastate toll calls <sup>1</sup> .....  | 88.9               | 87.4  | 82.1  | 74.4  | 69.5  | 69.8  | 72.1  | 76.349  | 83.316       |
| Wireless telephone services <sup>2</sup> .....  | 71.1               | 67.2  | 67.4  | 66.5  | 65.6  | 64.6  | 64.6  | 64.011  | 64.270       |
| Information technology, hardware and services<br><sup>13</sup> .....  | 23.8               | 19.8  | 17.2  | 15.3  | 14.2  | 13.1  | 11.2  | 10.215  | 9.901        |
| Personal computers and peripheral equipment<br><sup>3</sup> .....   | 407.9              | 282.9 | 220.7 | 181.1 | 155.7 | 131.1 | 115.8 | 100.000 | 90.797       |
| Computer software and accessories <sup>2</sup> .....  | 81.5               | 79.5  | 71.0  | 64.1  | 61.1  | 58.5  | 54.2  | 50.722  | 50.150       |
| Internet services and electronic information<br>providers <sup>2</sup> .....  | 95.7               | 100.3 | 99.6  | 97.6  | 97.2  | 94.5  | 77.2  | 73.176  | 74.144       |
| Telephone hardware, calculators, and other<br>consumer information items <sup>2</sup> .....   | 70.8               | 65.0  | 59.0  | 52.3  | 48.4  | 44.2  | 40.3  | 36.945  | 36.804       |
| Other goods and services .....  | 274.0              | 286.4 | 295.8 | 300.2 | 307.8 | 317.3 | 326.7 | 337.633 | 348.166      |
| Tobacco and smoking products .....  | 396.6              | 431.7 | 472.5 | 470.4 | 484.8 | 513.1 | 527.3 | 566.696 | 597.581      |
| Cigarettes <sup>2</sup> .....   | 160.4              | 175.1 | 192.3 | 190.6 | 196.0 | 207.6 | 213.4 | 229.969 | 242.717      |
| Tobacco products other than cigarettes <sup>2</sup> .....   | 121.7              | 125.8 | 130.9 | 138.6 | 147.1 | 154.6 | 157.7 | 163.226 | 169.732      |
| Personal care .....   | 167.8              | 172.6 | 175.4 | 179.0 | 183.3 | 187.6 | 193.3 | 197.643 | 202.486      |
| Personal care products .....  | 155.5              | 155.4 | 153.4 | 153.4 | 153.4 | 155.4 | 159.0 | 158.236 | 159.643      |
| Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous<br>personal care products <sup>2</sup> .....   | 104.9              | 104.6 | 103.4 | 102.6 | 101.7 | 102.1 | 104.2 | 103.861 | 104.349      |
| Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations<br>and implements .....   | 168.1              | 168.3 | 165.9 | 167.3 | 169.2 | 173.1 | 177.5 | 176.418 | 178.753      |
| Personal care services .....  | 181.3              | 186.4 | 189.9 | 194.3 | 201.2 | 206.6 | 212.5 | 219.656 | 224.614      |
| Haircuts and other personal care services <sup>2</sup> .....  | 110.6              | 113.7 | 115.9 | 118.6 | 122.8 | 126.0 | 129.6 | 134.026 | 137.051      |
| Miscellaneous personal services .....   | 255.7              | 268.5 | 276.9 | 287.1 | 297.7 | 306.6 | 318.7 | 329.908 | 343.431      |
| Legal services <sup>7</sup> .....   | 192.6              | 205.1 | 213.9 | 224.6 | 236.6 | 244.6 | 255.5 | 262.910 | 272.583      |
| Funeral expenses <sup>7</sup> .....   | 189.8              | 198.3 | 206.8 | 215.4 | 223.2 | 233.5 | 244.9 | 256.560 | 268.252      |
| Laundry and dry cleaning services <sup>2</sup> .....  | 107.1              | 111.5 | 113.8 | 117.2 | 120.7 | 122.9 | 126.9 | 130.834 | 137.177      |
| Apparel services other than laundry and dry<br>cleaning <sup>2</sup> .....  | 108.6              | 113.0 | 115.1 | 118.7 | 121.9 | 127.9 | 134.4 | 139.205 | 147.898      |
| Financial services <sup>7</sup> .....   | 218.2              | 228.0 | 235.2 | 241.3 | 250.2 | 254.2 | 263.0 | 273.241 | 281.226      |
| Checking account and other bank services <sup>1 2</sup><br>Tax return preparation and other accounting<br>fees <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 110.4              | 116.0 | 117.9 | 120.1 | 123.4 | 123.9 | 126.7 | 129.839 | 131.633      |
| Miscellaneous personal goods <sup>2</sup> .....   | 117.4              | 122.7 | 128.7 | 134.1 | 141.0 | 147.2 | 156.6 | 163.279 | 171.094      |
| Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap <sup>1</sup> .....   | 96.0               | 94.4  | 93.6  | 89.0  | 86.6  | 86.4  | 86.9  | 87.487  | 87.388       |
| Infants' equipment <sup>1 4</sup> .....   | 155.6              | 156.5 | 156.4 | 149.5 | 148.0 | 150.2 | 151.6 | 154.060 | 153.111      |
|   | -                  | -     | -     | -     | -     | 100.0 | 97.1  | 95.663  | 98.170       |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>  |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
| Commodities .....   | 150.0              | 147.9 | 149.7 | 150.4 | 155.8 | 160.0 | 162.1 | 170.511 | 179.117      |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....   | 137.8              | 132.3 | 133.6 | 131.7 | 137.2 | 141.3 | 142.5 | 150.162 | 157.621      |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....   | 147.2              | 138.4 | 145.2 | 146.7 | 157.4 | 166.3 | 170.9 | 188.635 | 206.919      |

See footnotes at end of table.



**Table 25. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group                                   | Unadjusted indexes |       |       |       |       |       |       |         | Sep.<br>2008 |
|--|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------------|
|  | December           |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
|  | 2000               | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  | 2005  | 2006  | 2007    |              |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                 |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
| Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel    | 163.1              | 151.6 | 163.9 | 167.7 | 185.2 | 200.4 | 207.3 | 236.735 | 265.100      |
| Durables .....                                   | 125.9              | 124.3 | 120.2 | 115.0 | 115.5 | 114.9 | 113.3 | 112.093 | 110.077      |
| Services .....                                   | 198.0              | 205.3 | 211.9 | 217.9 | 224.6 | 233.2 | 241.2 | 249.225 | 258.059      |
| Rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....               | 203.1              | 211.7 | 218.1 | 222.9 | 228.9 | 235.0 | 245.0 | 252.669 | 258.255      |
| Transportation services .....                    | 198.3              | 204.5 | 212.0 | 217.7 | 221.8 | 227.8 | 230.8 | 236.504 | 248.047      |
| Other services .....                             | 233.0              | 241.9 | 250.2 | 257.4 | 264.3 | 272.3 | 280.9 | 289.945 | 299.598      |
| All items less food .....                        | 174.7              | 177.0 | 181.6 | 184.4 | 190.6 | 197.4 | 202.6 | 210.610 | 218.991      |
| All items less shelter .....                     | 167.5              | 168.2 | 171.7 | 174.7 | 180.9 | 187.7 | 191.1 | 199.734 | 209.936      |
| All items less medical care .....                | 169.0              | 171.3 | 175.1 | 178.2 | 183.9 | 190.0 | 194.8 | 202.600 | 211.321      |
| Commodities less food .....                      | 139.3              | 134.1 | 135.6 | 133.8 | 139.3 | 143.3 | 144.7 | 152.344 | 159.825      |
| Nondurables less food .....                      | 149.0              | 140.9 | 147.6 | 149.2 | 159.5 | 168.1 | 172.7 | 189.844 | 207.483      |
| Nondurables less food and apparel .....          | 163.6              | 153.4 | 165.0 | 168.8 | 185.1 | 199.2 | 205.8 | 233.014 | 259.278      |
| Nondurables .....                                | 159.1              | 156.8 | 161.6 | 165.4 | 173.3 | 180.1 | 184.5 | 198.422 | 213.274      |
| Apparel less footwear .....                      | 124.1              | 119.9 | 117.2 | 114.8 | 114.1 | 112.3 | 113.3 | 112.990 | 115.845      |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> ..... | 206.9              | 213.2 | 220.5 | 228.4 | 236.5 | 248.8 | 254.9 | 263.966 | 277.615      |
| Services less medical care services .....        | 191.5              | 198.3 | 204.3 | 209.9 | 216.0 | 224.2 | 231.7 | 238.894 | 247.563      |
| Energy .....                                     | 128.1              | 111.4 | 123.3 | 131.8 | 153.7 | 180.0 | 185.2 | 217.506 | 258.020      |
| All items less energy .....                      | 180.2              | 185.2 | 188.6 | 191.5 | 195.8 | 200.1 | 205.1 | 210.890 | 216.397      |
| All items less food and energy .....             | 182.8              | 187.8 | 191.4 | 193.6 | 197.8 | 202.1 | 207.3 | 212.356 | 216.862      |
| Commodities less food and energy commodities ..  | 145.1              | 144.7 | 142.5 | 139.0 | 139.8 | 140.1 | 139.9 | 140.014 | 140.528      |
| Energy commodities .....                         | 129.3              | 97.6  | 120.7 | 129.0 | 163.4 | 190.7 | 202.4 | 261.976 | 318.918      |
| Services less energy services .....              | 204.4              | 212.6 | 219.8 | 225.5 | 231.9 | 238.7 | 247.5 | 255.785 | 262.980      |
| Domestically produced farm food .....            | 173.2              | 178.2 | 179.8 | 189.5 | 194.4 | 196.9 | 199.2 | 211.109 | 225.025      |
| Utilities and public transportation .....        | 156.5              | 156.6 | 158.4 | 163.2 | 168.3 | 183.5 | 185.2 | 191.955 | 208.429      |

<sup>1</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

<sup>10</sup> Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.

<sup>11</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>12</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>13</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 26. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories**

| Item and group  | Percent change from previous December |      |      |      |       |      |      |      |              |
|---|---------------------------------------|------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|--------------|
|   | December                              |      |      |      |       |      |      |      | Sep.<br>2008 |
|   | 2000                                  | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004  | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>   |                                       |      |      |      |       |      |      |      |              |
| All items .....   | 3.4                                   | 1.6  | 2.4  | 1.9  | 3.3   | 3.4  | 2.5  | 4.1  | 4.2          |
| Food and beverages .....  | 2.8                                   | 2.8  | 1.5  | 3.5  | 2.6   | 2.3  | 2.2  | 4.8  | 5.2          |
| Food .....  | 2.8                                   | 2.8  | 1.5  | 3.6  | 2.7   | 2.3  | 2.1  | 4.9  | 5.3          |
| Food at home .....  | 2.9                                   | 2.6  | .8   | 4.5  | 2.4   | 1.7  | 1.4  | 5.6  | 6.5          |
| Cereals and bakery products .....   | 2.6                                   | 2.4  | 1.0  | 2.8  | 1.7   | 1.0  | 3.1  | 5.4  | 10.8         |
| Cereals and cereal products .....   | .9                                    | 2.0  | .5   | 2.1  | 1.0   | -.3  | 2.1  | 4.1  | 12.1         |
| Flour and prepared flour mixes .....  | .7                                    | 4.6  | 3.8  | 3.9  | -3.5  | 3.7  | 3.1  | 7.4  | 22.2         |
| Breakfast cereal .....  | 1.2                                   | 1.6  | .0   | .5   | 1.2   | -2.1 | .5   | 2.7  | 3.4          |
| Rice, pasta, cornmeal .....   | .4                                    | 1.8  | -.1  | 4.2  | 2.4   | 1.3  | 4.7  | 5.2  | 25.6         |
| Rice <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | -1.2                                  | -1.0 | .3   | 5.3  | 4.7   | 1.7  | 6.5  | 4.2  | 41.0         |
| Bakery products .....   | 3.5                                   | 2.6  | 1.3  | 3.2  | 2.1   | 1.7  | 3.5  | 6.0  | 10.2         |
| Bread <sup>2</sup> .....  | 4.6                                   | 5.2  | 1.0  | 2.1  | 4.0   | 2.9  | 5.1  | 10.5 | 10.9         |
| White bread <sup>1</sup> .....  | 4.7                                   | 5.2  | .7   | 2.4  | 3.8   | 2.3  | 5.2  | 11.3 | 9.6          |
| Bread other than white <sup>1</sup> .....   | 5.4                                   | 4.2  | 2.1  | -.4  | 5.0   | 2.8  | 4.6  | 10.1 | 13.2         |
| Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 3.0                                   | 3.8  | 1.9  | 3.8  | 2.7   | 2.4  | 6.3  | 4.5  | 11.3         |
| Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies .....  | 1.8                                   | 1.7  | 1.9  | 2.6  | 2.1   | 2.1  | 1.0  | 5.8  | 6.8          |
| Cookies <sup>1</sup> .....  | -1.3                                  | 2.7  | 2.8  | .7   | 2.5   | 2.1  | 1.7  | 2.8  | 6.7          |
| Fresh cakes and cupcakes <sup>1</sup> .....   | 3.5                                   | 1.8  | 1.3  | 3.9  | 1.9   | 2.1  | .4   | 8.4  | 7.2          |
| Other bakery products .....   | 4.1                                   | .5   | .7   | 4.7  | .2    | -.5  | 3.2  | 2.4  | 12.1         |
| Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts <sup>1</sup> .....                           | 7.7                                   | 4.0  | 1.0  | 3.8  | 2.1   | 3.3  | 3.9  | 3.4  | 8.2          |
| Crackers, bread, and cracker products <sup>1</sup> .....                              | 3.0                                   | -.6  | .8   | 6.8  | -1.1  | -1.3 | 3.3  | 1.4  | 14.6         |
| Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies,<br>tarts, turnovers <sup>1</sup> ..... | 3.6                                   | 3.4  | .8   | 1.6  | 2.4   | -.1  | 2.7  | 3.6  | 9.6          |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....  | 4.5                                   | 3.4  | .2   | 11.5 | 1.1   | 1.4  | 1.6  | 5.4  | 5.6          |
| Meats, poultry, and fish .....  | 4.0                                   | 4.0  | -.2  | 10.7 | 2.3   | 1.4  | 1.0  | 4.0  | 6.5          |
| Meats .....   | 5.2                                   | 4.6  | .2   | 14.0 | 1.6   | 1.2  | .9   | 3.3  | 6.4          |
| Beef and veal .....   | 5.5                                   | 6.2  | .6   | 23.5 | -.9   | 2.2  | .5   | 5.0  | 6.7          |
| Uncooked ground beef .....  | 6.1                                   | 6.9  | 1.2  | 19.5 | 2.9   | 3.5  | .5   | 5.2  | 8.1          |
| Uncooked beef roasts <sup>2</sup> .....   | 6.4                                   | 8.2  | .3   | 23.5 | -.7   | 1.2  | -.2  | 5.1  | 7.6          |
| Uncooked beef steaks <sup>2</sup> .....   | 4.5                                   | 4.4  | .3   | 27.5 | -3.3  | 1.3  | .1   | 5.1  | 4.6          |
| Uncooked other beef and veal <sup>2</sup> .....                                       | 5.3                                   | 5.6  | -.8  | 21.7 | -6.2  | 3.0  | 4.1  | 4.0  | 7.5          |
| Pork .....  | 5.8                                   | 3.7  | -2.3 | 5.2  | 4.7   | -.1  | .7   | 1.4  | 7.8          |
| Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 7.4                                   | 5.3  | -.3  | 4.3  | 5.8   | -3.6 | 1.7  | 3.2  | 3.8          |
| Bacon and related products <sup>1</sup> .....   | 8.7                                   | 6.5  | 1.1  | 9.2  | 3.6   | -2.2 | 1.6  | 3.8  | 2.4          |
| Breakfast sausage and related products <sup>1 2</sup> .....                           | 6.9                                   | 3.2  | -1.0 | 4.0  | 7.4   | -4.8 | 1.4  | 2.3  | 5.4          |
| Ham .....   | 4.0                                   | 3.9  | -2.0 | 4.6  | 4.2   | 2.2  | .4   | 1.4  | 7.5          |
| Ham, excluding canned <sup>1</sup> .....  | 4.7                                   | 4.1  | -.9  | 5.4  | 5.4   | 2.5  | 1.3  | 1.2  | 7.3          |
| Pork chops .....  | 5.9                                   | 2.8  | -2.8 | 5.4  | 2.3   | -.1  | -.4  | .8   | 9.0          |
| Other pork including roasts and picnics <sup>2</sup> .....                            | 5.1                                   | 1.9  | -5.3 | 7.1  | 6.5   | 2.6  | .4   | -.4  | 12.8         |
| Other meats .....   | 3.7                                   | 3.0  | 3.2  | 5.5  | 2.9   | .8   | 2.0  | 1.8  | 3.9          |
| Frankfurters <sup>1</sup> .....   | 3.2                                   | 3.1  | 9.1  | 2.9  | -2.4  | 1.6  | 1.1  | 4.9  | 1.7          |
| Lunchmeats <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | 2.8                                   | 3.8  | 1.2  | 3.5  | 3.1   | 1.0  | .9   | 1.5  | 5.7          |
| Lamb and organ meats <sup>1</sup> .....   | 9.3                                   | 2.2  | 9.5  | 6.8  | 2.4   | 3.2  | -    | -    | 13.4         |
| Lamb and mutton <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 5.6                                   | -2.7 | -    | -    | -     | 10.4 | -    | -    | -            |
| Poultry .....   | 2.0                                   | 4.4  | -.7  | 4.7  | 5.1   | .3   | -.7  | 6.3  | 5.7          |
| Chicken <sup>2</sup> .....  | 1.8                                   | 5.1  | -.1  | 4.7  | 5.8   | -.3  | -.9  | 7.4  | 4.6          |
| Fresh whole chicken <sup>1</sup> .....  | 1.4                                   | 2.9  | 1.1  | .5   | 8.7   | 1.1  | -1.3 | 8.7  | 5.8          |
| Fresh and frozen chicken parts <sup>1</sup> .....                                     | 2.1                                   | 6.8  | -1.2 | 5.6  | 5.3   | -1.7 | -1.1 | 7.3  | 4.3          |
| Other poultry including turkey <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 2.6                                   | 2.0  | -2.9 | 4.3  | 2.5   | 2.8  | .3   | 1.4  | 10.9         |
| Fish and seafood .....  | 1.4                                   | -.1  | -1.1 | 2.7  | 2.3   | 3.8  | 3.5  | 4.7  | 7.5          |
| Fresh fish and seafood <sup>2</sup> .....   | 3.9                                   | -.8  | -3.0 | 4.7  | 2.8   | 5.7  | 4.1  | 5.2  | 7.9          |
| Processed fish and seafood <sup>2</sup> .....   | -1.8                                  | 1.1  | 1.7  | .0   | 1.5   | 1.2  | 2.5  | 4.1  | 7.0          |
| Canned fish and seafood <sup>1</sup> .....  | -4.7                                  | 2.3  | 1.8  | -.2  | 2.7   | 2.1  | 5.5  | 3.2  | 7.3          |
| Frozen fish and seafood <sup>1</sup> .....  | 2.2                                   | -.5  | 3.6  | .7   | .7    | 1.2  | 1.0  | 5.1  | 6.3          |
| Eggs .....  | 17.3                                  | -8.2 | 9.7  | 30.1 | -19.9 | 1.4  | 14.1 | 32.6 | -6.2         |
| Dairy and related products .....  | -.4                                   | 5.8  | -2.0 | 3.4  | 4.1   | 1.7  | -1.2 | 13.4 | 4.0          |
| Milk <sup>2</sup> .....   | -.4                                   | 4.4  | -3.7 | 6.9  | 5.9   | 3.5  | -2.5 | 19.3 | -.3          |
| Fresh whole milk <sup>1</sup> .....   | .9                                    | 4.6  | -4.2 | 6.9  | 6.0   | 4.3  | -4.3 | 22.0 | -1.7         |
| Fresh milk other than whole <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                      | -.1                                   | 3.4  | -2.3 | 6.5  | 5.0   | 2.3  | .0   | 16.9 | .9           |
| Cheese and related products .....   | -2.5                                  | 7.2  | -2.5 | 2.3  | 5.3   | .5   | -1.9 | 13.0 | 9.7          |
| Ice cream and related products .....  | 1.8                                   | 8.8  | -1.5 | .2   | -.6   | .4   | 1.6  | 3.6  | 3.1          |
| Other dairy and related products <sup>2</sup> .....                                   | 1.5                                   | 2.8  | 2.0  | 1.6  | 2.9   | 1.5  | -.2  | 11.8 | 3.9          |
| Fruits and vegetables .....   | 5.2                                   | -.3  | 4.9  | 3.3  | 7.9   | .6   | 1.9  | 5.9  | 5.0          |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 26. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

| Item and group  | Percent change from previous December |       |       |      |      |       |      |      | Sep.<br>2008 |
|---|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|------|------|-------|------|------|--------------|
|   | December                              |       |       |      |      |       |      |      |              |
|   | 2000                                  | 2001  | 2002  | 2003 | 2004 | 2005  | 2006 | 2007 |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>   |                                       |       |       |      |      |       |      |      |              |
| Fresh fruits and vegetables .....   | 6.2                                   | -1.7  | 5.5   | 4.5  | 9.6  | -0.5  | 1.8  | 6.4  | 2.7          |
| Fresh fruits .....  | .8                                    | .6    | 4.7   | 1.4  | 7.3  | 1.3   | 4.3  | 5.8  | 3.7          |
| Apples .....  | .2                                    | 6.6   | 6.9   | 3.2  | 1.0  | 4.2   | 10.0 | 5.9  | 28.3         |
| Bananas .....   | -2                                    | 2.7   | .0    | -1.5 | -2.9 | 7.4   | 2.7  | 4.5  | 17.8         |
| Citrus fruits <sup>2</sup> .....  | -4.7                                  | 7.7   | 9.7   | 1.9  | 11.8 | 7.5   | 6.1  | .9   | 31.5         |
| Oranges, including tangerines <sup>1</sup> .....                            | -10.3                                 | 12.8  | 15.1  | 5.6  | 6.6  | 5.7   | 11.8 | -5.9 | 44.6         |
| Other fresh fruits <sup>2</sup> .....                                       | 4.3                                   | -5.8  | 3.7   | 1.8  | 11.5 | -3.9  | 2.1  | 8.2  | -17.1        |
| Fresh vegetables .....  | 12.2                                  | -4.1  | 6.4   | 7.6  | 11.9 | -2.3  | -.8  | 7.0  | 1.7          |
| Potatoes .....  | -5.9                                  | 14.4  | 8.3   | -3.5 | 7.5  | 9.2   | 6.0  | 3.0  | 37.0         |
| Lettuce .....   | 32.4                                  | -17.8 | -5.7  | 38.1 | -8.3 | -6.1  | 8.4  | 4.8  | .7           |
| Tomatoes .....  | 22.5                                  | -7.6  | 9.2   | -1.5 | 49.5 | -19.5 | -7.0 | 18.9 | -20.0        |
| Other fresh vegetables .....  | 10.7                                  | -4.6  | 7.7   | 8.4  | 4.2  | 4.5   | -2.4 | 4.3  | .2           |
| Processed fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....                          | 1.8                                   | 4.6   | 2.9   | -.8  | 1.6  | 5.3   | 2.7  | 4.0  | 13.0         |
| Canned fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....                             | 1.9                                   | 4.2   | 3.3   | -2.7 | 2.5  | 5.8   | 2.6  | 4.0  | 16.7         |
| Canned fruits <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 3.0                                   | -.1   | 3.9   | -1.6 | 1.7  | 5.2   | 3.8  | 2.8  | 11.8         |
| Canned vegetables <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                      | 2.0                                   | 7.6   | 2.1   | -3.4 | 3.8  | 6.8   | 1.2  | 4.7  | 19.3         |
| Frozen fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....                             | 2.0                                   | 6.3   | .3    | 2.7  | -.8  | 4.8   | 2.5  | 3.3  | 6.7          |
| Frozen vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....  | 3.1                                   | 6.1   | -.1   | 2.7  | -1.0 | 3.6   | .7   | .6   | 7.7          |
| Other processed fruits and vegetables including<br>dried <sup>2</sup> ..... | 1.3                                   | 1.9   | 6.2   | -.7  | 3.2  | 4.9   | 3.4  | 5.5  | 13.3         |
| Dried beans, peas, and lentils <sup>1 2</sup> .....                         | .6                                    | 4.6   | 6.3   | -1.1 | 4.5  | 2.5   | 6.0  | 12.5 | 20.8         |
| Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....                         | 1.5                                   | 1.3   | .9    | -.4  | .9   | 3.5   | 2.1  | 3.5  | 5.1          |
| Juices and nonalcoholic drinks <sup>2</sup> .....                           | 1.9                                   | 1.9   | 1.0   | -.6  | .8   | 3.0   | 1.9  | 3.5  | 5.8          |
| Carbonated drinks .....   | 2.1                                   | 1.8   | 1.3   | -.1  | 2.2  | 4.4   | .4   | 3.4  | 8.3          |
| Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>2</sup> .....                   | 1.9                                   | 2.8   | -.6   | 1.1  | -3.0 | .2    | 13.2 | 13.4 | 2.2          |
| Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>2</sup> .....                | 1.7                                   | 1.8   | .9    | -1.3 | -.4  | 1.6   | 3.1  | 3.0  | 3.5          |
| Beverage materials including coffee and tea <sup>2</sup> .....              | .2                                    | -.3   | .9    | .1   | 1.2  | 4.5   | 2.4  | 3.4  | 3.9          |
| Coffee .....  | -3.2                                  | -3.5  | -.3   | .7   | 1.6  | 11.5  | 2.2  | 5.6  | 10.1         |
| Roasted coffee <sup>1</sup> .....   | -3.6                                  | -5.9  | -.5   | 1.8  | 1.2  | 14.1  | -.5  | 8.7  | 8.9          |
| Instant and freeze dried coffee <sup>1</sup> .....                          | -.6                                   | 3.1   | .0    | -1.9 | 4.2  | 4.3   | 7.7  | -2.4 | 14.8         |
| Other beverage materials including tea <sup>2</sup> .....                   | 4.1                                   | 2.8   | 1.8   | -.3  | 1.0  | .4    | 2.6  | 2.3  | .4           |
| Other food at home .....  | 2.0                                   | 2.9   | .1    | 1.2  | .4   | 2.4   | .7   | 3.2  | 8.0          |
| Sugar and sweets .....  | .8                                    | 1.7   | 1.9   | 1.2  | .2   | 4.0   | 2.7  | 3.6  | 6.3          |
| Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....                                       | -.4                                   | 2.3   | 2.5   | 2.1  | -.2  | 8.1   | 5.8  | -.5  | 8.1          |
| Candy and chewing gum <sup>2</sup> .....                                    | 1.2                                   | 1.1   | 1.6   | .3   | .2   | 3.6   | 1.5  | 4.8  | 5.1          |
| Other sweets <sup>2</sup> .....   | 1.0                                   | 2.6   | 2.7   | 3.3  | .7   | 1.7   | 4.0  | 3.4  | 8.9          |
| Fats and oils .....   | 3.5                                   | 4.5   | -2.6  | 3.2  | 6.2  | -1.3  | .9   | 5.6  | 17.2         |
| Butter and margarine <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 8.3                                   | 11.6  | -9.3  | 4.0  | 13.8 | -3.2  | -1.3 | 6.1  | 18.8         |
| Butter <sup>1</sup> .....   | 12.4                                  | 18.8  | -19.4 | 2.9  | 28.3 | -6.2  | -5.8 | 2.2  | 8.7          |
| Margarine <sup>1</sup> .....  | 2.3                                   | 4.5   | .4    | 6.0  | 1.1  | .6    | 1.7  | 9.5  | 27.8         |
| Salad dressing <sup>2</sup> .....   | 1.7                                   | 1.9   | -.6   | 2.2  | .5   | -4.3  | 3.4  | 3.6  | 9.0          |
| Other fats and oils including peanut butter <sup>2</sup> .....              | 1.0                                   | .4    | 2.0   | 3.2  | 4.5  | 2.2   | .9   | 6.6  | 21.4         |
| Peanut butter <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 2.3                                   | 1.2   | .1    | .3   | .4   | 1.3   | -2.9 | 8.7  | 11.9         |
| Other foods .....   | 1.9                                   | 3.0   | .2    | .8   | -.7  | 2.8   | .1   | 2.6  | 6.9          |
| Soups .....   | 2.7                                   | 3.0   | 1.2   | .9   | .1   | 1.9   | .0   | -.1  | 7.3          |
| Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods .....                                | 2.3                                   | 3.0   | -1.0  | .3   | -.5  | .9    | -1.7 | 3.8  | 6.4          |
| Snacks .....  | 2.6                                   | 4.1   | -3.3  | 4.5  | -2.3 | 5.8   | -1.0 | 4.5  | 8.5          |
| Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces .....                                | -1.1                                  | 5.4   | 3.1   | -2.2 | -2.9 | 3.8   | -.1  | 3.5  | 9.5          |
| Salt and other seasonings and spices <sup>1 2</sup> .....                   | -1.9                                  | 7.4   | -.3   | -1.1 | -.3  | 6.1   | -3.7 | 5.8  | 3.5          |
| Olives, pickles, relishes <sup>1 2</sup> .....                              | .3                                    | 9.2   | 2.1   | -6.0 | 4.5  | .5    | 2.2  | 4.1  | 10.4         |
| Sauces and gravies <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                     | .9                                    | 2.9   | 3.6   | -1.4 | -8.5 | 3.8   | 2.9  | 1.1  | 10.2         |
| Other condiments <sup>1</sup> .....   | 5.7                                   | 1.0   | 6.0   | 3.8  | -3.6 | 1.7   | .2   | 6.3  | 18.3         |
| Baby food <sup>2</sup> .....  | 4.1                                   | 3.0   | 1.5   | 3.2  | 2.1  | 3.4   | .9   | 3.7  | 4.1          |
| Other miscellaneous foods <sup>2</sup> .....                                | 3.0                                   | -.4   | 1.6   | -.4  | .9   | 1.4   | 2.4  | .1   | 5.1          |
| Prepared salads <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | -                                     | -     | -     | -    | -    | -     | -    | -    | 4.1          |
| Food away from home .....   | 2.4                                   | 3.0   | 2.3   | 2.3  | 3.0  | 3.2   | 3.2  | 4.0  | 3.8          |
| Full service meals and snacks <sup>2</sup> .....                            | 2.8                                   | 3.3   | 2.2   | 2.2  | 2.9  | 2.8   | 3.4  | 3.9  | 3.2          |
| Limited service meals and snacks <sup>2</sup> .....                         | 2.8                                   | 3.2   | 2.2   | 2.3  | 3.2  | 3.3   | 3.0  | 4.1  | 4.3          |
| Food at employee sites and schools <sup>2</sup> .....                       | -.2                                   | 1.8   | 4.8   | 2.5  | 2.9  | 2.7   | 3.6  | 2.8  | 5.2          |
| Food at elementary and secondary schools <sup>1 4</sup> .....               | -                                     | -     | -     | -    | -    | -     | 4.3  | 3.2  | 5.3          |
| Food from vending machines and mobile vendors <sup>2</sup> ....             | 1.5                                   | 1.6   | 1.3   | 2.4  | 2.2  | 2.9   | 2.0  | 3.4  | 3.7          |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 26. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

