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# Preface

This bulletin presents data on the relative importance (value weights) of components in the Consumer Price Indexes. The data can be used in conjunction with the *CPI Detailed Report* issued monthly by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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# Relative Importance of Components in the Consumer Price Indexes, 1984

This report contains data on the relative importance of components in the Consumer Price Index for Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) as of the end of 1984. (For a description of these indexes, see the explanation following the tables.)

Table 1 contains data for the U.S. city average. Tables 2-6 contain data for areas—28 metropolitan areas, 4 regions, 5 population size classes, and 16 cross-classifications of area and population size class. Table 7 presents the relative importance of the individual area all-items indexes in the U.S. city average all-items indexes.

The relative importance of a component is its expenditure or value weight expressed as a percentage of all items within an area. When the value weights are collected—most recently during the 1972-73 Consumer Expenditure Survey—they represent average annual expenditures, and their relative importance ratios show approximately how the index population distributes expenditures among the components. Later, the relative importance ratios show how consumers would distribute their expenditures if they continued to buy the same quantities and qualities of goods and services as in the survey period. Consequently, in the period between major revisions, the value weights and their corresponding relative importance ratios are adjusted solely by the

different rates of price change among the various items. The relative importance increases for those items registering a greater than average price increase and decreases for those items registering a smaller than average price increase.

Since consumption patterns are influenced by factors other than price change, such as income, variations in climate, family size, and availability of new and different kinds of goods and services, relative importance ratios cannot be used as estimates of current spending patterns or as indicators of changing consumer expenditures in the intervals between weight revisions.

Relative importance ratios of components in the national or local area Consumer Price Indexes may be used in the construction of indexes for special combinations of items. In such instances, relative importance ratios are used as weights to combine relative changes in prices of the selected components over specified periods.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> For a description of the procedure for deriving index weights from consumer expenditure data, see ch. 6, "Consumer Expenditures and Income," in *BLS Handbook of Methods*, vol. I, Bulletin 2134-1 (1982), pp. 38-42; and *BLS Handbook of Methods*, vol. II, *The Consumer Price Index*, Bulletin 2134-2 (1984). For a description of the procedure for calculating special-purpose indexes, as well as the precautions that must be taken, see "Relative Importance of CPI Components," *Monthly Labor Review*, Nov. 1961, pp. 1233-36 (Reprint No. 2377), and "Relative Importance of Items in the CPI," *Monthly Labor Review*, Aug. 1954, pp. 891-96 (Reprint No. 2146).

**Table 1. Relative importance of components in the Consumer Price Indexes: U.S. city average, December 1984**

(Percent of all items)

Group and item	All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)	Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)	Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)
	December 1984	December 1984	December 1984 Old Series
	Expenditure category		
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000
Food and beverages .....	19.798	21.274	18.898
Food .....	18.711	20.097	17.853
Food at home .....	12.583	13.631	12.109
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.710	1.856	1.649
Cereal and cereal products .....	.430	.463	.411
Flour and prepared flour mixes .....	.102	.114	.101
Cereal .....	.209	.217	.193
Rice, pasta, and cornmeal .....	.119	.132	.117
Bakery products .....	1.280	1.393	1.238
White bread .....	.355	.395	.351
Other bread .....	.122	.128	.114
Fresh biscuits, rolls, and muffins .....	.129	.139	.123
Fresh cakes and cupcakes .....	.156	.174	.155
Cookies .....	.171	.187	.166
Crackers and bread and cracker products .....	.090	.091	.080
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecake, and donuts .....	.138	.156	.139
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products and fresh pies, tarts, and turnovers .....	.119	.122	.108
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	3.971	4.364	3.877
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	3.781	4.158	3.694
Meats .....	2.966	3.313	2.943
Beef and veal .....	1.605	1.751	1.556
Ground beef other than canned .....	.409	.455	.404
Chuck roast .....	.195	.218	.194
Round roast .....	.158	.175	.156
Round steak .....	.098	.118	.105
Sirloin steak .....	.111	.116	.103
Other beef and veal .....	.633	.669	.594
Pork .....	.861	.980	.871
Bacon .....	.162	.176	.156
Chops .....	.182	.207	.183
Ham other than canned .....	.146	.164	.145
Sausage .....	.125	.154	.137
Canned ham .....	.076	.088	.078
Other pork .....	.170	.193	.171
Other meats .....	.500	.581	.518
Frankfurters .....	.121	.141	.125
Bologna, liverwurst, and salami .....	.110	.135	.120
Other lunchmeats .....	.171	.209	.186
Lamb and organ meats .....	.098	.094	.084
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.002	.002	.002
Poultry .....	.399	.416	.369
Fresh whole chicken .....	.156	.168	.149
Fresh and frozen chicken parts .....	.133	.136	.121
Other poultry .....	.110	.112	.100
Fish and seafood .....	.416	.429	.381
Canned fish and seafood .....	.138	.146	.130
Fresh and frozen fish and seafood .....	.278	.283	.252
Eggs .....	.190	.206	.163
Dairy products .....	1.641	1.777	1.578
Fresh milk and cream .....	.926	1.031	.915
Fresh whole milk .....	.673	.780	.693
Other fresh milk and cream .....	.253	.250	.222
Processed dairy products .....	.715	.746	.663
Butter .....	.088	.094	.084
Cheese .....	.351	.359	.319
Ice cream and related products .....	.180	.192	.171
Other dairy products .....	.098	.101	.089

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(Percent of all items)

Group and item	All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)	Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)	Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)
	December 1984	December 1984	December 1984 Old Series
	Expenditure category		
Fruits and vegetables .....	1.922	1.945	1.728
Fresh fruits and vegetables .....	1.015	1.024	.910
Fresh fruits .....	.520	.508	.451
Apples .....	.099	.109	.097
Bananas .....	.048	.049	.044
Oranges .....	.132	.119	.106
Other fresh fruits .....	.241	.230	.205
Fresh vegetables .....	.494	.516	.459
Potatoes .....	.124	.129	.115
Lettuce .....	.084	.088	.078
Tomatoes .....	.055	.059	.052
Other fresh vegetables .....	.232	.240	.213
Processed fruits and vegetables .....	.907	.921	.818
Processed fruits .....	.469	.450	.400
Frozen fruit and fruit juices .....	.137	.128	.113
Fruit juices other than frozen .....	.176	.174	.154
Canned and dried fruits .....	.155	.149	.132
Processed vegetables .....	.439	.471	.418
Frozen vegetables .....	.120	.123	.109
Cut corn and canned beans except lima .....	.110	.124	.110
Other canned and dried vegetables .....	.208	.223	.198
Other foods at home .....	3.339	3.689	3.277
Sugar and sweets .....	.483	.511	.454
Candy and chewing gum .....	.233	.250	.222
Sugar and artificial sweeteners .....	.134	.147	.130
Other sweets .....	.116	.114	.102
Fats and oils .....	.366	.391	.347
Margarine .....	.102	.102	.090
Nondairy substitutes and peanut butter .....	.078	.082	.073
Other fats, oils, and salad dressings .....	.187	.207	.184
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	1.364	1.542	1.370
Cola drinks, excluding diet cola .....	.541	.665	.590
Carbonated drinks, including diet cola .....	.287	.305	.271
Roasted coffee .....	.132	.143	.127
Freeze dried and instant coffee .....	.141	.135	.120
Other noncarbonated drinks .....	.263	.294	.261
Other prepared foods .....	1.126	1.246	1.107
Canned and packaged soup .....	.107	.112	.100
Frozen prepared foods .....	.178	.190	.169
Snacks .....	.214	.244	.217
Seasonings, olives, pickles, and relish .....	.119	.123	.110
Other condiments .....	.180	.199	.176
Miscellaneous prepared foods .....	.169	.193	.171
Other canned and packaged prepared foods .....	.159	.185	.165
Food away from home .....	6.128	6.466	5.744
Lunch .....	1.956	2.210	1.963
Dinner .....	2,211	2,159	1,918
Other meals and snacks .....	1,180	1,471	1,306
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.781	.626	.556
Alcoholic beverages .....	1.087	1.177	1.045
Alcoholic beverages at home .....	.820	.892	.793
Beer and ale .....	.418	.524	.465
Whiskey .....	.177	.174	.154
Wine .....	.126	.104	.092
Other alcoholic beverages .....	.100	.091	.080
Alcoholic beverages away from home .....	.214	.244	.216
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.053	.041	.036

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(Percent of all items)

Group and item	All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)	Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)	Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)
	December 1984	December 1984	December 1984 Old Series
	Expenditure category		
Housing .....	37.702	34.948	42.213
Shelter .....	21.789	19.945	28.472
Renters' costs .....	7.141	6.411	NA
Rent, residential .....	6.198	5.773	5.128
Other renters' costs .....	.943	.638	.567
Lodging while out of town .....	.604	.419	.373
Lodging while at school .....	.256	.157	.139
Tenants' insurance .....	.083	.062	.055
Homeownership .....	NA	NA	22.777
Home purchase .....	NA	NA	8.447
Financing, taxes, and insurance .....	NA	NA	11.123
Property insurance .....	NA	NA	.494
Property taxes .....	NA	NA	1.489
Contracted mortgage interest cost .....	NA	NA	9.141
Homeowners' costs .....	14.122	12.978	NA
Owners' equivalent rent .....	13.728	12.642	NA
Household insurance .....	.395	.337	NA
Maintenance and repairs .....	.525	.558	3.207
Maintenance and repair services .....	.294	.260	2.382
Maintenance and repair commodities .....	.232	.296	.824
Paint and wallpaper, supplies, tools, and equipment .....	.126	.122	.140
Lumber, awnings, glass, and masonry .....	.009	.010	.077
Plumbing, electrical, heating, and cooling supplies .....	.009	.010	.052
Miscellaneous supplies and equipment .....	.059	.124	.069
Capital improvement commodities <sup>1</sup> .....	NA	NA	.465
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.028	.030	.021
Fuel and other utilities .....	8.229	8.001	7.108
Fuels .....	5.958	5.848	5.195
Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas .....	1.308	1.289	1.145
Fuel oil .....	1.106	1.093	.971
Other fuels .....	.192	.189	.168
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.009	.007	.006
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	4.651	4.559	4.050
Electricity .....	2.613	2.541	2.257
Utility (piped) gas .....	2.038	2.019	1.793
Other utilities and public services .....	2.271	2.153	1.913
Telephone services .....	1.559	1.483	1.318
Local charges .....	.936	.892	.793
Interstate toll calls .....	.327	.312	.277
Intrastate toll calls .....	.297	.279	.248
Water and sewerage maintenance .....	.521	.496	.441
Cable television .....	.059	.055	.049
Refuse collection .....	.122	.112	.100
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.009	.007	.006

