

**Southwest Information Office**
**Southwest Consumer Price Index Indicators**

CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. City Average, Dallas-Fort Worth, and Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, February 2013  
(1982-84=100 unless otherwise noted) ([PDF format](#) : not updated until mid-morning on release day)

Item and group	U.S. City Average				Dallas-Fort Worth				Houston-Galveston-Brazoria			
	Index	Percent change			Index	Percent change			Index	Percent change		
	Feb 2013	12-month	1-month	2-month	Feb 2013	12-month	1-month	2-month	Feb 2013	12-month	1-month	2-month
All items	232.166	2.0	0.8	1.1					205.716	0.7		1.6
Food and beverages	236.230	1.6	0.0	0.4					214.223	1.1		0.6
Food	236.301	1.6	0.0	0.4					213.775	1.5		0.7
Food at home	234.033	1.2	-0.1	0.5	214.009	0.9	0.0	0.4	215.354	0.2	0.8	0.8
Food away from home	240.930	2.3	0.1	0.2					207.735	3.1		0.5
Alcoholic beverages	233.898	1.4	0.6	1.0					211.347	-3.5		-0.8
Housing	225.382	1.9	0.3	0.6					186.129	0.2		0.8
Shelter	260.720	2.3	0.3	0.5	198.562	3.8	0.1	0.3	216.483	3.7	0.3	1.3
Rent of primary residence (1)	265.256	2.7	0.2	0.4	204.114	4.1	0.1	0.2	206.108	4.2	0.1	0.6
Owners' equivalent rent of residences (1) (2)	268.448	2.1	0.2	0.4	214.466	4.1	0.0	0.1	201.590	3.2	0.0	1.1
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence (1) (2)	268.424	2.1	0.2	0.4	214.466	4.1	0.0	0.1	201.590	3.2	0.0	1.1
Fuels and utilities	220.992	1.8	0.3	1.1					159.939	-18.4		-2.7
Household energy	189.768	0.7	0.3	1.1	200.898	3.1	-0.4	-1.0	144.568	-23.4	-0.3	-3.7
Energy services (1) (3)	189.679	0.9	0.1	1.0	196.891	3.1	-0.4	-1.1	141.603	-23.7	-0.3	-3.8
Electricity (1)	194.739	0.8	0.1	1.5	192.793	4.4	0.0	2.2	136.848	-29.8	-1.1	-5.3
Utility (piped) gas service (1)	171.888	1.3	0.2	-0.7	164.859	-6.9	-3.4	-21.4	153.491	24.5	3.4	3.4
Household furnishings & operations	125.601	-0.5	0.2	0.3					122.502	-0.4		0.8
Apparel	126.303	2.4	1.3	0.5					165.271	-4.9		2.9
Transportation	219.491	2.4	3.4	3.6					191.235	0.9		4.4
Private transportation	214.823	2.3	3.6	3.8					191.025	1.3		5.3
Motor fuel	316.580	3.3	9.9	10.2	327.114	1.7	10.5	16.1	306.407	1.2	9.5	11.6
Gasoline (all types)	315.243	3.3	10.1	10.4	325.005	1.6	10.6	16.4	305.984	1.1	9.8	12.0
Medical care	423.221	3.1	0.6	1.1					422.634	5.2		1.4
Recreation (4)	115.350	0.9	0.5	0.8					104.046	-2.8		0.9
Education and communication (4)	135.517	1.7	0.2	0.6					119.781	3.2		1.0
Other goods and services	398.291	1.8	0.2	0.4					350.829	1.8		1.9
<b>SPECIAL INDEXES (CPI-U)</b>												
Energy	248.146	2.3	5.8	6.3	264.478	2.2	6.1	9.0	220.842	-8.9	5.9	5.8
All items less shelter	223.629	1.8	1.1	1.4					201.578	-0.6		1.7
All items less food and energy	232.432	2.0	0.4	0.6					205.229	1.9		1.3
All items (1967 = 100)	695.467								659.805			
<b>CPI FOR URBAN WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)</b>												
All items	228.677	1.9	1.0	1.2					204.336	0.4		1.7
All items (1967 = 100)	681.158								652.151			

**Footnotes**

(1) This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

(2) Index on a December 1982=100 base.

(3) This index series was formerly titled Gas (piped) and electricity.

(4) Index on a December 1997=100 base.

Note: The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures changes in prices of all goods and services purchased for consumption by urban households. The indexes for food at home, energy, and shelter are compiled monthly for Dallas-Fort Worth and Houston. Full surveys, which produce the All Items Indexes and major components, are compiled every two months. These full surveys are published for the odd-numbered months for Dallas-Fort Worth and for the even-numbered months for Houston.

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