| Item and group  | Percent change from previous December |       |      |      |      |      |       |      | Sep.<br>2008 |
|---|---------------------------------------|-------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|--------------|
|   | December                              |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |              |
|   | 2000                                  | 2001  | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006  | 2007 |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>   |                                       |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |              |
| Other food away from home <sup>2</sup> .....                            | 3.9                                   | 4.0   | 3.7  | 2.6  | 3.3  | 5.3  | 4.0   | 4.8  | 4.3          |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 2.7                                   | 2.5   | 2.2  | 2.1  | 2.8  | 1.3  | 2.4   | 3.8  | 3.5          |
| Alcoholic beverages at home .....                                       | 2.4                                   | 1.4   | 1.9  | 1.7  | 2.1  | .4   | 1.5   | 3.3  | 3.5          |
| Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home .....                       | 3.1                                   | 1.6   | 2.6  | 3.0  | 3.3  | -5   | 1.3   | 4.3  | 2.3          |
| Distilled spirits at home .....   | 3.1                                   | 3.6   | .5   | 2.1  | .8   | 1.1  | .8    | .6   | 4.2          |
| Whiskey at home <sup>1</sup> .....                                      | 2.1                                   | 3.6   | 1.4  | 2.9  | .5   | 1.9  | 1.0   | 2.3  | 3.3          |
| Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home <sup>1</sup> .....        | 3.5                                   | 3.8   | .2   | 1.3  | 1.2  | .6   | .2    | .2   | 4.0          |
| Wine at home .....  | .9                                    | -.3   | 1.4  | -.5  | .7   | 1.6  | 1.9   | 3.2  | 4.9          |
| Alcoholic beverages away from home .....                                | 3.4                                   | 4.3   | 3.0  | 2.7  | 3.8  | 2.9  | 4.2   | 4.6  | 3.5          |
| Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home <sup>1 2</sup> ..... | 3.3                                   | 2.9   | 2.6  | 3.6  | 3.5  | 2.1  | 4.8   | 3.4  | 3.8          |
| Wine away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                | 5.1                                   | 9.0   | 2.5  | 1.5  | 4.8  | 3.3  | 3.2   | 5.8  | 3.2          |
| Distilled spirits away from home <sup>1 2</sup> .....                   | 3.6                                   | 4.6   | 2.9  | 3.8  | 3.2  | 4.2  | 3.5   | 5.8  | 3.1          |
| Housing .....   | 4.3                                   | 2.9   | 2.4  | 2.2  | 3.0  | 4.0  | 3.3   | 3.0  | 3.4          |
| Shelter .....   | 3.4                                   | 4.2   | 3.1  | 2.2  | 2.7  | 2.6  | 4.2   | 3.1  | 2.2          |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>5</sup> .....                            | 4.0                                   | 4.7   | 3.1  | 2.7  | 2.9  | 3.1  | 4.3   | 4.0  | 2.4          |
| Lodging away from home <sup>2</sup> .....                               | 2.8                                   | -.2   | .6   | 3.4  | 5.1  | 3.5  | 4.0   | 4.6  | 7.5          |
| Housing at school, excluding board <sup>5 6</sup> .....                 | 4.2                                   | 5.2   | 6.1  | 5.7  | 6.9  | 5.1  | 5.1   | 5.1  | 4.2          |
| Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels .....          | 2.7                                   | -.8   | .0   | 3.1  | 5.0  | 3.3  | 3.9   | 4.5  | 7.7          |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>5 6</sup> .....       | 3.4                                   | 4.5   | 3.3  | 2.0  | 2.3  | 2.5  | 4.3   | 2.8  | 1.6          |
| Tenants' and household insurance <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 2.4                                   | 1.5   | 5.6  | 1.8  | 3.8  | -2.2 | .9    | -.1  | 2.5          |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 12.1                                  | -2.1  | 1.4  | 6.5  | 7.9  | 15.6 | .5    | 5.4  | 12.5         |
| Household energy .....  | 14.5                                  | -3.4  | 1.0  | 7.1  | 8.4  | 18.0 | -.3   | 5.3  | 14.2         |
| Fuel oil and other fuels .....  | 36.3                                  | -22.2 | 11.4 | 9.1  | 34.1 | 24.0 | 2.4   | 28.3 | 16.7         |
| Fuel oil .....  | 40.5                                  | -26.7 | 14.7 | 7.8  | 39.5 | 27.2 | 2.3   | 32.5 | 19.6         |
| Propane, kerosene, and firewood <sup>7</sup> .....                      | 25.7                                  | -9.3  | 5.5  | 11.6 | 23.9 | 17.3 | 2.6   | 19.2 | 10.5         |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>5</sup> .....                          | 12.7                                  | -1.5  | .4   | 6.9  | 6.8  | 17.6 | -.6   | 3.4  | 13.9         |
| Electricity <sup>5</sup> .....  | 2.6                                   | 6.1   | -1.9 | 2.6  | 2.1  | 10.7 | 7.5   | 5.2  | 14.5         |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>5</sup> .....                          | 36.7                                  | -15.1 | 6.7  | 17.4 | 16.4 | 30.2 | -14.2 | -.4  | 12.4         |
| Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....        | 3.1                                   | 2.9   | 3.2  | 4.5  | 5.4  | 5.2  | 4.8   | 5.4  | 5.0          |
| Water and sewerage maintenance <sup>5</sup> .....                       | 3.3                                   | 3.0   | 3.5  | 4.7  | 6.2  | 5.5  | 4.7   | 5.6  | 5.2          |
| Garbage and trash collection <sup>8</sup> .....                         | 2.0                                   | 2.5   | 2.4  | 4.2  | 3.4  | 4.3  | 5.2   | 4.8  | 4.6          |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                              | 1.7                                   | .2    | -1.5 | -1.8 | .6   | .7   | .5    | -.7  | 2.0          |
| Window and floor coverings and other linens <sup>2</sup> .....          | 1.8                                   | -2.6  | -5.3 | -4.1 | -1.5 | -1.8 | -4.8  | -3.2 | -2.3         |
| Floor coverings <sup>2</sup> .....                                      | 7.0                                   | .0    | 2.0  | -1.7 | .7   | 6.2  | 4.0   | -.3  | .1           |
| Window coverings <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 1.7                                   | -6.3  | -3.7 | -1.5 | -1.6 | .1   | -.8   | -2.6 | -.2          |
| Other linens <sup>2</sup> .....   | -1.3                                  | -1.2  | -8.2 | -6.1 | -1.9 | -4.2 | -8.5  | -4.2 | -4.2         |
| Furniture and bedding .....   | .4                                    | -3.1  | -1.1 | -1.6 | -.2  | .6   | -.7   | -2.1 | 1.6          |
| Bedroom furniture .....   | -2.3                                  | -1.2  | -1.6 | -.3  | 5.0  | 4.7  | -1.2  | -1.6 | 3.3          |
| Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture <sup>2</sup> .....      | 2.1                                   | -3.4  | -1.0 | -2.3 | -1.9 | -1.5 | -.8   | -1.9 | .5           |
| Other furniture <sup>2</sup> .....                                      | -.6                                   | -5.8  | -.3  | -1.3 | -3.7 | -.4  | .5    | -3.4 | 1.5          |
| Infants' furniture <sup>1 4</sup> .....                                 | -                                     | -     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -1.4  | -    | -            |
| Appliances <sup>2</sup> .....   | -2.9                                  | -.5   | -3.1 | -3.9 | -3.8 | 2.8  | 1.1   | 1.4  | .9           |
| Major appliances <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | -2.1                                  | 1.7   | -2.3 | -3.7 | -3.0 | 5.8  | 2.9   | 2.8  | 2.4          |
| Laundry equipment <sup>1</sup> .....                                    | .5                                    | -.4   | -.1  | -1.8 | -3.8 | 5.1  | 1.5   | 3.2  | 1.7          |
| Other appliances <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | -4.1                                  | -3.9  | -4.1 | -4.2 | -4.8 | -1.2 | -1.3  | -.5  | -1.7         |
| Other household equipment and furnishings <sup>2</sup> .....            | -.7                                   | -.5   | -4.3 | -5.0 | .5   | -4.7 | -5.4  | -4.8 | .7           |
| Clocks, lamps, and decorator items .....                                | -4.4                                  | -1.8  | -5.3 | -9.1 | -.1  | -7.7 | -8.3  | -9.6 | -1.0         |
| Indoor plants and flowers <sup>9</sup> .....                            | 5.5                                   | 2.4   | -.8  | 2.1  | .8   | 1.9  | -.7   | 2.0  | 3.4          |
| Dishes and flatware <sup>2</sup> .....                                  | -2.8                                  | -3.0  | -5.4 | -2.3 | 1.6  | -6.8 | -6.3  | -2.6 | 2.6          |
| Nonelectric cookware and tableware <sup>2</sup> .....                   | -.8                                   | -1.1  | -4.6 | -1.3 | 1.1  | -1.0 | 1.0   | 3.0  | 2.1          |
| Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....      | -2.0                                  | -.6   | -1.3 | -2.6 | 1.6  | .1   | 1.2   | -1.1 | -.4          |
| Tools, hardware and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....                         | .5                                    | -2.1  | -1.6 | -1.7 | 3.3  | 2.6  | 1.9   | -1.1 | .1           |
| Outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....                       | -3.1                                  | .2    | -1.3 | -3.1 | .8   | -1.1 | .8    | -1.0 | -.9          |
| Housekeeping supplies .....   | 4.7                                   | 2.4   | -1.1 | -.9  | .9   | 2.3  | 4.0   | 1.5  | 4.6          |
| Household cleaning products <sup>2</sup> .....                          | 4.7                                   | 2.7   | -1.4 | -1.6 | -.7  | 3.2  | 2.7   | -.2  | 3.7          |
| Household paper products <sup>2</sup> .....                             | 8.0                                   | 1.4   | .0   | -1.8 | 6.9  | .5   | 6.6   | 3.8  | 7.9          |
| Miscellaneous household products <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 2.1                                   | 2.8   | -1.6 | .8   | -1.2 | 2.5  | 3.8   | 2.0  | 3.0          |
| Household operations <sup>2</sup> .....                                 | 6.1                                   | 4.2   | 2.3  | 2.3  | 3.6  | 5.0  | 4.4   | 2.2  | 5.7          |
| Domestic services <sup>2</sup> .....                                    | 4.5                                   | 2.9   | 4.0  | 2.6  | 1.9  | 5.1  | 4.6   | 1.7  | 3.0          |
| Gardening and lawn care services <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 9.0                                   | 4.5   | .1   | 1.3  | 4.7  | -    | -     | -    | 9.9          |
| Moving, storage, freight expense <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 5.1                                   | 3.9   | 1.4  | 2.3  | 2.9  | 4.1  | .2    | -.1  | 3.1          |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 26. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

| Item and group  | Percent change from previous December |       |      |       |      |      |      |      |              |
|---|---------------------------------------|-------|------|-------|------|------|------|------|--------------|
|   | December                              |       |      |       |      |      |      |      | Sep.<br>2008 |
|   | 2000                                  | 2001  | 2002 | 2003  | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>   |                                       |       |      |       |      |      |      |      |              |
| Repair of household items <sup>2</sup> .....                                | 5.4                                   | 7.4   | 4.9  | 3.4   | 6.9  | 6.8  | 4.3  | 4.2  | 3.7          |
| Apparel .....   | -1.8                                  | -3.2  | -1.8 | -2.1  | -.2  | -1.1 | .9   | -.3  | 2.5          |
| Men's and boys' apparel .....   | -2.7                                  | -4.1  | -2.9 | -1.1  | -1.4 | -1.9 | -.8  | -1.0 | .6           |
| Men's apparel .....   | -2.2                                  | -4.3  | -1.0 | -1.7  | -.8  | -1.3 | -.3  | -2.4 | 1.9          |
| Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear .....                               | -4.3                                  | -1.5  | -.7  | .7    | -1.6 | -.6  | -4.1 | 1.0  | 2.4          |
| Men's furnishings .....   | -1.7                                  | -2.4  | .9   | 2.2   | -1.0 | -1.0 | -1.3 | -3.8 | 4.4          |
| Men's shirts and sweaters <sup>2</sup> .....                                | .4                                    | -7.7  | -1.0 | -3.1  | -2.8 | -.7  | 2.8  | -7.1 | -1.5         |
| Men's pants and shorts .....  | -4.1                                  | -4.9  | -3.2 | -6.1  | 3.3  | -3.5 | .4   | 1.4  | 3.1          |
| Boys' apparel .....   | -4.4                                  | -3.2  | -9.2 | 1.1   | -4.1 | -3.8 | -2.6 | 4.2  | -4.1         |
| Women's and girls' apparel .....  | -1.7                                  | -4.1  | -1.5 | -1.9  | -.8  | -1.0 | 1.2  | -.7  | 2.2          |
| Women's apparel .....   | -1.8                                  | -4.0  | -2.1 | -1.6  | -1.4 | .1   | 1.7  | -.9  | 2.9          |
| Women's outerwear .....   | 2.8                                   | -7.0  | .4   | -1.1  | -5.2 | -4.1 | -.7  | -4.9 | 9.3          |
| Women's dresses .....   | -8.2                                  | 3.4   | 1.2  | .1    | -3.6 | 7.6  | 7.9  | 2.7  | 6.2          |
| Women's suits and separates <sup>2</sup> .....                              | -1.6                                  | -5.8  | -2.4 | -2.7  | -.3  | -.5  | 2.3  | -.3  | 2.2          |
| Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories <sup>2</sup> ..... | -.2                                   | -3.1  | -3.8 | -.5   | -1.2 | -.4  | -.9  | -2.3 | 1.2          |
| Girls' apparel .....  | -1.2                                  | -4.8  | 1.7  | -4.0  | 2.4  | -6.9 | -1.5 | .7   | -1.4         |
| Footwear .....  | .1                                    | -2.6  | .1   | -1.8  | 1.5  | .9   | 1.3  | -.6  | 2.2          |
| Men's footwear .....  | .7                                    | -3.3  | .1   | -3.4  | -1.9 | 2.2  | 2.2  | -2.0 | 1.5          |
| Boys' and girls' footwear .....   | -2.5                                  | -1.1  | -1.2 | -2.0  | 4.0  | 1.2  | -.8  | 2.1  | 2.2          |
| Women's footwear .....  | 1.0                                   | -2.8  | .5   | -.7   | 2.7  | .0   | 1.7  | -.9  | 2.6          |
| Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....  | -3.6                                  | .2    | -2.5 | -4.9  | -.5  | -3.0 | -.8  | -.3  | -.3          |
| Jewelry and watches <sup>7</sup> .....                                      | -.9                                   | -.1   | -3.9 | -4.0  | 3.2  | -2.2 | 4.8  | 4.0  | 11.2         |
| Watches <sup>7</sup> .....  | 1.1                                   | -1.8  | -5.3 | .1    | 1.6  | .8   | 1.8  | -1.7 | 3.1          |
| Jewelry <sup>7</sup> .....  | -1.3                                  | .3    | -3.6 | -4.6  | 3.3  | -2.6 | 5.2  | 5.0  | 12.5         |
| Transportation .....  | 4.1                                   | -3.8  | 3.8  | .3    | 6.5  | 4.8  | 1.6  | 8.3  | 7.3          |
| Private transportation .....  | 4.1                                   | -4.0  | 4.2  | .3    | 7.0  | 4.7  | 1.7  | 8.3  | 7.0          |
| New and used motor vehicles <sup>2</sup> .....                              | 1.0                                   | -.5   | -2.9 | -4.4  | 1.1  | .4   | -1.0 | .0   | -2.4         |
| New vehicles .....  | .0                                    | -.1   | -2.0 | -1.8  | .6   | -.4  | -.9  | -.3  | -3.1         |
| New cars and trucks <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                    | .0                                    | .0    | -2.0 | -1.9  | .6   | -.4  | -.9  | -.3  | -3.1         |
| New cars <sup>1</sup> .....   | .3                                    | .0    | -2.0 | -2.1  | .5   | .8   | .2   | -.4  | -1.0         |
| New trucks <sup>1 8</sup> .....   | -.6                                   | -.1   | -2.2 | -1.5  | .5   | -1.9 | -2.0 | -.2  | -5.3         |
| Used cars and trucks .....  | 3.4                                   | -1.9  | -5.5 | -11.8 | 4.8  | 1.4  | -2.2 | .5   | -2.9         |
| Leased cars and trucks <sup>10</sup> .....                                  | -                                     | -     | -2.0 | -2.3  | -4.2 | 1.4  | -.1  | .6   | 4.0          |
| Car and truck rental <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | -.6                                   | -3.6  | .5   | 3.2   | -4.0 | 8.6  | 2.9  | -1.2 | 2.5          |
| Motor fuel .....  | 13.9                                  | -24.8 | 24.6 | 6.8   | 26.1 | 16.2 | 6.4  | 29.5 | 22.1         |
| Gasoline (all types) .....  | 13.9                                  | -24.9 | 24.8 | 6.8   | 26.1 | 16.1 | 6.4  | 29.6 | 22.1         |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>1</sup> .....                               | 14.5                                  | -25.8 | 25.8 | 7.3   | 26.7 | 16.7 | 6.5  | 29.7 | 22.3         |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>1 11</sup> .....                           | 13.2                                  | -24.9 | 25.4 | 6.1   | 25.7 | 15.5 | 5.9  | 29.6 | 22.1         |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>1</sup> .....                               | 12.8                                  | -23.4 | 23.5 | 6.1   | 24.3 | 14.6 | 6.2  | 28.6 | 20.9         |
| Other motor fuels <sup>2</sup> .....  | 25.2                                  | -16.6 | 1.6  | 1.8   | 31.8 | 22.1 | 7.3  | 24.1 | 21.3         |
| Motor vehicle parts and equipment .....                                     | 2.3                                   | 2.6   | 1.1  | .7    | 2.0  | 3.7  | 4.8  | 3.7  | 5.7          |
| Tires .....   | 1.0                                   | 2.7   | .1   | -.5   | 2.4  | 2.9  | 3.6  | 2.8  | 5.4          |
| Vehicle accessories other than tires <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 3.3                                   | 2.5   | 2.4  | 2.2   | 1.4  | 5.1  | 6.6  | 5.1  | 6.2          |
| Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires <sup>1</sup> .....             | 1.4                                   | 1.1   | 2.3  | 1.4   | .4   | 3.4  | 4.8  | 4.6  | 4.0          |
| Motor oil, coolant, and fluids <sup>1</sup> .....                           | 7.2                                   | 6.4   | 2.4  | 3.8   | 6.3  | 14.6 | 15.0 | 7.2  | 15.1         |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....                                  | 3.5                                   | 3.6   | 3.7  | 2.4   | 2.7  | 3.6  | 3.8  | 3.3  | 4.9          |
| Motor vehicle body work .....   | 3.7                                   | 3.4   | 1.8  | 1.9   | 2.7  | 4.8  | 3.4  | 3.5  | 2.7          |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing .....                               | 2.9                                   | 4.0   | 3.7  | 1.7   | 2.9  | 3.2  | 3.2  | 3.0  | 5.9          |
| Motor vehicle repair <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 3.7                                   | 3.5   | 3.9  | 3.0   | 2.5  | 3.9  | 4.4  | 3.5  | 4.4          |
| Motor vehicle insurance .....   | 1.8                                   | 7.3   | 9.0  | 4.5   | 3.4  | 1.0  | .8   | .5   | 1.7          |
| Motor vehicle fees <sup>2</sup> .....                                       | 3.5                                   | 2.0   | 3.3  | 6.8   | 8.6  | 2.9  | 2.3  | 2.0  | 3.2          |
| State and local registration and license <sup>2 5</sup> .....               | 3.0                                   | 1.0   | 3.5  | 8.4   | 10.4 | 2.0  | 2.4  | 1.3  | 2.5          |
| Parking and other fees <sup>2</sup> .....                                   | 4.5                                   | 4.2   | 2.8  | 2.9   | 5.1  | 4.9  | 2.0  | 3.7  | 4.6          |
| Parking fees and tolls <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                 | 4.7                                   | 4.2   | 3.1  | 3.3   | 5.8  | 6.5  | 1.6  | 4.6  | 5.5          |
| Automobile service clubs <sup>1 2</sup> .....                               | .6                                    | 5.1   | -.3  | 2.5   | 1.5  | .2   | 3.6  | 1.0  | 2.0          |
| Public transportation .....   | 4.1                                   | -2.2  | -.9  | 1.3   | -.1  | 5.9  | .1   | 7.2  | 12.0         |
| Airline fare .....  | 5.9                                   | -3.9  | -2.4 | -.1   | -1.5 | 6.4  | -1.0 | 10.6 | 16.2         |
| Other intercity transportation .....  | -1.6                                  | -2.8  | 2.0  | -5.2  | -1.6 | 4.8  | 2.0  | 1.3  | 3.2          |
| Intercity bus fare <sup>1 3</sup> .....                                     | -                                     | -     | -    | -     | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.8          |

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**Table 26. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

| Item and group   | Percent change from previous December |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | Sep.<br>2008 |
|--|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|
|  | December                              |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |              |
|  | 2000                                  | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  | 2005  | 2006  | 2007  |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                                       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |              |
| Intercity train fare <sup>1 3</sup> .....  | -                                     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | 14.4         |
| Ship fare <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | -12.8                                 | -8.8  | -1.8  | -10.3 | 4.9   | -0.3  | -1.4  | 2.3   | -4.0         |
| Intracity transportation .....   | 2.5                                   | 2.7   | 1.5   | 10.3  | 3.8   | 5.4   | 1.9   | 2.1   | 4.5          |
| Medical care .....   | 4.2                                   | 4.7   | 5.0   | 3.7   | 4.2   | 4.3   | 3.6   | 5.2   | 2.1          |
| Medical care commodities .....   | 2.8                                   | 4.4   | 3.1   | 2.1   | 2.2   | 3.7   | 1.8   | 2.7   | .6           |
| Prescription drugs .....   | 3.6                                   | 6.0   | 4.5   | 2.5   | 3.5   | 4.4   | 1.9   | 3.3   | .7           |
| Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies <sup>7</sup> .....                    | 1.0                                   | .6    | .1    | 1.2   | -1.3  | 1.7   | 1.8   | 1.1   | .3           |
| Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs .....                            | 1.1                                   | 1.2   | .2    | 1.4   | -2.3  | 2.1   | 1.9   | 1.0   | 1.0          |
| Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies .....                             | .9                                    | -.4   | -.5   | .5    | 1.2   | .7    | 1.5   | 1.4   | -1.3         |
| Medical care services .....  | 4.6                                   | 4.8   | 5.6   | 4.2   | 4.9   | 4.5   | 4.1   | 5.9   | 2.6          |
| Professional services .....  | 3.7                                   | 3.6   | 3.3   | 2.8   | 4.0   | 3.8   | 2.6   | 4.2   | 2.5          |
| Physicians' services <sup>5</sup> .....  | 3.9                                   | 3.5   | 3.2   | 2.3   | 4.0   | 3.1   | 1.7   | 4.1   | 2.4          |
| Dental services <sup>5</sup> .....   | 4.3                                   | 3.9   | 4.5   | 4.4   | 4.9   | 5.7   | 5.0   | 5.8   | 3.8          |
| Eyeglasses and eye care <sup>7</sup> .....                                       | 2.4                                   | 2.8   | -.3   | 1.5   | 2.9   | 3.1   | 2.0   | 1.5   | -1.5         |
| Services by other medical professionals <sup>5 7</sup> .....                     | 2.6                                   | 3.4   | 3.6   | 2.3   | 2.5   | 2.5   | 3.1   | 3.1   | 3.5          |
| Hospital and related services <sup>5</sup> .....                                 | 6.2                                   | 7.1   | 9.8   | 6.4   | 5.2   | 5.1   | 6.1   | 8.1   | 4.3          |
| Hospital services <sup>5 12</sup> .....  | 6.3                                   | 7.2   | 10.1  | 6.4   | 5.2   | 5.2   | 6.2   | 8.3   | 4.6          |
| Inpatient hospital services <sup>1 5 12</sup> .....                              | 5.6                                   | 6.9   | 9.4   | 5.7   | 5.6   | 5.3   | 6.8   | 7.6   | 4.6          |
| Outpatient hospital services <sup>1 5 7</sup> .....                              | 7.2                                   | 6.8   | 12.7  | 6.6   | 4.5   | 5.0   | 5.2   | 9.9   | 4.2          |
| Nursing homes and adult day services <sup>5 12</sup> .....                       | 4.9                                   | 4.5   | 4.4   | 5.8   | 3.5   | 3.5   | 5.0   | 4.8   | 2.5          |
| Care of invalids and elderly at home <sup>3</sup> .....                          | -                                     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | 3.1   | 3.4   | 1.5          |
| Health insurance <sup>4</sup> .....  | -                                     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | 6.4   | 8.8   | -2.1         |
| Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....  | 1.7                                   | 1.5   | 1.1   | 1.1   | .7    | 1.1   | 1.0   | .8    | 2.1          |
| Video and audio <sup>2</sup> .....   | .6                                    | .5    | 2.0   | .1    | .6    | .0    | -1.1  | -.1   | .0           |
| Televisions .....  | -10.7                                 | -10.8 | -10.6 | -14.3 | -12.3 | -14.4 | -22.6 | -18.3 | -12.5        |
| Cable and satellite television and radio service <sup>8</sup> .....              | 5.1                                   | 4.0   | 7.3   | 3.8   | 4.0   | 3.3   | 2.6   | 2.5   | 2.7          |
| Other video equipment <sup>2</sup> .....   | -17.8                                 | -16.6 | -13.1 | -12.3 | -14.3 | -10.6 | -13.9 | -13.0 | -9.7         |
| Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental <sup>2</sup> .....      | -6.1                                  | -1.8  | -7.0  | .0    | -1.2  | -.8   | 1.2   | .5    | -1.4         |
| Video cassettes and discs, blank and prerecorded <sup>1 2</sup> .....            | 1.3                                   | -4.6  | -.4   | -2.1  | -2.4  | -8.3  | -3.3  | -6.0  | -4.7         |
| Rental of video tapes and discs <sup>1 2</sup> .....                             | -8.2                                  | 3.2   | -8.2  | -.2   | -.9   | 4.2   | 3.5   | 4.0   | .9           |
| Audio equipment .....  | .9                                    | -4.4  | -4.5  | -5.4  | -6.7  | -8.8  | -4.3  | -4.8  | -3.2         |
| Audio discs, tapes and other media <sup>2</sup> .....                            | 2.7                                   | 4.3   | 1.0   | -3.9  | 3.5   | .1    | -2.9  | -.7   | -1.3         |
| Pets, pet products and services <sup>2</sup> .....                               | 2.9                                   | 4.2   | 2.2   | 2.7   | 4.3   | 2.8   | 3.5   | 5.5   | 8.5          |
| Pets and pet products .....  | -.6                                   | 3.3   | .6    | 1.5   | 2.8   | 1.2   | 3.2   | 4.9   | 10.5         |
| Pet food <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | .1                                    | 3.0   | .3    | 2.0   | 3.1   | 1.2   | 3.4   | 5.4   | 12.8         |
| Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories <sup>1 2</sup> .....                 | -1.1                                  | 2.1   | 2.7   | -.4   | 1.8   | 1.8   | 3.0   | 3.1   | 3.1          |
| Pet services including veterinary <sup>2</sup> .....                             | 9.0                                   | 5.9   | 4.9   | 5.0   | 6.3   | 4.9   | 4.1   | 6.3   | 5.8          |
| Pet services <sup>1 2</sup> .....  | 5.5                                   | 1.9   | 4.0   | 3.8   | 5.1   | 3.9   | 4.1   | 4.1   | 6.1          |
| Veterinarian services <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                       | 9.0                                   | 6.4   | 5.2   | 5.4   | 6.7   | 5.2   | 4.3   | 7.0   | 6.0          |
| Sporting goods .....   | .8                                    | -1.6  | -1.4  | -.7   | -1.2  | 1.8   | 1.5   | -.9   | 2.3          |
| Sports vehicles including bicycles .....   | 3.2                                   | -.5   | -.8   | -2.2  | 1.4   | 3.9   | 3.0   | -.3   | .7           |
| Sports equipment .....   | -1.3                                  | -2.6  | -1.8  | .6    | -3.9  | -.4   | -1.0  | -1.8  | 4.3          |
| Photography <sup>2</sup> .....   | .3                                    | -.7   | -1.9  | -2.2  | -3.1  | -3.1  | -4.8  | -3.5  | -.5          |
| Photographic equipment and supplies .....  | -2.9                                  | -2.2  | -6.2  | -5.7  | -7.1  | -4.9  | -11.2 | -6.9  | -2.2         |
| Film and photographic supplies <sup>1 2</sup> .....                              | -1.6                                  | 1.4   | -5.8  | -3.2  | -1.5  | .6    | -4.0  | 2.1   | 2.6          |
| Photographic equipment <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                      | -4.0                                  | -7.7  | -6.0  | -8.4  | -13.7 | -10.2 | -18.0 | -14.7 | -5.1         |
| Photographers and film processing <sup>2</sup> .....                             | 2.6                                   | .1    | 1.8   | .6    | .2    | -1.6  | 1.8   | -.4   | 1.1          |
| Photographer fees <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | -                                     | 4.3   | 5.2   | 3.3   | -2.3  | -1.7  | 1.1   | 2.1   | .6           |
| Film processing <sup>1 2</sup> .....   | .8                                    | -1.7  | 1.1   | .1    | -.2   | -1.6  | 1.7   | -.8   | 1.3          |
| Other recreational goods <sup>2</sup> .....                                      | -2.6                                  | -3.8  | -7.3  | -3.2  | -4.3  | -3.9  | -3.1  | -5.3  | -1.2         |
| Toys .....   | -3.7                                  | -5.2  | -9.3  | -4.2  | -6.1  | -4.5  | -4.8  | -5.7  | -3.0         |
| Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment <sup>1 2</sup> ..                  | -2.7                                  | -4.1  | -5.2  | -3.1  | -2.8  | -2.4  | -2.5  | -3.4  | -1.7         |
| Sewing machines, fabric and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....                          | .0                                    | 1.1   | -2.2  | .5    | .3    | -3.4  | 1.0   | -6.3  | 4.1          |
| Music instruments and accessories <sup>2</sup> .....                             | 1.4                                   | .0    | -1.2  | -1.4  | 1.2   | -1.8  | .0    | -1.9  | 1.5          |
| Recreation services <sup>2</sup> .....   | 3.8                                   | 3.9   | 3.1   | 3.5   | 2.1   | 3.0   | 3.9   | 2.4   | 2.4          |
| Club dues and fees for participant sports and group exercises <sup>2</sup> ..... | 3.3                                   | 2.1   | .6    | 2.7   | .3    | 2.6   | 2.2   | 1.5   | 1.8          |
| Admissions .....   | 5.0                                   | 4.5   | 4.9   | 3.4   | 3.5   | 3.5   | 5.2   | 2.4   | 2.7          |
| Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts <sup>1 2</sup> .....                 | 4.1                                   | 2.6   | 5.0   | 3.9   | 2.5   | 3.5   | 5.4   | 2.0   | 2.3          |
| Admission to sporting events <sup>1 2</sup> .....                                | 5.8                                   | 6.0   | 4.0   | .7    | 6.9   | 6.4   | 3.7   | 4.7   | 5.2          |

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**Table 26. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

| Item and group   | Percent change from previous December |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | Sep.<br>2008 |
|--|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|
|  | December                              |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |              |
|  | 2000                                  | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  | 2005  | 2006  | 2007  |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                                       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |              |
| Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>7</sup> .....                                      | 1.8                                   | 6.7   | 1.4   | 6.3   | 2.7   | 2.6   | 3.5   | 3.8   | 2.8          |
| Recreational reading materials .....   | 1.3                                   | 2.0   | 2.0   | .9    | 2.2   | .5    | .8    | 1.1   | 2.7          |
| Newspapers and magazines <sup>2</sup> .....  | 1.6                                   | 2.1   | 2.2   | 1.7   | 3.7   | 1.7   | 1.0   | 1.4   | 3.5          |
| Recreational books <sup>2</sup> .....  | .7                                    | 1.7   | 1.7   | -5    | .0    | -1.2  | .7    | .7    | 1.8          |
| Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....   | 1.3                                   | 3.2   | 2.2   | 1.6   | 1.5   | 2.4   | 2.3   | 3.0   | 3.3          |
| Education <sup>2</sup> .....   | 5.7                                   | 5.6   | 6.6   | 7.2   | 6.5   | 6.1   | 6.3   | 5.6   | 5.2          |
| Educational books and supplies .....   | 11.5                                  | 3.3   | 9.7   | 6.0   | 3.8   | 5.2   | 6.7   | 8.7   | 6.5          |
| Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....  | 5.2                                   | 5.9   | 6.2   | 7.4   | 6.8   | 6.2   | 6.3   | 5.4   | 5.1          |
| College tuition and fees .....   | 4.5                                   | 6.2   | 7.0   | 9.8   | 8.6   | 6.6   | 7.0   | 6.1   | 5.5          |
| Elementary and high school tuition and fees .....  | 6.3                                   | 7.2   | 6.8   | 6.5   | 7.0   | 5.6   | 5.9   | 5.5   | 5.6          |
| Child care and nursery school <sup>9</sup> .....   | 5.6                                   | 5.0   | 4.9   | 4.1   | 3.5   | 5.5   | 5.3   | 3.9   | 4.4          |
| Technical and business school tuition and fees <sup>2</sup> .....                        | 4.6                                   | 5.9   | 5.0   | 9.1   | 8.0   | 6.5   | 5.1   | 4.9   | 3.5          |
| Communication <sup>2</sup> .....   | -3.0                                  | .4    | -1.7  | -3.9  | -3.2  | -1.3  | -1.4  | .2    | 1.5          |
| Postage and delivery services <sup>2</sup> .....   | .1                                    | 4.7   | 10.4  | .2    | .5    | .4    | 5.0   | 4.4   | 4.0          |
| Postage .....  | .0                                    | 4.6   | 10.5  | .0    | .0    | .0    | 5.3   | 3.9   | 3.1          |
| Delivery services <sup>2</sup> .....   | 5.5                                   | 6.6   | 4.6   | 4.4   | 14.0  | 9.9   | 1.3   | 10.5  | 17.5         |
| Information and information processing <sup>2</sup> .....                                | -3.4                                  | .1    | -2.5  | -4.2  | -3.4  | -1.3  | -1.9  | -.1   | 1.4          |
| Telephone services <sup>2</sup> .....  | -2.3                                  | 1.3   | .2    | -2.7  | -2.5  | .4    | 1.7   | 2.1   | 2.5          |
| Land-line telephone services, local charges <sup>5</sup> .....                           | 5.5                                   | 4.5   | 5.3   | 2.6   | 1.1   | 3.3   | 2.2   | 4.1   | 2.8          |
| Land-line telephone services, long distance charges <sup>2</sup> .....                   | -9.2                                  | -1.8  | -6.0  | -10.0 | -7.7  | -1.7  | 3.3   | 3.4   | 6.7          |
| Land-line interstate toll calls <sup>1</sup> .....                                       | -11.2                                 | -2.0  | -5.9  | -10.9 | -8.7  | -3.0  | 5.0   | 2.4   | 6.3          |
| Land-line intrastate toll calls <sup>1</sup> .....                                       | -6.0                                  | -1.7  | -6.1  | -9.4  | -6.6  | .4    | 3.3   | 5.9   | 9.1          |
| Wireless telephone services <sup>2</sup> .....   | -12.3                                 | -5.5  | .3    | -1.3  | -1.4  | -1.5  | .0    | -.9   | .4           |
| Information technology, hardware and services <sup>13</sup> .....                        | -15.6                                 | -16.8 | -13.1 | -11.0 | -7.2  | -7.7  | -14.5 | -8.8  | -3.1         |
| Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>3</sup> .....                           | -22.8                                 | -30.6 | -22.0 | -17.9 | -14.0 | -15.8 | -11.7 | -13.6 | -9.2         |
| Computer software and accessories <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | -7.6                                  | -2.5  | -10.7 | -9.7  | -4.7  | -4.3  | -7.4  | -6.4  | -1.1         |
| Internet services and electronic information providers <sup>2</sup> .....                | -.3                                   | 4.8   | -.7   | -2.0  | -.4   | -2.8  | -18.3 | -5.2  | 1.3          |
| Telephone hardware, calculators, and other consumer information items <sup>2</sup> ..... | -11.1                                 | -8.2  | -9.2  | -11.4 | -7.5  | -8.7  | -8.8  | -8.3  | -.4          |
| Other goods and services .....   | 4.2                                   | 4.5   | 3.3   | 1.5   | 2.5   | 3.1   | 3.0   | 3.3   | 3.1          |
| Tobacco and smoking products .....   | 7.5                                   | 8.9   | 9.5   | -.4   | 3.1   | 5.8   | 2.8   | 7.5   | 5.5          |
| Cigarettes <sup>2</sup> .....  | 7.6                                   | 9.2   | 9.8   | -.9   | 2.8   | 5.9   | 2.8   | 7.8   | 5.5          |
| Tobacco products other than cigarettes <sup>2</sup> .....                                | 5.4                                   | 3.4   | 4.1   | 5.9   | 6.1   | 5.1   | 2.0   | 3.5   | 4.0          |
| Personal care .....  | 3.0                                   | 2.9   | 1.6   | 2.1   | 2.4   | 2.3   | 3.0   | 2.2   | 2.5          |
| Personal care products .....   | 2.0                                   | -.1   | -1.3  | .0    | .0    | 1.3   | 2.3   | -.5   | .9           |
| Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products <sup>2</sup> .....       | 3.9                                   | -.3   | -1.1  | -.8   | -.9   | .4    | 2.1   | -.3   | .5           |
| Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements .....                         | .2                                    | .1    | -1.4  | .8    | 1.1   | 2.3   | 2.5   | -.6   | 1.3          |
| Personal care services .....   | 4.0                                   | 2.8   | 1.9   | 2.3   | 3.6   | 2.7   | 2.9   | 3.4   | 2.3          |
| Haircuts and other personal care services <sup>2</sup> .....                             | 4.0                                   | 2.8   | 1.9   | 2.3   | 3.5   | 2.6   | 2.9   | 3.4   | 2.3          |
| Miscellaneous personal services .....  | 3.7                                   | 5.0   | 3.1   | 3.7   | 3.7   | 3.0   | 3.9   | 3.5   | 4.1          |
| Legal services <sup>7</sup> .....  | 5.0                                   | 6.5   | 4.3   | 5.0   | 5.3   | 3.4   | 4.5   | 2.9   | 3.7          |
| Funeral expenses <sup>7</sup> .....  | 2.5                                   | 4.5   | 4.3   | 4.2   | 3.6   | 4.6   | 4.9   | 4.8   | 4.6          |
| Laundry and dry cleaning services <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 2.4                                   | 4.1   | 2.1   | 3.0   | 3.0   | 1.8   | 3.3   | 3.1   | 4.8          |
| Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning <sup>2</sup> .....                  | 3.8                                   | 4.1   | 1.9   | 3.1   | 2.7   | 4.9   | 5.1   | 3.6   | 6.2          |
| Financial services <sup>7</sup> .....  | 3.7                                   | 4.5   | 3.2   | 2.6   | 3.7   | 1.6   | 3.5   | 3.9   | 2.9          |
| Checking account and other bank services <sup>1 2</sup> .....                            | 3.4                                   | 5.1   | 1.6   | 1.9   | 2.7   | .4    | 2.3   | 2.5   | 1.4          |
| Tax return preparation and other accounting fees <sup>1 2</sup> .....                    | 4.6                                   | 4.5   | 4.9   | 4.2   | 5.1   | 4.4   | 6.4   | 4.3   | 4.8          |
| Miscellaneous personal goods <sup>2</sup> .....  | -2.2                                  | -1.7  | -.8   | -4.9  | -2.7  | -.2   | .6    | .7    | -.1          |
| Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap <sup>1</sup> .....                            | -1.0                                  | .6    | -.1   | -4.4  | -1.0  | 1.5   | .9    | 1.6   | -.6          |
| Infants' equipment <sup>1 4</sup> .....  | -                                     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -2.9  | -1.5  | 2.6          |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>   |                                       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |              |
| Commodities .....  | 2.7                                   | -1.4  | 1.2   | .5    | 3.6   | 2.7   | 1.3   | 5.2   | 5.0          |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....  | 2.5                                   | -4.0  | 1.0   | -1.4  | 4.2   | 3.0   | .8    | 5.4   | 5.0          |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....  | 4.5                                   | -6.0  | 4.9   | 1.0   | 7.3   | 5.7   | 2.8   | 10.4  | 9.7          |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 26. Historical Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