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(Percent of all items)

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	December 1984	December 1984	December 1984 Old Series
	Expenditure category		
Household furnishings and operation .....	7.685	7.002	6.633
Housefurnishings .....	3.875	3.708	3.707
Textile housefurnishings .....	.575	.558	.496
Household linens .....	.280	.284	.252
Curtains, drapes, slipcovers, and sewing materials .....	.293	.273	.242
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.002	.002	.001
Furniture and bedding .....	1.262	1.236	1.098
Bedroom furniture .....	.418	.423	.376
Sofas .....	.223	.225	.200
Living room chairs and tables .....	.246	.250	.222
Other furniture .....	.375	.338	.300
Appliances including TV and sound equipment .....	1.072	1.005	1.306
Television and sound equipment .....	.571	.606	.538
Television .....	.247	.253	.225
Sound equipment .....	.325	.352	.313
Household appliances .....	.501	.399	.768
Refrigerator and home freezer .....	.105	.092	.216
Laundry equipment .....	.072	.059	.205
Other household appliances .....	.325	.248	.347
Stoves, dishwashers, vacuums, and sewing machines .....	.151	.120	.186
Office machines, small electric appliances, and air conditioners .....	.188	.127	.160
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.005	.000	.001
Other household equipment .....	.966	.908	.807
Floor and window coverings, infants', laundry, cleaning, and outdoor equipment .....	.204	.155	.137
Clocks, lamps, and decor items .....	.160	.123	.109
Tableware, serving pieces, and nonelectric kitchenware .....	.301	.300	.267
Lawn equipment, power tools, and other hardware .....	.196	.226	.201
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.105	.105	.093
Housekeeping supplies .....	1.643	1.666	1.480
Soaps and detergents .....	.352	.393	.349
Other laundry and cleaning products .....	.270	.292	.260
Cleansing and toilet tissue, paper towels and napkins .....	.264	.272	.242
Stationery, stationery supplies, and gift wrap .....	.229	.217	.193
Miscellaneous household products .....	.297	.312	.277
Lawn and garden supplies .....	.230	.180	.160
Housekeeping services .....	2.166	1.628	1.446
Postage .....	.132	.169	.150
Moving, storage, freight, household laundry, and dry cleaning services .....	.518	.445	.396
Appliance and furniture repair .....	.370	.321	.285
Babysitting and other child care in the home .....	.372	.443	.394
Domestic service .....	.406	.109	.096
Gardening and other home services .....	.244	.100	.089
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.063	.042	.037

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(Percent of all items)

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	December 1984	December 1984	December 1984 Old Series
	Expenditure category		
Apparel and upkeep .....	5.060	5.002	4.443
Apparel commodities .....	4.261	4.250	3.776
Apparel commodities less footwear .....	3.616	3.576	3.177
Men's and boys' .....	1.389	1.375	1.221
Men's .....	1.102	1.047	.930
Suits, sport coats, and jackets .....	.291	.200	.177
Coats and jackets .....	.094	.101	.090
Furnishings and special clothing .....	.253	.246	.218
Shirts .....	.198	.196	.174
Dungarees, jeans, and trousers .....	.251	.265	.253
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.015	.020	.018
Boys' .....	.287	.328	.292
Coats, jackets, sweaters, and shirts .....	.096	.112	.100
Furnishings .....	.055	.060	.053
Suits, trousers, sport coats, and jackets .....	.123	.144	.128
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.013	.012	.011
Women's and girls' .....	1.545	1.565	1.390
Women's .....	1.279	1.272	1.130
Coats and jackets .....	.144	.155	.138
Dresses .....	.281	.219	.195
Separates and sportswear .....	.271	.279	.248
Underwear, nightwear, and hosiery .....	.383	.403	.358
Suits .....	.107	.124	.110
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.093	.091	.081
Girls' .....	.265	.293	.260
Coats, jackets, dresses, and suits .....	.089	.100	.089
Separates and sportswear .....	.102	.111	.099
Underwear, nightwear, hosiery, and accessories .....	.070	.078	.069
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.004	.004	.004
Infants' and toddlers' .....	.116	.135	.120
Other apparel commodities .....	.566	.501	.445
Sewing materials and notions .....	.148	.145	.129
Jewelry and luggage .....	.418	.357	.317
Footwear .....	.645	.674	.599
Men's .....	.216	.235	.209
Boys' and girls' .....	.173	.201	.179
Women's .....	.256	.238	.211
Apparel services .....	.799	.752	.668
Laundry and dry cleaning other than coin operated .....	.534	.482	.428
Other apparel services .....	.265	.270	.240
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.000	.000	.000

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	December 1984	December 1984	December 1984 Old Series
	Expenditure category		
Transportation .....	21.630	24.129	21.434
Private .....	20.053	22.767	20.225
New vehicles .....	3.859	4.018	3.569
New cars .....	3.441	3.431	3.048
New trucks and motorcycles .....	.418	.587	.521
Used cars .....	4.600	5.798	5.150
Motor fuel .....	5.508	6.213	5.519
Automobile maintenance and repair .....	1.695	1.842	1.636
Body work .....	.247	.248	.221
Automobile drive train, brake, and miscellaneous mechanical repair .....	.382	.446	.396
Maintenance and servicing .....	.611	.651	.579
Power plant repair .....	.455	.496	.441
Other private transportation .....	4.392	4.896	4.349
Other private transportation commodities .....	.651	.723	.642
Motor oil, coolant, and other products .....	.097	.111	.098
Automobile parts and equipment .....	.555	.612	.544
Tires .....	.385	.429	.381
Other parts and equipment .....	.170	.183	.163
Other private transportation services .....	3.741	4.173	3.707
Automobile insurance .....	2.103	2.289	2.033
Automobile finance charges .....	.891	1.136	1.009
Automobile rental, registration, and other fees .....	.747	.749	.665
State registration .....	.325	.357	.317
Drivers' license .....	.033	.036	.032
Automobile inspection .....	.019	.022	.020
Other automobile related fees .....	.293	.259	.230
Local automobile registration .....	.030	.032	.028
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.047	.042	.038
Public transportation .....	1.577	1.362	1.210
Airline fare .....	.786	.524	.466
Intercity bus fare .....	.063	.047	.041
Intracity mass transit .....	.571	.651	.578
Taxi fare .....	.103	.091	.081
Intercity train fare .....	.016	.012	.011
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.038	.037	.033
Medical care .....	6.269	5.569	4.947
Medical care commodities .....	1.046	.938	.833
Prescription drugs .....	.515	.422	.375
Anti-infective drugs .....	.095	.079	.070
Tranquilizers and sedatives .....	.096	.078	.069
Circulatories and diuretics .....	.064	.052	.046
Hormones, diabetic drugs, biologicals, and prescription medical supplies .....	.101	.083	.074
Pain and symptom control drugs .....	.078	.064	.057
Supplements, cough and cold preparations, and respiratory agents .....	.081	.066	.059
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies .....	.531	.515	.458
Eyeglasses .....	.102	.097	.086
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter drugs .....	.317	.318	.283
Nonprescription medical equipment and supplies .....	.112	.100	.089
Medical care services .....	5.223	4.632	4.114
Professional services .....	2.409	2.272	2.018
Physicians' services .....	1.209	1.187	1.055
Dental services .....	.897	.824	.732
Other professional services .....	.259	.234	.208
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.043	.026	.023
Other medical care services .....	2.814	2.360	2.096
Hospital and other medical services .....	.525	.443	.393
Hospital room .....	.243	.207	.184
Other hospital and medical care services .....	.279	.234	.208
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.003	.002	.002
Health insurance <sup>1</sup> .....	2.289	1.917	1.703

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(Percent of all items)

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	December 1984	December 1984	December 1984 Old Series
	Expenditure category		
Entertainment .....	4.222	3.923	3.485
Entertainment commodities .....	2.445	2.431	2.159
Reading materials .....	.722	.635	.564
Newspapers .....	.370	.359	.319
Magazines, periodicals, and books .....	.352	.276	.246
Sporting goods and equipment .....	.654	.638	.567
Sport vehicles .....	.408	.396	.352
Indoor and warm weather sport equipment .....	.068	.063	.056
Bicycles .....	.086	.089	.079
Other sporting goods and equipment .....	.079	.076	.068
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.014	.014	.013
Toys, hobbies, and other entertainment .....	1.069	1.157	1.028
Toys, hobbies, and music equipment .....	.519	.568	.504
Photographic supplies and equipment .....	.202	.193	.172
Pet supplies and expense .....	.319	.364	.323
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.029	.033	.029
Entertainment services .....	1.777	1.492	1.325
Fees for participant sports .....	.567	.465	.413
Admissions .....	.306	.286	.254
Other entertainment services .....	.195	.165	.146
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.709	.576	.512
Other goods and services .....	5.319	5.155	4.579
Tobacco products .....	1.485	1.771	1.574
Cigarettes .....	1.362	1.649	1.465
Other tobacco products and smoking accessories .....	.123	.122	.108
Personal care .....	1.868	1.893	1.682
Toilet goods and personal care appliances .....	.854	.930	.826
Products for the hair, hairpieces, and wigs .....	.224	.254	.225
Dental and shaving products .....	.182	.185	.164
Cosmetics, bath and nail preparations, manicure and eye makeup implements .....	.262	.284	.253
Other toilet goods and small personal care appliances .....	.186	.207	.184
Personal care services .....	1.014	.963	.855
Beauty parlor services for females .....	.689	.621	.552
Haircuts and other barber shop services for males .....	.324	.341	.303
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.001	.000	.000
Personal and educational expenses .....	1.966	1.490	1.324
School books and supplies .....	.241	.213	.189
Personal and educational services .....	1.726	1.278	1.135
Tuition and other school fees .....	1.384	.982	.872
College tuition .....	.912	.583	.518
Elementary and high school tuition .....	.239	.201	.178
Unpriced items <sup>1</sup> .....	.233	.199	.177
Personal expenses .....	.342	.296	.263

See footnotes at end of table.



