

Southwest Consumer Price Index Indicators

CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. City Average, Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, and Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, December 2018
(1982-84=100 unless otherwise noted)

Item and group	U.S. City Average				Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington				Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land			
	Index	Percent change			Index	Percent change			Index	Percent change		
	Dec. 2018	12-month	1-month	2-month	Dec. 2018	12-month	1-month	2-month	Dec. 2018	12-month	1-month	2-month
All items	251.233	1.9	-0.3	-0.7					226.557	2.3		-0.7
Food and beverages	255.023	1.6	0.3	0.3					231.520	1.1		0.6
Food	255.210	1.6	0.3	0.3					232.089	1.2		0.9
Food at home	239.989	0.6	0.3	0.0	207.815	-2.7	-0.9	-0.2	224.813	-0.1	0.2	1.0
Cereals and bakery products	274.321	1.7	0.4	0.8					262.705	0.9		0.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	247.327	-0.4	-0.3	-0.3					245.345	-1.2		-0.4
Dairy and related products	216.652	-0.1	0.4	-0.1					181.743	-4.3		2.7
Fruits and vegetables	301.134	1.6	1.6	0.9					282.114	1.3		1.9
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials ⁽¹⁾	168.339	1.4	0.3	-0.7					280.779	4.7		3.0
Other food at home	209.739	0.2	-0.3	-0.2					195.534	-2.0		0.6
Food away from home	279.419	2.8	0.4	0.7					235.608	2.4		0.7
Alcoholic beverages	251.131	1.8	-0.1	0.1					212.316	-0.8		-3.1
Housing	261.360	3.0	0.3	0.4					225.579	4.2		1.2
Shelter	311.652	3.2	0.2	0.4	252.281	3.1	0.0	0.4	262.350	2.2	-0.4	-0.4
Rent of primary residence	324.815	3.5	0.3	0.7	269.940	3.8	0.1	0.5	259.017	1.7	-1.0	-1.0
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residences ⁽²⁾	320.038	3.2	0.2	0.6	271.606	3.2	0.3	0.9	244.979	3.2	-0.2	0.0
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ⁽²⁾	320.050	3.2	0.2	0.6	271.606	3.2	0.3	0.9	244.979	3.2	-0.2	0.0
Fuels and utilities	242.343	2.1	1.1	0.7					206.773	14.6		10.9
Household energy	200.390	1.4	1.4	0.5	209.689	3.2	0.3	-0.3	187.457	15.2	12.2	13.9
Energy Services	203.800	1.4	1.8	1.0	206.275	3.2	0.3	-0.2	184.731	15.3	12.4	14.2
Electricity	210.637	1.1	0.6	-0.6	196.576	7.4	0.0	-0.5	189.588	17.8	14.0	14.3
Utility (piped) gas service operations	179.999	2.3	6.0	6.7	199.624	-16.1	2.2	1.9	138.408	-2.9	0.0	13.1
operations	122.265	2.1	0.4	0.2					136.260	5.5		0.5
Apparel	120.526	-0.1	-3.5	-6.6					176.473	-2.4		-4.5
Transportation	204.541	0.7	-2.6	-4.2					179.144	0.2		-4.9
Private transportation	200.605	0.9	-2.5	-4.2					179.337	0.5		-4.9
New and used motor vehicles ⁽³⁾	99.147	0.8	0.2	0.7					88.070	1.4		0.8
New vehicles ⁽¹⁾	146.126	-0.3	0.2	0.4					164.192	2.9		0.1
Used cars and trucks ⁽¹⁾	138.069	1.4	0.0	1.2					225.532	1.4		1.6
Motor fuel	213.838	-1.9	-9.7	-16.2	189.578	-9.9	-12.9	-24.2	187.569	-5.4	-13.8	-20.7
Gasoline (all types)	212.152	-2.1	-9.9	-16.4	187.586	-10.2	-13.0	-24.5	186.580	-5.8	-14.1	-21.1
Motor vehicle insurance ⁽¹⁾	572.824	4.6	-0.1	0.0					726.267	0.4		0.0
Medical care	487.409	2.0	0.1	0.4					500.584	3.3		0.5
Recreation ⁽³⁾	119.705	1.2	0.5	0.7					105.516	2.6		-1.2
Education and communication ⁽³⁾	136.976	0.2	0.0	-0.6					119.412	0.1		-1.3
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare ⁽¹⁾	754.380	2.7	0.0	0.1					1223.237	2.2		-0.6
Other goods and services	445.059	2.1	-0.1	0.2					418.303	1.1		0.1
SPECIAL INDEXES (CPI-U)												
Energy	205.905	-0.3	-4.6	-8.8	199.773	-4.0	-7.0	-14.3	187.694	5.0	-1.1	-4.6
All items less shelter	230.492	1.3	-0.6	-1.2					213.124	2.3		-0.8
All items less food and energy	259.083	2.2	0.0	0.0					233.409	2.1		-0.5
All items (1967 = 100)	752.584								726.650			
CPI FOR URBAN WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)												
All items	244.786	1.8	-0.5	-0.9					221.965	2.0		-1.0
All items (1967 = 100)	729.142								708.414			

(1) Dallas indexes on a February 1978=100 base. Houston indexes on an April 1978=100 base.

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

(3) Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

Note: The 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 the Dallas and Houston areas. 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 and for the even-numbered months for Houston.