| Item and group                                      | Percent change from previous December |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |              |
|---|---------------------------------------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------------|
|   | December                              |       |      |      |      |      |      |      | Sep.<br>2008 |
|   | 2000                                  | 2001  | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |              |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                    |                                       |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |              |
| Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel ..... | 7.2                                   | -7.1  | 8.1  | 2.3  | 10.4 | 8.2  | 3.4  | 14.2 | 12.0         |
| Durables .....                                      | .0                                    | -1.3  | -3.3 | -4.3 | .4   | -.5  | -1.4 | -1.1 | -1.8         |
| Services .....                                      | 3.9                                   | 3.7   | 3.2  | 2.8  | 3.1  | 3.8  | 3.4  | 3.3  | 3.5          |
| Rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....                  | 3.5                                   | 4.2   | 3.0  | 2.2  | 2.7  | 2.7  | 4.3  | 3.1  | 2.2          |
| Transportation services .....                       | 2.9                                   | 3.1   | 3.7  | 2.7  | 1.9  | 2.7  | 1.3  | 2.5  | 4.9          |
| Other services .....                                | 2.9                                   | 3.8   | 3.4  | 2.9  | 2.7  | 3.0  | 3.2  | 3.2  | 3.3          |
| All items less food .....                           | 3.5                                   | 1.3   | 2.6  | 1.5  | 3.4  | 3.6  | 2.6  | 4.0  | 4.0          |
| All items less shelter .....                        | 3.3                                   | .4    | 2.1  | 1.7  | 3.5  | 3.8  | 1.8  | 4.5  | 5.1          |
| All items less medical care .....                   | 3.3                                   | 1.4   | 2.2  | 1.8  | 3.2  | 3.3  | 2.5  | 4.0  | 4.3          |
| Commodities less food .....                         | 2.5                                   | -3.7  | 1.1  | -1.3 | 4.1  | 2.9  | 1.0  | 5.3  | 4.9          |
| Nondurables less food .....                         | 4.3                                   | -5.4  | 4.8  | 1.1  | 6.9  | 5.4  | 2.7  | 9.9  | 9.3          |
| Nondurables less food and apparel .....             | 6.8                                   | -6.2  | 7.6  | 2.3  | 9.7  | 7.6  | 3.3  | 13.2 | 11.3         |
| Nondurables .....                                   | 3.6                                   | -1.4  | 3.1  | 2.4  | 4.8  | 3.9  | 2.4  | 7.5  | 7.5          |
| Apparel less footwear .....                         | -2.1                                  | -3.4  | -2.3 | -2.0 | -.6  | -1.6 | .9   | -.3  | 2.5          |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>6</sup> .....    | 4.5                                   | 3.0   | 3.4  | 3.6  | 3.5  | 5.2  | 2.5  | 3.6  | 5.2          |
| Services less medical care services .....           | 3.9                                   | 3.6   | 3.0  | 2.7  | 2.9  | 3.8  | 3.3  | 3.1  | 3.6          |
| Energy .....  | 14.2                                  | -13.0 | 10.7 | 6.9  | 16.6 | 17.1 | 2.9  | 17.4 | 18.6         |
| All items less energy .....                         | 2.6                                   | 2.8   | 1.8  | 1.5  | 2.2  | 2.2  | 2.5  | 2.8  | 2.6          |
| All items less food and energy .....                | 2.6                                   | 2.7   | 1.9  | 1.1  | 2.2  | 2.2  | 2.6  | 2.4  | 2.1          |
| Commodities less food and energy commodities .....  | .6                                    | -.3   | -1.5 | -2.5 | .6   | .2   | -.1  | .1   | .4           |
| Energy commodities .....                            | 15.7                                  | -24.5 | 23.7 | 6.9  | 26.7 | 16.7 | 6.1  | 29.4 | 21.7         |
| Services less energy services .....                 | 3.4                                   | 4.0   | 3.4  | 2.6  | 2.8  | 2.9  | 3.7  | 3.3  | 2.8          |
| Domestically produced farm food .....               | 3.2                                   | 2.9   | .9   | 5.4  | 2.6  | 1.3  | 1.2  | 6.0  | 6.6          |
| Utilities and public transportation .....           | 5.8                                   | .1    | 1.1  | 3.0  | 3.1  | 9.0  | .9   | 3.6  | 8.6          |

<sup>1</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator.

All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

<sup>10</sup> Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.

<sup>11</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>12</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>13</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.



**Table 27. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U. S. city average, all items**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Year | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May  | June | July | Aug. | Sep. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1913 | 9.9  | 9.8  | 9.8  | 9.9  | 9.8  | 9.8  | 9.9  | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.1 | 10.1 | 10.1 |
| 1914 | 10.1 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 9.9  | 9.9  | 10.0 | 10.1 | 10.2 | 10.3 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 10.2 |
| 1915 | 10.2 | 10.1 | 10.0 | 10.1 | 10.1 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 10.3 | 10.4 | 10.4 |
| 1916 | 10.5 | 10.5 | 10.6 | 10.7 | 10.7 | 10.9 | 10.9 | 11.0 | 11.2 | 11.3 | 11.5 | 11.6 |
| 1917 | 11.8 | 12.0 | 12.1 | 12.6 | 12.9 | 13.0 | 12.9 | 13.1 | 13.3 | 13.6 | 13.6 | 13.8 |
| 1918 | 14.0 | 14.2 | 14.1 | 14.3 | 14.5 | 14.8 | 15.2 | 15.4 | 15.8 | 16.1 | 16.3 | 16.6 |
| 1919 | 16.6 | 16.2 | 16.5 | 16.8 | 17.0 | 17.0 | 17.5 | 17.8 | 17.9 | 18.2 | 18.6 | 19.0 |
| 1920 | 19.4 | 19.6 | 19.8 | 20.4 | 20.7 | 21.0 | 20.9 | 20.4 | 20.1 | 20.0 | 19.9 | 19.5 |
| 1921 | 19.1 | 18.5 | 18.4 | 18.2 | 17.8 | 17.7 | 17.8 | 17.8 | 17.6 | 17.6 | 17.5 | 17.4 |
| 1922 | 17.0 | 17.0 | 16.8 | 16.8 | 16.8 | 16.8 | 16.9 | 16.7 | 16.7 | 16.8 | 16.9 | 17.0 |
| 1923 | 16.9 | 16.9 | 16.9 | 17.0 | 17.0 | 17.1 | 17.3 | 17.2 | 17.3 | 17.4 | 17.4 | 17.4 |
| 1924 | 17.4 | 17.3 | 17.2 | 17.1 | 17.1 | 17.1 | 17.2 | 17.1 | 17.2 | 17.3 | 17.3 | 17.4 |
| 1925 | 17.4 | 17.3 | 17.4 | 17.3 | 17.4 | 17.6 | 17.8 | 17.8 | 17.8 | 17.8 | 18.1 | 18.0 |
| 1926 | 18.0 | 18.0 | 17.9 | 18.0 | 17.9 | 17.8 | 17.6 | 17.5 | 17.6 | 17.7 | 17.8 | 17.8 |
| 1927 | 17.6 | 17.5 | 17.4 | 17.4 | 17.5 | 17.7 | 17.4 | 17.3 | 17.4 | 17.5 | 17.4 | 17.4 |
| 1928 | 17.4 | 17.2 | 17.2 | 17.2 | 17.3 | 17.2 | 17.2 | 17.2 | 17.4 | 17.3 | 17.3 | 17.2 |
| 1929 | 17.2 | 17.2 | 17.1 | 17.0 | 17.1 | 17.2 | 17.4 | 17.4 | 17.4 | 17.4 | 17.4 | 17.3 |
| 1930 | 17.2 | 17.1 | 17.0 | 17.1 | 17.0 | 16.9 | 16.7 | 16.6 | 16.7 | 16.6 | 16.5 | 16.2 |
| 1931 | 16.0 | 15.7 | 15.6 | 15.5 | 15.4 | 15.2 | 15.2 | 15.1 | 15.1 | 15.0 | 14.8 | 14.7 |
| 1932 | 14.4 | 14.2 | 14.1 | 14.0 | 13.8 | 13.7 | 13.7 | 13.5 | 13.5 | 13.4 | 13.3 | 13.2 |
| 1933 | 13.0 | 12.8 | 12.7 | 12.6 | 12.7 | 12.8 | 13.2 | 13.3 | 13.3 | 13.3 | 13.3 | 13.2 |
| 1934 | 13.3 | 13.4 | 13.4 | 13.4 | 13.4 | 13.4 | 13.4 | 13.5 | 13.7 | 13.6 | 13.5 | 13.5 |
| 1935 | 13.7 | 13.8 | 13.8 | 13.9 | 13.8 | 13.8 | 13.7 | 13.7 | 13.8 | 13.8 | 13.9 | 13.9 |
| 1936 | 13.9 | 13.8 | 13.8 | 13.8 | 13.8 | 13.9 | 14.0 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.1 |
| 1937 | 14.2 | 14.2 | 14.3 | 14.4 | 14.4 | 14.5 | 14.5 | 14.6 | 14.7 | 14.6 | 14.5 | 14.5 |
| 1938 | 14.3 | 14.2 | 14.2 | 14.2 | 14.2 | 14.2 | 14.2 | 14.2 | 14.2 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.1 |
| 1939 | 14.0 | 14.0 | 13.9 | 13.9 | 13.9 | 13.9 | 13.9 | 13.9 | 14.2 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.0 |
| 1940 | 14.0 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 14.2 |
| 1941 | 14.2 | 14.2 | 14.2 | 14.4 | 14.5 | 14.7 | 14.8 | 14.9 | 15.2 | 15.4 | 15.5 | 15.5 |
| 1942 | 15.7 | 15.9 | 16.1 | 16.2 | 16.3 | 16.4 | 16.5 | 16.6 | 16.6 | 16.8 | 16.9 | 17.0 |
| 1943 | 17.0 | 17.0 | 17.3 | 17.5 | 17.6 | 17.6 | 17.5 | 17.4 | 17.5 | 17.5 | 17.5 | 17.5 |
| 1944 | 17.5 | 17.5 | 17.5 | 17.6 | 17.6 | 17.7 | 17.8 | 17.8 | 17.8 | 17.8 | 17.8 | 17.9 |
| 1945 | 17.9 | 17.9 | 17.9 | 17.9 | 18.0 | 18.2 | 18.2 | 18.2 | 18.2 | 18.2 | 18.2 | 18.3 |
| 1946 | 18.3 | 18.2 | 18.4 | 18.5 | 18.6 | 18.8 | 19.9 | 20.3 | 20.5 | 20.9 | 21.5 | 21.6 |
| 1947 | 21.6 | 21.6 | 22.1 | 22.1 | 22.0 | 22.2 | 22.4 | 22.6 | 23.1 | 23.1 | 23.3 | 23.6 |
| 1948 | 23.8 | 23.6 | 23.6 | 23.9 | 24.1 | 24.2 | 24.5 | 24.6 | 24.6 | 24.5 | 24.4 | 24.2 |
| 1949 | 24.2 | 23.9 | 24.0 | 24.0 | 24.0 | 24.0 | 23.8 | 23.9 | 24.0 | 23.9 | 23.9 | 23.8 |
| 1950 | 23.7 | 23.6 | 23.7 | 23.7 | 23.8 | 24.0 | 24.2 | 24.4 | 24.6 | 24.7 | 24.8 | 25.1 |
| 1951 | 25.5 | 25.9 | 26.0 | 26.0 | 26.1 | 26.1 | 26.1 | 26.1 | 26.3 | 26.4 | 26.5 | 26.6 |
| 1952 | 26.6 | 26.5 | 26.5 | 26.6 | 26.6 | 26.7 | 26.9 | 26.9 | 26.9 | 26.9 | 26.9 | 26.9 |
| 1953 | 26.8 | 26.7 | 26.7 | 26.8 | 26.8 | 26.9 | 27.0 | 27.1 | 27.1 | 27.2 | 27.1 | 27.0 |
| 1954 | 27.1 | 27.1 | 27.0 | 27.0 | 27.1 | 27.1 | 27.1 | 27.1 | 27.0 | 26.9 | 27.0 | 26.9 |
| 1955 | 26.9 | 26.9 | 26.9 | 26.9 | 26.9 | 26.9 | 27.0 | 26.9 | 27.0 | 27.0 | 27.1 | 27.0 |
| 1956 | 27.0 | 27.0 | 27.0 | 27.0 | 27.2 | 27.3 | 27.5 | 27.5 | 27.5 | 27.7 | 27.7 | 27.8 |
| 1957 | 27.8 | 27.9 | 28.0 | 28.1 | 28.1 | 28.3 | 28.4 | 28.5 | 28.5 | 28.5 | 28.6 | 28.6 |
| 1958 | 28.8 | 28.8 | 29.0 | 29.1 | 29.1 | 29.1 | 29.1 | 29.1 | 29.1 | 29.1 | 29.1 | 29.1 |
| 1959 | 29.1 | 29.1 | 29.1 | 29.1 | 29.2 | 29.3 | 29.4 | 29.3 | 29.4 | 29.5 | 29.5 | 29.5 |
| 1960 | 29.5 | 29.5 | 29.5 | 29.7 | 29.7 | 29.8 | 29.8 | 29.8 | 29.8 | 29.9 | 30.0 | 30.0 |
| 1961 | 30.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 | 30.1 | 30.1 | 30.2 | 30.2 | 30.2 | 30.2 |
| 1962 | 30.2 | 30.2 | 30.3 | 30.4 | 30.4 | 30.4 | 30.4 | 30.4 | 30.6 | 30.6 | 30.6 | 30.6 |
| 1963 | 30.6 | 30.6 | 30.7 | 30.7 | 30.7 | 30.8 | 30.9 | 30.9 | 30.9 | 31.0 | 31.0 | 31.1 |
| 1964 | 31.1 | 31.1 | 31.1 | 31.1 | 31.1 | 31.2 | 31.3 | 31.2 | 31.3 | 31.3 | 31.4 | 31.4 |
| 1965 | 31.4 | 31.4 | 31.5 | 31.6 | 31.6 | 31.8 | 31.8 | 31.8 | 31.8 | 31.9 | 31.9 | 32.0 |
| 1966 | 32.0 | 32.2 | 32.3 | 32.5 | 32.5 | 32.6 | 32.7 | 32.9 | 32.9 | 33.1 | 33.1 | 33.1 |
| 1967 | 33.1 | 33.1 | 33.2 | 33.3 | 33.4 | 33.5 | 33.6 | 33.7 | 33.8 | 33.9 | 34.0 | 34.1 |
| 1968 | 34.2 | 34.3 | 34.5 | 34.6 | 34.7 | 34.9 | 35.1 | 35.2 | 35.3 | 35.5 | 35.6 | 35.7 |
| 1969 | 35.8 | 36.0 | 36.3 | 36.5 | 36.6 | 36.8 | 37.0 | 37.2 | 37.3 | 37.5 | 37.7 | 37.9 |

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**Table 27. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U. S. city average, all items-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Year | Semiannual averages |          | Annual avg. | Percent change from previous |             |
|------|---------------------|----------|-------------|------------------------------|-------------|
|      | 1st half            | 2nd half |             | Dec.                         | Annual avg. |
| 1913 | -                   | -        | 10.0        | -                            | -           |
| 1914 | -                   | -        | 10.1        | 1.0                          | 1.0         |
| 1915 | -                   | -        | 10.2        | 2.0                          | 1.0         |
| 1916 | -                   | -        | 11.0        | 11.5                         | 7.8         |
| 1917 | -                   | -        | 12.9        | 19.0                         | 17.3        |
| 1918 | -                   | -        | 15.1        | 20.3                         | 17.1        |
| 1919 | -                   | -        | 17.4        | 14.5                         | 15.2        |
| 1920 | -                   | -        | 20.1        | 2.6                          | 15.5        |
| 1921 | -                   | -        | 18.0        | -10.8                        | -10.4       |
| 1922 | -                   | -        | 16.9        | -2.3                         | -6.1        |
| 1923 | -                   | -        | 17.2        | 2.4                          | 1.8         |
| 1924 | -                   | -        | 17.2        | .0                           | .0          |
| 1925 | -                   | -        | 17.6        | 3.4                          | 2.3         |
| 1926 | -                   | -        | 17.8        | -1.1                         | 1.1         |
| 1927 | -                   | -        | 17.5        | -2.2                         | -1.7        |
| 1928 | -                   | -        | 17.2        | -1.1                         | -1.7        |
| 1929 | -                   | -        | 17.2        | .6                           | .0          |
| 1930 | -                   | -        | 16.8        | -6.4                         | -2.3        |
| 1931 | -                   | -        | 15.3        | -9.3                         | -8.9        |
| 1932 | -                   | -        | 13.7        | -10.2                        | -10.5       |
| 1933 | -                   | -        | 13.0        | .0                           | -5.1        |
| 1934 | -                   | -        | 13.5        | 2.3                          | 3.8         |
| 1935 | -                   | -        | 13.8        | 3.0                          | 2.2         |
| 1936 | -                   | -        | 13.9        | 1.4                          | .7          |
| 1937 | -                   | -        | 14.4        | 2.8                          | 3.6         |
| 1938 | -                   | -        | 14.2        | -2.8                         | -1.4        |
| 1939 | -                   | -        | 14.0        | -.7                          | -1.4        |
| 1940 | -                   | -        | 14.1        | 1.4                          | .7          |
| 1941 | -                   | -        | 14.8        | 9.2                          | 5.0         |
| 1942 | -                   | -        | 16.4        | 9.7                          | 10.8        |
| 1943 | -                   | -        | 17.4        | 2.9                          | 6.1         |
| 1944 | -                   | -        | 17.7        | 2.3                          | 1.7         |
| 1945 | -                   | -        | 18.1        | 2.2                          | 2.3         |
| 1946 | -                   | -        | 19.6        | 18.0                         | 8.3         |
| 1947 | -                   | -        | 22.5        | 9.3                          | 14.8        |
| 1948 | -                   | -        | 24.2        | 2.5                          | 7.6         |
| 1949 | -                   | -        | 24.0        | -1.7                         | -.8         |
| 1950 | -                   | -        | 24.2        | 5.5                          | .8          |
| 1951 | -                   | -        | 26.1        | 6.0                          | 7.9         |
| 1952 | -                   | -        | 26.7        | 1.1                          | 2.3         |
| 1953 | -                   | -        | 26.9        | .4                           | .7          |
| 1954 | -                   | -        | 27.0        | -.4                          | .4          |
| 1955 | -                   | -        | 26.9        | .4                           | -.4         |
| 1956 | -                   | -        | 27.3        | 3.0                          | 1.5         |
| 1957 | -                   | -        | 28.3        | 2.9                          | 3.7         |
| 1958 | -                   | -        | 29.1        | 1.7                          | 2.8         |
| 1959 | -                   | -        | 29.3        | 1.4                          | .7          |
| 1960 | -                   | -        | 29.8        | 1.7                          | 1.7         |
| 1961 | -                   | -        | 30.1        | .7                           | 1.0         |
| 1962 | -                   | -        | 30.4        | 1.3                          | 1.0         |
| 1963 | -                   | -        | 30.8        | 1.6                          | 1.3         |
| 1964 | -                   | -        | 31.2        | 1.0                          | 1.3         |
| 1965 | -                   | -        | 31.7        | 1.9                          | 1.6         |
| 1966 | -                   | -        | 32.6        | 3.4                          | 2.8         |
| 1967 | -                   | -        | 33.6        | 3.0                          | 3.1         |
| 1968 | -                   | -        | 35.0        | 4.7                          | 4.2         |
| 1969 | -                   | -        | 36.9        | 6.2                          | 5.4         |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 27. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U. S. city average, all items-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Year | Jan.    | Feb.    | Mar.    | Apr.    | May     | June    | July    | Aug.    | Sep.    | Oct.    | Nov.    | Dec.    |
|------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 1970 | 38.0    | 38.2    | 38.4    | 38.7    | 38.8    | 39.0    | 39.2    | 39.2    | 39.4    | 39.6    | 39.8    | 40.0    |
| 1971 | 40.0    | 40.1    | 40.2    | 40.4    | 40.6    | 40.8    | 40.9    | 41.0    | 41.0    | 41.1    | 41.2    | 41.3    |
| 1972 | 41.4    | 41.6    | 41.6    | 41.7    | 41.9    | 42.0    | 42.1    | 42.2    | 42.4    | 42.5    | 42.6    | 42.7    |
| 1973 | 42.9    | 43.2    | 43.6    | 43.9    | 44.1    | 44.4    | 44.5    | 45.4    | 45.5    | 45.9    | 46.2    | 46.5    |
| 1974 | 46.9    | 47.5    | 48.0    | 48.3    | 48.8    | 49.3    | 49.7    | 50.3    | 50.9    | 51.4    | 51.8    | 52.2    |
| 1975 | 52.4    | 52.8    | 53.0    | 53.2    | 53.5    | 53.9    | 54.5    | 54.7    | 54.9    | 55.3    | 55.6    | 55.8    |
| 1976 | 56.0    | 56.1    | 56.2    | 56.5    | 56.8    | 57.1    | 57.4    | 57.7    | 57.9    | 58.2    | 58.3    | 58.5    |
| 1977 | 58.9    | 59.5    | 59.8    | 60.3    | 60.6    | 61.0    | 61.3    | 61.5    | 61.8    | 61.9    | 62.2    | 62.5    |
| 1978 | 62.8    | 63.2    | 63.7    | 64.3    | 64.9    | 65.6    | 66.0    | 66.4    | 66.8    | 67.4    | 67.7    | 68.1    |
| 1979 | 68.7    | 69.5    | 70.3    | 71.1    | 71.9    | 72.8    | 73.7    | 74.4    | 75.1    | 75.7    | 76.4    | 77.2    |
| 1980 | 78.3    | 79.4    | 80.5    | 81.4    | 82.3    | 83.2    | 83.3    | 83.8    | 84.6    | 85.3    | 86.1    | 86.9    |
| 1981 | 87.5    | 88.5    | 89.0    | 89.6    | 90.3    | 91.1    | 92.2    | 92.8    | 93.7    | 93.9    | 94.1    | 94.4    |
| 1982 | 94.7    | 95.0    | 94.8    | 95.2    | 96.2    | 97.4    | 98.0    | 98.2    | 98.3    | 98.6    | 98.4    | 98.0    |
| 1983 | 98.1    | 98.1    | 98.4    | 99.0    | 99.5    | 99.8    | 100.1   | 100.5   | 101.0   | 101.2   | 101.2   | 101.2   |
| 1984 | 101.6   | 101.8   | 101.8   | 102.1   | 102.5   | 102.8   | 103.2   | 104.2   | 104.8   | 104.8   | 104.7   | 104.8   |
| 1985 | 104.9   | 105.4   | 105.9   | 106.3   | 106.7   | 107.0   | 107.1   | 107.3   | 107.6   | 107.9   | 108.3   | 108.6   |
| 1986 | 108.9   | 108.5   | 107.9   | 107.6   | 107.9   | 108.4   | 108.4   | 108.6   | 109.1   | 109.1   | 109.2   | 109.3   |
| 1987 | 110.0   | 110.5   | 111.0   | 111.6   | 111.9   | 112.4   | 112.7   | 113.3   | 113.8   | 114.1   | 114.3   | 114.2   |
| 1988 | 114.5   | 114.7   | 115.1   | 115.7   | 116.2   | 116.7   | 117.2   | 117.7   | 118.5   | 118.9   | 119.0   | 119.2   |
| 1989 | 119.7   | 120.2   | 120.8   | 121.8   | 122.5   | 122.8   | 123.2   | 123.2   | 123.6   | 124.2   | 124.4   | 124.6   |
| 1990 | 125.9   | 126.4   | 127.1   | 127.3   | 127.5   | 128.3   | 128.7   | 129.9   | 131.1   | 131.9   | 132.2   | 132.2   |
| 1991 | 132.8   | 132.8   | 133.0   | 133.3   | 133.8   | 134.1   | 134.3   | 134.6   | 135.2   | 135.4   | 135.8   | 135.9   |
| 1992 | 136.0   | 136.4   | 137.0   | 137.3   | 137.6   | 138.1   | 138.4   | 138.8   | 139.1   | 139.6   | 139.8   | 139.8   |
| 1993 | 140.3   | 140.7   | 141.1   | 141.6   | 141.9   | 142.0   | 142.1   | 142.4   | 142.6   | 143.3   | 143.4   | 143.3   |
| 1994 | 143.6   | 144.0   | 144.4   | 144.7   | 144.9   | 145.4   | 145.8   | 146.5   | 146.9   | 147.0   | 147.3   | 147.2   |
| 1995 | 147.8   | 148.3   | 148.7   | 149.3   | 149.6   | 149.9   | 149.9   | 150.2   | 150.6   | 151.0   | 150.9   | 150.9   |
| 1996 | 151.7   | 152.2   | 152.9   | 153.6   | 154.0   | 154.1   | 154.3   | 154.5   | 155.1   | 155.5   | 155.9   | 155.9   |
| 1997 | 156.3   | 156.8   | 157.0   | 157.2   | 157.2   | 157.4   | 157.5   | 157.8   | 158.3   | 158.5   | 158.5   | 158.2   |
| 1998 | 158.4   | 158.5   | 158.7   | 159.1   | 159.5   | 159.7   | 159.8   | 160.0   | 160.2   | 160.6   | 160.7   | 160.7   |
| 1999 | 161.0   | 161.1   | 161.4   | 162.7   | 162.8   | 162.8   | 163.3   | 163.8   | 164.7   | 165.0   | 165.1   | 165.1   |
| 2000 | 165.6   | 166.5   | 167.9   | 168.0   | 168.2   | 169.2   | 169.4   | 169.3   | 170.4   | 170.6   | 170.9   | 170.7   |
| 2001 | 171.7   | 172.4   | 172.6   | 173.5   | 174.4   | 174.6   | 173.8   | 173.8   | 174.8   | 174.0   | 173.7   | 172.9   |
| 2002 | 173.2   | 173.7   | 174.7   | 175.8   | 175.8   | 175.9   | 176.1   | 176.6   | 177.0   | 177.3   | 177.4   | 177.0   |
| 2003 | 177.7   | 179.2   | 180.3   | 179.8   | 179.4   | 179.6   | 179.6   | 180.3   | 181.0   | 180.7   | 180.2   | 179.9   |
| 2004 | 180.9   | 181.9   | 182.9   | 183.5   | 184.7   | 185.3   | 184.9   | 185.0   | 185.4   | 186.5   | 186.8   | 186.0   |
| 2005 | 186.3   | 187.3   | 188.6   | 190.2   | 190.0   | 190.1   | 191.0   | 192.1   | 195.0   | 195.2   | 193.4   | 192.5   |
| 2006 | 194.0   | 194.2   | 195.3   | 197.2   | 198.2   | 198.6   | 199.2   | 199.6   | 198.4   | 197.0   | 196.8   | 197.2   |
| 2007 | 197.559 | 198.544 | 200.612 | 202.130 | 203.661 | 203.906 | 203.700 | 203.199 | 203.889 | 204.338 | 205.891 | 205.777 |
| 2008 | 206.744 | 207.254 | 209.147 | 210.698 | 212.788 | 215.223 | 216.304 | 215.247 | 214.935 | -       | -       | -       |

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**Table 27. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U. S. city average, all items-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Year | Semiannual averages |          | Annual avg. | Percent change from previous |             |
|------|---------------------|----------|-------------|------------------------------|-------------|
|      | 1st half            | 2nd half |             | Dec.                         | Annual avg. |
| 1970 | -                   | -        | 39.0        | 5.5                          | 5.7         |
| 1971 | -                   | -        | 40.7        | 3.3                          | 4.4         |
| 1972 | -                   | -        | 42.1        | 3.4                          | 3.4         |
| 1973 | -                   | -        | 44.7        | 8.9                          | 6.2         |
| 1974 | -                   | -        | 49.6        | 12.3                         | 11.0        |
| 1975 | -                   | -        | 54.1        | 6.9                          | 9.1         |
| 1976 | -                   | -        | 57.2        | 4.8                          | 5.7         |
| 1977 | -                   | -        | 60.9        | 6.8                          | 6.5         |
| 1978 | -                   | -        | 65.6        | 9.0                          | 7.7         |
| 1979 | -                   | -        | 73.1        | 13.4                         | 11.4        |
| 1980 | -                   | -        | 82.9        | 12.6                         | 13.4        |
| 1981 | -                   | -        | 91.4        | 8.6                          | 10.3        |
| 1982 | -                   | -        | 96.9        | 3.8                          | 6.0         |
| 1983 | -                   | -        | 99.8        | 3.3                          | 3.0         |
| 1984 | 102.1               | 104.4    | 103.3       | 3.6                          | 3.5         |
| 1985 | 106.0               | 107.8    | 106.9       | 3.6                          | 3.5         |
| 1986 | 108.2               | 109.0    | 108.6       | .6                           | 1.6         |
| 1987 | 111.2               | 113.7    | 112.5       | 4.5                          | 3.6         |
| 1988 | 115.5               | 118.4    | 117.0       | 4.4                          | 4.0         |
| 1989 | 121.3               | 123.9    | 122.6       | 4.5                          | 4.8         |
| 1990 | 127.1               | 131.0    | 129.0       | 6.1                          | 5.2         |
| 1991 | 133.3               | 135.2    | 134.3       | 2.8                          | 4.1         |
| 1992 | 137.1               | 139.3    | 138.2       | 2.9                          | 2.9         |
| 1993 | 141.3               | 142.9    | 142.1       | 2.5                          | 2.8         |
| 1994 | 144.5               | 146.8    | 145.6       | 2.7                          | 2.5         |
| 1995 | 148.9               | 150.6    | 149.8       | 2.5                          | 2.9         |
| 1996 | 153.1               | 155.2    | 154.1       | 3.3                          | 2.9         |
| 1997 | 157.0               | 158.1    | 157.6       | 1.5                          | 2.3         |
| 1998 | 159.0               | 160.3    | 159.7       | 1.6                          | 1.3         |
| 1999 | 162.0               | 164.5    | 163.2       | 2.7                          | 2.2         |
| 2000 | 167.6               | 170.2    | 168.9       | 3.4                          | 3.5         |
| 2001 | 173.2               | 173.8    | 173.5       | 1.3                          | 2.7         |
| 2002 | 174.9               | 176.9    | 175.9       | 2.4                          | 1.4         |
| 2003 | 179.3               | 180.3    | 179.8       | 1.6                          | 2.2         |
| 2004 | 183.2               | 185.8    | 184.5       | 3.4                          | 2.6         |
| 2005 | 188.8               | 193.2    | 191.0       | 3.5                          | 3.5         |
| 2006 | 196.3               | 198.0    | 197.1       | 2.4                          | 3.2         |
| 2007 | 201.069             | 204.466  | 202.767     | 4.3                          | 2.9         |
| 2008 | 210.309             | -        | -           | -                            | -           |