**Table 1. Relative Importance of components in the Consumer Price Indexes: U.S. city average, December 1984—Continued**

(Percent of all items)

Group and item	All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)	Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)	Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)
	December 1984	December 1984	December 1984 Old Series
Commodity and service group			
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000
Commodities .....	51.805	55.517	58.739
Food and beverages .....	19.798	21.274	18.898
Commodities less food and beverages .....	32.007	34.243	39.840
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	18.807	19.731	17.528
Apparel commodities .....	4.261	4.250	3.776
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	14.546	15.481	13.752
Durables .....	13.199	14.511	22.312
Services .....	48.195	44.483	41.261
Rent, residential .....	6.198	5.773	5.128
Rent of shelter .....	20.786	18.991	NA
Household services less rent .....	NA	NA	21.482
Household services less rent of shelter .....	9.859	8.999	NA
Transportation services .....	7.012	7.377	6.553
Medical care services .....	5.223	4.632	4.114
Other services .....	5.316	4.484	3.984
Special indexes:			
All items less food .....	81.289	79.903	82.147
All items less shelter .....	78.211	80.055	71.528
All items less mortgage interest costs .....	NA	NA	90.859
All items less homeowners' costs .....	85.878	87.022	NA
All items less medical care .....	93.731	94.431	95.053
All items less home purchase and mortgage interest costs .....	NA	NA	82.412
Commodities less food .....	33.094	35.419	40.886
Nondurables less food .....	19.894	20.908	18.573
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	15.634	16.658	14.798
Nondurables .....	38.606	41.005	36.426
Services less rent .....	NA	NA	36.133
Services less rent of shelter .....	27.409	25.492	NA
Services less medical care .....	42.972	39.852	37.147
Domestically produced farm food .....	10.358	11.184	9.935
Selected beef cuts .....	1.484	1.628	1.446
Imported food and fishery products .....	2.225	2.447	2.174
Motor fuel, motor oil, coolant and other products .....	5.604	6.324	5.618
Insurance and finance .....	NA	NA	14.885
Utilities and public transportation .....	8.498	8.075	7.173
Housekeeping and home maintenance services .....	2.460	1.888	3.828
Energy .....	11.466	12.061	10.714
All items less energy .....	88.534	87.939	89.286
All items less food and energy .....	69.823	67.842	71.433
Commodities less food and energy .....	26.279	27.918	34.221
Energy commodities .....	6.815	7.502	6.664
Services less energy .....	43.544	39.924	37.211

<sup>1</sup> Not actually priced; imputed from priced items.

<sup>NA</sup> Not available

**Table 2. Relative importance of components in the Consumer Price Index: Selected metropolitan areas, November 1984**

Group	Anchorage, Alaska		Baltimore, Md.		Boston, Mass.		Cincinnati, Ohio-Ky.-Ind.		Denver-Boulder, Colo.	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Expenditure category									
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Food and beverages .....	18.324	19.363	20.034	20.680	20.692	21.108	22.157	22.779	17.755	20.89
Food .....	16.271	17.202	18.575	19.263	19.249	19.821	20.836	21.420	16.396	19.37
Food at home .....	10.467	10.721	12.536	13.082	11.910	12.977	13.762	14.429	11.166	13.19
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.352	1.414	1.530	1.735	1.722	1.988	1.969	2.115	1.452	1.56
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	3.104	3.048	4.079	4.348	4.003	4.438	4.104	4.519	3.057	3.51
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	2.933	2.857	3.886	4.139	3.828	4.244	3.932	4.357	2.878	3.32
Dairy products .....	1.372	1.413	1.388	1.419	1.534	1.686	1.729	1.818	1.492	1.83
Fruits and vegetables .....	1.850	1.868	1.952	1.990	1.857	1.892	1.892	1.754	1.815	2.12
Other foods at home .....	2.789	2.977	3.588	3.591	2.793	2.974	4.068	4.223	3.350	4.15
Food away from home .....	5.804	6.481	6.039	6.181	7.338	6.844	7.074	6.991	5.231	6.18
Alcoholic beverages .....	2.053	2.161	1.458	1.417	1.443	1.287	1.321	1.359	1.359	1.52
Housing .....	41.392	39.314	36.566	34.684	37.710	36.091	36.508	34.334	40.682	39.43
Shelter .....	26.407	25.917	19.916	18.103	22.399	20.543	19.670	18.094	25.968	24.60
Renters' costs .....	10.209	11.691	7.236	6.386	8.168	6.528	5.907	4.533	7.793	8.80
Rent, residential .....	9.312	11.177	6.671	6.044	7.103	5.823	5.174	3.900	7.004	8.34
Other renters' costs .....	.896	.513	.565	.342	1.065	.706	.733	.633	.789	.46
Homeowners' costs .....	15.946	13.931	12.059	11.138	13.906	13.563	13.539	13.384	17.869	15.42
Owners' equivalent rent .....	15.661	13.693	11.642	10.768	13.553	13.301	13.030	12.852	17.552	15.08
Fuel and other utilities .....	5.022	4.653	8.147	8.329	8.889	9.038	9.100	9.021	6.639	7.22
Fuels .....	3.526	3.177	6.413	6.489	7.336	7.452	7.080	7.032	4.767	5.22
Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas .....	.760	.468	2.562	2.823	3.861	3.904	1.177	1.108	.129	.20
Fuel oil .....	.661	.353	2.349	2.610	3.760	3.801	.981	.897	.019	.03
Other fuels .....	.088	.107	.194	.193	.093	.091	.196	.211	.110	.16
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	2.766	2.709	3.851	3.666	3.475	3.548	5.903	5.924	4.638	5.02
Electricity .....	1.576	1.543	2.480	2.481	2.228	2.223	3.358	2.954	2.639	2.84
Utility (piped) gas .....	1.191	1.166	1.371	1.185	1.248	1.325	2.545	2.970	1.999	2.17
Household furnishings and operation .....	9.963	8.744	8.504	8.252	6.423	6.510	7.739	7.219	8.075	7.60
Apparel and upkeep .....	5.056	4.844	5.897	5.485	5.023	5.222	5.236	5.043	4.769	5.57
Apparel commodities .....	4.103	3.707	4.943	4.554	4.208	4.493	4.398	4.328	4.033	4.82
Men's and boys' .....	1.234	1.225	1.828	1.651	1.325	1.230	1.364	1.286	1.458	1.58
Women's and girls' .....	1.324	1.114	1.754	1.489	1.713	2.110	1.700	1.640	1.356	1.74
Footwear .....	.823	.740	.683	.633	.623	.670	.572	.613	.576	.60
Transportation .....	21.150	23.350	22.575	25.687	19.585	20.974	19.589	22.334	20.771	19.86
Private .....	18.052	20.823	20.973	24.501	17.822	19.243	18.643	21.605	19.343	18.76
Motor fuel .....	4.826	5.902	6.007	6.624	4.743	5.156	5.847	6.467	5.313	5.39
Public .....	3.098	2.527	1.602	1.186	1.763	1.731	.946	.729	1.429	1.09
Medical care .....	4.930	4.403	4.979	4.385	5.609	5.204	6.859	6.285	6.412	4.59
Entertainment .....	4.820	4.558	4.708	3.779	4.510	3.859	4.249	3.784	4.993	5.09
Other goods and services .....	4.326	4.168	5.240	5.300	6.871	7.542	5.401	5.441	4.619	4.54
Personal care .....	1.598	1.668	1.942	1.773	1.530	1.577	1.707	1.808	1.828	1.71

**Table 2. Relative Importance of components in the Consumer Price Index: Selected metropolitan areas, November 1984**  
**—Continued**

Group	Anchorage, Alaska		Baltimore, Md.		Boston, Mass.		Cincinnati, Ohio-Ky.-Ind.		Denver- Boulder, Colo.	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Commodity and service group									
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Commodities .....	47.473	50.070	55.962	59.516	52.254	54.917	54.673	57.680	48.030	50.859
Food and beverages .....	18.324	19.363	20.034	20.680	20.692	21.108	22.157	22.779	17.755	20.895
Commodities less food and beverages .....	29.148	30.707	35.928	38.836	31.562	33.809	32.517	34.902	30.274	29.963
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	16.238	16.711	21.744	22.505	20.731	22.063	19.652	20.290	17.205	18.363
Durables .....	12.910	13.995	14.184	16.331	10.831	11.745	12.865	14.611	13.069	11.600
Services .....	52.527	49.930	44.038	40.484	47.746	45.083	45.327	42.320	51.970	49.141
Medical care services .....	4.389	3.878	4.064	3.523	4.834	4.300	5.850	5.332	5.463	3.822
Special indexes:										
All items less shelter .....	73.593	74.083	80.084	81.897	77.601	79.457	80.330	81.906	74.032	75.394
All items less medical care .....	95.070	95.597	95.021	95.615	94.391	94.796	93.141	93.715	93.588	95.402
All items less energy .....	91.648	90.921	87.580	86.886	87.921	87.393	87.073	86.500	89.920	89.381
Energy .....	8.352	9.079	12.420	13.114	12.079	12.607	12.927	13.500	10.080	10.619
Commodities less food .....	31.201	32.868	37.387	40.253	33.005	35.096	33.838	36.260	31.633	31.487
Nondurables less food .....	18.291	18.873	23.203	23.922	22.175	23.351	20.973	21.649	18.564	19.887
Nondurables .....	34.563	36.074	41.778	43.185	41.423	43.171	41.809	43.069	34.960	39.259
Services less rent of shelter .....	26.684	24.572	25.277	23.425	26.112	25.330	26.513	25.051	26.687	25.305
Services less medical care .....	48.139	46.052	39.974	36.961	42.912	40.783	39.477	36.988	46.488	45.319

**Table 2. Relative Importance of components in the Consumer Price Index: Selected metropolitan areas, November 1984**  
**—Continued**

Group	Miami, Fla.		Milwaukee, Wisc.		Northeast Pennsylvania		Portland, Oregon-Wash.	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Expenditure category							
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Food and beverages .....	19.629	22.864	19.852	21.924	23.413	24.686	19.486	21.209
Food .....	18.707	21.904	18.550	20.544	22.225	23.388	18.076	19.725
Food at home .....	12.115	14.741	12.376	13.688	16.858	17.562	11.621	13.000
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.433	1.688	1.810	1.982	2.448	2.448	1.459	1.635
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	3.973	5.514	3.771	4.413	5.231	5.210	3.699	4.031
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	3.825	5.328	3.630	4.282	5.001	5.017	3.538	3.852
Dairy products .....	1.645	1.826	1.936	2.002	2.075	2.129	1.435	1.664
Fruits and vegetables .....	2.090	2.328	1.687	1.763	2.638	3.129	1.755	1.940
Other foods at home .....	2.974	3.385	3.173	3.527	4.467	4.646	3.274	3.730
Food away from home .....	6.592	7.183	6.174	6.858	5.367	5.826	6.454	6.725
Alcoholic beverages .....	.922	.960	1.302	1.380	1.188	1.299	1.411	1.484
Housing .....	38.568	34.005	38.952	35.445	34.288	34.288	35.542	32.076
Shelter .....	23.696	20.346	22.007	19.425	18.828	17.451	20.804	18.160
Renters' costs .....	8.181	7.532	7.213	5.797	4.149	3.174	7.074	7.243
Rent, residential .....	7.256	7.007	6.391	5.147	3.648	2.766	6.288	6.728
Other renters' costs .....	.925	.525	.823	.650	.501	.409	.786	.515
Homeowners' costs .....	15.160	12.448	14.513	13.385	10.759	11.442	13.380	10.576
Owners' equivalent rent .....	14.833	12.192	14.115	12.986	10.538	11.236	12.866	10.140
Fuel and other utilities .....	6.801	6.709	9.679	9.137	10.118	9.225	7.516	7.003
Fuels .....	4.787	4.736	7.413	6.800	7.614	6.947	5.345	4.912
Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas .....	.093	.112	1.646	1.587	3.953	3.596	2.207	1.915
Fuel oil .....	.014	.004	1.597	1.493	2.509	2.136	2.040	1.719
Other fuels .....	.075	.100	.048	.089	1.444	1.460	.145	.180
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	4.694	4.624	5.768	5.213	3.661	3.350	3.138	2.997
Electricity .....	4.479	4.327	2.692	2.518	2.144	1.934	2.315	2.074
Utility (piped) gas .....	.216	.297	3.075	2.695	1.518	1.416	.823	.922
Household furnishings and operation .....	8.071	6.950	7.266	6.883	7.342	7.612	7.223	6.913
Apparel and upkeep .....	5.311	5.570	5.123	5.126	5.336	5.417	4.848	4.744
Apparel commodities .....	4.330	4.603	4.568	4.551	4.856	4.960	4.224	4.208
Men's and boys' .....	1.526	1.695	1.414	1.440	1.647	1.850	1.483	1.422
Women's and girls' .....	1.476	1.424	1.988	1.758	1.769	1.618	1.616	1.727
Footwear .....	.645	.645	.772	.871	.749	.933	.621	.565
Transportation .....	20.549	23.614	22.298	23.721	20.181	20.789	23.143	28.193
Private .....	18.697	22.360	21.121	22.698	19.503	20.215	21.761	27.136
Motor fuel .....	5.562	6.963	5.356	6.102	4.811	5.141	5.722	6.647
Public .....	1.852	1.255	1.177	1.022	.678	.573	1.382	1.057
Medical care .....	6.713	6.022	4.899	4.400	7.204	5.451	6.749	5.241
Entertainment .....	3.517	3.281	4.218	4.409	3.619	3.676	5.268	4.552
Other goods and services .....	5.713	4.644	4.659	4.975	5.959	5.691	4.963	3.984
Personal care .....	1.811	1.732	1.648	1.780	2.142	2.255	1.885	1.548

**Table 2. Relative Importance of components in the Consumer Price Index: Selected metropolitan areas, November 1984**  
**—Continued**

Group	Miami, Fla.		Milwaukee, Wisc.		Northeast Pennsylvania		Portland, Oregon-Wash.	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
Commodity and service group								
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Commodities .....	48.252	54.838	52.995	57.105	61.082	63.677	53.628	58.963
Food and beverages .....	19.629	22.864	19.852	21.924	23.413	24.686	19.486	21.209
Commodities less food and beverages .....	28.623	31.974	33.143	35.182	37.669	38.991	34.142	37.754
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	16.706	18.646	18.505	19.964	22.604	23.206	19.777	20.069
Durables .....	11.917	13.327	14.639	15.218	15.066	15.785	14.365	17.684
Services .....	51.748	45.162	47.005	42.895	38.918	36.323	46.372	41.037
Medical care services .....	5.825	5.145	4.151	3.744	5.964	4.499	5.697	4.475
Special indexes:								
All items less shelter .....	76.304	79.654	77.993	80.575	83.172	82.549	79.196	81.840
All items less medical care .....	93.287	93.978	95.101	95.600	92.796	94.549	93.251	94.759
All items less energy .....	89.651	88.301	87.230	87.098	87.575	87.912	88.932	88.441
Energy .....	10.349	11.699	12.770	12.902	12.425	12.088	11.068	11.559
Commodities less food .....	29.545	32.934	34.445	36.561	38.857	40.290	35.553	38.238
Nondurables less food .....	17.628	19.607	19.807	21.343	23.792	24.505	21.187	21.554
Nondurables .....	36.335	41.510	38.356	41.887	46.016	47.892	39.263	41.279
Services less rent of shelter .....	28.819	25.490	25.795	24.195	24.291	21.977	26.514	23.715
Services less medical care .....	45.923	40.017	42.854	39.150	32.954	31.823	40.674	36.562

**Table 2. Relative importance of components in the Consumer Price Index: Selected metropolitan areas, November 1984**  
**—Continued**

Group	St. Louis, Mo.-Ill.		San Diego, Calif.		Seattle- Everett, Wash.		Washington, D.C.- Md.-Va.	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Expenditure category							
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Food and beverages .....	21.605	22.020	18.622	20.939	17.782	18.429	17.560	18.191
Food .....	20.577	20.810	17.575	19.872	16.634	17.228	16.320	17.080
Food at home .....	14.180	14.049	10.738	12.065	10.878	11.453	10.995	11.725
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.917	2.044	1.390	1.610	1.442	1.581	1.372	1.363
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	4.329	4.367	2.909	3.081	3.002	3.020	3.412	3.774
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	4.144	4.188	2.712	2.845	2.837	2.850	3.257	3.583
Dairy products .....	1.846	1.858	1.479	1.738	1.521	1.627	1.328	1.289
Fruits and vegetables .....	2.146	1.770	1.820	1.864	1.590	1.579	1.814	1.830
Other foods at home .....	3.942	4.010	3.140	3.771	3.323	3.646	3.069	3.468
Food away from home .....	6.397	6.762	6.837	7.807	5.755	5.775	5.325	5.354
Alcoholic beverages .....	1.028	1.210	1.047	1.066	1.149	1.201	1.240	1.112
Housing .....	34.108	32.371	41.306	37.790	38.964	37.137	42.132	36.697
Shelter .....	18.477	17.508	27.663	24.700	23.443	21.360	26.276	22.205
Renters' costs .....	5.099	4.748	8.444	7.394	7.754	7.165	10.555	11.111
Rent, residential .....	4.180	4.127	7.764	6.887	6.661	6.492	9.288	10.358
Other renters' costs .....	.919	.621	.680	.507	1.093	.674	1.267	.752
Homeowners' costs .....	12.995	12.403	18.897	17.059	15.168	13.600	15.282	10.654
Owners' equivalent rent .....	12.636	12.077	18.457	16.624	14.739	13.191	15.037	10.459
Fuel and other utilities .....	8.212	7.879	5.830	6.110	7.140	7.029	7.209	7.100
Fuels .....	6.307	6.077	3.813	4.012	5.098	4.991	5.177	5.145
Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas .....	.914	.936	.076	.053	1.919	1.576	1.339	1.146
Fuel oil .....	.532	.541	.009	.011	1.782	1.468	.865	.676
Other fuels .....	.379	.393	.067	.039	.124	.097	.471	.468
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	5.393	5.141	3.736	3.960	3.179	3.415	3.838	4.000
Electricity .....	2.481	2.313	2.301	2.433	2.567	2.675	1.811	1.845
Utility (piped) gas .....	2.912	2.828	1.435	1.527	.612	.740	2.026	2.155
Household furnishings and operation .....	7.419	6.985	7.813	6.980	8.380	8.748	8.646	7.393
Apparel and upkeep .....	5.401	5.429	4.846	4.769	4.076	4.230	5.616	6.089
Apparel commodities .....	4.767	4.866	4.123	4.032	3.435	3.601	4.680	5.177
Men's and boys' .....	1.474	1.508	1.181	1.121	1.040	1.069	1.523	1.440
Women's and girls' .....	1.693	1.899	1.455	1.363	1.139	1.209	1.655	2.372
Footwear .....	.594	.733	.679	.669	.572	.739	.712	.646
Transportation .....	23.510	26.344	21.290	23.629	22.966	24.727	20.185	24.820
Private .....	22.737	25.489	19.967	22.643	21.348	23.371	18.208	22.947
Motor fuel .....	5.806	7.035	5.351	5.482	5.988	6.569	5.517	5.841
Public .....	.773	.855	1.323	.986	1.618	1.356	1.977	1.874
Medical care .....	6.297	5.628	6.124	5.645	5.978	5.504	5.519	5.608
Entertainment .....	3.304	3.088	4.059	3.546	5.176	5.360	3.950	3.775
Other goods and services .....	5.775	5.119	3.754	3.682	5.059	4.614	5.038	4.819
Personal care .....	1.907	1.937	1.657	1.775	1.995	1.893	1.577	2.052

**Table 2. Relative importance of components in the Consumer Price Index: Selected metropolitan areas, November 1984**  
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Group	St. Louis, Mo.-Ill.		San Diego, Calif.		Seattle- Everett, Wash.		Washington, D.C.- Md.-Va.	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Commodity and service group							
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Commodities .....	55.766	58.532	48.544	51.625	51.492	55.305	48.200	53.215
Food and beverages .....	21.605	22.020	18.622	20.939	17.782	18.429	17.560	18.191
Commodities less food and beverages .....	34.161	36.511	29.922	30.687	33.710	36.876	30.640	35.024
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	18.988	20.319	16.356	16.559	19.105	19.545	18.732	19.665
Durables .....	15.173	16.192	13.566	14.127	14.604	17.331	11.908	15.359
Services .....	44.234	41.468	51.456	48.375	48.508	44.695	51.800	46.785
Medical care services .....	5.327	4.804	5.172	4.893	5.081	4.676	4.771	4.978
Special indexes:								
All items less shelter .....	81.523	82.492	72.337	75.300	76.557	78.640	73.724	77.795
All items less medical care .....	93.703	94.372	93.876	94.355	94.024	94.496	94.481	94.392
All items less energy .....	87.887	86.888	90.836	90.506	88.914	88.440	89.306	89.013
Energy .....	12.113	13.112	9.164	9.494	11.086	11.560	10.694	10.987
Commodities less food .....	35.189	37.721	30.969	31.753	34.859	38.077	31.880	36.136
Nondurables less food .....	20.016	21.529	17.403	17.626	20.254	20.746	19.972	20.777
Nondurables .....	40.593	42.340	34.978	37.498	36.888	37.974	36.292	37.857
Services less rent of shelter .....	26.568	24.697	24.607	24.412	26.115	24.389	26.279	25.264
Services less medical care .....	38.907	36.664	46.284	43.482	43.427	40.019	47.028	41.807