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 28. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Unadjusted indexes |       |       |       |       |       |       |         | Sep.<br>2008 |
|--|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------------|
|  | December           |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
|  | 2000               | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  | 2005  | 2006  | 2007    |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
| All items .....  | 170.7              | 172.9 | 177.0 | 179.9 | 186.0 | 192.5 | 197.2 | 205.777 | 214.935      |
| All items (1967=100) .....   | 508.5              | 515.0 | 527.2 | 536.0 | 554.2 | 573.3 | 587.3 | 612.948 | 640.226      |
| Food and beverages .....   | 169.8              | 174.6 | 177.1 | 183.6 | 188.4 | 192.5 | 196.5 | 206.141 | 217.098      |
| Food .....   | 169.3              | 174.1 | 176.5 | 183.1 | 187.9 | 192.2 | 196.1 | 205.855 | 217.090      |
| Food at home .....   | 169.1              | 173.7 | 175.1 | 183.3 | 187.6 | 190.7 | 193.2 | 204.141 | 217.594      |
| Cereals and bakery products .....  | 190.4              | 195.1 | 197.1 | 202.9 | 206.3 | 208.4 | 215.2 | 226.696 | 251.448      |
| Cereals and cereal products .....  | 175.0              | 178.4 | 179.4 | 183.4 | 185.1 | 184.6 | 188.9 | 196.937 | 221.335      |
| Flour and prepared flour mixes .....                                     | 151.8              | 159.1 | 165.5 | 171.9 | 165.4 | 171.7 | 176.8 | 190.120 | 231.166      |
| Breakfast cereal .....   | 199.0              | 201.9 | 201.9 | 203.2 | 205.6 | 200.9 | 202.0 | 208.175 | 215.444      |
| Rice, pasta, cornmeal .....  | 152.2              | 154.8 | 154.9 | 161.0 | 165.0 | 167.3 | 175.8 | 184.496 | 230.650      |
| Bakery products .....  | 198.3              | 203.5 | 206.3 | 213.1 | 217.6 | 221.3 | 229.5 | 243.149 | 267.876      |
| Bread <sup>1</sup> .....   | 109.3              | 114.9 | 116.0 | 118.4 | 123.6 | 126.8 | 133.7 | 147.613 | 163.679      |
| Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins <sup>1</sup> .....                        | 109.8              | 114.0 | 116.2 | 120.8 | 123.6 | 126.7 | 134.6 | 140.373 | 156.338      |
| Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies .....                                       | 192.0              | 195.1 | 199.2 | 204.6 | 208.4 | 213.2 | 215.5 | 228.155 | 243.517      |
| Other bakery products .....  | 195.6              | 196.6 | 198.2 | 207.8 | 207.9 | 207.2 | 214.9 | 219.795 | 246.174      |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....                                     | 156.3              | 161.8 | 162.3 | 181.0 | 183.2 | 185.6 | 188.0 | 198.489 | 209.515      |
| Meats, poultry, and fish .....   | 156.8              | 163.2 | 163.0 | 180.4 | 184.6 | 187.1 | 188.5 | 196.452 | 209.017      |
| Meats .....  | 152.8              | 160.0 | 160.3 | 182.5 | 185.4 | 187.7 | 189.1 | 195.296 | 207.879      |
| Beef and veal .....  | 150.5              | 159.7 | 160.8 | 198.6 | 197.0 | 201.7 | 202.7 | 213.259 | 227.540      |
| Uncooked ground beef .....   | 128.3              | 137.0 | 138.5 | 165.3 | 170.4 | 176.0 | 177.3 | 186.988 | 201.711      |
| Uncooked beef roasts <sup>1</sup> .....                                  | 109.3              | 118.6 | 118.9 | 147.0 | 145.4 | 147.4 | 147.4 | 154.068 | 165.455      |
| Uncooked beef steaks <sup>1</sup> .....                                  | 110.9              | 115.8 | 116.5 | 148.6 | 143.3 | 145.9 | 145.3 | 153.152 | 160.340      |
| Uncooked other beef and veal <sup>1</sup> .....                          | 108.1              | 113.7 | 113.2 | 138.6 | 130.8 | 134.8 | 141.0 | 147.341 | 158.500      |
| Pork .....   | 157.0              | 163.1 | 159.2 | 167.3 | 175.3 | 174.9 | 175.3 | 177.887 | 191.363      |
| Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products <sup>1</sup> .....        | 107.4              | 113.5 | 113.0 | 117.8 | 124.7 | 120.0 | 121.9 | 125.971 | 130.683      |
| Ham .....  | 151.1              | 157.6 | 155.2 | 162.4 | 169.4 | 173.4 | 174.2 | 176.895 | 188.870      |
| Pork chops .....   | 155.5              | 160.2 | 155.5 | 164.0 | 167.9 | 168.4 | 166.3 | 167.784 | 183.115      |
| Other pork including roasts and picnics <sup>1</sup> ..                  | 99.3               | 101.0 | 95.5  | 101.4 | 108.0 | 109.8 | 109.4 | 108.820 | 122.198      |
| Other meats .....  | 154.8              | 159.2 | 164.8 | 173.2 | 178.1 | 179.6 | 183.3 | 186.035 | 193.876      |
| Poultry .....  | 160.7              | 167.8 | 166.8 | 174.9 | 184.5 | 184.1 | 181.9 | 194.314 | 205.199      |
| Chicken <sup>1</sup> .....   | 103.2              | 108.4 | 108.4 | 113.9 | 121.0 | 120.3 | 118.6 | 127.898 | 133.623      |
| Other poultry including turkey <sup>1</sup> .....                        | 105.3              | 107.5 | 103.9 | 107.9 | 110.4 | 112.0 | 111.9 | 114.166 | 126.903      |
| Fish and seafood .....   | 191.1              | 191.3 | 188.8 | 194.1 | 197.7 | 205.5 | 212.4 | 223.236 | 239.311      |
| Fresh fish and seafood <sup>1</sup> .....                                | 110.8              | 110.0 | 106.6 | 111.6 | 113.9 | 120.6 | 125.4 | 132.570 | 142.561      |
| Processed fish and seafood <sup>1</sup> .....                            | 102.5              | 103.9 | 105.4 | 105.4 | 107.1 | 108.2 | 110.8 | 115.420 | 123.263      |
| Eggs .....   | 144.5              | 132.4 | 145.4 | 189.1 | 151.2 | 153.8 | 176.2 | 234.691 | 219.564      |
| Dairy and related products .....   | 161.5              | 170.6 | 167.2 | 172.7 | 179.9 | 183.0 | 180.3 | 205.149 | 212.841      |
| Milk <sup>1</sup> .....  | 109.4              | 114.1 | 109.9 | 117.7 | 124.3 | 128.6 | 124.9 | 149.236 | 148.749      |
| Cheese and related products .....  | 160.3              | 171.9 | 167.7 | 170.9 | 180.2 | 180.8 | 176.9 | 200.799 | 220.101      |
| Ice cream and related products .....                                     | 168.2              | 183.2 | 181.6 | 180.8 | 180.6 | 180.4 | 184.1 | 189.727 | 195.206      |
| Other dairy and related products <sup>1</sup> .....                      | 110.3              | 113.2 | 115.0 | 116.7 | 120.0 | 121.9 | 121.9 | 136.149 | 141.604      |
| Fruits and vegetables .....  | 213.3              | 212.8 | 222.9 | 229.7 | 248.6 | 249.6 | 254.7 | 269.533 | 284.612      |
| Fresh fruits and vegetables .....  | 252.4              | 248.5 | 261.9 | 273.1 | 300.3 | 298.1 | 303.6 | 322.717 | 333.738      |
| Fresh fruits .....   | 264.4              | 266.9 | 279.2 | 282.7 | 302.7 | 306.3 | 321.0 | 338.490 | 357.003      |
| Apples .....   | 204.0              | 217.9 | 232.6 | 239.9 | 241.8 | 252.3 | 277.8 | 294.385 | 381.362      |
| Bananas .....  | 160.8              | 164.8 | 165.8 | 162.6 | 158.5 | 169.8 | 174.7 | 183.352 | 216.692      |
| Citrus fruits <sup>1</sup> .....   | 120.6              | 129.9 | 142.0 | 144.5 | 161.0 | 172.2 | 183.1 | 183.278 | 240.931      |
| Other fresh fruits <sup>1</sup> .....                                    | 113.9              | 107.5 | 111.4 | 113.2 | 126.5 | 120.9 | 124.2 | 133.873 | 110.780      |
| Fresh vegetables .....   | 240.4              | 230.8 | 245.0 | 262.6 | 296.0 | 288.6 | 285.7 | 306.165 | 310.146      |
| Potatoes .....   | 179.5              | 205.5 | 222.9 | 213.9 | 230.0 | 252.4 | 266.8 | 275.821 | 375.859      |
| Lettuce .....  | 276.5              | 228.5 | 214.9 | 294.8 | 270.9 | 253.2 | 273.0 | 286.234 | 288.038      |
| Tomatoes .....   | 281.9              | 261.0 | 283.4 | 279.6 | 416.9 | 337.8 | 312.1 | 373.203 | 297.627      |
| Other fresh vegetables .....   | 246.1              | 234.3 | 251.9 | 272.7 | 285.2 | 298.4 | 291.2 | 302.224 | 303.663      |
| Processed fruits and vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....                       | 105.3              | 109.9 | 113.0 | 111.8 | 113.9 | 119.6 | 122.7 | 127.813 | 144.676      |
| Canned fruits and vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....                          | 105.0              | 109.3 | 112.9 | 109.5 | 112.5 | 118.9 | 122.0 | 127.130 | 148.603      |
| Frozen fruits and vegetables <sup>1</sup> .....                          | 107.4              | 114.0 | 114.1 | 117.0 | 116.4 | 121.3 | 124.2 | 127.862 | 136.382      |
| Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried <sup>1</sup> ..... | 102.1              | 103.4 | 109.7 | 108.9 | 112.5 | 117.4 | 121.0 | 128.005 | 145.901      |
| Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....                      | 135.8              | 137.7 | 139.1 | 138.6 | 140.0 | 144.9 | 147.8 | 152.883 | 160.850      |
| Juices and nonalcoholic drinks <sup>1</sup> .....                        | 105.0              | 106.9 | 108.0 | 107.7 | 108.6 | 112.1 | 114.2 | 118.208 | 125.247      |
| Carbonated drinks .....  | 121.7              | 123.8 | 125.5 | 125.5 | 128.5 | 134.3 | 135.3 | 139.574 | 151.238      |
| Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1</sup> ....                 | 111.2              | 114.0 | 113.7 | 114.9 | 112.5 | 112.2 | 127.3 | 143.862 | 147.596      |
| Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1</sup>                   | 104.6              | 106.4 | 107.4 | 106.3 | 105.6 | 107.5 | 110.6 | 114.191 | 118.130      |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 28. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Unadjusted indexes |       |       |       |       |       |       |         | Sep.<br>2008 |
|--|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------------|
|  | December           |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
|  | 2000               | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  | 2005  | 2006  | 2007    |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
| Beverage materials including coffee and tea <sup>1</sup>           | 97.4               | 97.3  | 98.2  | 97.9  | 99.2  | 103.4 | 105.7 | 109.188 | 113.101      |
| Coffee .....   | 147.1              | 142.1 | 141.8 | 142.6 | 144.6 | 162.1 | 165.4 | 173.838 | 191.773      |
| Other beverage materials including tea <sup>1</sup> .....          | 109.8              | 113.1 | 114.9 | 113.9 | 115.4 | 115.7 | 118.4 | 121.348 | 121.872      |
| Other food at home .....   | 155.8              | 160.5 | 160.6 | 162.5 | 163.2 | 167.1 | 168.1 | 173.511 | 187.467      |
| Sugar and sweets .....   | 153.3              | 155.9 | 158.9 | 160.5 | 160.6 | 166.9 | 171.3 | 177.051 | 188.914      |
| Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....                              | 133.6              | 136.8 | 140.3 | 143.1 | 142.7 | 154.5 | 163.5 | 162.645 | 175.708      |
| Candy and chewing gum <sup>1</sup> .....                           | 104.5              | 105.7 | 107.3 | 107.3 | 107.3 | 110.8 | 112.2 | 117.281 | 123.362      |
| Other sweets <sup>1</sup> .....                                    | 106.1              | 109.0 | 111.8 | 115.2 | 116.0 | 117.5 | 122.2 | 126.657 | 139.165      |
| Fats and oils .....  | 149.9              | 156.5 | 152.9 | 157.7 | 167.3 | 165.6 | 167.3 | 176.736 | 207.069      |
| Butter and margarine <sup>1</sup> .....                            | 113.1              | 126.2 | 114.7 | 119.4 | 135.9 | 132.0 | 130.2 | 138.383 | 164.303      |
| Salad dressing <sup>1</sup> .....                                  | 106.3              | 108.2 | 107.9 | 110.1 | 110.8 | 106.4 | 110.1 | 113.763 | 124.281      |
| Other fats and oils including peanut butter <sup>1</sup> .....     | 103.3              | 103.7 | 105.8 | 109.0 | 114.0 | 116.3 | 117.6 | 125.513 | 152.076      |
| Other foods .....  | 173.0              | 178.3 | 178.5 | 180.0 | 178.6 | 183.7 | 183.7 | 188.646 | 201.632      |
| Soups .....  | 197.9              | 203.7 | 206.0 | 208.5 | 208.3 | 211.3 | 211.3 | 211.526 | 226.612      |
| Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods .....                       | 149.1              | 153.6 | 151.8 | 151.9 | 151.0 | 152.0 | 149.5 | 154.768 | 164.347      |
| Snacks .....   | 166.7              | 173.6 | 166.9 | 174.8 | 170.6 | 180.7 | 178.7 | 186.595 | 203.297      |
| Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces .....                       | 173.5              | 182.9 | 189.0 | 184.7 | 179.6 | 186.7 | 186.5 | 193.197 | 211.357      |
| Baby food <sup>1</sup> .....                                       | 112.6              | 116.0 | 117.2 | 120.8 | 123.8 | 128.0 | 129.3 | 134.720 | 140.412      |
| Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1</sup> .....                       | 108.6              | 109.0 | 110.7 | 110.3 | 111.3 | 112.9 | 115.3 | 115.658 | 121.589      |
| Food away from home .....  | 170.8              | 176.0 | 180.0 | 184.2 | 189.7 | 195.8 | 202.0 | 209.931 | 218.147      |
| Full service meals and snacks <sup>1</sup> .....                   | 108.0              | 111.4 | 113.8 | 116.4 | 119.7 | 123.1 | 127.3 | 132.236 | 136.578      |
| Limited service meals and snacks <sup>1</sup> .....                | 107.8              | 111.3 | 113.7 | 116.3 | 119.9 | 124.0 | 127.7 | 132.893 | 138.619      |
| Food at employee sites and schools <sup>1</sup> .....              | 104.1              | 106.1 | 111.2 | 114.0 | 117.4 | 120.5 | 124.8 | 128.568 | 135.166      |
| Food from vending machines and mobile vendors <sup>1</sup> .....   | 103.1              | 104.7 | 106.2 | 108.8 | 111.2 | 114.2 | 116.4 | 120.269 | 124.694      |
| Other food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....                       | 111.4              | 115.8 | 120.1 | 123.1 | 127.0 | 133.6 | 138.7 | 144.454 | 151.321      |
| Alcoholic beverages .....  | 175.8              | 180.5 | 184.7 | 188.9 | 194.2 | 196.3 | 201.1 | 208.934 | 215.728      |
| Alcoholic beverages at home .....                                  | 159.3              | 161.8 | 165.2 | 168.5 | 172.5 | 172.7 | 175.7 | 181.999 | 187.436      |
| Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home .....                  | 159.4              | 161.9 | 166.1 | 171.0 | 176.5 | 175.9 | 178.7 | 186.264 | 190.614      |
| Distilled spirits at home .....                                    | 161.6              | 167.7 | 170.1 | 172.2 | 173.8 | 175.1 | 176.3 | 178.085 | 184.733      |
| Wine at home .....   | 148.7              | 148.8 | 149.9 | 149.0 | 149.3 | 151.5 | 156.0 | 161.506 | 169.272      |
| Alcoholic beverages away from home .....                           | 208.8              | 218.7 | 225.2 | 231.9 | 240.3 | 247.3 | 257.4 | 269.505 | 279.210      |
| Housing .....  | 168.1              | 172.9 | 176.9 | 181.0 | 186.4 | 194.2 | 200.5 | 206.638 | 213.954      |
| Shelter .....  | 189.6              | 197.7 | 203.9 | 208.2 | 213.5 | 219.2 | 228.3 | 235.480 | 240.163      |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>2</sup> .....                       | 187.0              | 195.7 | 201.9 | 207.0 | 213.0 | 219.7 | 229.1 | 238.216 | 243.741      |
| Lodging away from home <sup>1</sup> .....                          | 108.7              | 108.8 | 109.6 | 113.4 | 118.6 | 122.4 | 127.1 | 133.179 | 142.591      |
| Housing at school, excluding board <sup>2 3</sup> .....            | 263.0              | 277.2 | 293.9 | 311.5 | 330.2 | 349.6 | 367.7 | 388.209 | 404.484      |
| Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels .....     | 230.5              | 229.3 | 229.4 | 236.5 | 247.0 | 254.4 | 263.8 | 276.352 | 296.666      |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>2 3</sup> .....  | 183.5              | 191.7 | 198.0 | 201.7 | 206.1 | 211.2 | 220.1 | 226.151 | 229.670      |
| Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1</sup> .....                | 104.9              | 106.3 | 112.3 | 114.4 | 118.9 | 116.4 | 117.4 | 117.396 | 120.279      |
| Fuels and utilities .....  | 144.6              | 141.5 | 143.5 | 153.0 | 164.7 | 190.2 | 190.9 | 200.831 | 226.709      |
| Household energy .....   | 129.3              | 125.2 | 126.4 | 135.4 | 146.4 | 172.4 | 171.5 | 180.379 | 206.544      |
| Fuel oil and other fuels .....                                     | 144.1              | 112.7 | 125.0 | 136.2 | 183.4 | 227.4 | 232.2 | 298.656 | 345.907      |
| Fuel oil .....   | 147.3              | 107.6 | 123.0 | 132.6 | 186.0 | 236.0 | 240.9 | 320.865 | 382.644      |
| Propane, kerosene, and firewood <sup>4</sup> .....                 | 172.9              | 154.1 | 163.3 | 181.0 | 225.7 | 266.5 | 272.4 | 326.741 | 361.237      |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 134.8              | 132.5 | 133.2 | 142.5 | 152.0 | 178.3 | 177.1 | 183.066 | 209.442      |
| Electricity <sup>2</sup> .....                                     | 126.5              | 133.6 | 131.1 | 134.9 | 137.7 | 152.2 | 163.2 | 171.431 | 197.036      |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>2</sup> .....                     | 160.4              | 135.5 | 145.1 | 170.2 | 198.7 | 258.9 | 221.1 | 220.150 | 248.702      |
| Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>1</sup> .....   | 108.0              | 111.0 | 114.6 | 119.9 | 126.5 | 133.2 | 139.6 | 147.186 | 154.628      |
| Water and sewerage maintenance <sup>2</sup> .....                  | 227.7              | 234.6 | 242.8 | 254.2 | 270.1 | 285.0 | 298.5 | 315.239 | 331.667      |
| Garbage and trash collection <sup>5</sup> .....                    | 271.9              | 278.2 | 284.5 | 297.1 | 307.1 | 320.3 | 337.0 | 353.370 | 369.649      |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                         | 125.6              | 125.4 | 123.0 | 120.4 | 121.3 | 121.9 | 122.6 | 121.880 | 124.500      |
| Window and floor coverings and other linens <sup>1</sup> ...       | 100.6              | 99.3  | 94.3  | 90.7  | 89.4  | 87.7  | 83.9  | 81.035  | 79.588       |
| Floor coverings <sup>1</sup> .....                                 | 106.5              | 106.3 | 108.1 | 107.3 | 107.7 | 114.0 | 117.5 | 117.978 | 119.814      |
| Window coverings <sup>1</sup> .....                                | 101.4              | 98.5  | 95.5  | 94.3  | 91.5  | 90.1  | 91.4  | 90.188  | 91.473       |
| Other linens <sup>1</sup> .....                                    | 97.3               | 96.5  | 89.0  | 83.8  | 82.6  | 79.5  | 72.8  | 68.938  | 66.260       |
| Furniture and bedding .....  | 130.6              | 126.4 | 125.1 | 123.0 | 123.0 | 123.6 | 122.6 | 120.204 | 122.755      |
| Bedroom furniture .....  | 135.6              | 133.9 | 131.1 | 131.0 | 137.8 | 143.6 | 141.4 | 140.415 | 145.996      |
| Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture <sup>1</sup> ..... | 102.5              | 98.6  | 98.1  | 95.5  | 93.7  | 92.0  | 91.7  | 89.432  | 89.960       |
| Other furniture <sup>1</sup> .....                                 | 99.5               | 94.3  | 93.9  | 92.2  | 88.7  | 88.9  | 88.5  | 85.686  | 87.369       |
| Appliances <sup>1</sup> .....                                      | 94.9               | 94.4  | 90.8  | 87.6  | 84.6  | 87.4  | 88.4  | 89.909  | 91.053       |
| Major appliances <sup>1</sup> .....                                | 96.2               | 97.8  | 95.1  | 92.0  | 89.4  | 94.8  | 98.1  | 100.715 | 103.238      |
| Other appliances <sup>1</sup> .....                                | 93.0               | 89.1  | 84.6  | 81.3  | 77.9  | 77.1  | 75.6  | 75.914  | 75.119       |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 28. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Unadjusted indexes |       |       |       |       |       |       |         | Sep.<br>2008 |
|--|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------------|
|  | December           |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
|  | 2000               | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  | 2005  | 2006  | 2007    |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
| Other household equipment and furnishings <sup>1</sup> ....                    | 95.6               | 95.0  | 91.0  | 86.2  | 87.2  | 82.9  | 79.0  | 76.170  | 76.323       |
| Clocks, lamps, and decorator items .....                                       | 104.7              | 102.6 | 96.6  | 86.3  | 87.3  | 80.1  | 74.3  | 67.750  | 66.422       |
| Indoor plants and flowers <sup>6</sup> .....                                   | 115.6              | 118.7 | 118.8 | 120.5 | 121.7 | 124.1 | 123.6 | 128.403 | 132.566      |
| Dishes and flatware <sup>1</sup> .....   | 93.0               | 90.5  | 85.7  | 85.3  | 86.2  | 80.7  | 75.1  | 73.764  | 76.569       |
| Nonelectric cookware and tableware <sup>1</sup> .....                          | 96.5               | 95.0  | 91.3  | 91.1  | 92.0  | 91.7  | 92.2  | 95.198  | 96.518       |
| Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and<br>supplies <sup>1</sup> .....          | 96.3               | 95.3  | 93.5  | 90.9  | 92.9  | 93.2  | 94.7  | 93.593  | 94.020       |
| Tools, hardware and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....                                | 98.2               | 96.0  | 93.9  | 91.6  | 96.0  | 98.5  | 100.5 | 98.836  | 100.999      |
| Outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....                              | 94.8               | 94.3  | 92.5  | 89.7  | 90.2  | 88.8  | 89.7  | 89.028  | 88.093       |
| Housekeeping supplies .....  | 157.0              | 160.8 | 158.5 | 157.0 | 158.7 | 162.5 | 168.8 | 171.286 | 179.247      |
| Household cleaning products <sup>1</sup> .....                                 | 107.7              | 110.6 | 108.9 | 107.3 | 106.6 | 110.2 | 113.2 | 113.279 | 117.576      |
| Household paper products <sup>1</sup> .....                                    | 117.2              | 118.8 | 118.3 | 116.3 | 124.6 | 125.2 | 133.4 | 138.485 | 149.141      |
| Miscellaneous household products <sup>1</sup> .....                            | 103.9              | 107.0 | 104.8 | 105.3 | 103.9 | 106.6 | 110.6 | 112.593 | 116.177      |
| Household operations <sup>1</sup> .....  | 113.2              | 118.0 | 120.8 | 123.8 | 129.3 | 136.0 | 141.2 | 144.659 | 152.850      |
| Domestic services <sup>1</sup> .....   | 111.4              | 114.3 | 118.8 | 122.0 | 124.6 | 131.1 | 135.7 | 138.159 | 142.259      |
| Gardening and lawn care services <sup>1</sup> .....                            | 114.0              | 119.6 | 119.3 | 121.3 | 126.9 | NA    | NA    | 143.712 | 157.818      |
| Moving, storage, freight expense <sup>1</sup> .....                            | 111.4              | 114.4 | 117.5 | 120.4 | 124.3 | 129.6 | 129.0 | 130.180 | 135.107      |
| Repair of household items <sup>1</sup> .....                                   | 116.2              | 124.4 | 129.9 | 134.7 | 144.8 | 155.5 | 162.1 | 168.656 | 175.362      |
| Apparel .....  | 126.6              | 123.0 | 120.9 | 118.7 | 118.6 | 117.2 | 118.6 | 118.126 | 120.990      |
| Men's and boys' apparel .....  | 128.0              | 122.7 | 118.8 | 117.8 | 115.7 | 113.5 | 113.0 | 112.487 | 112.973      |
| Men's apparel .....  | 132.1              | 126.4 | 124.6 | 122.6 | 121.5 | 119.6 | 119.9 | 117.412 | 119.826      |
| Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear .....                                  | 129.3              | 127.6 | 126.4 | 127.4 | 124.7 | 124.3 | 120.8 | 122.326 | 124.471      |
| Men's furnishings .....  | 138.0              | 134.8 | 135.9 | 138.7 | 135.4 | 133.7 | 133.3 | 127.244 | 133.808      |
| Men's shirts and sweaters <sup>1</sup> .....                                   | 100.5              | 93.1  | 92.4  | 90.1  | 87.3  | 86.7  | 89.7  | 83.798  | 82.306       |
| Men's pants and shorts .....   | 123.3              | 117.1 | 112.3 | 105.7 | 109.6 | 105.7 | 105.6 | 107.614 | 111.805      |
| Boys' apparel .....  | 115.4              | 111.1 | 101.8 | 103.7 | 98.7  | 95.9  | 93.4  | 97.503  | 92.724       |
| Women's and girls' apparel .....   | 117.5              | 113.5 | 112.3 | 110.5 | 110.2 | 108.3 | 110.4 | 109.375 | 112.304      |
| Women's apparel .....  | 117.2              | 113.5 | 111.6 | 110.5 | 109.2 | 109.0 | 112.0 | 110.682 | 114.760      |
| Women's outerwear .....  | 123.6              | 116.3 | 116.5 | 116.4 | 113.4 | 108.1 | 107.0 | 102.975 | 114.642      |
| Women's dresses .....  | 94.0               | 99.8  | 101.0 | 102.3 | 99.7  | 104.0 | 116.9 | 116.942 | 125.764      |
| Women's suits and separates <sup>1</sup> .....                                 | 96.4               | 91.4  | 90.1  | 87.9  | 87.4  | 86.9  | 89.2  | 88.138  | 90.872       |
| Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear<br>and accessories <sup>1</sup> ..... | 100.5              | 97.3  | 93.1  | 93.1  | 91.8  | 91.8  | 90.5  | 89.828  | 90.785       |
| Girls' apparel .....   | 119.0              | 113.7 | 115.1 | 110.7 | 113.8 | 105.7 | 104.2 | 104.034 | 102.448      |
| Footwear .....   | 124.0              | 121.0 | 120.8 | 117.8 | 119.4 | 120.9 | 122.6 | 122.029 | 124.873      |
| Men's footwear .....   | 128.0              | 123.7 | 122.9 | 117.8 | 115.6 | 118.1 | 121.0 | 119.023 | 121.517      |
| Boys' and girls' footwear .....  | 124.2              | 121.8 | 121.0 | 118.5 | 123.6 | 125.2 | 124.9 | 127.064 | 129.074      |
| Women's footwear .....   | 119.5              | 117.3 | 117.9 | 116.4 | 119.2 | 119.6 | 121.6 | 120.533 | 124.081      |
| Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....   | 130.0              | 130.3 | 127.2 | 121.4 | 121.4 | 117.6 | 116.8 | 116.419 | 115.764      |
| Jewelry and watches <sup>4</sup> .....   | 130.1              | 131.0 | 124.8 | 122.6 | 126.5 | 122.5 | 128.3 | 133.527 | 148.712      |
| Watches <sup>4</sup> .....   | 116.9              | 114.6 | 106.7 | 107.1 | 108.4 | 108.7 | 111.0 | 108.082 | 111.024      |
| Jewelry <sup>4</sup> .....   | 133.9              | 135.7 | 129.9 | 127.1 | 131.4 | 126.6 | 133.6 | 141.273 | 159.415      |
| Transportation .....   | 153.9              | 147.4 | 153.0 | 152.5 | 163.4 | 171.6 | 174.4 | 189.967 | 204.785      |
| Private transportation .....   | 151.2              | 144.5 | 150.4 | 149.7 | 160.9 | 168.8 | 171.7 | 187.159 | 201.476      |
| New and used motor vehicles <sup>1</sup> .....                                 | 102.8              | 102.0 | 98.5  | 92.8  | 94.3  | 94.8  | 93.7  | 93.733  | 91.305       |
| New vehicles .....   | 144.6              | 144.7 | 141.7 | 139.2 | 139.8 | 139.3 | 138.2 | 137.736 | 133.504      |
| Used cars and trucks .....   | 161.6              | 158.1 | 149.3 | 131.7 | 138.1 | 140.0 | 137.0 | 137.791 | 133.669      |
| Leased cars and trucks <sup>7</sup> .....                                      | -                  | 100.0 | 98.1  | 95.4  | 90.8  | 92.3  | 91.9  | 92.588  | 95.802       |
| Car and truck rental <sup>1</sup> .....  | 107.9              | 103.8 | 104.4 | 107.1 | 102.1 | 112.2 | 114.0 | 112.921 | 114.876      |
| Motor fuel .....   | 127.7              | 96.3  | 120.0 | 128.1 | 161.7 | 188.0 | 199.8 | 259.032 | 316.717      |
| Gasoline (all types) .....   | 126.9              | 95.7  | 119.4 | 127.6 | 160.9 | 187.0 | 198.8 | 257.792 | 315.324      |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>8</sup> .....                                  | 125.4              | 93.3  | 117.4 | 126.0 | 159.6 | 186.5 | 198.4 | 257.653 | 315.809      |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>8 9</sup> .....                               | 131.6              | 99.2  | 124.3 | 131.9 | 165.9 | 191.8 | 202.9 | 263.140 | 321.724      |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>8</sup> .....                                  | 126.6              | 97.2  | 120.0 | 127.4 | 158.3 | 181.7 | 192.7 | 248.029 | 300.321      |
| Other motor fuels <sup>1</sup> .....   | 134.4              | 111.7 | 113.6 | 115.5 | 153.0 | 187.0 | 200.7 | 249.230 | 302.461      |
| Motor vehicle parts and equipment .....  | 102.3              | 104.9 | 106.3 | 107.3 | 109.3 | 113.6 | 119.2 | 123.786 | 131.072      |
| Tires .....  | 97.5               | 100.4 | 100.5 | 100.0 | 102.4 | 105.4 | 109.1 | 112.172 | 118.472      |
| Vehicle accessories other than tires <sup>1</sup> .....                        | 103.5              | 105.8 | 108.3 | 110.8 | 112.3 | 118.0 | 125.7 | 132.125 | 140.310      |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....                                     | 181.5              | 187.9 | 195.0 | 199.8 | 205.3 | 213.2 | 221.4 | 228.692 | 239.571      |
| Motor vehicle body work .....  | 191.4              | 198.0 | 201.7 | 204.9 | 210.8 | 220.7 | 228.2 | 235.569 | 243.171      |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing .....                                  | 166.1              | 172.6 | 179.1 | 182.0 | 187.9 | 194.0 | 200.1 | 206.152 | 218.856      |
| Motor vehicle repair <sup>1</sup> .....  | 109.9              | 113.6 | 118.2 | 121.6 | 124.7 | 129.8 | 135.5 | 140.233 | 145.770      |
| Motor vehicle insurance .....  | 260.8              | 280.1 | 305.6 | 319.7 | 330.5 | 333.5 | 336.3 | 338.071 | 343.944      |
| Motor vehicle fees <sup>1</sup> .....  | 108.8              | 110.8 | 114.3 | 122.7 | 133.4 | 136.7 | 139.8 | 142.586 | 146.909      |
| State and local registration and license <sup>1 2</sup> .....                  | 106.7              | 107.8 | 111.5 | 121.3 | 133.3 | 135.6 | 138.9 | 140.582 | 143.963      |