**Table 3. Relative importance of components in the Consumer Price Index: Selected metropolitan areas, December 1984**

Group	Atlanta, Ga.		Buffalo, N.Y.		Chicago, Ill.-Northwestern Ind.		Cleveland, Ohio		Dallas-Fort Worth, Tex.	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Expenditure category									
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Food and beverages .....	19.448	21.573	20.833	23.190	19.625	20.835	20.414	22.680	18.418	20.512
Food .....	18.145	19.994	19.426	21.205	18.537	19.559	19.441	21.463	17.420	19.492
Food at home .....	11.167	12.654	13.937	15.812	12.144	12.955	13.412	14.607	10.987	12.677
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.344	1.583	1.954	2.208	1.677	1.804	1.745	1.825	1.520	1.604
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	3.235	3.712	4.477	5.334	4.008	4.158	4.619	5.245	2.977	3.579
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	3.031	3.466	4.294	5.126	3.854	3.994	4.445	5.085	2.750	3.309
Dairy products .....	1.426	1.614	1.936	2.161	1.538	1.651	1.613	1.775	1.522	1.802
Fruits and vegetables .....	1.776	1.827	2.052	2.237	1.684	1.646	1.839	1.828	1.561	1.714
Other foods at home .....	3.387	3.918	3.519	3.872	3.236	3.695	3.595	3.934	3.407	3.977
Food away from home .....	6.978	7.340	5.490	5.393	6.394	6.605	6.029	6.857	6.433	6.814
Alcoholic beverages .....	1.303	1.579	1.407	1.985	1.088	1.275	.973	1.216	.998	1.020
Housing .....	37.335	35.337	38.387	35.390	37.232	34.278	37.177	33.612	38.163	34.816
Shelter .....	22.373	20.158	20.836	18.657	22.148	19.784	20.184	17.745	23.123	20.375
Renters' costs .....	8.779	8.111	4.525	3.639	8.212	7.424	5.980	5.063	7.940	7.844
Rent, residential .....	8.010	7.603	3.648	3.014	7.087	6.673	4.568	4.416	7.040	7.194
Other renters' costs .....	.769	.508	.876	.625	1.125	.751	1.412	.647	.900	.649
Homeowners' costs .....	13.274	11.799	16.029	14.791	13.692	12.131	13.699	12.063	15.001	12.349
Owners' equivalent rent .....	12.927	11.442	15.537	14.392	13.328	11.805	13.289	11.729	14.297	11.764
Fuel and other utilities .....	6.732	7.007	10.910	10.230	7.474	7.439	8.537	8.804	7.875	7.914
Fuels .....	4.368	4.653	8.169	7.569	5.644	5.681	6.334	6.496	5.702	5.689
Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas .....	.181	.127	1.484	1.472	.778	.897	.474	.463	.217	.323
Fuel oil .....	.078	.057	1.431	1.381	.639	.803	.347	.339	.023	.036
Other fuels .....	.096	.066	.053	.090	.089	.086	.118	.123	.193	.286
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	4.187	4.525	6.684	6.096	4.865	4.784	5.860	6.034	5.485	5.366
Electricity .....	2.208	2.427	2.881	2.752	2.490	2.472	2.189	2.316	3.541	3.536
Utility (piped) gas .....	1.979	2.098	3.803	3.345	2.376	2.311	3.671	3.718	1.944	1.830
Household furnishings and operation .....	8.231	8.171	6.641	6.503	7.610	7.055	8.456	7.063	7.165	6.528
Apparel and upkeep .....	5.726	5.804	5.222	4.945	4.780	4.681	5.152	5.121	5.029	4.981
Apparel commodities .....	4.737	4.846	4.628	4.422	3.843	3.737	4.423	4.463	3.944	3.912
Men's and boys' .....	1.587	1.606	1.767	1.787	1.213	1.261	1.529	1.567	1.360	1.364
Women's and girls' .....	2.161	1.926	1.765	1.442	1.433	1.419	1.580	1.506	1.347	1.272
Footwear .....	.471	.596	.720	.736	.659	.560	.635	.669	.632	.687
Transportation .....	22.739	23.487	21.150	23.171	22.389	25.253	21.634	23.107	21.794	24.052
Private .....	20.676	20.992	19.783	22.119	19.924	22.972	20.253	21.767	20.877	23.362
Motor fuel .....	6.720	7.517	5.967	6.989	5.633	6.777	5.475	6.415	7.044	7.923
Public .....	2.063	2.495	1.367	1.051	2.464	2.281	1.381	1.340	.917	.690
Medical care .....	6.229	5.708	5.450	4.790	6.029	5.511	5.676	5.975	6.731	6.995
Entertainment .....	3.363	3.222	4.313	3.710	4.480	4.550	4.414	4.001	4.118	3.750
Other goods and services .....	5.160	4.870	4.645	4.803	5.465	4.893	5.534	5.504	5.747	4.894
Personal care .....	2.107	2.070	1.494	1.663	1.825	1.630	1.835	1.935	2.230	1.998

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**Table 3. Relative importance of components in the Consumer Price Index: Selected metropolitan areas, December 1984**  
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Group	Atlanta, Ga.		Buffalo, N.Y.		Chicago, Ill.- Northwestern Ind.		Cleveland, Ohio		Dallas- Fort Worth, Tex.	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
Commodity and service group										
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Commodities .....	52.079	54.896	53.882	58.310	49.931	53.051	52.760	56.120	49.414	53.368
Food and beverages .....	19.448	21.573	20.833	23.190	19.625	20.835	20.414	22.680	18.418	20.512
Commodities less food and beverages .....	32.630	33.323	33.049	35.119	30.305	32.216	32.346	33.440	30.997	32.856
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	19.328	21.059	20.087	21.086	18.366	19.481	17.957	19.376	18.582	19.912
Durables .....	13.302	12.264	12.962	14.034	11.940	12.735	14.389	14.065	12.415	12.944
Services .....	47.921	45.104	46.118	41.690	50.069	46.949	47.240	43.880	50.586	46.632
Medical care services .....	4.923	4.579	4.331	3.874	4.972	4.493	4.832	5.175	5.541	5.712
Special indexes:										
All items less shelter .....	77.627	79.842	79.164	81.343	77.852	80.216	79.816	82.255	76.877	79.625
All items less medical care .....	93.771	94.292	94.550	95.210	93.971	94.489	94.324	94.025	93.269	93.005
All items less energy .....	88.912	87.830	85.865	85.442	88.723	87.542	88.191	87.088	87.253	86.388
Energy .....	11.088	12.170	14.135	14.558	11.277	12.458	11.809	12.912	12.747	13.612
Commodities less food .....	33.934	34.902	34.456	37.105	31.393	33.491	33.319	34.657	31.994	33.876
Nondurables less food .....	20.631	22.638	21.494	23.071	19.454	20.756	18.930	20.592	19.580	20.932
Nondurables .....	38.776	42.632	40.920	44.276	37.991	40.316	38.371	42.055	37.000	40.424
Services less rent of shelter .....	26.307	25.631	26.158	23.730	28.630	27.809	28.053	27.162	28.542	27.132
Services less medical care .....	42.998	40.525	41.787	37.818	45.097	42.456	42.408	38.705	45.045	40.920

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**Table 3. Relative importance of components in the Consumer Price Index: Selected metropolitan areas, December 1984**  
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Group	Detroit, Mich.		Honolulu, Hawaii		Houston, Tex.		Kansas City, Mo.-Kan.		Los Angeles- Long Beach, Anaheim, Calif.	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Expenditure category									
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Food and beverages .....	18.913	19.163	21.968	24.792	21.020	21.129	18.158	20.142	19.010	20.562
Food .....	17.782	17.878	20.804	23.523	19.937	19.965	17.026	18.842	17.685	19.165
Food at home .....	12.413	12.369	14.166	16.780	13.628	13.773	11.158	12.434	11.224	12.077
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.824	1.747	1.623	2.025	1.654	1.676	1.479	1.539	1.504	1.569
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	4.142	4.314	5.016	6.334	4.305	4.451	3.246	3.762	3.526	3.739
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	3.962	4.130	4.765	6.059	4.080	4.223	3.084	3.578	3.314	3.511
Dairy products .....	1.628	1.630	1.397	1.535	1.811	1.737	1.454	1.589	1.496	1.692
Fruits and vegetables .....	1.511	1.561	2.587	2.648	2.093	1.956	1.781	1.730	1.648	1.784
Other foods at home .....	3.307	3.118	3.542	4.236	3.765	3.954	3.198	3.813	3.050	3.293
Food away from home .....	5.349	5.509	6.638	6.743	6.309	6.192	5.868	6.408	6.461	7.088
Alcoholic beverages .....	1.151	1.284	1.164	1.269	1.083	1.164	1.132	1.301	1.325	1.397
Housing .....	36.060	34.202	40.607	36.711	33.515	31.782	36.550	34.219	39.577	36.393
Shelter .....	18.995	18.624	27.640	24.091	18.895	17.448	19.226	17.847	27.186	24.762
Renters' costs .....	4.503	3.711	8.941	8.035	8.018	8.105	5.564	4.921	10.362	9.018
Rent, residential .....	3.686	3.245	7.992	7.188	7.441	7.573	4.826	4.472	9.647	6.511
Other renters' costs .....	.818	.466	.949	.848	.575	.532	.738	.449	.714	.507
Homeowners' costs .....	13.727	13.800	17.895	15.393	10.861	9.211	13.177	12.479	16.492	15.388
Owners' equivalent rent .....	13.422	13.524	17.642	15.187	9.670	8.413	12.844	12.173	16.124	15.057
Fuel and other utilities .....	9.227	8.801	5.675	5.494	8.187	8.291	9.161	9.172	4.960	4.879
Fuels .....	7.072	6.677	4.010	3.901	5.938	6.055	6.317	6.467	3.065	3.033
Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas .....	.901	.814	.065	.042	.180	.157	.252	.382	.024	.039
Fuel oil .....	.808	.686	.003	.000	.046	.006	.111	.205	.002	.004
Other fuels .....	.079	.121	.061	.040	.130	.147	.141	.177	.021	.033
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	6.171	5.863	3.945	3.859	5.758	5.898	6.065	6.085	3.041	2.994
Electricity .....	2.142	1.996	3.521	3.385	4.091	4.199	2.435	2.459	1.439	1.470
Utility (piped) gas .....	4.029	3.867	.424	.474	1.667	1.699	3.630	3.626	1.602	1.525
Household furnishings and operation .....	7.837	6.776	7.292	7.126	6.433	6.043	8.163	7.201	7.431	6.752
Apparel and upkeep .....	4.442	4.252	4.800	4.812	5.519	5.384	5.343	4.922	4.547	4.567
Apparel commodities .....	3.698	3.551	4.316	4.292	4.493	4.436	4.524	4.226	3.788	3.841
Men's and boys' .....	1.384	1.218	1.411	1.311	1.615	1.526	1.494	1.416	1.207	1.183
Women's and girls' .....	1.324	1.391	1.404	1.243	1.470	1.481	1.810	1.568	1.210	1.206
Footwear .....	.568	.534	.615	.562	.681	.700	.649	.752	.664	.749
Transportation .....	26.079	29.293	16.340	18.261	24.027	25.735	23.312	25.822	22.406	24.822
Private .....	24.799	28.107	14.375	16.529	23.436	25.183	22.111	24.636	21.335	23.878
Motor fuel .....	5.789	6.612	4.591	5.445	7.229	6.881	6.090	7.239	5.865	6.785
Public .....	1.280	1.186	1.965	1.732	.591	.552	1.201	1.186	1.071	.944
Medical care .....	5.698	4.818	6.235	6.073	7.130	7.546	6.747	5.479	6.217	5.698
Entertainment .....	3.806	3.350	4.843	4.429	4.450	3.947	4.342	4.310	4.007	3.758
Other goods and services .....	5.003	4.923	5.207	4.920	4.338	4.477	5.547	5.106	4.237	4.201
Personal care .....	1.534	1.557	1.718	1.702	1.883	2.078	1.997	2.002	1.667	1.745