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**Table 28. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Unadjusted indexes |       |       |       |       |       |       |         | Sep.<br>2008 |
|--|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------------|
|  | December           |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
|  | 2000               | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  | 2005  | 2006  | 2007    |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
| Parking and other fees <sup>1</sup> .....  | 115.1              | 119.8 | 122.7 | 126.1 | 132.9 | 138.9 | 141.3 | 146.865 | 153.402      |
| Public transportation .....  | 203.7              | 200.1 | 199.2 | 203.6 | 204.2 | 216.6 | 217.4 | 231.363 | 258.142      |
| Airline fare .....   | 237.0              | 227.5 | 222.6 | 221.8 | 217.8 | 232.3 | 230.0 | 254.153 | 294.816      |
| Other intercity transportation .....   | 158.9              | 154.2 | 157.5 | 147.8 | 146.1 | 153.1 | 156.5 | 158.532 | 162.523      |
| Intracity transportation .....   | 176.1              | 180.6 | 183.2 | 201.4 | 209.0 | 220.6 | 224.8 | 228.979 | 239.636      |
| Medical care .....   | 263.8              | 276.2 | 290.6 | 301.4 | 314.4 | 328.2 | 340.0 | 357.745 | 365.250      |
| Medical care commodities .....   | 236.5              | 246.7 | 254.0 | 259.4 | 264.4 | 273.9 | 279.1 | 285.913 | 287.397      |
| Prescription drugs .....   | 289.8              | 307.1 | 320.6 | 328.4 | 340.0 | 354.9 | 361.8 | 373.019 | 374.679      |
| Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies <sup>4</sup> .....                    | 147.9              | 149.4 | 149.5 | 151.7 | 149.2 | 151.7 | 154.5 | 156.017 | 157.215      |
| Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs .....                            | 175.0              | 177.7 | 178.1 | 181.2 | 176.6 | 180.1 | 183.5 | 185.420 | 187.745      |
| Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies .....                             | 179.6              | 179.0 | 178.2 | 179.1 | 181.0 | 182.5 | 185.5 | 187.256 | 186.459      |
| Medical care services .....  | 270.1              | 283.0 | 299.5 | 311.9 | 327.7 | 342.8 | 356.7 | 378.119 | 388.036      |
| Professional services .....  | 242.3              | 251.0 | 259.2 | 266.5 | 277.2 | 287.4 | 294.7 | 307.333 | 314.977      |
| Physicians' services <sup>2</sup> .....  | 248.5              | 257.5 | 266.2 | 272.1 | 282.9 | 291.7 | 296.3 | 308.349 | 315.712      |
| Dental services <sup>2</sup> .....   | 262.0              | 272.3 | 284.6 | 297.4 | 312.2 | 329.4 | 345.5 | 366.759 | 380.088      |
| Eyeglasses and eye care <sup>4</sup> .....                                       | 152.0              | 156.1 | 155.8 | 158.6 | 163.4 | 168.2 | 171.7 | 173.615 | 170.361      |
| Services by other medical professionals <sup>2 4</sup> .....                     | 167.8              | 173.5 | 179.2 | 183.5 | 188.0 | 192.8 | 198.3 | 204.926 | 212.351      |
| Hospital and related services <sup>2</sup> .....                                 | 320.9              | 343.6 | 379.1 | 403.4 | 424.2 | 446.4 | 473.0 | 510.961 | 534.394      |
| Hospital services <sup>2 10</sup> .....  | 118.5              | 127.0 | 140.2 | 149.2 | 156.9 | 165.1 | 175.1 | 189.193 | 198.122      |
| Inpatient hospital services <sup>2 8 10</sup> .....                              | 115.9              | 123.9 | 135.9 | 143.0 | 151.0 | 159.0 | 169.3 | 181.855 | 190.509      |
| Outpatient hospital services <sup>2 4 8</sup> .....                              | 271.9              | 290.1 | 328.5 | 350.9 | 366.5 | 385.3 | 404.1 | 442.799 | 462.042      |
| Nursing homes and adult day services <sup>2 10</sup> .....                       | 124.0              | 130.6 | 137.0 | 144.6 | 150.0 | 156.6 | 163.6 | 172.786 | 177.658      |
| Care of invalids and elderly at home <sup>11</sup> .....                         | -                  | -     | -     | -     | -     | 100.0 | 103.0 | 106.595 | 107.329      |
| Health insurance <sup>12</sup> .....   | -                  | -     | -     | -     | -     | 100.0 | 106.8 | 116.743 | 114.469      |
| Recreation <sup>1</sup> .....  | 102.6              | 103.8 | 104.7 | 105.5 | 106.1 | 107.1 | 108.1 | 108.702 | 110.904      |
| Video and audio <sup>1</sup> .....   | 100.3              | 100.5 | 102.4 | 102.5 | 103.2 | 103.2 | 102.4 | 102.523 | 102.819      |
| Televisions .....  | 46.7               | 41.7  | 37.2  | 32.0  | 28.0  | 24.2  | 18.7  | 15.462  | 13.556       |
| Cable and satellite television and radio service <sup>5</sup> .....              | 271.8              | 282.3 | 302.7 | 313.9 | 326.8 | 337.5 | 346.3 | 354.903 | 364.486      |
| Other video equipment <sup>1</sup> .....   | 60.4               | 50.2  | 43.3  | 38.0  | 32.5  | 29.0  | 24.9  | 21.692  | 19.458       |
| Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental <sup>1</sup> .....      | 86.2               | 84.5  | 79.1  | 78.7  | 77.7  | 77.2  | 78.1  | 78.675  | 77.327       |
| Audio equipment .....  | 78.4               | 74.5  | 70.8  | 66.9  | 63.2  | 56.8  | 53.9  | 51.080  | 49.503       |
| Audio discs, tapes and other media <sup>1</sup> .....                            | 104.0              | 107.9 | 109.1 | 104.7 | 108.6 | 108.7 | 105.9 | 105.660 | 103.676      |
| Pets, pet products and services <sup>1</sup> .....                               | 106.2              | 110.6 | 112.6 | 115.2 | 120.0 | 123.3 | 127.8 | 134.740 | 146.766      |
| Pets and pet products .....  | 143.2              | 147.8 | 148.8 | 150.5 | 155.3 | 157.6 | 162.8 | 171.130 | 189.087      |
| Pet services including veterinary <sup>1</sup> .....                             | 118.4              | 125.5 | 131.4 | 137.7 | 146.2 | 153.5 | 159.8 | 169.616 | 179.543      |
| Sporting goods .....   | 121.9              | 119.7 | 117.8 | 116.5 | 115.1 | 116.5 | 117.9 | 114.764 | 116.589      |
| Sports vehicles including bicycles .....   | 136.0              | 134.6 | 133.1 | 130.5 | 132.5 | 137.2 | 141.4 | 137.138 | 136.558      |
| Sports equipment .....   | 105.7              | 102.8 | 100.5 | 100.5 | 96.3  | 94.6  | 93.9  | 91.728  | 95.329       |
| Photography <sup>1</sup> .....   | 99.6               | 99.1  | 97.7  | 95.7  | 92.2  | 89.5  | 85.5  | 82.841  | 82.505       |
| Photographic equipment and supplies .....  | 125.6              | 122.6 | 115.3 | 109.1 | 100.6 | 95.8  | 85.6  | 79.989  | 78.184       |
| Photographers and film processing <sup>1</sup> .....                             | 103.4              | 103.9 | 106.0 | 106.3 | 106.5 | 104.9 | 106.8 | 106.717 | 107.922      |
| Other recreational goods <sup>1</sup> .....                                      | 86.2               | 82.8  | 76.5  | 73.8  | 70.4  | 67.6  | 65.3  | 62.080  | 61.027       |
| Toys .....   | 104.9              | 99.7  | 90.7  | 86.9  | 81.6  | 77.9  | 74.2  | 70.193  | 68.187       |
| Sewing machines, fabric and supplies <sup>1</sup> .....                          | 95.5               | 96.4  | 93.7  | 94.0  | 94.0  | 91.9  | 92.9  | 87.326  | 89.445       |
| Music instruments and accessories <sup>1</sup> .....                             | 100.1              | 99.9  | 98.1  | 96.7  | 97.9  | 95.1  | 96.7  | 96.967  | 98.629       |
| Recreation services <sup>1</sup> .....   | 113.8              | 118.1 | 122.6 | 126.8 | 129.4 | 133.4 | 139.0 | 141.896 | 145.427      |
| Club dues and fees for participant sports and group exercises <sup>1</sup> ..... | 110.2              | 112.5 | 113.4 | 116.3 | 115.9 | 119.0 | 122.0 | 123.194 | 126.259      |
| Admissions .....   | 234.2              | 243.8 | 257.0 | 265.8 | 274.5 | 283.6 | 298.4 | 304.937 | 312.870      |
| Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>4</sup> .....                              | 190.7              | 204.7 | 207.5 | 221.1 | 227.0 | 232.8 | 240.2 | 249.677 | 256.185      |
| Recreational reading materials .....   | 191.0              | 194.3 | 197.9 | 199.7 | 204.3 | 205.5 | 207.3 | 209.747 | 215.310      |
| Newspapers and magazines <sup>1</sup> .....                                      | 107.1              | 109.1 | 111.4 | 113.3 | 117.2 | 119.3 | 120.7 | 122.141 | 126.174      |
| Recreational books <sup>1</sup> .....  | 101.4              | 102.8 | 104.2 | 103.8 | 103.9 | 102.3 | 102.7 | 103.872 | 105.748      |
| Education and communication <sup>1</sup> .....                                   | 103.7              | 106.9 | 108.8 | 109.7 | 110.5 | 112.6 | 114.8 | 117.782 | 121.439      |
| Education <sup>1</sup> .....   | 115.7              | 122.1 | 129.7 | 138.4 | 147.0 | 155.6 | 165.5 | 174.276 | 183.613      |
| Educational books and supplies .....   | 289.2              | 297.3 | 324.5 | 343.8 | 357.6 | 375.5 | 402.0 | 437.391 | 465.570      |
| Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....                                  | 326.5              | 345.2 | 366.0 | 390.7 | 415.8 | 440.5 | 468.3 | 491.554 | 517.389      |
| College tuition and fees .....   | 340.6              | 361.8 | 387.3 | 424.8 | 462.2 | 493.2 | 529.2 | 560.233 | 592.497      |
| Elementary and high school tuition and fees .....                                | 359.4              | 386.4 | 412.8 | 438.9 | 470.4 | 497.1 | 525.7 | 553.931 | 584.756      |

See footnotes at end of table.



**Table 28. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group   | Unadjusted indexes |       |       |       |       |       |       |         | Sep.<br>2008 |
|--|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------------|
|  | December           |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
|  | 2000               | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  | 2005  | 2006  | 2007    |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>  |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
| Child care and nursery school <sup>6</sup> .....   | 160.9              | 168.8 | 176.9 | 183.5 | 189.7 | 199.3 | 209.9 | 217.589 | 227.557      |
| Technical and business school tuition and fees .....                                     | 118.9              | 125.8 | 132.6 | 145.3 | 157.3 | 168.0 | 176.3 | 185.776 | 193.787      |
| Communication <sup>1</sup> .....   | 94.1               | 94.6  | 93.2  | 89.7  | 87.0  | 86.2  | 85.2  | 85.834  | 87.224       |
| Postage and delivery services <sup>1</sup> .....   | 103.2              | 108.1 | 119.4 | 119.5 | 120.0 | 120.5 | 126.5 | 132.101 | 137.308      |
| Postage .....  | 165.6              | 173.4 | 191.7 | 191.7 | 191.7 | 191.7 | 201.9 | 209.745 | 216.173      |
| Delivery services <sup>1</sup> .....   | 116.2              | 124.1 | 130.4 | 136.2 | 154.9 | 169.4 | 170.9 | 190.190 | 222.978      |
| Information and information processing <sup>1</sup> .....                                | 93.6               | 93.9  | 92.0  | 88.3  | 85.5  | 84.6  | 83.5  | 83.917  | 85.208       |
| Telephone services <sup>1</sup> .....  | 98.6               | 99.9  | 100.1 | 97.4  | 95.0  | 95.3  | 96.9  | 98.887  | 101.350      |
| Land-line telephone services, local charges <sup>2</sup> .....                           | 179.7              | 187.9 | 198.1 | 203.1 | 205.4 | 212.0 | 216.6 | 225.572 | 231.902      |
| Land-line telephone services, long distance charges <sup>1</sup> .....                   | 89.4               | 87.7  | 82.5  | 74.1  | 68.4  | 67.3  | 69.5  | 71.865  | 76.655       |
| Wireless telephone services <sup>1</sup> .....   | 71.7               | 68.2  | 68.5  | 67.6  | 66.7  | 65.7  | 65.6  | 64.977  | 65.255       |
| Information technology, hardware and services <sup>13</sup> .....                        | 24.6               | 20.6  | 17.8  | 15.8  | 14.8  | 13.6  | 11.6  | 10.722  | 10.414       |
| Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>11</sup> .....                          | 406.5              | 282.3 | 218.7 | 179.3 | 154.7 | 130.8 | 115.0 | 100.000 | 90.722       |
| Computer software and accessories <sup>1</sup> .....                                     | 82.0               | 79.3  | 69.9  | 63.3  | 60.0  | 57.4  | 52.8  | 49.486  | 49.443       |
| Internet services and electronic information providers <sup>1</sup> .....                | 95.8               | 100.7 | 99.9  | 98.1  | 97.3  | 94.8  | 77.3  | 73.716  | 74.563       |
| Telephone hardware, calculators, and other consumer information items <sup>1</sup> ..... | 70.0               | 64.7  | 59.3  | 52.1  | 48.5  | 44.7  | 42.3  | 40.192  | 40.402       |
| Other goods and services .....   | 279.2              | 293.3 | 305.1 | 308.1 | 315.9 | 326.6 | 335.7 | 348.830 | 361.125      |
| Tobacco and smoking products .....   | 396.9              | 432.9 | 474.3 | 471.5 | 485.7 | 515.0 | 528.6 | 568.410 | 600.293      |
| Cigarettes <sup>1</sup> .....  | 160.2              | 175.1 | 192.4 | 190.6 | 196.0 | 208.0 | 213.5 | 230.125 | 243.121      |
| Tobacco products other than cigarettes <sup>1</sup> .....                                | 121.8              | 125.3 | 130.3 | 138.4 | 146.8 | 153.6 | 156.6 | 162.102 | 169.927      |
| Personal care .....  | 167.7              | 172.3 | 174.7 | 177.8 | 181.9 | 185.8 | 191.1 | 195.467 | 200.284      |
| Personal care products .....   | 155.8              | 156.0 | 154.2 | 154.0 | 153.8 | 155.4 | 158.6 | 158.407 | 159.730      |
| Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....       | 104.3              | 104.0 | 103.0 | 102.2 | 101.4 | 101.8 | 103.9 | 103.913 | 104.402      |
| Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements .....                         | 170.8              | 171.7 | 169.3 | 170.2 | 171.4 | 174.8 | 178.4 | 177.830 | 180.033      |
| Personal care services .....   | 181.7              | 187.1 | 190.7 | 194.9 | 201.8 | 206.9 | 212.7 | 219.945 | 224.910      |
| Haircuts and other personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....                             | 110.8              | 114.1 | 116.2 | 118.8 | 123.0 | 126.1 | 129.7 | 134.057 | 137.083      |
| Miscellaneous personal services .....  | 255.3              | 268.0 | 276.7 | 286.6 | 298.4 | 307.0 | 318.7 | 330.850 | 345.175      |
| Legal services <sup>4</sup> .....  | 191.8              | 204.1 | 213.2 | 224.0 | 238.0 | 245.9 | 255.7 | 265.264 | 275.916      |
| Funeral expenses <sup>4</sup> .....  | 193.9              | 202.8 | 210.8 | 219.9 | 228.4 | 239.8 | 250.6 | 263.363 | 276.607      |
| Laundry and dry cleaning services <sup>1</sup> .....                                     | 106.9              | 111.4 | 113.8 | 117.0 | 120.5 | 122.8 | 126.7 | 130.494 | 136.846      |
| Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning <sup>1</sup> .....                  | 109.5              | 114.0 | 116.4 | 120.3 | 123.4 | 129.2 | 135.8 | 140.418 | 148.819      |
| Financial services <sup>4</sup> .....  | 218.0              | 228.2 | 235.9 | 241.9 | 251.0 | 254.5 | 264.8 | 276.411 | 284.875      |
| Miscellaneous personal goods <sup>1</sup> .....  | 95.4               | 93.5  | 92.6  | 88.5  | 85.7  | 86.1  | 86.8  | 87.196  | 87.127       |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>   |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
| Commodities .....  | 150.6              | 148.4 | 150.3 | 150.7 | 156.6 | 161.2 | 163.5 | 172.952 | 182.647      |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....  | 139.1              | 133.4 | 135.0 | 132.5 | 138.8 | 143.4 | 145.0 | 154.086 | 162.971      |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....  | 148.6              | 139.4 | 147.3 | 149.0 | 160.9 | 170.8 | 176.1 | 196.636 | 217.828      |
| Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....                                      | 165.5              | 153.1 | 167.2 | 171.3 | 190.8 | 207.8 | 215.7 | 249.863 | 283.056      |
| Durables .....   | 126.6              | 124.9 | 120.4 | 114.0 | 115.1 | 114.9 | 113.3 | 112.450 | 110.451      |
| Services .....   | 194.5              | 201.7 | 208.3 | 214.2 | 220.5 | 229.2 | 236.6 | 244.275 | 252.861      |
| Rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....   | 182.6              | 190.4 | 196.3 | 200.6 | 205.6 | 211.2 | 220.0 | 227.035 | 231.541      |
| Transportation services .....  | 195.2              | 202.6 | 211.7 | 218.0 | 222.7 | 228.3 | 231.4 | 236.020 | 245.722      |
| Other services .....   | 228.9              | 237.3 | 245.1 | 250.9 | 256.5 | 263.5 | 270.9 | 278.783 | 287.792      |
| All items less food .....  | 170.9              | 172.5 | 177.0 | 179.2 | 185.5 | 192.3 | 197.2 | 205.575 | 214.361      |
| All items less shelter .....   | 165.5              | 165.7 | 169.1 | 171.6 | 178.0 | 184.8 | 188.0 | 197.174 | 208.068      |
| All items less medical care .....  | 166.4              | 168.3 | 172.1 | 174.7 | 180.6 | 186.7 | 191.2 | 199.431 | 208.563      |
| Commodities less food .....  | 140.6              | 135.1 | 136.8 | 134.5 | 140.7 | 145.3 | 147.0 | 156.073 | 164.937      |
| Nondurables less food .....  | 150.3              | 141.8 | 149.6 | 151.4 | 162.9 | 172.4 | 177.7 | 197.551 | 218.010      |
| Nondurables less food and apparel .....  | 165.8              | 154.7 | 168.0 | 172.1 | 190.3 | 205.9 | 213.5 | 245.286 | 276.112      |
| Nondurables .....  | 159.7              | 157.3 | 162.6 | 166.6 | 175.1 | 182.2 | 186.9 | 202.222 | 218.725      |
| Apparel less footwear .....  | 122.9              | 119.2 | 116.6 | 114.8 | 114.2 | 112.0 | 113.3 | 112.830 | 115.593      |
| Services less rent of shelter <sup>3</sup> .....   | 183.7              | 189.2 | 195.9 | 202.9 | 209.9 | 221.1 | 225.8 | 233.314 | 245.787      |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 28. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group                                  | Unadjusted indexes |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
|---|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------------|
|   | December           |       |       |       |       |       |       |         | Sep.<br>2008 |
|   | 2000               | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  | 2005  | 2006  | 2007    |              |
| Special aggregate indexes                       |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
| Services less medical care services .....       | 188.3              | 195.0 | 201.1 | 206.6 | 212.4 | 220.6 | 227.6 | 234.468 | 242.868      |
| Energy .....                                    | 127.6              | 110.0 | 122.6 | 131.1 | 153.3 | 179.3 | 184.7 | 218.104 | 259.864      |
| All items less energy .....                     | 176.8              | 181.5 | 184.6 | 186.9 | 191.0 | 194.9 | 199.6 | 205.155 | 210.325      |
| All items less food and energy .....            | 178.7              | 183.5 | 186.7 | 188.0 | 192.0 | 195.9 | 200.7 | 205.377 | 209.329      |
| Commodities less food and energy commodities .. | 145.8              | 145.6 | 143.1 | 138.7 | 139.9 | 140.4 | 140.4 | 140.815 | 141.428      |
| Energy commodities .....                        | 128.9              | 97.5  | 120.7 | 129.0 | 163.4 | 190.7 | 202.1 | 261.928 | 319.507      |
| Services less energy services .....             | 201.1              | 209.4 | 216.7 | 222.1 | 228.1 | 234.6 | 243.0 | 250.925 | 257.411      |
| Domestically produced farm food .....           | 172.0              | 177.2 | 178.7 | 188.7 | 193.6 | 196.0 | 198.1 | 210.009 | 223.982      |
| Utilities and public transportation .....       | 154.1              | 154.2 | 156.3 | 161.3 | 166.4 | 181.4 | 183.0 | 189.083 | 205.125      |

- <sup>1</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.  
<sup>2</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.  
<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.  
<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.  
<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.  
<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.  
<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.  
<sup>8</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

- <sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.  
<sup>10</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.  
<sup>11</sup> Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.  
<sup>12</sup> Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.  
<sup>13</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.  
NA Data not adequate for publication.  
- Data not available.  
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories**

| Item and group  | Percent change from previous December |       |      |      |       |       |      |      | Sep.<br>2008 |
|---|---------------------------------------|-------|------|------|-------|-------|------|------|--------------|
|   | December                              |       |      |      |       |       |      |      |              |
|   | 2000                                  | 2001  | 2002 | 2003 | 2004  | 2005  | 2006 | 2007 |              |
| Expenditure category  |                                       |       |      |      |       |       |      |      |              |
| All items .....   | 3.4                                   | 1.3   | 2.4  | 1.6  | 3.4   | 3.5   | 2.4  | 4.3  | 4.5          |
| Food and beverages .....                                    | 2.8                                   | 2.8   | 1.4  | 3.7  | 2.6   | 2.2   | 2.1  | 4.9  | 5.3          |
| Food .....  | 2.8                                   | 2.8   | 1.4  | 3.7  | 2.6   | 2.3   | 2.0  | 5.0  | 5.5          |
| Food at home .....  | 3.0                                   | 2.7   | .8   | 4.7  | 2.3   | 1.7   | 1.3  | 5.7  | 6.6          |
| Cereals and bakery products .....                           | 2.5                                   | 2.5   | 1.0  | 2.9  | 1.7   | 1.0   | 3.3  | 5.3  | 10.9         |
| Cereals and cereal products .....                           | .9                                    | 1.9   | .6   | 2.2  | .9    | -.3   | 2.3  | 4.3  | 12.4         |
| Flour and prepared flour mixes .....                        | 1.1                                   | 4.8   | 4.0  | 3.9  | -3.8  | 3.8   | 3.0  | 7.5  | 21.6         |
| Breakfast cereal .....                                      | 1.2                                   | 1.5   | .0   | .6   | 1.2   | -2.3  | .5   | 3.1  | 3.5          |
| Rice, pasta, cornmeal .....                                 | .3                                    | 1.7   | .1   | 3.9  | 2.5   | 1.4   | 5.1  | 4.9  | 25.0         |
| Bakery products .....                                       | 3.6                                   | 2.6   | 1.4  | 3.3  | 2.1   | 1.7   | 3.7  | 5.9  | 10.2         |
| Bread .....   | 4.6                                   | 5.1   | 1.0  | 2.1  | 4.4   | 2.6   | 5.4  | 10.4 | 10.9         |
| Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins .....                        | 3.3                                   | 3.8   | 1.9  | 4.0  | 2.3   | 2.5   | 6.2  | 4.3  | 11.4         |
| Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies .....                          | 1.7                                   | 1.6   | 2.1  | 2.7  | 1.9   | 2.3   | 1.1  | 5.9  | 6.7          |
| Other bakery products .....                                 | 4.2                                   | .5    | .8   | 4.8  | .0    | -.3   | 3.7  | 2.3  | 12.0         |
| Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....                        | 4.6                                   | 3.5   | .3   | 11.5 | 1.2   | 1.3   | 1.3  | 5.6  | 5.6          |
| Meats, poultry, and fish .....                              | 4.1                                   | 4.1   | -.1  | 10.7 | 2.3   | 1.4   | .7   | 4.2  | 6.4          |
| Meats .....   | 5.2                                   | 4.7   | .2   | 13.8 | 1.6   | 1.2   | .7   | 3.3  | 6.4          |
| Beef and veal .....   | 5.2                                   | 6.1   | .7   | 23.5 | -.8   | 2.4   | .5   | 5.2  | 6.7          |
| Uncooked ground beef .....                                  | 6.0                                   | 6.8   | 1.1  | 19.4 | 3.1   | 3.3   | .7   | 5.5  | 7.9          |
| Uncooked beef roasts .....                                  | 5.9                                   | 8.5   | .3   | 23.6 | -1.1  | 1.4   | .0   | 4.5  | 7.4          |
| Uncooked beef steaks .....                                  | 4.4                                   | 4.4   | .6   | 27.6 | -3.6  | 1.8   | -.4  | 5.4  | 4.7          |
| Uncooked other beef and veal .....                          | 4.3                                   | 5.2   | -.4  | 22.4 | -5.6  | 3.1   | 4.6  | 4.5  | 7.6          |
| Pork .....  | 5.8                                   | 3.9   | -2.4 | 5.1  | 4.8   | -.2   | .2   | 1.5  | 7.6          |
| Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products .....        | 7.2                                   | 5.7   | -.4  | 4.2  | 5.9   | -3.8  | 1.6  | 3.3  | 3.7          |
| Ham .....   | 3.6                                   | 4.3   | -1.5 | 4.6  | 4.3   | 2.4   | .5   | 1.5  | 6.8          |
| Pork chops .....  | 6.0                                   | 3.0   | -2.9 | 5.5  | 2.4   | .3    | -1.2 | .9   | 9.1          |
| Other pork including roasts and picnics .....               | 5.9                                   | 1.7   | -5.4 | 6.2  | 6.5   | 1.7   | -.4  | -.5  | 12.3         |
| Other meats .....   | 3.8                                   | 2.8   | 3.5  | 5.1  | 2.8   | .8    | 2.1  | 1.5  | 4.2          |
| Poultry .....   | 1.8                                   | 4.4   | -.6  | 4.9  | 5.5   | -.2   | -1.2 | 6.8  | 5.6          |
| Chicken .....   | 1.6                                   | 5.0   | .0   | 5.1  | 6.2   | -.6   | -1.4 | 7.8  | 4.5          |
| Other poultry including turkey .....                        | 2.5                                   | 2.1   | -3.3 | 3.8  | 2.3   | 1.4   | -.1  | 2.0  | 11.2         |
| Fish and seafood .....                                      | 1.9                                   | .1    | -1.3 | 2.8  | 1.9   | 3.9   | 3.4  | 5.1  | 7.2          |
| Fresh fish and seafood .....                                | 4.3                                   | -.7   | -3.1 | 4.7  | 2.1   | 5.9   | 4.0  | 5.7  | 7.5          |
| Processed fish and seafood .....                            | -1.6                                  | 1.4   | 1.4  | .0   | 1.6   | 1.0   | 2.4  | 4.2  | 6.8          |
| Eggs .....  | 17.1                                  | -8.4  | 9.8  | 30.1 | -20.0 | 1.7   | 14.6 | 33.2 | -6.4         |
| Dairy and related products .....                            | -.2                                   | 5.6   | -2.0 | 3.3  | 4.2   | 1.7   | -1.5 | 13.8 | 3.7          |
| Milk .....  | -.4                                   | 4.3   | -3.7 | 7.1  | 5.6   | 3.5   | -2.9 | 19.5 | -.3          |
| Cheese and related products .....                           | -2.5                                  | 7.2   | -2.4 | 1.9  | 5.4   | .3    | -2.2 | 13.5 | 9.6          |
| Ice cream and related products .....                        | 2.1                                   | 8.9   | -.9  | -.4  | -.1   | -.1   | 2.1  | 3.1  | 2.9          |
| Other dairy and related products .....                      | 1.8                                   | 2.6   | 1.6  | 1.5  | 2.8   | 1.6   | .0   | 11.7 | 4.0          |
| Fruits and vegetables .....                                 | 5.2                                   | -.2   | 4.7  | 3.1  | 8.2   | .4    | 2.0  | 5.8  | 5.6          |
| Fresh fruits and vegetables .....                           | 6.1                                   | -1.5  | 5.4  | 4.3  | 10.0  | -.7   | 1.8  | 6.3  | 3.4          |
| Fresh fruits .....  | .5                                    | .9    | 4.6  | 1.3  | 7.1   | 1.2   | 4.8  | 5.4  | 5.5          |
| Apples .....  | .5                                    | 6.8   | 6.7  | 3.1  | .8    | 4.3   | 10.1 | 6.0  | 29.5         |
| Bananas .....   | -.4                                   | 2.5   | .6   | -1.9 | -2.5  | 7.1   | 2.9  | 5.0  | 18.2         |
| Citrus fruits .....   | -4.9                                  | 7.7   | 9.3  | 1.8  | 11.4  | 7.0   | 6.3  | .1   | 31.5         |
| Other fresh fruits .....                                    | 3.8                                   | -5.6  | 3.6  | 1.6  | 11.7  | -4.4  | 2.7  | 7.8  | -17.2        |
| Fresh vegetables .....                                      | 12.3                                  | -4.0  | 6.2  | 7.2  | 12.7  | -2.5  | -1.0 | 7.2  | 1.3          |
| Potatoes .....  | -6.3                                  | 14.5  | 8.5  | -4.0 | 7.5   | 9.7   | 5.7  | 3.4  | 36.3         |
| Lettuce .....   | 32.2                                  | -17.4 | -6.0 | 37.2 | -8.1  | -6.5  | 7.8  | 4.8  | .6           |
| Tomatoes .....  | 22.6                                  | -7.4  | 8.6  | -1.3 | 49.1  | -19.0 | -7.6 | 19.6 | -20.3        |
| Other fresh vegetables .....                                | 10.8                                  | -4.8  | 7.5  | 8.3  | 4.6   | 4.6   | -2.4 | 3.8  | .5           |
| Processed fruits and vegetables .....                       | 1.8                                   | 4.4   | 2.8  | -1.1 | 1.9   | 5.0   | 2.6  | 4.2  | 13.2         |
| Canned fruits and vegetables .....                          | 2.1                                   | 4.1   | 3.3  | -3.0 | 2.7   | 5.7   | 2.6  | 4.2  | 16.9         |
| Frozen fruits and vegetables .....                          | 1.8                                   | 6.1   | .1   | 2.5  | -.5   | 4.2   | 2.4  | 2.9  | 6.7          |
| Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried ..... | 1.2                                   | 1.3   | 6.1  | -.7  | 3.3   | 4.4   | 3.1  | 5.8  | 14.0         |
| Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....         | 1.7                                   | 1.4   | 1.0  | -.4  | 1.0   | 3.5   | 2.0  | 3.4  | 5.2          |
| Juices and nonalcoholic drinks .....                        | 2.0                                   | 1.8   | 1.0  | -.3  | .8    | 3.2   | 1.9  | 3.5  | 6.0          |
| Carbonated drinks .....                                     | 2.4                                   | 1.7   | 1.4  | .0   | 2.4   | 4.5   | .7   | 3.2  | 8.4          |
| Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks .....                | 1.8                                   | 2.5   | -.3  | 1.1  | -2.1  | -.3   | 13.5 | 13.0 | 2.6          |
| Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks .....             | 1.8                                   | 1.7   | .9   | -1.0 | -.7   | 1.8   | 2.9  | 3.2  | 3.4          |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