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**Table 3. Relative importance of components in the Consumer Price Index: Selected metropolitan areas, December 1984**  
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Group	Detroit, Mich.		Honolulu, Hawaii		Houston, Tex.		Kansas City, Mo.-Kan.		Los Angeles- Long Beach, Anaheim, Calif.	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
Commodity and service group										
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Commodities .....	53.485	55.673	48.380	52.819	54.440	55.795	52.252	55.975	47.493	50.721
Food and beverages .....	18.913	19.163	21.968	24.792	21.020	21.129	18.158	20.142	19.010	20.562
Commodities less food and beverages .....	34.571	36.510	26.413	28.027	33.420	34.666	34.094	35.833	28.483	30.159
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	18.207	18.415	16.976	18.158	19.657	19.232	18.402	19.493	16.530	17.878
Durables .....	16.364	18.096	9.437	9.869	13.763	15.434	15.692	16.340	11.953	12.282
Services .....	46.515	44.327	51.620	47.181	45.560	44.205	47.748	44.025	52.507	49.279
Medical care services .....	4.724	3.931	5.367	5.198	5.992	6.412	5.771	4.625	5.264	4.746
Special indexes:										
All items less shelter .....	81.005	81.376	72.360	75.909	81.105	82.552	80.774	82.153	72.814	75.238
All items less medical care .....	94.302	95.182	93.765	93.927	92.870	92.454	93.253	94.521	93.783	94.302
All items less energy .....	87.140	86.711	91.399	90.654	86.834	87.064	87.592	86.294	91.071	90.182
Energy .....	12.860	13.289	8.601	9.346	13.166	12.936	12.408	13.706	8.929	9.818
Commodities less food .....	35.723	37.795	27.576	29.296	34.503	35.830	35.226	37.134	29.808	31.556
Nondurables less food .....	19.359	19.699	18.140	19.427	20.741	20.396	19.535	20.794	17.855	19.274
Nondurables .....	37.121	37.577	38.943	42.950	40.677	40.361	36.560	39.636	35.540	38.439
Services less rent of shelter .....	28.625	27.120	25.075	23.980	28.020	27.814	29.415	26.963	26.125	25.251
Services less medical care .....	41.792	40.396	46.253	41.982	39.568	37.794	41.977	39.400	47.243	44.533

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**Table 3. Relative importance of components in the Consumer Price Index: Selected metropolitan areas, December 1984**  
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Group	Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn.-Wisc.		New York, N.Y.-Northeastern N.J.		Philadelphia, Pa.-N.J.		Pittsburgh, Pa.		San Francisco-Oakland, Calif.	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Expenditure category									
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Food and beverages .....	20.114	21.711	21.767	23.856	21.032	23.445	20.294	21.844	18.774	19.438
Food .....	18.892	20.204	20.775	22.671	19.827	22.098	19.111	20.669	17.435	18.401
Food at home .....	11.263	12.663	14.238	15.716	13.151	14.921	13.025	14.270	10.933	11.614
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.625	1.750	1.917	2.178	1.845	2.034	2.008	2.124	1.411	1.572
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	2.915	3.708	4.851	5.499	4.158	4.755	4.040	4.564	3.337	3.446
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	2.812	3.595	4.639	5.258	3.978	4.547	3.908	4.417	3.138	3.211
Dairy products .....	1.694	1.774	1.754	1.942	1.604	1.770	1.654	1.777	1.351	1.420
Fruits and vegetables .....	1.639	1.441	2.454	2.451	1.824	2.138	1.904	2.041	1.924	1.906
Other foods at home .....	3.389	3.990	3.262	3.646	3.720	4.225	3.418	3.765	2.910	3.269
Food away from home .....	7.630	7.541	6.537	6.955	6.676	7.177	6.086	6.398	6.502	6.787
Alcoholic beverages .....	1.222	1.507	.992	1.185	1.206	1.347	1.183	1.175	1.339	1.037
Housing .....	38.792	36.141	40.843	37.545	37.612	34.869	36.145	32.836	39.488	37.400
Shelter .....	23.171	21.449	25.295	22.633	20.977	19.219	19.532	18.022	25.492	23.916
Renters' costs .....	6.667	5.415	10.169	9.119	6.277	5.572	5.313	4.157	9.922	9.311
Rent, residential .....	5.861	4.816	8.760	8.331	5.362	4.837	4.556	3.463	9.161	8.732
Other renters' costs .....	.805	.598	1.410	.788	.915	.736	.757	.694	.761	.579
Homeowners' costs .....	16.061	15.489	14.137	12.581	14.276	13.184	13.326	12.932	15.364	14.403
Owners' equivalent rent .....	15.707	15.190	13.912	12.368	13.954	12.903	13.148	12.751	14.955	14.048
Fuel and other utilities .....	8.141	8.160	7.722	7.787	9.192	8.674	9.117	8.138	5.985	6.268
Fuels .....	6.101	6.048	6.162	6.277	7.171	6.655	6.959	6.343	3.772	4.036
Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas .....	1.052	1.046	2.141	2.306	2.546	2.382	.457	.701	.115	.094
Fuel oil .....	.849	.858	2.052	2.211	2.424	2.285	.292	.485	.047	.027
Other fuels .....	.199	.185	.086	.092	.114	.093	.161	.208	.044	.055
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	5.048	5.002	4.021	3.971	4.625	4.273	6.501	5.641	3.657	3.942
Electricity .....	1.773	1.813	2.363	2.346	2.532	2.327	2.799	2.707	1.888	2.111
Utility (piped) gas .....	3.276	3.189	1.659	1.625	2.093	1.946	3.702	2.935	1.769	1.831
Household furnishings and operation .....	7.481	6.532	7.827	7.125	7.444	6.977	7.496	6.677	8.011	7.217
Apparel and upkeep .....	4.423	4.202	4.988	5.043	4.923	4.397	5.751	5.402	5.142	4.794
Apparel commodities .....	3.818	3.758	3.900	3.984	4.183	3.642	4.980	4.634	4.316	4.070
Men's and boys' .....	1.327	1.245	1.262	1.323	1.378	1.125	1.530	1.627	1.256	1.302
Women's and girls' .....	1.274	1.355	1.330	1.367	1.209	1.120	1.915	1.800	1.770	1.516
Footwear .....	.581	.517	.644	.680	.666	.671	.700	.603	.588	.587
Transportation .....	20.734	23.249	16.816	19.268	19.562	21.771	21.201	24.824	21.851	24.979
Private .....	19.209	22.149	13.292	15.525	17.952	20.344	19.454	23.545	20.179	23.472
Motor fuel .....	5.514	6.865	3.425	4.165	4.583	5.596	5.212	6.303	5.765	6.692
Public .....	1.525	1.100	3.524	3.743	1.611	1.427	1.746	1.280	1.671	1.507
Medical care .....	6.154	5.573	5.252	4.517	6.168	5.659	7.008	5.460	6.018	5.320
Entertainment .....	4.719	4.098	3.996	3.918	4.528	3.884	4.190	3.788	4.525	3.925
Other goods and services .....	5.064	5.025	6.338	5.853	6.173	5.974	5.411	5.865	4.202	4.144
Personal care .....	1.791	1.736	1.902	2.070	1.687	1.739	1.728	1.759	1.783	1.819

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 3. Relative importance of components in the Consumer Price Index: Selected metropolitan areas, December 1984**  
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Group	Minneapolis- St. Paul, Minn.-Wisc.		New York, N.Y.- Northeastern N.J.		Philadelphia, Pa.-N.J.		Pittsburgh, Pa.		San Francisco- Oakland, Calif.	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Commodity and service group									
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Commodities .....	51.582	55.387	47.898	52.854	52.337	55.455	51.020	55.115	47.363	50.413
Food and beverages .....	20.114	21.711	21.767	23.856	21.032	23.445	20.294	21.844	18.774	19.438
Commodities less food and beverages .....	31.468	33.676	26.131	28.998	31.305	32.010	30.726	33.272	28.589	30.975
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	18.248	19.564	17.159	18.979	19.450	20.065	18.652	20.062	17.155	17.678
Durables .....	13.220	14.112	8.972	10.019	11.855	11.944	12.074	13.210	11.433	13.297
Services .....	48.418	44.613	52.102	47.146	47.663	44.545	48.980	44.885	52.637	49.587
Medical care services .....	5.176	4.835	4.274	3.589	5.060	4.663	6.013	4.600	5.151	4.524
Special indexes:										
All items less shelter .....	76.829	78.551	74.705	77.367	79.023	80.781	80.468	81.978	74.508	76.084
All items less medical care .....	93.846	94.427	94.748	95.483	93.832	94.341	92.992	94.540	93.982	94.680
All items less energy .....	88.385	87.087	90.412	89.558	88.247	87.748	87.830	87.354	90.463	89.272
Energy .....	11.615	12.913	9.588	10.442	11.753	12.252	12.170	12.646	9.537	10.728
Commodities less food .....	32.690	35.182	27.123	30.183	32.510	33.357	31.909	34.446	29.928	32.012
Nondurables less food .....	19.470	21.071	18.151	20.164	20.656	21.412	19.835	21.236	18.495	18.715
Nondurables .....	38.362	41.275	38.926	42.835	40.482	43.511	38.946	41.905	35.930	37.116
Services less rent of shelter .....	26.095	24.041	28.117	25.727	27.511	26.146	30.554	28.007	27.840	26.277
Services less medical care .....	43.242	39.778	47.828	43.557	42.603	39.882	42.967	40.285	47.486	45.063