| Item and group  | Percent change from previous December |       |      |      |      |      |       |      | Sep.<br>2008 |
|---|---------------------------------------|-------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|--------------|
|   | December                              |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |              |
|   | 2000                                  | 2001  | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006  | 2007 |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>                                       |                                       |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |              |
| Beverage materials including coffee and tea .....                 | 0.7                                   | -0.1  | 0.9  | -0.3 | 1.3  | 4.2  | 2.2   | 3.3  | 3.6          |
| Coffee .....  | -2.9                                  | -3.4  | -2   | .6   | 1.4  | 12.1 | 2.0   | 5.1  | 10.3         |
| Other beverage materials including tea .....                      | 4.3                                   | 3.0   | 1.6  | -.9  | 1.3  | .3   | 2.3   | 2.5  | .4           |
| Other food at home .....  | 2.0                                   | 3.0   | .1   | 1.2  | .4   | 2.4  | .6    | 3.2  | 8.0          |
| Sugar and sweets .....  | .7                                    | 1.7   | 1.9  | 1.0  | .1   | 3.9  | 2.6   | 3.4  | 6.7          |
| Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....                             | -.6                                   | 2.4   | 2.6  | 2.0  | -.3  | 8.3  | 5.8   | -.5  | 8.0          |
| Candy and chewing gum .....                                       | 1.1                                   | 1.1   | 1.5  | .0   | .0   | 3.3  | 1.3   | 4.5  | 5.2          |
| Other sweets .....  | .8                                    | 2.7   | 2.6  | 3.0  | .7   | 1.3  | 4.0   | 3.6  | 9.9          |
| Fats and oils .....   | 3.6                                   | 4.4   | -2.3 | 3.1  | 6.1  | -1.0 | 1.0   | 5.6  | 17.2         |
| Butter and margarine .....  | 8.3                                   | 11.6  | -9.1 | 4.1  | 13.8 | -2.9 | -1.4  | 6.3  | 18.7         |
| Salad dressing .....  | 1.8                                   | 1.8   | -.3  | 2.0  | .6   | -4.0 | 3.5   | 3.3  | 9.2          |
| Other fats and oils including peanut butter .....                 | 1.3                                   | .4    | 2.0  | 3.0  | 4.6  | 2.0  | 1.1   | 6.7  | 21.2         |
| Other foods .....   | 2.1                                   | 3.1   | .1   | .8   | -.8  | 2.9  | .0    | 2.7  | 6.9          |
| Soups .....   | 2.6                                   | 2.9   | 1.1  | 1.2  | -.1  | 1.4  | .0    | .1   | 7.1          |
| Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods .....                      | 2.1                                   | 3.0   | -1.2 | .1   | -.6  | .7   | -1.6  | 3.5  | 6.2          |
| Snacks .....  | 2.8                                   | 4.1   | -3.9 | 4.7  | -2.4 | 5.9  | -1.1  | 4.4  | 9.0          |
| Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces .....                      | -1.0                                  | 5.4   | 3.3  | -2.3 | -2.8 | 4.0  | -.1   | 3.6  | 9.4          |
| Baby food .....   | 4.4                                   | 3.0   | 1.0  | 3.1  | 2.5  | 3.4  | 1.0   | 4.2  | 4.2          |
| Other miscellaneous foods .....                                   | 3.2                                   | .4    | 1.6  | -.4  | .9   | 1.4  | 2.1   | .3   | 5.1          |
| Food away from home .....   | 2.4                                   | 3.0   | 2.3  | 2.3  | 3.0  | 3.2  | 3.2   | 3.9  | 3.9          |
| Full service meals and snacks .....                               | 2.8                                   | 3.1   | 2.2  | 2.3  | 2.8  | 2.8  | 3.4   | 3.9  | 3.3          |
| Limited service meals and snacks .....                            | 2.8                                   | 3.2   | 2.2  | 2.3  | 3.1  | 3.4  | 3.0   | 4.1  | 4.3          |
| Food at employee sites and schools .....                          | -.4                                   | 1.9   | 4.8  | 2.5  | 3.0  | 2.6  | 3.6   | 3.0  | 5.1          |
| Food from vending machines and mobile vendors .....               | 1.5                                   | 1.6   | 1.4  | 2.4  | 2.2  | 2.7  | 1.9   | 3.3  | 3.7          |
| Other food away from home .....                                   | 4.2                                   | 3.9   | 3.7  | 2.5  | 3.2  | 5.2  | 3.8   | 4.1  | 4.8          |
| Alcoholic beverages .....   | 2.8                                   | 2.7   | 2.3  | 2.3  | 2.8  | 1.1  | 2.4   | 3.9  | 3.3          |
| Alcoholic beverages at home .....                                 | 2.7                                   | 1.6   | 2.1  | 2.0  | 2.4  | .1   | 1.7   | 3.6  | 3.0          |
| Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home .....                 | 3.2                                   | 1.6   | 2.6  | 3.0  | 3.2  | -.3  | 1.6   | 4.2  | 2.3          |
| Distilled spirits at home .....                                   | 2.6                                   | 3.8   | 1.4  | 1.2  | .9   | .7   | .7    | 1.0  | 3.7          |
| Wine at home .....  | .7                                    | .1    | .7   | -.6  | .2   | 1.5  | 3.0   | 3.5  | 4.8          |
| Alcoholic beverages away from home .....                          | 3.0                                   | 4.7   | 3.0  | 3.0  | 3.6  | 2.9  | 4.1   | 4.7  | 3.6          |
| Housing .....   | 4.3                                   | 2.9   | 2.3  | 2.3  | 3.0  | 4.2  | 3.2   | 3.1  | 3.5          |
| Shelter .....   | 3.4                                   | 4.3   | 3.1  | 2.1  | 2.5  | 2.7  | 4.2   | 3.1  | 2.0          |
| Rent of primary residence <sup>1</sup> .....                      | 3.9                                   | 4.7   | 3.2  | 2.5  | 2.9  | 3.1  | 4.3   | 4.0  | 2.3          |
| Lodging away from home .....                                      | 2.8                                   | .1    | .7   | 3.5  | 4.6  | 3.2  | 3.8   | 4.8  | 7.1          |
| Housing at school, excluding board <sup>1</sup> .....             | 4.4                                   | 5.4   | 6.0  | 6.0  | 6.0  | 5.9  | 5.2   | 5.6  | 4.2          |
| Other lodging away from home including hotels and<br>motels ..... | 2.6                                   | -.5   | .0   | 3.1  | 4.4  | 3.0  | 3.7   | 4.8  | 7.4          |
| Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>1</sup> .....   | 3.2                                   | 4.5   | 3.3  | 1.9  | 2.2  | 2.5  | 4.2   | 2.7  | 1.6          |
| Tenants' and household insurance .....                            | 2.4                                   | 1.3   | 5.6  | 1.9  | 3.9  | -2.1 | .9    | .0   | 2.5          |
| Fuels and utilities .....   | 11.9                                  | -2.1  | 1.4  | 6.6  | 7.6  | 15.5 | .4    | 5.2  | 12.9         |
| Household energy .....  | 13.9                                  | -3.2  | 1.0  | 7.1  | 8.1  | 17.8 | -.5   | 5.2  | 14.5         |
| Fuel oil and other fuels .....                                    | 35.9                                  | -21.8 | 10.9 | 9.0  | 34.7 | 24.0 | 2.1   | 28.6 | 15.8         |
| Fuel oil .....  | 40.4                                  | -27.0 | 14.3 | 7.8  | 40.3 | 26.9 | 2.1   | 33.2 | 19.3         |
| Propane, kerosene, and firewood .....                             | 27.4                                  | -10.9 | 6.0  | 10.8 | 24.7 | 18.1 | 2.2   | 19.9 | 10.6         |
| Gas (piped) and electricity <sup>1</sup> .....                    | 12.5                                  | -1.7  | .5   | 7.0  | 6.7  | 17.3 | -.7   | 3.4  | 14.4         |
| Electricity <sup>1</sup> .....                                    | 2.6                                   | 5.6   | -1.9 | 2.9  | 2.1  | 10.5 | 7.2   | 5.0  | 14.9         |
| Utility (piped) gas service <sup>1</sup> .....                    | 37.3                                  | -15.5 | 7.1  | 17.3 | 16.7 | 30.3 | -14.6 | -.4  | 13.0         |
| Water and sewer and trash collection services .....               | 3.1                                   | 2.8   | 3.2  | 4.6  | 5.5  | 5.3  | 4.8   | 5.4  | 5.1          |
| Water and sewerage maintenance <sup>1</sup> .....                 | 3.4                                   | 3.0   | 3.5  | 4.7  | 6.3  | 5.5  | 4.7   | 5.6  | 5.2          |
| Garbage and trash collection .....                                | 2.0                                   | 2.3   | 2.3  | 4.4  | 3.4  | 4.3  | 5.2   | 4.9  | 4.6          |
| Household furnishings and operations .....                        | 1.1                                   | -.2   | -1.9 | -2.1 | .7   | .5   | .6    | -.6  | 2.1          |
| Window and floor coverings and other linens .....                 | 1.6                                   | -1.3  | -5.0 | -3.8 | -1.4 | -1.9 | -4.3  | -3.4 | -1.8         |
| Floor coverings .....   | 6.5                                   | -.2   | 1.7  | -.7  | .4   | 5.8  | 3.1   | .4   | 1.6          |
| Window coverings .....  | 2.8                                   | -2.9  | -3.0 | -1.3 | -3.0 | -1.5 | 1.4   | -1.3 | 1.4          |
| Other linens .....  | -1.4                                  | -.8   | -7.8 | -5.8 | -1.4 | -3.8 | -8.4  | -5.3 | -3.9         |
| Furniture and bedding .....                                       | .3                                    | -3.2  | -1.0 | -1.7 | .0   | .5   | -.8   | -2.0 | 2.1          |
| Bedroom furniture .....   | -2.5                                  | -1.3  | -2.1 | -.1  | 5.2  | 4.2  | -1.5  | -.7  | 4.0          |
| Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture .....             | 2.2                                   | -3.8  | -.5  | -2.7 | -1.9 | -1.8 | -.3   | -2.5 | .6           |
| Other furniture .....   | -.7                                   | -5.2  | -.4  | -1.8 | -3.8 | .2   | -.4   | -3.2 | 2.0          |
| Appliances .....  | -2.7                                  | -.5   | -3.8 | -3.5 | -3.4 | 3.3  | 1.1   | 1.7  | 1.3          |
| Major appliances .....  | -2.0                                  | 1.7   | -2.8 | -3.3 | -2.8 | 6.0  | 3.5   | 2.7  | 2.5          |
| Other appliances .....  | -3.4                                  | -4.2  | -5.1 | -3.9 | -4.2 | -1.0 | -1.9  | .4   | -1.0         |

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**Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

| Item and group   | Percent change from previous December |       |      |       |      |      |      |      | Sep.<br>2008 |
|--|---------------------------------------|-------|------|-------|------|------|------|------|--------------|
|  | December                              |       |      |       |      |      |      |      |              |
|  | 2000                                  | 2001  | 2002 | 2003  | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>                                    |                                       |       |      |       |      |      |      |      |              |
| Other household equipment and furnishings .....                | -0.9                                  | -0.6  | -4.2 | -5.3  | 1.2  | -4.9 | -4.7 | -3.6 | 0.2          |
| Clocks, lamps, and decorator items .....                       | -4.7                                  | -2.0  | -5.8 | -10.7 | 1.2  | -8.2 | -7.2 | -8.8 | -2.0         |
| Indoor plants and flowers .....                                | 5.4                                   | 2.7   | .1   | 1.4   | 1.0  | 2.0  | -.4  | 3.9  | 3.2          |
| Dishes and flatware .....                                      | -2.2                                  | -2.7  | -5.3 | -.5   | 1.1  | -6.4 | -6.9 | -1.8 | 3.8          |
| Nonelectric cookware and tableware .....                       | -1.2                                  | -1.6  | -3.9 | -.2   | 1.0  | -.3  | .5   | 3.3  | 1.4          |
| Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies .....          | -2.4                                  | -1.0  | -1.9 | -2.8  | 2.2  | .3   | 1.6  | -1.2 | .5           |
| Tools, hardware and supplies .....                             | -.1                                   | -2.2  | -2.2 | -2.4  | 4.8  | 2.6  | 2.0  | -1.7 | 2.2          |
| Outdoor equipment and supplies .....                           | -4.0                                  | -.5   | -1.9 | -3.0  | .6   | -1.6 | 1.0  | -.7  | -1.1         |
| Housekeeping supplies .....                                    | 4.6                                   | 2.4   | -1.4 | -.9   | 1.1  | 2.4  | 3.9  | 1.5  | 4.6          |
| Household cleaning products .....                              | 4.5                                   | 2.7   | -1.5 | -1.5  | -.7  | 3.4  | 2.7  | .1   | 3.8          |
| Household paper products .....                                 | 8.2                                   | 1.4   | -.4  | -1.7  | 7.1  | .5   | 6.5  | 3.8  | 7.7          |
| Miscellaneous household products .....                         | 1.6                                   | 3.0   | -2.1 | .5    | -1.3 | 2.6  | 3.8  | 1.8  | 3.2          |
| Household operations .....                                     | 6.6                                   | 4.2   | 2.4  | 2.5   | 4.4  | 5.2  | 3.8  | 2.4  | 5.7          |
| Domestic services .....  | 4.1                                   | 2.6   | 3.9  | 2.7   | 2.1  | 5.2  | 3.5  | 1.8  | 3.0          |
| Gardening and lawn care services .....                         | 9.7                                   | 4.9   | -.3  | 1.7   | 4.6  | -    | -    | -    | 9.8          |
| Moving, storage, freight expense .....                         | 4.7                                   | 2.7   | 2.7  | 2.5   | 3.2  | 4.3  | -.5  | .9   | 3.8          |
| Repair of household items .....                                | 7.4                                   | 7.1   | 4.4  | 3.7   | 7.5  | 7.4  | 4.2  | 4.0  | 4.0          |
| Apparel .....  | -1.9                                  | -2.8  | -1.7 | -1.8  | -.1  | -1.2 | 1.2  | -.4  | 2.4          |
| Men's and boys' apparel .....                                  | -2.7                                  | -4.1  | -3.2 | -.8   | -1.8 | -1.9 | -.4  | -.5  | .4           |
| Men's apparel .....  | -2.1                                  | -4.3  | -1.4 | -1.6  | -.9  | -1.6 | .3   | -2.1 | 2.1          |
| Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear .....                  | -4.0                                  | -1.3  | -.9  | .8    | -2.1 | -.3  | -2.8 | 1.3  | 1.8          |
| Men's furnishings .....  | -2.3                                  | -2.3  | .8   | 2.1   | -2.4 | -1.3 | -.3  | -4.5 | 5.2          |
| Men's shirts and sweaters .....                                | .7                                    | -7.4  | -.8  | -2.5  | -3.1 | -.7  | 3.5  | -6.6 | -1.8         |
| Men's pants and shorts .....                                   | -4.2                                  | -5.0  | -4.1 | -5.9  | 3.7  | -3.6 | -.1  | 1.9  | 3.9          |
| Boys' apparel .....  | -4.5                                  | -3.7  | -8.4 | 1.9   | -4.8 | -2.8 | -2.6 | 4.4  | -4.9         |
| Women's and girls' apparel .....                               | -1.9                                  | -3.4  | -1.1 | -1.6  | -.3  | -1.7 | 1.9  | -.9  | 2.7          |
| Women's apparel .....  | -1.9                                  | -3.2  | -1.7 | -1.0  | -1.2 | -.2  | 2.8  | -1.2 | 3.7          |
| Women's outerwear .....  | 2.7                                   | -5.9  | .2   | -.1   | -2.6 | -4.7 | -1.0 | -3.8 | 11.3         |
| Women's dresses .....  | -8.6                                  | 6.2   | 1.2  | 1.3   | -2.5 | 4.3  | 12.4 | .0   | 7.5          |
| Women's suits and separates .....                              | -1.7                                  | -5.2  | -1.4 | -2.4  | -.6  | -.6  | 2.6  | -1.2 | 3.1          |
| Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories ..... | .0                                    | -3.2  | -4.3 | .0    | -1.4 | .0   | -1.4 | -.7  | 1.1          |
| Girls' apparel .....   | -1.7                                  | -4.5  | 1.2  | -3.8  | 2.8  | -7.1 | -1.4 | -.2  | -1.5         |
| Footwear .....   | -.2                                   | -2.4  | -.2  | -2.5  | 1.4  | 1.3  | 1.4  | -.5  | 2.3          |
| Men's footwear .....   | .5                                    | -3.4  | -.6  | -4.1  | -1.9 | 2.2  | 2.5  | -1.6 | 2.1          |
| Boys' and girls' footwear .....                                | -1.6                                  | -1.9  | -.7  | -2.1  | 4.3  | 1.3  | -.2  | 1.7  | 1.6          |
| Women's footwear .....   | .2                                    | -1.8  | .5   | -1.3  | 2.4  | .3   | 1.7  | -.9  | 2.9          |
| Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....                           | -3.6                                  | .2    | -2.4 | -4.6  | .0   | -3.1 | -.7  | -.3  | -.6          |
| Jewelry and watches .....                                      | -1.1                                  | .7    | -4.7 | -1.8  | 3.2  | -3.2 | 4.7  | 4.1  | 11.4         |
| Watches .....  | 1.4                                   | -2.0  | -6.9 | .4    | 1.2  | .3   | 2.1  | -2.6 | 2.7          |
| Jewelry .....  | -1.6                                  | 1.3   | -4.3 | -2.2  | 3.4  | -3.7 | 5.5  | 5.7  | 12.8         |
| Transportation .....   | 4.3                                   | -4.2  | 3.8  | -.3   | 7.1  | 5.0  | 1.6  | 8.9  | 7.8          |
| Private transportation .....                                   | 4.3                                   | -4.4  | 4.1  | -.5   | 7.5  | 4.9  | 1.7  | 9.0  | 7.6          |
| New and used motor vehicles .....                              | 1.3                                   | -.8   | -3.4 | -5.8  | 1.6  | .5   | -1.2 | .0   | -2.6         |
| New vehicles .....   | -.1                                   | .1    | -2.1 | -1.8  | .4   | -.4  | -.8  | -.3  | -3.1         |
| Used cars and trucks .....                                     | 3.4                                   | -2.2  | -5.6 | -11.8 | 4.9  | 1.4  | -2.1 | .6   | -3.0         |
| Leased cars and trucks .....                                   | -                                     | -     | -1.9 | -2.8  | -4.8 | 1.7  | -.4  | .7   | 3.5          |
| Car and truck rental .....                                     | -.5                                   | -3.8  | .6   | 2.6   | -4.7 | 9.9  | 1.6  | -.9  | 1.7          |
| Motor fuel .....   | 13.7                                  | -24.6 | 24.6 | 6.8   | 26.2 | 16.3 | 6.3  | 29.6 | 22.3         |
| Gasoline (all types) .....                                     | 13.6                                  | -24.6 | 24.8 | 6.9   | 26.1 | 16.2 | 6.3  | 29.7 | 22.3         |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>2</sup> .....                  | 14.3                                  | -25.6 | 25.8 | 7.3   | 26.7 | 16.9 | 6.4  | 29.9 | 22.6         |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>2</sup> .....                 | 12.9                                  | -24.6 | 25.3 | 6.1   | 25.8 | 15.6 | 5.8  | 29.7 | 22.3         |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>2</sup> .....                  | 12.6                                  | -23.2 | 23.5 | 6.2   | 24.3 | 14.8 | 6.1  | 28.7 | 21.1         |
| Other motor fuels .....  | 25.1                                  | -16.9 | 1.7  | 1.7   | 32.5 | 22.2 | 7.3  | 24.2 | 21.4         |
| Motor vehicle parts and equipment .....                        | 2.1                                   | 2.5   | 1.3  | .9    | 1.9  | 3.9  | 4.9  | 3.8  | 5.9          |
| Tires .....  | 1.0                                   | 3.0   | .1   | -.5   | 2.4  | 2.9  | 3.5  | 2.8  | 5.6          |
| Vehicle accessories other than tires .....                     | 3.0                                   | 2.2   | 2.4  | 2.3   | 1.4  | 5.1  | 6.5  | 5.1  | 6.2          |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and repair .....                     | 3.6                                   | 3.5   | 3.8  | 2.5   | 2.8  | 3.8  | 3.8  | 3.3  | 4.8          |
| Motor vehicle body work .....                                  | 3.8                                   | 3.4   | 1.9  | 1.6   | 2.9  | 4.7  | 3.4  | 3.2  | 3.2          |
| Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing .....                  | 3.1                                   | 3.9   | 3.8  | 1.6   | 3.2  | 3.2  | 3.1  | 3.0  | 6.2          |
| Motor vehicle repair .....                                     | 3.7                                   | 3.4   | 4.0  | 2.9   | 2.5  | 4.1  | 4.4  | 3.5  | 3.9          |
| Motor vehicle insurance .....                                  | 1.9                                   | 7.4   | 9.1  | 4.6   | 3.4  | .9   | .8   | .5   | 1.7          |
| Motor vehicle fees .....                                       | 4.1                                   | 1.8   | 3.2  | 7.3   | 8.7  | 2.5  | 2.3  | 2.0  | 3.0          |
| State and local registration and license <sup>1</sup> .....    | 3.9                                   | 1.0   | 3.4  | 8.8   | 9.9  | 1.7  | 2.4  | 1.2  | 2.4          |

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**Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

| Item and group  | Percent change from previous December |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | Sep.<br>2008 |
|---|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|
|   | December                              |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |              |
|   | 2000                                  | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  | 2005  | 2006  | 2007  |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>   |                                       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |              |
| Parking and other fees .....  | 4.5                                   | 4.1   | 2.4   | 2.8   | 5.4   | 4.5   | 1.7   | 3.9   | 4.5          |
| Public transportation .....   | 3.9                                   | -1.8  | -4    | 2.2   | .3    | 6.1   | .4    | 6.4   | 11.6         |
| Airline fare .....  | 5.9                                   | -4.0  | -2.2  | -4    | -1.8  | 6.7   | -1.0  | 10.5  | 16.0         |
| Other intercity transportation .....                                | -1.9                                  | -3.0  | 2.1   | -6.2  | -1.2  | 4.8   | 2.2   | 1.3   | 2.5          |
| Intracity transportation .....                                      | 2.3                                   | 2.6   | 1.4   | 9.9   | 3.8   | 5.6   | 1.9   | 1.9   | 4.7          |
| Medical care .....  | 4.2                                   | 4.7   | 5.2   | 3.7   | 4.3   | 4.4   | 3.6   | 5.2   | 2.1          |
| Medical care commodities .....                                      | 2.7                                   | 4.3   | 3.0   | 2.1   | 1.9   | 3.6   | 1.9   | 2.4   | .5           |
| Prescription drugs .....  | 3.6                                   | 6.0   | 4.4   | 2.4   | 3.5   | 4.4   | 1.9   | 3.1   | .4           |
| Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies .....                    | 1.2                                   | 1.0   | .1    | 1.5   | -1.6  | 1.7   | 1.8   | 1.0   | .8           |
| Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs .....               | 1.4                                   | 1.5   | .2    | 1.7   | -2.5  | 2.0   | 1.9   | 1.0   | 1.3          |
| Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies .....                | .3                                    | -.3   | -.4   | .5    | 1.1   | .8    | 1.6   | .9    | -.4          |
| Medical care services .....   | 4.5                                   | 4.8   | 5.8   | 4.1   | 5.1   | 4.6   | 4.1   | 6.0   | 2.6          |
| Professional services .....   | 3.8                                   | 3.6   | 3.3   | 2.8   | 4.0   | 3.7   | 2.5   | 4.3   | 2.5          |
| Physicians' services <sup>1</sup> .....                             | 3.9                                   | 3.6   | 3.4   | 2.2   | 4.0   | 3.1   | 1.6   | 4.1   | 2.4          |
| Dental services <sup>1</sup> .....                                  | 4.4                                   | 3.9   | 4.5   | 4.5   | 5.0   | 5.5   | 4.9   | 6.2   | 3.6          |
| Eyeglasses and eye care .....                                       | 2.4                                   | 2.7   | -.2   | 1.8   | 3.0   | 2.9   | 2.1   | 1.1   | -1.9         |
| Services by other medical professionals <sup>1</sup> .....          | 2.7                                   | 3.4   | 3.3   | 2.4   | 2.5   | 2.6   | 2.9   | 3.3   | 3.6          |
| Hospital and related services <sup>1</sup> .....                    | 6.2                                   | 7.1   | 10.3  | 6.4   | 5.2   | 5.2   | 6.0   | 8.0   | 4.6          |
| Hospital services <sup>1</sup> .....                                | 6.2                                   | 7.2   | 10.4  | 6.4   | 5.2   | 5.2   | 6.1   | 8.0   | 4.7          |
| Inpatient hospital services <sup>1 2</sup> .....                    | 5.6                                   | 6.9   | 9.7   | 5.2   | 5.6   | 5.3   | 6.5   | 7.4   | 4.8          |
| Outpatient hospital services <sup>1 2</sup> .....                   | 7.2                                   | 6.7   | 13.2  | 6.8   | 4.4   | 5.1   | 4.9   | 9.6   | 4.3          |
| Nursing homes and adult day services <sup>1</sup> .....             | 5.9                                   | 5.3   | 4.9   | 5.5   | 3.7   | 4.4   | 4.5   | 5.6   | 2.8          |
| Care of invalids and elderly at home <sup>3</sup> .....             | -                                     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | 3.0   | 3.5   | .7           |
| Health insurance <sup>4</sup> .....                                 | -                                     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | 6.8   | 9.3   | -1.9         |
| Recreation .....  | 1.4                                   | 1.2   | .9    | .8    | .6    | .9    | .9    | .6    | 2.0          |
| Video and audio .....   | .5                                    | .2    | 1.9   | .1    | .7    | .0    | -.8   | .1    | .3           |
| Televisions .....   | -10.7                                 | -10.7 | -10.8 | -14.0 | -12.5 | -13.6 | -22.7 | -17.3 | -12.3        |
| Cable and satellite television and radio service .....              | 5.3                                   | 3.9   | 7.2   | 3.7   | 4.1   | 3.3   | 2.6   | 2.5   | 2.7          |
| Other video equipment .....   | -17.8                                 | -16.9 | -13.7 | -12.2 | -14.5 | -10.8 | -14.1 | -12.9 | -10.3        |
| Video cassettes, discs, and other media including rental .....      | -5.8                                  | -2.0  | -6.4  | -.5   | -1.3  | -.6   | 1.2   | .7    | -1.7         |
| Audio equipment .....   | .4                                    | -5.0  | -5.0  | -5.5  | -5.5  | -10.1 | -5.1  | -5.2  | -3.1         |
| Audio discs, tapes and other media .....                            | 2.5                                   | 3.8   | 1.1   | -4.0  | 3.7   | .1    | -2.6  | -.2   | -1.9         |
| Pets, pet products and services .....                               | 2.6                                   | 4.1   | 1.8   | 2.3   | 4.2   | 2.8   | 3.6   | 5.4   | 8.9          |
| Pets and pet products .....   | -.6                                   | 3.2   | .7    | 1.1   | 3.2   | 1.5   | 3.3   | 5.1   | 10.5         |
| Pet services including veterinary .....                             | 9.6                                   | 6.0   | 4.7   | 4.8   | 6.2   | 5.0   | 4.1   | 6.1   | 5.9          |
| Sporting goods .....  | 1.1                                   | -1.8  | -1.6  | -1.1  | -1.2  | 1.2   | 1.2   | -2.7  | 1.6          |
| Sports vehicles including bicycles .....                            | 3.3                                   | -1.0  | -1.1  | -2.0  | 1.5   | 3.5   | 3.1   | -3.0  | -.4          |
| Sports equipment .....  | -1.3                                  | -2.7  | -2.2  | .0    | -4.2  | -1.8  | -.7   | -2.3  | 3.9          |
| Photography .....   | .5                                    | -.5   | -1.4  | -2.0  | -3.7  | -2.9  | -4.5  | -3.1  | -.4          |
| Photographic equipment and supplies .....                           | -3.0                                  | -2.4  | -6.0  | -5.4  | -7.8  | -4.8  | -10.6 | -6.6  | -2.3         |
| Photographers and film processing .....                             | 2.5                                   | .5    | 2.0   | .3    | .2    | -1.5  | 1.8   | -.1   | 1.1          |
| Other recreational goods .....                                      | -2.6                                  | -3.9  | -7.6  | -3.5  | -4.6  | -4.0  | -3.4  | -4.9  | -1.7         |
| Toys .....  | -3.4                                  | -5.0  | -9.0  | -4.2  | -6.1  | -4.5  | -4.7  | -5.4  | -2.9         |
| Sewing machines, fabric and supplies .....                          | .1                                    | .9    | -2.8  | .3    | .0    | -2.2  | 1.1   | -6.0  | 2.4          |
| Music instruments and accessories .....                             | .8                                    | -.2   | -1.8  | -1.4  | 1.2   | -2.9  | 1.7   | .3    | 1.7          |
| Recreation services .....   | 4.1                                   | 3.8   | 3.8   | 3.4   | 2.1   | 3.1   | 4.2   | 2.1   | 2.5          |
| Club dues and fees for participant sports and group exercises ..... | 3.7                                   | 2.1   | .8    | 2.6   | -.3   | 2.7   | 2.5   | 1.0   | 2.5          |
| Admissions .....  | 4.9                                   | 4.1   | 5.4   | 3.4   | 3.3   | 3.3   | 5.2   | 2.2   | 2.6          |
| Fees for lessons or instructions .....                              | 1.6                                   | 7.3   | 1.4   | 6.6   | 2.7   | 2.6   | 3.2   | 3.9   | 2.6          |
| Recreational reading materials .....                                | 1.4                                   | 1.7   | 1.9   | .9    | 2.3   | .6    | .9    | 1.2   | 2.7          |
| Newspapers and magazines .....                                      | 1.5                                   | 1.9   | 2.1   | 1.7   | 3.4   | 1.8   | 1.2   | 1.2   | 3.3          |
| Recreational books .....  | 1.0                                   | 1.4   | 1.4   | -.4   | .1    | -1.5  | .4    | 1.1   | 1.8          |
| Education and communication .....                                   | 1.2                                   | 3.1   | 1.8   | .8    | .7    | 1.9   | 2.0   | 2.6   | 3.1          |
| Education .....   | 5.8                                   | 5.5   | 6.2   | 6.7   | 6.2   | 5.9   | 6.4   | 5.3   | 5.4          |
| Educational books and supplies .....                                | 12.6                                  | 2.8   | 9.1   | 5.9   | 4.0   | 5.0   | 7.1   | 8.8   | 6.4          |
| Tuition, other school fees, and childcare .....                     | 5.2                                   | 5.7   | 6.0   | 6.7   | 6.4   | 5.9   | 6.3   | 5.0   | 5.3          |
| College tuition and fees .....                                      | 4.6                                   | 6.2   | 7.0   | 9.7   | 8.8   | 6.7   | 7.3   | 5.9   | 5.8          |
| Elementary and high school tuition and fees .....                   | 5.6                                   | 7.5   | 6.8   | 6.3   | 7.2   | 5.7   | 5.8   | 5.4   | 5.6          |

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**Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

| Item and group  | Percent change from previous December |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | Sep.<br>2008 |
|---|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|
|   | December                              |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |              |
|   | 2000                                  | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  | 2005  | 2006  | 2007  |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>   |                                       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |              |
| Child care and nursery school .....   | 5.5                                   | 4.9   | 4.8   | 3.7   | 3.4   | 5.1   | 5.3   | 3.7   | 4.6          |
| Technical and business school tuition and fees .....                        | 4.5                                   | 5.8   | 5.4   | 9.6   | 8.3   | 6.8   | 4.9   | 5.4   | 4.3          |
| Communication .....   | -3.0                                  | .5    | -1.5  | -3.8  | -3.0  | -.9   | -1.2  | .7    | 1.6          |
| Postage and delivery services .....   | .1                                    | 4.7   | 10.5  | .1    | .4    | .4    | 5.0   | 4.4   | 3.9          |
| Postage .....   | .0                                    | 4.7   | 10.6  | .0    | .0    | .0    | 5.3   | 3.9   | 3.1          |
| Delivery services .....   | 5.5                                   | 6.8   | 5.1   | 4.4   | 13.7  | 9.4   | .9    | 11.3  | 17.2         |
| Information and information processing .....                                | -3.1                                  | .3    | -2.0  | -4.0  | -3.2  | -1.1  | -1.3  | .5    | 1.5          |
| Telephone services .....  | -2.3                                  | 1.3   | .2    | -2.7  | -2.5  | .3    | 1.7   | 2.1   | 2.5          |
| Land-line telephone services, local charges <sup>1</sup> .....              | 5.6                                   | 4.6   | 5.4   | 2.5   | 1.1   | 3.2   | 2.2   | 4.1   | 2.8          |
| Land-line telephone services, long distance charges .....                   | -9.3                                  | -1.9  | -5.9  | -10.2 | -7.7  | -1.6  | 3.3   | 3.4   | 6.7          |
| Wireless telephone services .....   | -12.5                                 | -4.9  | .4    | -1.3  | -1.3  | -1.5  | -.2   | -.9   | .4           |
| Information technology, hardware and services .....                         | -16.0                                 | -16.3 | -13.6 | -11.2 | -6.3  | -8.1  | -14.7 | -7.6  | -2.9         |
| Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>3</sup> .....              | -23.3                                 | -30.6 | -22.5 | -18.0 | -13.7 | -15.4 | -12.1 | -13.0 | -9.3         |
| Computer software and accessories .....                                     | -7.3                                  | -3.3  | -11.9 | -9.4  | -5.2  | -4.3  | -8.0  | -6.3  | -.1          |
| Internet services and electronic information providers .....                | -.5                                   | 5.1   | -.8   | -1.8  | -.8   | -2.6  | -18.5 | -4.6  | 1.1          |
| Telephone hardware, calculators, and other consumer information items ..... | -11.5                                 | -7.6  | -8.3  | -12.1 | -6.9  | -7.8  | -5.4  | -5.0  | .5           |
| Other goods and services .....  | 4.5                                   | 5.1   | 4.0   | 1.0   | 2.5   | 3.4   | 2.8   | 3.9   | 3.5          |
| Tobacco and smoking products .....  | 7.4                                   | 9.1   | 9.6   | -.6   | 3.0   | 6.0   | 2.6   | 7.5   | 5.6          |
| Cigarettes .....  | 7.4                                   | 9.3   | 9.9   | -.9   | 2.8   | 6.1   | 2.6   | 7.8   | 5.6          |
| Tobacco products other than cigarettes .....                                | 5.1                                   | 2.9   | 4.0   | 6.2   | 6.1   | 4.6   | 2.0   | 3.5   | 4.8          |
| Personal care .....   | 2.8                                   | 2.7   | 1.4   | 1.8   | 2.3   | 2.1   | 2.9   | 2.3   | 2.5          |
| Personal care products .....  | 1.8                                   | .1    | -1.2  | -.1   | -.1   | 1.0   | 2.1   | -.1   | .8           |
| Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products .....       | 3.5                                   | -.3   | -1.0  | -.8   | -.8   | .4    | 2.1   | .0    | .5           |
| Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements .....            | .1                                    | .5    | -1.4  | .5    | .7    | 2.0   | 2.1   | -.3   | 1.2          |
| Personal care services .....  | 4.0                                   | 3.0   | 1.9   | 2.2   | 3.5   | 2.5   | 2.8   | 3.4   | 2.3          |
| Haircuts and other personal care services .....                             | 4.0                                   | 3.0   | 1.8   | 2.2   | 3.5   | 2.5   | 2.9   | 3.4   | 2.3          |
| Miscellaneous personal services .....                                       | 3.5                                   | 5.0   | 3.2   | 3.6   | 4.1   | 2.9   | 3.8   | 3.8   | 4.3          |
| Legal services .....  | 4.4                                   | 6.4   | 4.5   | 5.1   | 6.3   | 3.3   | 4.0   | 3.7   | 4.0          |
| Funeral expenses .....  | 2.7                                   | 4.6   | 3.9   | 4.3   | 3.9   | 5.0   | 4.5   | 5.1   | 5.0          |
| Laundry and dry cleaning services .....                                     | 2.3                                   | 4.2   | 2.2   | 2.8   | 3.0   | 1.9   | 3.2   | 3.0   | 4.9          |
| Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning ..                     | 4.3                                   | 4.1   | 2.1   | 3.4   | 2.6   | 4.7   | 5.1   | 3.4   | 6.0          |
| Financial services .....  | 4.0                                   | 4.7   | 3.4   | 2.5   | 3.8   | 1.4   | 4.0   | 4.4   | 3.1          |
| Miscellaneous personal goods .....  | -2.3                                  | -2.0  | -1.0  | -4.4  | -3.2  | .5    | .8    | .5    | -.1          |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>  |                                       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |              |
| Commodities .....   | 2.7                                   | -1.5  | 1.3   | .3    | 3.9   | 2.9   | 1.4   | 5.8   | 5.6          |
| Commodities less food and beverages .....                                   | 2.7                                   | -4.1  | 1.2   | -1.9  | 4.8   | 3.3   | 1.1   | 6.3   | 5.8          |
| Nondurables less food and beverages .....                                   | 4.6                                   | -6.2  | 5.7   | 1.2   | 8.0   | 6.2   | 3.1   | 11.7  | 10.8         |
| Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....                         | 7.5                                   | -7.5  | 9.2   | 2.5   | 11.4  | 8.9   | 3.8   | 15.8  | 13.3         |
| Durables .....  | .2                                    | -1.3  | -3.6  | -5.3  | 1.0   | -.2   | -1.4  | -.8   | -1.8         |
| Services .....  | 3.9                                   | 3.7   | 3.3   | 2.8   | 2.9   | 3.9   | 3.2   | 3.2   | 3.5          |
| Rent of shelter .....   | 3.5                                   | 4.3   | 3.1   | 2.2   | 2.5   | 2.7   | 4.2   | 3.2   | 2.0          |
| Transportation services .....   | 2.8                                   | 3.8   | 4.5   | 3.0   | 2.2   | 2.5   | 1.4   | 2.0   | 4.1          |
| Other services .....  | 2.7                                   | 3.7   | 3.3   | 2.4   | 2.2   | 2.7   | 2.8   | 2.9   | 3.2          |
| All items less food .....   | 3.5                                   | .9    | 2.6   | 1.2   | 3.5   | 3.7   | 2.5   | 4.2   | 4.3          |
| All items less shelter .....  | 3.4                                   | .1    | 2.1   | 1.5   | 3.7   | 3.8   | 1.7   | 4.9   | 5.5          |
| All items less medical care .....   | 3.3                                   | 1.1   | 2.3   | 1.5   | 3.4   | 3.4   | 2.4   | 4.3   | 4.6          |
| Commodities less food .....   | 2.8                                   | -3.9  | 1.3   | -1.7  | 4.6   | 3.3   | 1.2   | 6.2   | 5.7          |
| Nondurables less food .....   | 4.5                                   | -5.7  | 5.5   | 1.2   | 7.6   | 5.8   | 3.1   | 11.2  | 10.4         |
| Nondurables less food and apparel .....                                     | 7.2                                   | -6.7  | 8.6   | 2.4   | 10.6  | 8.2   | 3.7   | 14.9  | 12.6         |
| Nondurables .....   | 3.7                                   | -1.5  | 3.4   | 2.5   | 5.1   | 4.1   | 2.6   | 8.2   | 8.2          |
| Apparel less footwear .....   | -2.2                                  | -3.0  | -2.2  | -1.5  | -.5   | -1.9  | 1.2   | -.4   | 2.4          |
| Services less rent of shelter .....   | 4.4                                   | 3.0   | 3.5   | 3.6   | 3.4   | 5.3   | 2.1   | 3.3   | 5.3          |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 29. Historical Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories-Continued**

| Item and group                                     | Percent change from previous December |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |              |
|--|---------------------------------------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------------|
|  | December                              |       |      |      |      |      |      |      | Sep.<br>2008 |
|  | 2000                                  | 2001  | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |              |
| <b>Special aggregate indexes</b>                   |                                       |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |              |
| Services less medical care services .....          | 3.9                                   | 3.6   | 3.1  | 2.7  | 2.8  | 3.9  | 3.2  | 3.0  | 3.6          |
| Energy .....                                       | 13.8                                  | -13.8 | 11.5 | 6.9  | 16.9 | 17.0 | 3.0  | 18.1 | 19.1         |
| All items less energy .....                        | 2.5                                   | 2.7   | 1.7  | 1.2  | 2.2  | 2.0  | 2.4  | 2.8  | 2.5          |
| All items less food and energy .....               | 2.4                                   | 2.7   | 1.7  | .7   | 2.1  | 2.0  | 2.5  | 2.3  | 1.9          |
| Commodities less food and energy commodities ..... | .8                                    | -.1   | -1.7 | -3.1 | .9   | .4   | .0   | .3   | .4           |
| Energy commodities .....                           | 15.0                                  | -24.4 | 23.8 | 6.9  | 26.7 | 16.7 | 6.0  | 29.6 | 22.0         |
| Services less energy services .....                | 3.3                                   | 4.1   | 3.5  | 2.5  | 2.7  | 2.8  | 3.6  | 3.3  | 2.6          |
| Domestically produced farm food .....              | 3.2                                   | 3.0   | .8   | 5.6  | 2.6  | 1.2  | 1.1  | 6.0  | 6.7          |
| Utilities and public transportation .....          | 5.8                                   | .1    | 1.4  | 3.2  | 3.2  | 9.0  | .9   | 3.3  | 8.5          |

<sup>1</sup> This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator.  
All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

<sup>2</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.