**Table 4. Relative importance of components in the Consumer Price Indexes: Regions, ' December 1984**

(Percent of all items)

Group	Northeast		North Central		South		West	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Expenditure category							
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Food and beverages .....	20.801	22.784	19.647	20.848	19.482	20.680	19.036	20.350
Food .....	19.714	21.544	18.589	19.626	18.528	19.690	17.767	19.100
Food at home .....	13.543	15.073	12.399	13.177	12.680	13.521	11.397	12.238
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.890	2.136	1.722	1.801	1.669	1.770	1.502	1.620
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	4.469	5.054	3.872	4.228	3.972	4.234	3.421	3.677
Dairy products .....	1.701	1.872	1.680	1.777	1.657	1.759	1.494	1.653
Fruits and vegetables .....	2.175	2.281	1.716	1.669	1.933	1.947	1.825	1.837
Sugar and sweets .....	.456	.510	.527	.536	.499	.526	.444	.455
Fats and oils .....	.353	.391	.367	.383	.380	.401	.367	.388
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	1.403	1.594	1.286	1.436	1.447	1.690	1.302	1.430
Other prepared foods .....	1.096	1.235	1.228	1.346	1.124	1.193	1.042	1.179
Food away from home .....	6.171	6.471	6.170	6.449	5.848	6.169	6.370	6.861
Alcoholic beverages .....	1.086	1.240	1.077	1.222	.953	.990	1.269	1.250
Housing .....	39.052	36.119	36.849	34.241	36.076	33.184	38.998	36.457
Shelter .....	22.857	20.733	19.993	18.594	19.828	17.961	25.055	23.284
Renters' costs .....	7.894	6.898	5.780	4.973	6.286	5.989	8.897	8.349
Rent, residential .....	6.776	6.180	4.782	4.304	5.437	5.424	8.138	7.785
Other renters' costs .....	1.118	.718	.999	.868	.849	.565	.758	.564
Homeowners' costs .....	14.185	13.027	13.744	13.066	13.140	11.621	15.747	14.504
Owners' equivalent rent .....	13.909	12.789	13.333	12.711	12.645	11.205	15.338	14.143
Maintenance and repairs .....	.778	.808	.469	.555	.402	.351	.411	.431
Maintenance and repair services .....	.479	.408	.201	.183	.244	.173	.221	.260
Maintenance and repair commodities .....	.299	.400	.287	.372	.159	.179	.190	.171
Fuel and other utilities .....	8.821	8.446	9.055	8.647	8.249	8.084	6.381	6.252
Fuels .....	6.954	6.671	6.720	6.437	5.526	5.500	4.218	4.151
Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas .....	2.652	2.528	1.137	1.091	.696	.687	.482	.449
Fuel oil .....	2.479	2.359	.907	.870	.437	.428	.351	.332
Other fuels .....	.169	.163	.214	.215	.252	.250	.123	.112
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	4.302	4.143	5.582	5.346	4.830	4.813	3.736	3.702
Electricity .....	2.488	2.384	2.535	2.462	3.266	3.224	2.055	2.028
Utility (piped) gas .....	1.814	1.759	3.048	2.884	1.564	1.589	1.681	1.674
Other utilities and public services .....	1.867	1.775	2.335	2.209	2.723	2.584	2.163	2.101
Household furnishings and operation .....	7.373	6.941	7.801	7.000	7.999	7.139	7.562	6.921
Housefurnishings .....	3.744	3.701	4.042	3.813	3.863	3.641	3.860	3.648
Housekeeping supplies .....	1.612	1.744	1.815	1.728	1.557	1.583	1.579	1.561
Housekeeping services .....	2.017	1.497	1.945	1.460	2.579	1.916	2.123	1.712
Apparel and upkeep .....	5.075	4.999	4.923	4.832	5.416	5.504	4.761	4.619
Apparel commodities .....	4.214	4.196	4.211	4.163	4.522	4.640	4.057	3.967
Men's and boys' .....	1.401	1.392	1.332	1.304	1.525	1.547	1.275	1.235
Women's and girls' .....	1.491	1.522	1.593	1.623	1.651	1.716	1.422	1.351
Infants' and toddlers' .....	.137	.150	.109	.137	.093	.116	.126	.133
Footwear .....	.664	.687	.622	.640	.644	.692	.647	.683
Other apparel commodities .....	.522	.445	.555	.459	.609	.569	.586	.564
Apparel services .....	.861	.803	.712	.669	.894	.864	.705	.652
Transportation .....	19.490	21.695	22.929	25.743	22.419	25.204	21.899	24.084
Private transportation .....	17.242	19.584	21.583	24.629	21.213	24.297	20.471	22.921
New vehicles .....	3.443	3.638	4.541	4.856	4.085	3.973	3.286	3.408
New cars .....	3.234	3.342	4.065	4.242	3.599	3.261	2.742	2.577
Used cars .....	3.560	4.462	5.132	6.468	5.317	7.002	4.431	5.311
Motor fuel .....	4.476	5.200	5.886	6.666	6.039	6.830	5.755	6.307
Maintenance and repair .....	1.492	1.617	1.655	1.745	1.712	1.904	1.997	2.252
Other private transportation .....	4.271	4.668	4.370	4.894	4.060	4.588	5.002	5.643
Other private transportation commodities .....	.548	.633	.611	.663	.767	.848	.695	.793
Other private transportation services .....	3.722	4.035	3.759	4.231	3.293	3.740	4.307	4.850
Public transportation .....	2.248	2.110	1.346	1.114	1.206	.907	1.428	1.164

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 4. Relative importance of components in the Consumer Price Indexes: Regions, <sup>1</sup> December 1984 —Continued**

(Percent of all items)

Group	Northeast		North Central		South		West	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
Expenditure category								
Medical care .....	5.544	4.770	5.990	5.242	7.162	6.658	6.464	5.896
Medical care commodities .....	.956	.868	1.015	.899	1.238	1.097	.963	.899
Medical care services .....	4.588	3.902	4.975	4.343	5.924	5.561	5.501	4.997
Professional services .....	2.233	2.062	2.287	2.172	2.446	2.310	2.749	2.693
Other medical care services .....	2.355	1.840	2.687	2.170	3.478	3.251	2.752	2.304
Entertainment .....	4.138	3.861	4.250	3.952	4.035	3.586	4.536	4.403
Entertainment commodities .....	2.351	2.323	2.506	2.352	2.304	2.380	2.673	2.778
Entertainment services .....	1.787	1.537	1.743	1.600	1.731	1.206	1.863	1.626
Other goods and services .....	5.900	5.772	5.413	5.142	5.410	5.184	4.307	4.190
Tobacco products .....	1.636	2.000	1.566	1.813	1.525	1.805	1.129	1.316
Personal care .....	1.768	1.871	1.865	1.834	2.063	2.073	1.760	1.787
Personal and educational expenses .....	2.496	1.901	1.982	1.495	1.822	1.306	1.417	1.087
Commodity and service group								
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Commodities .....	51.392	55.622	53.489	56.850	52.675	56.509	49.169	52.102
Food and beverages .....	20.801	22.784	19.647	20.848	19.482	20.680	19.036	20.350
Commodities less food and beverages .....	30.592	32.837	33.842	36.002	33.193	35.830	30.133	31.752
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	19.119	20.280	19.198	19.886	19.095	20.157	17.539	18.117
Apparel commodities .....	4.214	4.196	4.211	4.163	4.522	4.640	4.057	3.967
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	14.905	16.084	14.987	15.723	14.573	15.516	13.483	14.150
Durables .....	11.472	12.557	14.645	16.116	14.097	15.673	12.594	13.635
Services .....	48.608	44.378	46.511	43.150	47.325	43.491	50.831	47.898
Rent, residential .....	6.776	6.180	4.782	4.304	5.437	5.424	8.138	7.785
Rent of shelter .....	21.726	19.628	19.036	17.621	18.836	17.121	24.153	22.441
Household services less rent of shelter .....	9.019	8.119	10.552	9.616	10.965	9.974	8.733	8.187
Transportation services .....	7.462	7.763	6.759	7.090	6.211	6.552	7.732	8.266
Medical care services .....	4.588	3.902	4.975	4.343	5.924	5.561	5.501	4.997
Other services .....	5.813	4.966	5.190	4.481	5.389	4.283	4.711	4.007
Special groups:								
All items less food .....	80.286	78.456	81.431	80.374	81.472	80.310	82.233	80.900
All items less shelter .....	77.143	79.267	80.007	81.406	80.172	82.039	74.945	76.716
All items less homeowners' costs .....	85.815	86.973	86.256	86.934	86.860	88.379	84.253	85.496
All items less medical care .....	94.456	95.230	94.010	94.758	92.838	93.342	93.536	94.104
Commodities less food .....	31.678	34.077	34.920	37.224	34.146	36.819	31.402	33.002
Nondurables less food .....	20.205	21.520	20.275	21.108	20.049	21.146	18.808	19.367
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	15.991	17.324	16.064	16.945	15.527	16.506	14.752	15.400
Nondurables .....	39.920	43.064	38.844	40.734	38.577	40.837	36.576	38.467
Services less rent of shelter .....	26.882	24.750	27.475	25.529	28.489	26.370	26.677	25.457
Services less medical care .....	44.020	40.476	41.536	38.808	41.401	37.930	45.329	42.901
Energy .....	11.430	11.870	12.605	13.104	11.564	12.330	9.973	10.458
All items less energy .....	88.570	88.130	87.395	86.896	88.436	87.670	90.027	89.542
All items less food and energy .....	68.855	66.585	68.826	67.271	69.907	67.980	72.259	70.443
Commodities less food and energy .....	24.550	26.350	27.897	29.467	27.412	29.303	25.165	26.246
Energy commodities .....	7.128	7.728	7.023	7.757	6.735	7.517	6.237	6.756
Services less energy .....	44.305	40.236	40.929	37.804	42.496	38.678	47.095	44.196

<sup>1</sup> Regions are defined as the four Census regions.