**Table P1. Average residential prices for utility (piped) gas, electricity, and fuel oil, U.S. city average and selected areas**

| Area, region and population size class                   | Utility (piped) gas |              |                |              | Electricity  |              | Fuel oil #2               |              |
|--|---------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|
|  | per 40 therms       |              | per 100 therms |              | per 500 KWH  |              | per gallon (3.785 liters) |              |
|  | Aug.<br>2008        | Sep.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008   | Sep.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008              | Sep.<br>2008 |
| U.S. city average .....                                  | \$69.814            | \$63.942     | \$159.225      | \$144.793    | \$67.078     | \$66.210     | \$4.217                   | \$3.952      |
| <b>Region and area size <sup>1</sup></b>                 |                     |              |                |              |              |              |                           |              |
| Northeast urban .....                                    | 80.307              | 74.855       | 181.306        | 166.810      | 93.100       | 87.213       | 4.238                     | 3.966        |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                       | 79.752              | 73.855       | 181.516        | 165.560      | 101.638      | 92.991       | 4.280                     | 4.042        |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....                     | 81.964              | 77.836       | 180.659        | 170.669      | 77.427       | 76.606       | 4.128                     | 3.770        |
| Midwest urban .....                                      | 66.684              | 61.130       | 150.535        | 137.077      | 59.946       | 60.365       | 3.912                     | 3.800        |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                       | 66.445              | 61.035       | 148.338        | 135.328      | 60.165       | 60.585       | 3.883                     | 3.777        |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....                     | 67.550              | 60.552       | 154.583        | 137.440      | 59.952       | 60.537       | 3.952                     | 3.835        |
| Size D - Nonmetropolitan<br>(less than 50,000) .....     | 65.268              | 63.254       | 149.564        | 144.553      | 58.856       | 58.665       | NA                        | NA           |
| South urban .....  | 73.634              | 67.440       | 165.072        | 150.221      | 64.938       | 65.093       | 4.308                     | 4.012        |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                       | 78.190              | 70.564       | 173.671        | 156.382      | 73.176       | 73.606       | 4.573                     | 4.141        |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....                     | 71.249              | 66.841       | 160.048        | 148.779      | 60.272       | 60.298       | 4.071                     | 3.936        |
| Size D - Nonmetropolitan<br>(less than 50,000) .....     | 69.162              | 58.162       | 160.058        | 132.650      | 63.855       | 63.855       | 3.996                     | 3.769        |
| West urban .....   | 61.131              | 54.365       | 145.664        | 129.262      | 56.821       | 56.813       | 4.018                     | 3.654        |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                       | 63.371              | 54.539       | 152.776        | 130.878      | 60.957       | 61.065       | 4.008                     | 3.762        |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....                     | 57.749              | 54.003       | 133.907        | 125.695      | 57.120       | 56.938       | NA                        | NA           |
| <b>Size classes</b>                                      |                     |              |                |              |              |              |                           |              |
| A .....  | 70.850              | 64.317       | 161.702        | 145.676      | 74.194       | 72.339       | 4.273                     | 4.031        |
| B/C .....  | 69.472              | 64.133       | 157.627        | 144.540      | 62.081       | 62.061       | 4.113                     | 3.792        |
| D .....  | 63.756              | 60.413       | 147.510        | 139.248      | 56.197       | 56.154       | 3.983                     | 3.715        |
| <b>Selected local areas</b>                              |                     |              |                |              |              |              |                           |              |
| Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI .....                     | 72.951              | 64.464       | 156.453        | 136.204      | 64.632       | 67.180       | -                         | -            |
| Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA .....            | 61.012              | 52.754       | 148.447        | 127.843      | 68.562       | 68.555       | -                         | -            |
| New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA .....    | 75.371              | 73.675       | 169.318        | 164.968      | 116.224      | 100.802      | -                         | -            |
| Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT .....                | 92.319              | 66.133       | 207.294        | 141.441      | 93.870       | 93.870       | -                         | -            |
| Cleveland-Akron, OH .....                                | 74.745              | 59.903       | 177.959        | 140.865      | 67.556       | 67.556       | -                         | -            |
| Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....                              | 78.743              | 66.015       | 178.761        | 146.930      | 85.511       | 85.511       | -                         | -            |
| Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV .....                  | 77.339              | 69.392       | 169.594        | 155.040      | 74.827       | 76.378       | -                         | -            |
| Atlanta, GA .....  | 83.424              | 79.517       | 184.077        | 174.260      | 56.377       | 56.377       | -                         | -            |
| Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI .....                        | 59.550              | 59.739       | 135.267        | 135.771      | 55.244       | 55.244       | -                         | -            |
| Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....                     | 70.029              | 63.511       | 158.453        | 142.156      | 81.414       | 81.414       | -                         | -            |
| Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....                          | 83.702              | 83.702       | 188.571        | 188.571      | 64.887       | 64.887       | -                         | -            |
| Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD ..... | 76.106              | 74.122       | 177.034        | 172.095      | 84.069       | 83.486       | -                         | -            |
| San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....                 | 73.463              | 60.165       | 191.813        | 158.213      | 64.244       | 64.244       | -                         | -            |
| Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA .....                       | 54.749              | 54.749       | 123.812        | 123.812      | 40.625       | 40.625       | -                         | -            |

<sup>1</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

**Table P2. Average residential unit prices and consumption ranges for utility (piped) gas and electricity for U.S. city average and selected areas**

| Area, region and population size class                   | Average price per therm of utility (piped) gas |           | Range of therm consumption for Sep.2008 |      | Average price per KWH of electricity |           | Range of KWH consumption for Sep.2008 |       |
|--|--|-----------|---|------|--------------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------------|-------|
|  | Aug. 2008                                      | Sep. 2008 | Low                                     | High | Aug. 2008                            | Sep. 2008 | Low                                   | High  |
| U.S. city average .....                                  | \$1.596  | \$1.448   | 4                                       | 987  | \$0.132                              | \$0.130   | 11                                    | 9,890 |
| <b>Region and area size <sup>1</sup></b>                 |  |           |   |      |                                      |           |                                       |       |
| Northeast urban .....                                    | 1.770  | 1.626     | 4                                       | 987  | .181                                 | .169      | 129                                   | 8,494 |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                       | 1.759  | 1.598     | 4                                       | 987  | .202                                 | .184      | 129                                   | 8,494 |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....                     | 1.799  | 1.706     | 25                                      | 422  | .143                                 | .141      | 233                                   | 4,762 |
| Midwest urban .....                                      | 1.503  | 1.365     | 17                                      | 712  | .114                                 | .115      | 11                                    | 9,890 |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                       | 1.478  | 1.343     | 17                                      | 581  | .119                                 | .120      | 11                                    | 9,890 |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....                     | 1.545  | 1.374     | 18                                      | 712  | .109                                 | .110      | 70                                    | 3,932 |
| Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....        | 1.506  | 1.451     | 25                                      | 323  | .108                                 | .107      | 230                                   | 3,529 |
| South urban .....  | 1.703  | 1.549     | 7                                       | 522  | .122                                 | .122      | 164                                   | 8,744 |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                       | 1.779  | 1.591     | 7                                       | 522  | .141                                 | .141      | 244                                   | 8,744 |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....                     | 1.659  | 1.550     | 11                                      | 298  | .113                                 | .113      | 225                                   | 7,500 |
| Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000) .....        | 1.641  | 1.375     | 25                                      | 364  | .118                                 | .116      | 164                                   | 4,883 |
| West urban .....   | 1.485  | 1.315     | 7                                       | 851  | .131                                 | .131      | 153                                   | 7,471 |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                       | 1.555  | 1.329     | 7                                       | 851  | .144                                 | .145      | 153                                   | 7,471 |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....                     | 1.382  | 1.288     | 8                                       | 364  | .129                                 | .128      | 235                                   | 4,233 |
| <b>Size classes</b>                                      |  |           |   |      |                                      |           |                                       |       |
| A .....  | 1.608  | 1.442     | 4                                       | 987  | .151                                 | .148      | 11                                    | 9,890 |
| B/C .....  | 1.597  | 1.467     | 8                                       | 712  | .118                                 | .118      | 70                                    | 7,500 |
| D .....  | 1.494  | 1.407     | 19                                      | 364  | .107                                 | .106      | 163                                   | 4,883 |
| <b>Selected local areas</b>                              |  |           |   |      |                                      |           |                                       |       |
| Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI .....                     | 1.574  | 1.359     | 17                                      | 581  | .139                                 | .146      | 11                                    | 2,751 |
| Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA .....            | 1.487  | 1.282     | 16                                      | 851  | .172                                 | .172      | 258                                   | 7,471 |
| New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA .....    | 1.649  | 1.604     | 4                                       | 987  | .235                                 | .202      | 129                                   | 4,706 |
| Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT .....                | 1.976  | 1.328     | 24                                      | 642  | .176                                 | .176      | 384                                   | 8,494 |
| Cleveland-Akron, OH .....                                | 1.776  | 1.404     | 19                                      | 410  | .109                                 | .109      | 48                                    | 3,300 |
| Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....                              | 1.787  | 1.468     | 31                                      | 490  | .154                                 | .152      | 348                                   | 3,889 |
| Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV .....                  | 1.746  | 1.549     | 15                                      | 371  | .142                                 | .145      | 551                                   | 4,132 |
| Atlanta, GA .....  | 1.856  | 1.755     | 15                                      | 308  | .120                                 | .120      | 244                                   | 4,110 |
| Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI .....                        | 1.336  | 1.333     | 34                                      | 509  | .118                                 | .117      | 94                                    | 2,833 |
| Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....                     | 1.641  | 1.478     | 17                                      | 230  | .161                                 | .161      | 438                                   | 4,494 |
| Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....                          | 1.995  | 1.995     | 7                                       | 522  | .131                                 | .131      | 373                                   | 5,813 |
| Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD ..... | 1.712  | 1.663     | 37                                      | 752  | .172                                 | .170      | 430                                   | 3,810 |
| San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....                 | 1.909  | 1.568     | 13                                      | 257  | .194                                 | .194      | 178                                   | 2,448 |
| Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA .....                       | 1.268  | 1.268     | 12                                      | 241  | .082                                 | .082      | 313                                   | 5,882 |

<sup>1</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

**Table P3. Average prices for gasoline, U.S. city average and selected areas**

| Area, region and population size class                 | Gasoline<br>All types <sup>1</sup> |              | Gasoline<br>Unleaded<br>regular |              | Gasoline<br>Unleaded<br>midgrade |              | Gasoline<br>Unleaded<br>premium |              | Automotive<br>Diesel fuel |              |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|
|  | Aug.<br>2008                       | Sep.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008                    | Sep.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008                     | Sep.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008                    | Sep.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008              | Sep.<br>2008 |
| U.S. city average .....                                | \$3.838                            | \$3.749      | \$3.786                         | \$3.698      | \$3.901                          | \$3.816      | \$4.045                         | \$3.940      | \$4.470                   | \$4.177      |
| <b>Region and area size <sup>2</sup></b>               |                                    |              |                                 |              |                                  |              |                                 |              |                           |              |
| Northeast urban .....                                  | 3.879                              | 3.685        | 3.813                           | 3.620        | 3.988                            | 3.789        | 4.114                           | 3.922        | 4.573                     | 4.317        |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                     | 3.882                              | 3.677        | 3.801                           | 3.598        | 4.021                            | 3.803        | 4.122                           | 3.922        | 4.596                     | 4.318        |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....                   | 3.874                              | 3.702        | 3.837                           | 3.662        | 3.915                            | 3.757        | 4.091                           | 3.921        | 4.518                     | 4.316        |
| Midwest urban .....                                    | 3.797                              | 3.796        | 3.763                           | 3.761        | 3.814                            | 3.819        | 3.989                           | 3.980        | 4.345                     | 4.129        |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                     | 3.856                              | 3.858        | 3.804                           | 3.804        | 3.947                            | 3.956        | 4.059                           | 4.056        | 4.417                     | 4.201        |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....                   | 3.737                              | 3.761        | 3.717                           | 3.742        | 3.717                            | 3.745        | 3.925                           | 3.928        | 4.433                     | 4.140        |
| Size D - Nonmetropolitan<br>(less than 50,000) .....   | 3.702                              | 3.649        | 3.700                           | 3.639        | 3.659                            | 3.627        | 3.827                           | 3.769        | 4.135                     | 3.996        |
| South urban .....                                      | 3.712                              | 3.742        | 3.657                           | 3.690        | 3.793                            | 3.818        | 3.917                           | 3.936        | 4.438                     | 4.143        |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                     | 3.779                              | 3.700        | 3.709                           | 3.637        | 3.873                            | 3.790        | 4.005                           | 3.899        | 4.450                     | 4.190        |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....                   | 3.683                              | 3.722        | 3.626                           | 3.670        | 3.769                            | 3.800        | 3.881                           | 3.904        | 4.412                     | 4.135        |
| Size D - Nonmetropolitan<br>(less than 50,000) .....   | 3.691                              | 3.809        | 3.653                           | 3.763        | 3.747                            | 3.875        | 3.869                           | 4.028        | 4.455                     | 4.125        |
| West urban .....                                       | 4.026                              | 3.761        | 3.976                           | 3.712        | 4.093                            | 3.827        | 4.200                           | 3.933        | 4.570                     | 4.212        |
| Size A - More than 1,500,000 .....                     | 4.026                              | 3.750        | 3.977                           | 3.701        | 4.088                            | 3.813        | 4.197                           | 3.922        | 4.554                     | 4.208        |
| Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 .....                   | 3.952                              | 3.738        | 3.901                           | 3.688        | 4.023                            | 3.808        | 4.138                           | 3.918        | 4.507                     | 4.101        |
| <b>Size classes</b>                                    |                                    |              |                                 |              |                                  |              |                                 |              |                           |              |
| A .....  | 3.902                              | 3.748        | 3.841                           | 3.689        | 3.991                            | 3.840        | 4.111                           | 3.943        | 4.509                     | 4.222        |
| B/C .....  | 3.769                              | 3.728        | 3.725                           | 3.685        | 3.818                            | 3.784        | 3.967                           | 3.913        | 4.444                     | 4.149        |
| D .....  | 3.789                              | 3.785        | 3.751                           | 3.747        | 3.822                            | 3.812        | 3.974                           | 3.980        | 4.436                     | 4.140        |
| <b>Selected local areas</b>                            |                                    |              |                                 |              |                                  |              |                                 |              |                           |              |
| Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI .....                   | 4.049                              | 4.017        | 3.998                           | 3.965        | 4.123                            | 4.088        | 4.216                           | 4.188        | -                         | -            |
| Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA .....          | 4.068                              | 3.764        | 4.017                           | 3.711        | 4.117                            | 3.818        | 4.212                           | 3.914        | -                         | -            |
| New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA .....  | 3.947                              | 3.723        | 3.855                           | 3.634        | 4.102                            | 3.860        | 4.176                           | 3.958        | -                         | -            |
| Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT .....              | 3.734                              | 3.594        | 3.688                           | 3.547        | 3.837                            | 3.693        | 3.948                           | 3.816        | -                         | -            |
| Cleveland-Akron, OH .....                              | 3.681                              | 3.766        | 3.630                           | 3.725        | 3.765                            | 3.827        | 3.887                           | 3.939        | -                         | -            |
| Dallas-Fort Worth, TX .....                            | 3.689                              | 3.610        | 3.610                           | 3.538        | NA                               | NA           | 3.914                           | 3.793        | -                         | -            |
| Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV .....                | 3.821                              | 3.693        | 3.754                           | 3.632        | 3.914                            | 3.778        | 4.055                           | 3.910        | -                         | -            |
| Atlanta, GA .....                                      | 3.803                              | 3.796        | 3.723                           | 3.742        | 3.926                            | 3.876        | 4.083                           | 3.990        | -                         | -            |
| Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI .....                      | 3.845                              | 3.832        | 3.796                           | 3.780        | 3.926                            | 3.919        | 4.051                           | 4.051        | -                         | -            |
| Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX .....                   | 3.703                              | 3.565        | 3.637                           | 3.497        | 3.768                            | 3.634        | 3.914                           | 3.780        | -                         | -            |
| Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL .....                        | 3.835                              | 3.848        | 3.763                           | 3.779        | 3.921                            | 3.924        | 4.031                           | 4.050        | -                         | -            |
| Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD ... | 3.844                              | 3.614        | 3.769                           | 3.534        | 3.960                            | 3.736        | 4.082                           | 3.871        | -                         | -            |
| San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA .....               | 4.132                              | 3.871        | 4.085                           | 3.822        | 4.233                            | 3.979        | 4.319                           | 4.060        | -                         | -            |
| Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA .....                     | 4.013                              | 3.778        | 3.977                           | 3.740        | 4.131                            | 3.897        | 4.212                           | 3.994        | -                         | -            |

<sup>1</sup> Also includes types of gasoline not shown separately.

<sup>2</sup> Regions defined as the four Census regions. See map in technical notes.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

**Table P4. Average retail food prices, U.S. city average and four regions**

| Food and unit  | U.S. city average |              | Northeast    |              | Midwest      |              | South        |              | West         |              |
|--|-------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|  | Aug.<br>2008      | Sep.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2008 |
| <b>Cereals and bakery products:</b>  |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Flour, white, all purpose, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | \$0.539           | \$0.532      | \$0.626      | \$0.615      | \$0.529      | \$0.526      | \$0.540      | \$0.526      | \$0.476      | \$0.478      |
| Rice, white, long grain, uncooked, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                    | .854              | .853         | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | .862         |
| Spaghetti and macaroni, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | 1.139             | 1.147        | NA           | NA           | 1.098        | 1.155        | 1.151        | 1.187        | NA           | NA           |
| Bread, white, pan, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | 1.381             | 1.379        | 1.748        | 1.745        | 1.321        | 1.322        | 1.210        | 1.210        | 1.508        | 1.495        |
| Bread, French, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Bread, whole wheat, pan, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | 1.950             | 1.951        | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | 1.906        | 1.951        | 1.828        | 1.750        |
| Cookies, chocolate chip, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | 2.902             | 2.950        | NA           | NA           | NA           | 3.517        | 2.626        | 2.669        | 2.995        | 2.906        |
| Crackers, soda, salted, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| <b>Meats, poultry, fish and eggs:</b>  |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| <b>Meats:</b>  |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| <b>Beef and veal:</b>  |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Ground chuck, 100% beef, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | 2.964             | 2.981        | 3.020        | 3.213        | 2.765        | 2.765        | 3.058        | 2.971        | NA           | NA           |
| Ground beef, 100% beef, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | 2.371             | 2.419        | NA           | NA           | 2.191        | 2.207        | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Ground beef, lean and extra lean, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                     | 3.314             | 3.340        | 3.261        | 3.359        | 3.164        | 3.132        | 3.423        | 3.435        | 3.375        | 3.412        |
| All uncooked ground beef, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | 3.098             | 3.128        | 3.171        | 3.311        | 2.849        | 2.832        | 3.151        | 3.166        | 3.263        | 3.289        |
| Chuck roast, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....    | 3.594             | 3.715        | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | 3.859        | 3.872        | 3.386        | 3.439        |
| Chuck roast, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                   | 3.647             | 3.768        | NA           | NA           | 3.678        | 3.762        | 3.817        | 3.977        | 3.324        | 3.524        |
| Round roast, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                   | 4.206             | 4.119        | 4.367        | 4.185        | 3.950        | 4.035        | 4.152        | 4.063        | NA           | NA           |
| Round roast, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....    | 3.907             | 4.058        | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | 3.884        | 3.961        | 3.755        | 3.968        |
| All Uncooked Beef Roasts, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | 4.043             | 4.101        | 4.356        | 4.289        | 3.997        | 4.210        | 4.129        | 4.150        | 3.699        | 3.777        |
| Steak, round, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                  | 4.439             | 4.423        | 4.481        | 4.581        | 3.868        | 4.086        | 4.694        | 4.530        | NA           | NA           |
| Steak, round, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | 4.355             | 4.296        | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | 4.326        | 4.321        | 4.252        | 4.146        |
| Steak, sirloin, graded and ungraded, excluding USDA Prime and Choice, per lb. (453.6 gm) ..... | 5.882             | 5.734        | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | 5.947        | 6.041        | 5.641        | 5.362        |
| Steak, sirloin, USDA Choice, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                | 6.399             | 6.213        | 6.973        | 7.247        | 5.349        | 4.972        | 6.880        | 6.337        | 6.172        | 6.055        |
| Short ribs, any primal source, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                               | 3.523             | 3.692        | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Beef for stew, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | 3.854             | 3.869        | NA           | NA           | 3.692        | 3.665        | 4.053        | 3.992        | 3.787        | 3.877        |
| All Uncooked Beef Steaks, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | 5.589             | 5.528        | 5.374        | 5.498        | 5.718        | 5.584        | 5.915        | 5.835        | 5.293        | 5.180        |
| All Uncooked Other Beef (Excluding Veal), per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                             | 3.220             | 3.206        | 3.430        | 3.503        | 3.174        | 3.138        | 3.265        | 3.197        | 3.066        | 3.098        |
| <b>Pork:</b>   |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Bacon, sliced, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | 3.842             | 3.725        | 3.820        | 3.876        | 3.922        | 3.635        | 3.490        | 3.423        | 4.130        | 4.046        |
| Chops, center cut, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | 3.485             | 3.567        | 3.115        | 3.182        | 3.697        | 3.719        | 3.661        | 3.755        | 3.480        | 3.628        |
| Chops, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | 3.908             | 3.921        | 3.944        | 3.808        | 3.998        | 4.006        | 3.676        | 3.819        | 4.375        | 4.197        |
| All Pork Chops, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | 3.383             | 3.434        | 3.142        | 3.153        | 3.630        | 3.695        | 3.388        | 3.480        | 3.337        | 3.344        |
| Ham, rump or shank half, bone-in, smoked, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                             | 1.976             | 2.009        | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Ham, boneless, excluding canned, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                      | 3.209             | 3.276        | 3.209        | 3.371        | 2.804        | 2.831        | 3.724        | 3.777        | 3.450        | 3.529        |
| All Ham (Excluding Canned Ham and Luncheon Slices), per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                   | 2.369             | 2.412        | 2.072        | 2.110        | 2.432        | 2.531        | 2.249        | 2.298        | 2.914        | 2.879        |
| Ham, canned, 3 or 5 lbs, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Shoulder picnic, bone-in, smoked, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                     | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| All Other Pork (Excluding Canned Ham and Luncheon Slices), per lb. (453.6 gm) .....            | 2.224             | 2.255        | 2.119        | 2.207        | 2.424        | 2.384        | 2.009        | 2.078        | 2.687        | 2.630        |
| Sausage, fresh, loose, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| <b>Other meats:</b>  |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Frankfurters, all meat or all beef, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                   | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Bologna, all beef or mixed, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | 2.634             | 2.923        | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | 2.501        | 2.777        | 2.707        | 2.804        |
| Lamb and mutton, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| <b>Poultry:</b>  |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Chicken, fresh, whole, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | 1.223             | 1.214        | 1.114        | 1.068        | 1.316        | 1.382        | 1.138        | 1.142        | 1.517        | 1.480        |
| Chicken breast, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | 2.321             | 2.304        | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Chicken breast, boneless, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | 3.445             | 3.359        | 3.329        | 3.300        | 3.451        | 3.472        | 3.711        | 3.422        | 3.327        | 3.260        |
| Chicken legs, bone-in, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | 1.435             | 1.481        | 1.486        | 1.512        | 1.343        | 1.449        | 1.469        | 1.517        | 1.406        | 1.414        |
| Turkey, frozen, whole, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | 1.288             | 1.320        | NA           | NA           | 1.198        | 1.247        | 1.228        | 1.233        | NA           | NA           |
| <b>Fish and seafood:</b>   |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Tuna, light, chunk, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| <b>Eggs:</b>   |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Grade A, large, per doz. ....  | 1.854             | 1.978        | NA           | NA           | 1.763        | 1.828        | 1.774        | 1.932        | NA           | NA           |
| Grade AA, large, per doz. ....   | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| <b>Dairy products:</b>   |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Milk, fresh, whole, fortified, per 1/2 gal. (1.9 lit) .....                                    | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Milk, fresh, whole, fortified, per gal. (3.8 lit) .....  | 3.886             | 3.773        | 3.833        | 3.810        | 3.753        | 3.633        | 4.247        | 4.092        | 3.478        | 3.351        |
| Milk, fresh, low fat, per 1/2 gal. (1.9 lit) .....   | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table P4. Average retail food prices, U.S. city average and four regions-Continued**

| Food and unit  | U.S. city average |              | Northeast    |              | Midwest      |              | South        |              | West         |              |
|--|-------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|  | Aug.<br>2008      | Sep.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2008 | Aug.<br>2008 | Sep.<br>2008 |
| <b>Dairy products:</b>   |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Milk, fresh, low fat, per gal. (3.8 lit) .....                                   | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Butter, salted, grade AA, stick, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                        | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| American processed cheese, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                              | \$4.188           | \$4.089      | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Cheddar cheese, natural, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                | 4.827             | 4.815        | NA           | NA           | \$4.992      | \$5.135      | \$4.932      | \$4.856      | \$4.166      | \$4.171      |
| Ice cream, prepackaged, bulk, regular, per 1/2 gal. (1.9 lit) .....              | 4.249             | 4.418        | \$4.868      | \$4.684      | 3.644        | 3.662        | 4.464        | 4.502        | 4.103        | 4.922        |
| Yogurt, natural, fruit flavored, per 8 oz. (226.8 gm) .....                      | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| <b>Fruits and vegetables:</b>  |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| <b>Fresh fruits and vegetables:</b>  |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Apples, Red Delicious, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                  | 1.580             | 1.584        | 1.719        | 1.738        | 1.561        | 1.593        | 1.619        | 1.598        | 1.470        | 1.471        |
| Bananas, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | .634              | .631         | .660         | .632         | .613         | .619         | .610         | .621         | .666         | .655         |
| Oranges, Navel, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | 1.452             | 1.471        | NA           | 1.551        | NA           | NA           | 1.571        | 1.672        | 1.300        | 1.336        |
| Oranges, Valencia, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                      | 1.021             | 1.054        | NA           | NA           | .969         | 1.027        | NA           | 1.108        | .908         | .940         |
| Cherries, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Grapefruit, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | 1.076             | 1.103        | 1.169        | 1.236        | 1.121        | 1.130        | 1.141        | 1.151        | .946         | .971         |
| Grapes, Thompson Seedless, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                              | 1.800             | 1.707        | 1.935        | 1.734        | 1.534        | 1.576        | 1.859        | 1.735        | 2.010        | 1.861        |
| Lemons, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | 2.184             | 2.179        | 2.178        | 2.021        | 2.051        | 2.593        | 2.274        | 2.070        | 2.211        | 2.066        |
| Peaches, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | 1.476             | 1.487        | 1.861        | 1.798        | 1.537        | 1.532        | 1.386        | 1.396        | 1.235        | 1.318        |
| Pears, Anjou, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Strawberries, dry pint, per 12 oz. (340.2 gm) .....                              | 2.085             | 2.177        | 2.249        | 2.299        | 1.958        | 2.135        | 2.019        | 2.183        | 2.139        | 2.092        |
| Potatoes, white, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | .724              | .763         | .797         | .830         | .699         | .763         | .841         | .859         | .594         | .635         |
| Lettuce, iceberg, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                       | .878              | .906         | 1.057        | 1.046        | .860         | .815         | .848         | .933         | .764         | .856         |
| Lettuce, romaine, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                       | 1.748             | 1.884        | NA           | NA           | 1.662        | 1.763        | 1.692        | 1.718        | 1.651        | 1.743        |
| Tomatoes, field grown, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                  | 1.694             | 1.591        | 1.826        | 1.746        | 1.704        | 1.593        | 1.711        | 1.719        | 1.541        | 1.298        |
| Broccoli, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | 1.601             | 1.583        | NA           | NA           | 1.320        | 1.515        | 1.688        | 1.495        | NA           | NA           |
| Cabbage, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | .658              | .674         | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | .674         | .687         | NA           | NA           |
| Carrots, short trimmed and topped, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                      | .797              | .794         | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Celery, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Corn on the cob, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Cucumbers, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....  | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Onions, dry yellow, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                     | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Peppers, sweet, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....   | 2.202             | 2.055        | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| <b>Processed fruits and vegetables:</b>  |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Apple Sauce, any variety, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                    | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Orange juice, frozen concentrate, 12 oz. can,<br>per 16 oz. (473.2 ml) .....     | 2.522             | 2.544        | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Peaches, any variety, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                        | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Beans, dried, any type, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                      | 1.251             | 1.284        | NA           | NA           | 1.134        | 1.170        | 1.224        | 1.256        | 1.334        | 1.414        |
| Corn, canned, any style, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                     | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Potatoes, frozen, French fried, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                         | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Tomatoes, canned, whole, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Tomatoes, canned, any type, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                  | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| <b>Other foods at home:</b>  |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| <b>Sugar and sweets:</b>   |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Sugar, white, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                | .535              | .563         | NA           | NA           | .537         | .562         | .516         | .540         | .540         | .583         |
| Sugar, white, 33-80 oz. pkg, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                            | .495              | .535         | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| <b>Fats and oils:</b>  |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Margarine, stick, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                       | 1.238             | 1.248        | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | 1.109        | 1.086        | NA           | NA           |
| Margarine, soft, tubs, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                                  | 1.441             | 1.507        | NA           | NA           | 1.398        | 1.563        | 1.288        | 1.304        | 1.345        | 1.427        |
| Shortening, vegetable oil blends, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                       | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Peanut butter, creamy, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                       | 2.049             | 2.085        | NA           | NA           | 1.808        | 1.814        | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| <b>Nonalcoholic beverages:</b>   |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Cola, nondiet, cans, 72 oz. 6 pk., per 16 oz. (473.2 ml) <sup>1</sup> .....      | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Cola, nondiet, per 2 liters (67.6 oz) <sup>1</sup> .....                         | 1.325             | 1.373        | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Coffee, 100%, ground roast, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....                  | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Coffee, 100%, ground roast, 13.1-20 oz. can,<br>per lb. (453.6 gm) .....         | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Coffee, instant, plain, regular, all sizes, per lb. (453.6 gm) .....             | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| <b>Other prepared foods:</b>   |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Potato chips, per 16 oz. (453.6 gm) .....  | 4.120             | 4.123        | 4.430        | 4.758        | 4.193        | 4.231        | 4.199        | 4.015        | 3.889        | 3.866        |
| <b>Alcoholic beverages at home:</b>  |                   |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Malt beverages, all types, all sizes, any origin,<br>per 16 oz. (473.2 ml) ..... | 1.150             | 1.189        | 1.149        | 1.331        | 1.080        | .971         | 1.120        | 1.224        | 1.254        | 1.271        |
| Vodka, all types, all sizes, any origin, per 1 liter (33.8 oz) .....             | NA                | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           | NA           |
| Wine, red and white table, all sizes, any origin,<br>per 1 liter (33.8 oz) ..... | 10.817            | 8.691        | 10.742       | NA           | 13.011       | 11.572       | 8.444        | 8.631        | 11.568       | 7.745        |

<sup>1</sup> Deposit may be included in price.

NA Data not adequate for publication.

**Table 1C. Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group**

(December 1999=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group                             | Relative importance, 2005-2006 | Unadjusted indexes |           | Unadjusted percent change to Sep. 2008 from— |           |
|--|--------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|-----------|
|  |                                | Aug. 2008          | Sep. 2008 | Sep. 2007                                    | Aug. 2008 |
| Expenditure category                       |                                |                    |           |  |           |
| All items .....                            | 100.000                        | 125.843            | 125.774   | 4.3  | -0.1      |
| Food and beverages .....                   | 14.726                         | 127.106            | 127.824   | 5.9  | .6        |
| Food .....                                 | 13.648                         | 127.307            | 128.041   | 6.0  | .6        |
| Food at home .....                         | 7.557                          | 125.255            | 126.023   | 7.3  | .6        |
| Food away from home .....                  | 6.091                          | 130.051            | 130.741   | 4.5  | .5        |
| Alcoholic beverages .....                  | 1.077                          | 124.950            | 125.484   | 3.7  | .4        |
| Housing .....                              | 42.421                         | 130.003            | 129.521   | 3.3  | -.4       |
| Shelter .....                              | 32.409                         | 130.741            | 130.655   | 2.4  | -.1       |
| Fuels and utilities .....                  | 5.004                          | 173.245            | 168.047   | 11.3   | -3.0      |
| Household furnishings and operations ..... | 5.008                          | 96.144             | 96.455    | 1.3  | .3        |
| Apparel .....                              | 3.988                          | 86.236             | 89.952    | 1.0  | 4.3       |
| Transportation .....                       | 17.393                         | 135.388            | 133.713   | 8.8  | -1.2      |
| Private transportation .....               | 16.285                         | 135.808            | 134.260   | 8.5  | -1.1      |
| Public transportation .....                | 1.108                          | 131.800            | 128.320   | 13.1   | -2.6      |
| Medical care .....                         | 6.085                          | 141.848            | 142.011   | 2.9  | .1        |
| Medical care commodities .....             | 1.615                          | 124.943            | 125.116   | 1.4  | .1        |
| Medical care services .....                | 4.470                          | 148.191            | 148.349   | 3.5  | .1        |
| Recreation .....                           | 5.935                          | 106.026            | 106.174   | 1.4  | .1        |
| Education and communication .....          | 6.196                          | 108.467            | 109.058   | 2.7  | .5        |
| Education .....                            | 2.771                          | 169.625            | 172.330   | 5.9  | 1.6       |
| Communication .....                        | 3.425                          | 74.293             | 74.072    | .2   | -.3       |
| Other goods and services .....             | 3.257                          | 128.634            | 129.384   | 3.8  | .6        |
| Commodity and service group                |                                |                    |           |  |           |
| Services .....                             | 58.427                         | 133.970            | 133.734   | 3.6  | -.2       |
| Commodities .....                          | 41.573                         | 115.695            | 115.828   | 5.4  | .1        |
| Durables .....                             | 11.817                         | 82.845             | 82.250    | -2.1   | -.7       |
| Nondurables .....                          | 29.756                         | 133.199            | 133.796   | 8.5  | .4        |
| All items less food and energy .....       | 77.561                         | 117.757            | 117.985   | 2.2  | .2        |
| Energy .....                               | 8.790                          | 225.983            | 218.818   | 22.5   | -3.2      |

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NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 24C. Historical Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U): U. S. city average, all items**

(December 1999=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Year | Jan.    | Feb.    | Mar.    | Apr.    | May     | June    | July    | Aug.    | Sep.    | Oct.    | Nov.    | Dec.    | Annual avg. | Percent change from previous |             |
|------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------------|------------------------------|-------------|
|      |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |             | Dec.                         | Annual avg. |
| 1999 | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | 100.0   | -           | -                            | -           |
| 2000 | 100.3   | 100.9   | 101.6   | 101.6   | 101.7   | 102.1   | 102.3   | 102.3   | 102.8   | 102.9   | 102.8   | 102.6   | 102.0       | 2.6                          | -           |
| 2001 | 103.3   | 103.7   | 103.9   | 104.2   | 104.6   | 104.8   | 104.5   | 104.6   | 104.9   | 104.7   | 104.4   | 103.9   | 104.3       | 1.3                          | 2.3         |
| 2002 | 104.2   | 104.5   | 105.1   | 105.6   | 105.6   | 105.6   | 105.7   | 106.0   | 106.3   | 106.4   | 106.3   | 106.0   | 105.6       | 2.0                          | 1.2         |
| 2003 | 106.5   | 107.3   | 107.9   | 107.7   | 107.5   | 107.6   | 107.7   | 108.2   | 108.5   | 108.4   | 108.0   | 107.8   | 107.8       | 1.7                          | 2.1         |
| 2004 | 108.5   | 109.1   | 109.7   | 110.0   | 110.6   | 110.8   | 110.7   | 110.7   | 111.0   | 111.6   | 111.6   | 111.2   | 110.5       | 3.2                          | 2.5         |
| 2005 | 111.3   | 111.9   | 112.6   | 113.4   | 113.3   | 113.2   | 113.7   | 114.3   | 115.6   | 115.7   | 114.9   | 114.4   | 113.7       | 2.9                          | 2.9         |
| 2006 | 115.2   | 115.4   | 116.0   | 116.9   | 117.5   | 117.7   | 118.1   | 118.3   | 117.8   | 117.1   | 116.9   | 117.0   | 117.0       | 2.3                          | 2.9         |
| 2007 | 117.310 | 117.897 | 118.978 | 119.712 | 120.290 | 120.478 | 120.384 | 120.198 | 120.538 | 120.823 | 121.443 | 121.322 | 119.948     | 3.7                          | 2.5         |
| 2008 | 121.895 | 122.251 | 123.204 | 123.845 | 124.645 | 125.582 | 126.116 | 125.843 | 125.774 | -       | -       | -       | -           | -                            | -           |

- Data not available.

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NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

**Table 25C. Historical Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories**

(December 1999=100, unless otherwise noted)

| Item and group                             | Unadjusted indexes |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
|--|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------------|
|  |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |         | Sep.<br>2008 |
|  | December           |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
|  | 1998               | 1999  | 2000  | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  | 2005  | 2006  | 2007    |              |
| Expenditure category                       |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
| All items .....                            | -                  | 100.0 | 102.6 | 103.9 | 106.0 | 107.8 | 111.2 | 114.4 | 117.0 | 121.322 | 125.774      |
| Food and beverages .....                   | -                  | 100.0 | 102.4 | 105.0 | 106.3 | 109.5 | 111.7 | 114.0 | 116.3 | 121.638 | 127.824      |
| Food .....                                 | -                  | 100.0 | 102.4 | 105.0 | 106.2 | 109.5 | 111.7 | 114.0 | 116.3 | 121.694 | 128.041      |
| Food at home .....                         | -                  | 100.0 | 102.4 | 104.6 | 104.8 | 108.6 | 110.0 | 111.5 | 112.7 | 118.456 | 126.023      |
| Food away from home .....                  | -                  | 100.0 | 102.4 | 105.6 | 108.1 | 110.6 | 113.9 | 117.5 | 121.2 | 125.981 | 130.741      |
| Alcoholic beverages .....                  | -                  | 100.0 | 102.4 | 104.8 | 107.2 | 109.1 | 111.9 | 113.5 | 116.4 | 121.283 | 125.484      |
| Housing .....                              | -                  | 100.0 | 103.6 | 106.8 | 109.1 | 111.6 | 115.1 | 118.6 | 122.1 | 125.440 | 129.521      |
| Shelter .....                              | -                  | 100.0 | 103.4 | 107.6 | 110.7 | 113.0 | 116.4 | 119.3 | 124.1 | 127.841 | 130.655      |
| Fuels and utilities .....                  | -                  | 100.0 | 110.1 | 109.9 | 110.9 | 119.7 | 128.4 | 143.2 | 142.8 | 149.631 | 168.047      |
| Household furnishings and operations ..... | -                  | 100.0 | 99.7  | 99.3  | 97.5  | 95.9  | 96.3  | 96.3  | 96.1  | 95.081  | 96.455       |
| Apparel .....                              | -                  | 100.0 | 98.1  | 95.0  | 92.2  | 90.1  | 89.6  | 89.0  | 89.0  | 88.224  | 89.952       |
| Transportation .....                       | -                  | 100.0 | 103.6 | 99.7  | 103.3 | 103.4 | 110.2 | 114.5 | 117.0 | 126.437 | 133.713      |
| Private transportation .....               | -                  | 100.0 | 103.6 | 99.5  | 103.4 | 103.5 | 111.0 | 115.2 | 117.8 | 127.421 | 134.260      |
| Public transportation .....                | -                  | 100.0 | 104.4 | 101.8 | 101.0 | 101.9 | 101.3 | 107.1 | 106.8 | 114.952 | 128.320      |
| Medical care .....                         | -                  | 100.0 | 104.0 | 108.9 | 114.3 | 118.3 | 123.2 | 128.4 | 133.0 | 139.369 | 142.011      |
| Medical care commodities .....             | -                  | 100.0 | 102.6 | 107.4 | 110.7 | 112.7 | 114.9 | 119.0 | 121.2 | 124.573 | 125.116      |
| Medical care services .....                | -                  | 100.0 | 104.4 | 109.3 | 115.5 | 120.2 | 126.0 | 131.6 | 137.2 | 144.832 | 148.349      |
| Recreation .....                           | -                  | 100.0 | 101.2 | 102.1 | 102.7 | 103.3 | 104.3 | 104.8 | 104.8 | 104.682 | 106.174      |
| Education and communication .....          | -                  | 100.0 | 98.0  | 97.9  | 99.5  | 99.9  | 101.2 | 103.0 | 104.2 | 106.084 | 109.058      |
| Education .....                            | -                  | 100.0 | 105.6 | 112.1 | 119.7 | 128.7 | 137.9 | 146.5 | 155.5 | 163.920 | 172.330      |
| Communication .....                        | -                  | 100.0 | 92.5  | 88.1  | 85.7  | 81.2  | 78.2  | 76.5  | 74.1  | 73.370  | 74.072       |
| Other goods and services .....             | -                  | 100.0 | 103.8 | 107.6 | 110.9 | 112.2 | 114.9 | 118.3 | 121.7 | 125.658 | 129.384      |
| Commodity and service group                |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |         |              |
| Services .....                             | -                  | 100.0 | 103.6 | 107.4 | 110.7 | 113.9 | 117.5 | 121.5 | 125.3 | 129.311 | 133.734      |
| Commodities .....                          | -                  | 100.0 | 101.5 | 99.3  | 100.0 | 100.2 | 103.3 | 105.7 | 106.7 | 111.351 | 115.828      |
| Durables .....                             | -                  | 100.0 | 98.1  | 95.3  | 91.7  | 88.0  | 88.7  | 87.5  | 85.5  | 84.086  | 82.250       |
| Nondurables .....                          | -                  | 100.0 | 103.0 | 100.9 | 103.6 | 105.8 | 110.2 | 114.8 | 117.4 | 125.520 | 133.796      |
| All items less food and energy .....       | -                  | 100.0 | 101.9 | 104.1 | 105.8 | 106.6 | 109.0 | 111.0 | 113.4 | 115.807 | 117.985      |
| Energy .....                               | -                  | 100.0 | 112.6 | 98.3  | 108.6 | 116.4 | 134.4 | 154.5 | 158.1 | 185.223 | 218.818      |

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**Table 26C. Historical Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U): U.S. city average, by commodity and service group and detailed expenditure categories**

| Item and group                             | Percent change from previous December |      |      |       |      |      |      |      |      |      | Sep.<br>2008 |
|--|---------------------------------------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------------|
|  |                                       |      |      |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |              |
|  | December                              |      |      |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |              |
|  | 1998                                  | 1999 | 2000 | 2001  | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |              |
| <b>Expenditure category</b>                |                                       |      |      |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |              |
| All items .....                            | -                                     | -    | 2.6  | 1.3   | 2.0  | 1.7  | 3.2  | 2.9  | 2.3  | 3.7  | 3.7          |
| Food and beverages .....                   | -                                     | -    | 2.4  | 2.5   | 1.2  | 3.0  | 2.0  | 2.1  | 2.0  | 4.6  | 5.1          |
| Food .....                                 | -                                     | -    | 2.4  | 2.5   | 1.1  | 3.1  | 2.0  | 2.1  | 2.0  | 4.6  | 5.2          |
| Food at home .....                         | -                                     | -    | 2.4  | 2.1   | .2   | 3.6  | 1.3  | 1.4  | 1.1  | 5.1  | 6.4          |
| Food away from home .....                  | -                                     | -    | 2.4  | 3.1   | 2.4  | 2.3  | 3.0  | 3.2  | 3.1  | 3.9  | 3.8          |
| Alcoholic beverages .....                  | -                                     | -    | 2.4  | 2.3   | 2.3  | 1.8  | 2.6  | 1.4  | 2.6  | 4.2  | 3.5          |
| Housing .....                              | -                                     | -    | 3.6  | 3.1   | 2.2  | 2.3  | 3.1  | 3.0  | 3.0  | 2.7  | 3.3          |
| Shelter .....                              | -                                     | -    | 3.4  | 4.1   | 2.9  | 2.1  | 3.0  | 2.5  | 4.0  | 3.0  | 2.2          |
| Fuels and utilities .....                  | -                                     | -    | 10.1 | -2    | .9   | 7.9  | 7.3  | 11.5 | -3   | 4.8  | 12.3         |
| Household furnishings and operations ..... | -                                     | -    | -3   | -4    | -1.8 | -1.6 | .4   | .0   | -2   | -1.1 | 1.4          |
| Apparel .....                              | -                                     | -    | -1.9 | -3.2  | -2.9 | -2.3 | -6   | -7   | .0   | -9   | 2.0          |
| Transportation .....                       | -                                     | -    | 3.6  | -3.8  | 3.6  | .1   | 6.6  | 3.9  | 2.2  | 8.1  | 5.8          |
| Private transportation .....               | -                                     | -    | 3.6  | -4.0  | 3.9  | .1   | 7.2  | 3.8  | 2.3  | 8.2  | 5.4          |
| Public transportation .....                | -                                     | -    | 4.4  | -2.5  | -8   | .9   | -6   | 5.7  | -3   | 7.6  | 11.6         |
| Medical care .....                         | -                                     | -    | 4.0  | 4.7   | 5.0  | 3.5  | 4.1  | 4.2  | 3.6  | 4.8  | 1.9          |
| Medical care commodities .....             | -                                     | -    | 2.6  | 4.7   | 3.1  | 1.8  | 2.0  | 3.6  | 1.8  | 2.8  | .4           |
| Medical care services .....                | -                                     | -    | 4.4  | 4.7   | 5.7  | 4.1  | 4.8  | 4.4  | 4.3  | 5.6  | 2.4          |
| Recreation .....                           | -                                     | -    | 1.2  | .9    | .6   | .6   | 1.0  | .5   | .0   | -.1  | 1.4          |
| Education and communication .....          | -                                     | -    | -2.0 | -.1   | 1.6  | .4   | 1.3  | 1.8  | 1.2  | 1.8  | 2.8          |
| Education .....                            | -                                     | -    | 5.6  | 6.2   | 6.8  | 7.5  | 7.1  | 6.2  | 6.1  | 5.4  | 5.1          |
| Communication .....                        | -                                     | -    | -7.5 | -4.8  | -2.7 | -5.3 | -3.7 | -2.2 | -3.1 | -1.0 | 1.0          |
| Other goods and services .....             | -                                     | -    | 3.8  | 3.7   | 3.1  | 1.2  | 2.4  | 3.0  | 2.9  | 3.3  | 3.0          |
| <b>Commodity and service group</b>         |                                       |      |      |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |              |
| Services .....                             | -                                     | -    | 3.6  | 3.7   | 3.1  | 2.9  | 3.2  | 3.4  | 3.1  | 3.2  | 3.4          |
| Commodities .....                          | -                                     | -    | 1.5  | -2.2  | .7   | .2   | 3.1  | 2.3  | .9   | 4.4  | 4.0          |
| Durables .....                             | -                                     | -    | -1.9 | -2.9  | -3.8 | -4.0 | .8   | -1.4 | -2.3 | -1.7 | -2.2         |
| Nondurables .....                          | -                                     | -    | 3.0  | -2.0  | 2.7  | 2.1  | 4.2  | 4.2  | 2.3  | 6.9  | 6.6          |
| All items less food and energy .....       | -                                     | -    | 1.9  | 2.2   | 1.6  | .8   | 2.3  | 1.8  | 2.2  | 2.1  | 1.9          |
| Energy .....                               | -                                     | -    | 12.6 | -12.7 | 10.5 | 7.2  | 15.5 | 15.0 | 2.3  | 17.2 | 18.1         |

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# Technical Notes

## Brief Explanation of the CPI

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time of goods and services purchased by households. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) publishes CPIs for two population groups: (1) The CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W), which covers households of wage earners and clerical workers that comprise approximately 32 percent of the total population and (2) the CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and the Chained CPI for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U), which cover approximately 87 percent of the total population and include, in addition to wage earner and clerical worker households, groups such as professional, managerial, and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force.

The CPIs are based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day-to-day living. Prices are collected in 87 urban areas across the country from about 50,000 housing units and approximately 23,000 retail establishments—department stores, supermarkets, hospitals, filling stations, and other types of stores and service establishments. All taxes directly associated with the purchase and use of items are included in the index. Prices of fuels and a few other items are obtained every month in all 87 locations. Prices of most other commodities and services are collected every month in the three largest geographic areas and every other month in other areas. Prices of most goods and services are obtained through personal visits or telephone calls by BLS trained representatives.

In calculating the index, price changes for the various items in each location are averaged together with weights that represent their importance in the spending of the appropriate population group. Local data are then combined to obtain a U.S. city average. For the CPI-U and CPI-W, separate indexes also are published by size of city, by region of the country, for cross-classifications of regions and population-size classes, and for 27 local areas. Area indexes do not measure differences in the level of prices among cities; they measure only the average change in prices for each area since the base period. For the C-CPI-U, data are issued only at the national level. It is important to note that the CPI-U and CPI-W are considered final when released, but the C-CPI-U is issued in preliminary form and is subject to two annual revisions.

The index measures price change from a designated reference date. For the CPI-U and the CPI-W, the reference base is 1982–84 = 100.0. The reference base for the C-CPI-U is December 1999=100.0. An increase of 16.5 percent from the reference base, for example, is shown as 116.5. This change also can be expressed in dollars as follows: the price of a base-period market basket of goods and services in the CPI has risen from \$10 in 1982–84 to \$11.65.

For further details, visit the CPI homepage on the Internet at <https://www.bls.gov/cpi> or contact our CPI Information and Analysis Section at (202) 691-7000.

### Calculating index changes

Movements of the indexes from one month to another usually are expressed as percent changes, rather than changes in index points, because index point changes are affected by the level of the index in relation to its base period, whereas percent changes are not. The example shown in the box on this page illustrates the computation of index point and percent changes.

Percent changes for 3-month and 6-month periods are expressed as annual rates and are computed according to the standard formula for compound growth rates. These data indicate what the percent change would be if the current rate were maintained for a 12-month period.

#### *Index point change*

|                           |         |
|---------------------------|---------|
| CPI                       | 202.416 |
| Less previous index       | 201.800 |
| Equals index point change | .616    |

#### *Percent change*

|                                   |                    |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Index point difference            | .616               |
| Divided by the previous index     | 201.800            |
| Equals                            | 0.003              |
| Results multiplied by one hundred | $0.003 \times 100$ |
| Equals percent change             | 0.3                |

## Regions defined

The states in the four regions are listed below.

The Northeast--Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

The Midwest--Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

The South--Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

The West--Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

## Energy prices

Prices usually are available for the U.S. city average, 13 large metropolitan areas, the 4 census regions, 3 size classifications, and 10 areas reflecting the 4 census regions cross-classified by the 3 population sizes. However, not all energy commodities and services are used in every area of the country. Fuel oil, for example, is not a common heating fuel in some urban areas, particularly in the South and West. Where no average prices are available, the designation NA appears. This designation also appears if the data sufficiency criteria have not been met in any given month. For example, if there are fewer than five usable fuel oil prices for a published city or region size class, no fuel oil prices for the area will be published.

All prices are collected monthly by BLS representatives in the urban areas priced for the CPI. Prices for natural gas and electricity include fuel and purchased gas adjustments and all applicable taxes. Fuel oil and gasoline prices include applicable Federal, State, and local taxes.

*Natural gas and electricity.* Natural gas prices are reported in therms, which are a measure of heating value. Electricity prices are given in kilowatt hours (kwh). For both utility services, the consumption ranges specified in table P2 are the upper and lower limits of the bill sizes priced for the CPI. The average prices per therm and per kilowatt hour are calculated from bills priced within these ranges. It should be noted that bills priced for the CPI not only are for different consumption amounts, but may also be calculated from different types of residential rate schedules. *The average prices per therm and per kilowatt hour are not, therefore, generally suitable for use in place-to-place price comparisons.* The average prices for 40 and 100 therms of natural gas, and for 500 kilowatt hours of electricity (shown in table P1) are calculated from a special price collection program. They are not used in the calculation of the CPI. Because heating and air-conditioning requirements vary by geographic location, climate, and weather conditions, it cannot be inferred that these consumption amounts represent those used by a typical residential consumer. These bills are used merely to track price changes over time for constant amounts of consumption, and to provide continuity with prices of natural gas and electricity formerly published in conjunction with the unrevised CPI.

*Fuel oil.* Only #2 fuel oil (home heating oil) is priced. (See table P1.) Prices are collected, in most cases, for quantities greater than 1 gallon. These prices are converted to a gallon price for this program. Fuel oil prices reflect discounts for quantity or quick payment.

*Gasoline and automotive diesel fuel.* Gasoline and diesel prices, shown in table P3, are collected at the pump from a sample of full service, miniservice, and self-service gas stations. Approximate British Thermal Unit (BTU) values for some energy items are as follows, according to the source indicated:

1 therm = 100,000 BTUs (U.S. Department of Energy)

1 kwh = 3,412 BTUs (Edison Electric Institute)

1 gallon #2 fuel oil = 140,000 BTUs (U.S. Department of Energy)

## Food and beverage prices

Actual weighted average prices for food and beverages are calculated each month at the national level and for the four census geographic regions, as shown in table P4. As a result of changes in price collection methodology and sample sizes, average prices for individual cities cannot, in general, be produced. It is hoped, however, that regional average prices will help to satisfy the need for local area data. It should be noted that the average prices for food in this report reflect variations in brand, quality, and size among geographic areas. Users of average food prices should be aware that these differences exist.

Because a number of food commodities are not available in all areas on a year-round basis, prices will not appear in some months for some regions or for the U.S. city average. In other instances, sufficient prices may not be available due to temporary

disruptions in supplies. Where no average prices are available, the designation NA appears. When a price is not available from an individual store in any month, an estimated price will be calculated for the missing item and used in computing the average price. For cases in which the proportion of estimated prices used to calculate the average is considered too high, the average price is not published, and NA appears for that item in the table.

Because of space limitations in the table, the description for each item is abbreviated. Detailed specifications are available from BLS information offices or from the Washington office, upon request.

### **Seasonally adjusted and unadjusted data**

Because price data are used for different purposes by different groups, the Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes seasonally adjusted as well as unadjusted changes each month.

For analyzing general price trends in the economy, seasonally adjusted changes are usually preferred since they eliminate the effect of changes that normally occur at the same time and in about the same magnitude every year--such as price movements resulting from changing climatic conditions, production cycles, model changeovers, holidays, and sales.

The unadjusted data are of primary interest to consumers concerned about the prices they actually pay. Unadjusted data also are used extensively for escalation purposes. Many collective bargaining contract agreements and pension plans, for example, tie compensation changes to the Consumer Price Index before adjustment for seasonal variation.

Seasonal factors used in computing the seasonally adjusted indexes are derived by the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Method. Seasonally adjusted indexes and seasonal factors are computed annually. Each year, the last 5 years of seasonally adjusted data are revised. Data from January 2003 through December 2007 were replaced in January 2008. Exceptions to the usual revision schedule were: the updated seasonal data at the end of 1977 replaced data from 1967 through 1977; and, in January 2002, dependently seasonally adjusted series were revised for January 1987-December 2001 as a result of a change in the aggregation weights for dependently adjusted series. For further information, please see "Aggregation of Dependently Adjusted Seasonally Adjusted Series," in the October 2001 issue of the CPI Detailed Report.

The seasonal movement of All items and 54 other aggregations is derived by combining the seasonal movement of 73 selected components. Each year the seasonal status of every series is reevaluated based upon certain statistical criteria. If any of the 73 components change their seasonal adjustment status from seasonally adjusted to not seasonally adjusted, not seasonally adjusted data will be used in the aggregation of the dependent series for the last 5 years, but the seasonally adjusted indexes will be used before that period. Note: 48 of the 73 components are seasonally adjusted for 2008.

Seasonally adjusted data, including the All items index levels, are subject to revision for up to five years after their original release. For this reason, BLS advises against the use of these data in escalation agreements.

Effective with the calculation of the seasonal factors for 1990, the Bureau of Labor Statistics has used an enhanced seasonal adjustment procedure called Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment for some CPI series. Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment allows for better estimates of seasonally adjusted data. Extreme values and/or sharp movements which might distort the seasonal pattern are estimated and removed from the data prior to calculation of seasonal factors. Beginning with the calculation of seasonal factors for 1996, X-12-ARIMA software was used for Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment.

For the seasonal factors introduced in January 2008, BLS adjusted 20 series using Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment, including selected food and beverage items, motor fuels, electricity and vehicles. For example, this procedure was used for the Motor fuel series to offset the effects of events such as damage to oil refineries from Hurricane Katrina.

For a complete list of Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment series and explanations, please refer to the article "Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment", located on our website at: <https://www.bls.gov/cpi/cpisapage.htm>

For additional information on seasonal adjustment in the CPI, please write to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Division of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, Washington, DC 20212 or contact Jeff Wilson on (202) 691-6968, or by e-mail at [Wilson.Jeff@bls.gov](mailto:Wilson.Jeff@bls.gov). If you have general questions about the CPI, please call our information staff at (202) 691-7000.

## Metropolitan areas

BLS publishes price indexes for three major metropolitan areas monthly:

Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI  
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA  
New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island,  
NY-NJ-CT-PA

Data for an additional 11 metropolitan areas are published every other month [on an odd- (January, March, etc.) or even- (February, April, and so forth) month schedule] for the following areas:

|                                |       |
|--------------------------------|-------|
| Atlanta, GA                    | -even |
| Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-    |       |
| NH -ME-CT                      | -odd  |
| Cleveland-Akron, OH            | -odd  |
| Dallas-Fort Worth, TX          | -odd  |
| Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI    | -even |
| Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX | -even |
| Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL      | -even |
| Philadelphia-Wilmington        |       |
| -Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD    | -even |
| San Francisco-Oakland          |       |
| -San Jose, CA                  | -even |
| Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton,      |       |
| WA                             | -even |
| Washington-Baltimore,          |       |
| DC-MD-VA-WV                    | -odd  |

(Note: The designation even or odd refers to the month during which the area's price change is measured. Due to the time needed for processing, data are released 2 to 3 weeks into the following month.)

Data are published for another group of 13 metropolitan areas on a semiannual basis. These indexes, which refer to the arithmetic average for the 6-month periods from January through June and July through December, are published with release of the CPI for July and January, respectively, in August and February for

Anchorage, AK  
Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY-IN  
Denver-Boulder-Greeley, CO  
Honolulu, HI  
Kansas City, MO-KS  
Milwaukee-Racine, WI  
Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI  
Phoenix-Mesa, AZ  
Pittsburgh, PA  
Portland-Salem, OR-WA  
San Diego, CA  
St. Louis, MO-IL  
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL

## How to Obtain Consumer Price Index Information

CPI information is available from BLS electronically, through publication subscriptions, and via telephone and fax through automated recordings. Information specialists also are available in the national and information offices to provide help and to respond to questions.

### Electronic access to CPI data

**BLS on the Internet.** Through the Internet, BLS provides free, continuous access to published CPI data and press releases. The most recent month's CPI is made available immediately at the time of release. Additionally, a database called LABSTAT, containing current and historical data for the CPI, is accessible.

***World Wide Web.*** BLS maintains a Web site at <https://www.bls.gov> on the Internet. This BLS homepage provides access to LABSTAT, as well as links to program-specific homepages. The CPI homepage <https://www.bls.gov/cpi> provides other CPI information, as well as indexes. This includes a brief explanation of methodology, frequently asked questions and answers, contacts for further information, and explanations of how the CPI program handles special items, such as medical care and housing. In addition, CPI press releases and historical data for metropolitan areas can be accessed by linking to the regional office home pages from the main BLS Web site listed above.

### Recorded CPI data

Summary CPI data are provided on 24-hour recorded messages. Detailed CPI information may be obtained by calling (202) 691-5200. A touch-tone telephone is recommended, as this system allows the user to select specific indexes from lists of available data.

Recorded summaries of CPI data also may be obtained by calling any one of the metropolitan area CPI hotlines listed next. These hotline summaries typically include data for the U.S. city average, as well as for the specified area. The recordings are approximately 3 minutes in length, do not require a touch-tone telephone, and are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

| <i>Area</i>          | <i>Hotline number</i> |
|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Anchorage            | (907) 271-2770        |
| Atlanta              | (404) 331-3415        |
| Baltimore            | (410) 962-4898        |
| Boston               | (617) 565-2325/2327   |
| Chicago              | (312) 353-1880        |
| Cincinnati           | (513) 684-2349        |
| Cleveland            | (216) 522-3852        |
| Dallas               | (214) 767-6970        |
| Denver               | (303) 844-1726        |
| Detroit              | (313) 226-7558        |
| Honolulu             | (808) 541-2808        |
| Houston              | (214) 767-6970        |
| Indianapolis         | (317) 226-7885        |
| Kansas City          | (816) 285-7000        |
| Los Angeles          | (310) 235-6884        |
| Milwaukee            | (414) 276-2579        |
| Minneapolis-St. Paul | (612) 725-3580        |
| New York             | (212) 337-2400        |
| Philadelphia         | (215) 656-3948        |
| Pittsburgh           | (412) 644-2900        |
| Portland             | (503) 326-2081        |
| San Diego            | (619) 557-6538        |
| San Francisco        | (415) 975-4406        |
| Seattle              | (206) 553-0645        |
| St. Louis            | (314) 539-3581        |
| Washington, DC       | (202) 691-6994/5200   |

### Other sources of CPI data

***Fax-on-Demand.*** This fax service has been discontinued as of April 27, 2007.

Technical information may be obtained during normal working hours, Monday through Friday, by calling the Washington, DC national office at (202) 691-7000 or any of the information offices listed below.

| <i>Office</i>  | <i>Telephone</i> |
|----------------|------------------|
| Atlanta        | (404) 331-3415   |
| Boston         | (617) 565-2327   |
| Chicago        | (312) 353-1880   |
| Dallas         | (214) 767-6970   |
| Kansas City    | (816) 285-7000   |
| New York       | (212) 337-2400   |
| Philadelphia   | (215) 597-3282   |
| San Francisco  | (415) 625-2270   |
| Washington, DC | (202) 691-7000   |

*Historical tables.* These include all published indexes for each of the detailed CPI components. These tables may be obtained via the Internet, by calling (202) 691-7000 in the national office, or by contacting any of the information offices just listed.

*Descriptive publications.* These publications describe the CPI and ways in which to use it. They include simple factsheets discussing specific topics about the CPI, a broader, non-technical overview of the CPI in a question-and-answer format, and a technical and thorough description of the CPI and its methodology. These publications may be obtained by calling (202) 691-7000, and many are included on the CPI homepage on the Internet.

*Special publications.* Also available are various special publications, such as *Relative Importance of Components in the Consumer Price Index* and materials describing the annual revisions of seasonally adjusted CPI data. For more information, call (202) 691-7000.

*Further information* can be obtained by writing the Office of Prices and Living Conditions, Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., Room 3615, Washington, DC 20212-0001, or by calling any of the information offices listed earlier.