**Table 5. Relative importance of components in the Consumer Price Indexes: Population size classes, <sup>1</sup> December 1984**

(Percent of all items)

Group	A-1		A-2		B		C		D	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Expenditure category									
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Food and beverages .....	20.439	22.089	19.611	20.969	19.382	20.589	19.465	20.808	19.949	21.826
Food .....	19.318	20.815	18.400	19.721	18.356	19.503	18.446	19.721	18.956	20.727
Food at home .....	12.918	14.024	12.023	13.134	12.392	13.233	12.798	13.799	12.854	14.091
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.767	1.923	1.610	1.771	1.678	1.796	1.764	1.875	1.731	1.938
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	4.269	4.685	3.702	4.172	3.764	4.125	4.052	4.363	4.019	4.374
Dairy products .....	1.631	1.785	1.571	1.688	1.640	1.758	1.687	1.807	1.730	1.918
Fruits and vegetables .....	1.985	2.039	1.845	1.846	1.975	1.893	1.897	1.976	1.863	1.946
Sugar and sweets .....	.427	.466	.478	.500	.491	.506	.525	.566	.539	.567
Fats and oils .....	.357	.388	.352	.379	.381	.394	.378	.392	.371	.414
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	1.399	1.548	1.325	1.527	1.364	1.534	1.330	1.524	1.413	1.600
Other prepared foods .....	1.082	1.190	1.141	1.251	1.099	1.229	1.165	1.295	1.188	1.334
Food away from home .....	6.400	6.791	6.377	6.587	5.964	6.270	5.648	5.922	6.102	6.635
Alcoholic beverages .....	1.121	1.274	1.211	1.248	1.025	1.086	1.019	1.087	.993	1.100
Housing .....	39.146	36.060	38.097	35.145	37.327	35.066	36.617	34.346	35.953	32.423
Shelter .....	24.121	21.743	22.520	20.135	21.319	20.071	20.040	18.834	18.510	16.465
Renters' costs .....	8.922	7.813	7.697	6.823	6.316	5.836	5.629	5.102	5.823	5.168
Rent, residential .....	7.826	7.130	6.805	6.218	5.409	5.227	4.775	4.449	4.930	4.548
Other renters' costs .....	1.096	.683	.892	.605	.907	.609	.853	.653	.893	.619
Homeowners' costs .....	14.567	13.277	14.437	12.912	14.363	13.560	14.025	13.274	12.131	10.749
Owners' equivalent rent .....	14.269	13.005	14.018	12.545	13.936	13.202	13.599	12.924	11.663	10.367
Maintenance and repairs .....	.633	.654	.386	.399	.640	.675	.387	.458	.557	.548
Maintenance and repair services .....	.377	.330	.210	.179	.357	.331	.190	.172	.310	.250
Maintenance and repair commodities .....	.256	.324	.175	.220	.284	.344	.197	.286	.247	.298
Fuel and other utilities .....	7.364	7.335	7.895	7.953	8.336	8.094	9.166	8.624	9.205	8.643
Fuels .....	5.577	5.588	5.801	5.872	5.968	5.800	6.426	6.135	6.387	6.099
Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas .....	1.365	1.436	1.053	1.074	1.293	1.182	1.369	1.351	1.589	1.434
Fuel oil .....	1.279	1.350	.879	.889	1.130	1.000	1.031	1.020	1.212	1.129
Other fuels .....	.074	.082	.167	.179	.156	.174	.330	.324	.365	.296
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	4.212	4.152	4.748	4.798	4.675	4.618	5.056	4.784	4.798	4.664
Electricity .....	2.175	2.149	2.577	2.613	2.936	2.758	2.896	2.802	2.667	2.575
Utility (piped) gas .....	2.037	2.003	2.171	2.185	1.739	1.860	2.160	1.982	2.132	2.089
Other utilities and public services .....	1.787	1.747	2.093	2.080	2.368	2.293	2.740	2.489	2.818	2.545
Household furnishings and operation .....	7.660	6.982	7.682	7.058	7.672	6.901	7.411	6.888	8.238	7.315
Housefurnishings .....	3.807	3.666	3.944	3.746	3.886	3.625	3.818	3.790	3.987	3.765
Housekeeping supplies .....	1.674	1.698	1.656	1.629	1.647	1.645	1.578	1.654	1.645	1.717
Housekeeping services .....	2.179	1.618	2.082	1.684	2.139	1.631	2.015	1.445	2.606	1.833
Apparel and upkeep .....	4.796	4.722	5.222	5.161	4.989	4.962	5.284	5.167	5.139	5.218
Apparel commodities .....	3.878	3.825	4.402	4.402	4.217	4.252	4.564	4.544	4.489	4.568
Men's and boys' .....	1.266	1.249	1.437	1.430	1.444	1.430	1.510	1.460	1.289	1.349
Women's and girls' .....	1.307	1.318	1.645	1.656	1.514	1.513	1.660	1.774	1.793	1.782
Infants' and toddlers' .....	.141	.157	.099	.125	.104	.117	.110	.136	.123	.131
Footwear .....	.647	.656	.637	.661	.633	.666	.658	.688	.653	.739
Other apparel commodities .....	.518	.445	.563	.530	.523	.526	.626	.486	.630	.567
Apparel services .....	.918	.897	.821	.759	.771	.710	.720	.623	.651	.649
Transportation .....	20.181	22.839	21.562	24.118	22.509	24.915	22.528	24.823	22.123	24.877
Private transportation .....	17.808	20.472	20.101	22.854	21.336	24.130	21.334	24.018	20.855	23.932
New vehicles .....	3.302	3.538	3.763	3.921	4.117	4.408	4.206	4.335	4.331	4.203
New cars .....	3.069	3.175	3.357	3.343	3.617	3.632	3.671	3.649	3.792	3.541
Used cars .....	3.431	4.288	4.485	5.651	5.272	6.633	5.312	6.515	5.205	7.259
Motor fuel .....	4.694	5.597	5.770	6.536	5.828	6.348	5.912	6.653	5.694	6.195
Maintenance and repair .....	1.520	1.644	1.745	1.947	1.781	1.904	1.823	1.976	1.644	1.810
Other private transportation .....	4.860	5.405	4.338	4.799	4.339	4.836	4.082	4.539	3.981	4.465
Other private transportation commodities .....	.515	.587	.677	.769	.684	.775	.728	.783	.743	.789
Other private transportation services .....	4.345	4.818	3.661	4.029	3.656	4.061	3.354	3.756	3.238	3.676
Public transportation .....	2.373	2.368	1.461	1.264	1.172	.786	1.194	.805	1.268	.945

See footnotes at end of table.



**Table 5. Relative Importance of components in the Consumer Price Indexes: Population size classes, <sup>1</sup> December 1984**  
**—Continued**

(Percent of all items)

Group	A-1		A-2		B		C		D	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
Expenditure category										
Medical care .....	5.742	5.101	6.076	5.633	6.356	5.634	6.537	5.684	7.314	6.350
Medical care commodities .....	1.000	.953	.940	.872	1.083	.949	1.123	.935	1.167	1.012
Medical care services .....	4.743	4.149	5.136	4.761	5.273	4.685	5.414	4.749	6.147	5.337
Professional services .....	2.404	2.228	2.329	2.329	2.432	2.224	2.414	2.305	2.524	2.309
Other medical care services .....	2.339	1.921	2.807	2.431	2.840	2.461	3.000	2.444	3.623	3.029
Entertainment .....	4.120	3.934	4.240	3.851	4.244	3.905	4.328	4.022	4.212	3.910
Entertainment commodities .....	2.267	2.186	2.358	2.419	2.524	2.548	2.615	2.632	2.615	2.540
Entertainment services .....	1.854	1.749	1.882	1.432	1.720	1.357	1.713	1.389	1.598	1.371
Other goods and services .....	5.576	5.255	5.192	5.123	5.194	4.928	5.240	5.150	5.309	5.396
Tobacco products .....	1.473	1.773	1.416	1.748	1.453	1.687	1.554	1.810	1.591	1.913
Personal care .....	1.778	1.832	1.800	1.852	1.823	1.908	1.984	1.992	1.918	1.945
Personal and educational expenses .....	2.325	1.650	1.976	1.523	1.818	1.334	1.703	1.348	1.800	1.539
Commodity and service group										
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Commodities .....	49.164	53.047	51.299	55.074	52.805	56.161	53.591	57.324	54.334	58.654
Food and beverages .....	20.439	22.089	19.611	20.969	19.382	20.589	19.465	20.808	19.949	21.826
Commodities less food and beverages .....	28.725	30.958	31.688	34.105	33.424	35.572	34.126	36.516	34.385	36.827
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	17.572	18.906	18.742	19.819	19.132	19.668	19.791	20.658	19.671	20.313
Apparel commodities .....	3.878	3.825	4.402	4.402	4.217	4.252	4.564	4.544	4.489	4.568
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel .....	13.695	15.081	14.340	15.417	14.915	15.416	15.227	16.113	15.182	15.744
Durables .....	11.153	12.052	12.946	14.286	14.291	15.904	14.335	15.859	14.714	16.515
Services .....	50.836	46.953	48.701	44.926	47.195	43.839	46.409	42.676	45.666	41.346
Rent, residential .....	7.826	7.130	6.805	6.218	5.409	5.227	4.775	4.449	4.930	4.548
Rent of shelter .....	23.099	20.754	21.624	19.301	20.172	18.978	19.162	17.970	17.405	15.476
Household services less rent of shelter .....	8.945	8.182	9.645	9.176	10.045	9.292	10.494	9.295	11.081	9.733
Transportation services .....	8.238	8.830	6.867	7.241	6.609	6.751	6.371	6.538	6.150	6.431
Medical care services .....	4.743	4.149	5.136	4.761	5.273	4.685	5.414	4.749	6.147	5.337
Other services .....	5.811	5.039	5.430	4.449	5.096	4.134	4.969	4.123	4.883	4.369
Special groups:										
All items less food .....	80.682	79.185	81.600	80.279	81.644	80.497	81.554	80.279	81.044	79.273
All items less shelter .....	75.879	78.257	77.480	79.865	78.681	79.929	79.960	81.166	81.490	83.535
All items less homeowners' costs .....	85.433	86.723	85.563	87.088	85.637	86.440	85.975	86.726	87.869	89.251
All items less medical care .....	94.258	94.899	93.924	94.367	93.644	94.366	93.463	94.316	92.686	93.650
Commodities less food .....	29.846	32.232	32.899	35.353	34.449	36.658	35.145	37.603	35.378	37.927
Nondurables less food .....	18.694	20.180	19.953	21.067	20.158	20.754	20.810	21.744	20.664	21.412
Nondurables less food and apparel .....	14.816	16.355	15.551	16.685	15.940	16.502	16.246	17.200	16.176	16.844
Nondurables .....	38.011	40.995	38.353	40.788	38.514	40.257	39.256	41.466	39.620	42.139
Services less rent of shelter .....	27.737	26.199	27.078	25.626	27.022	24.861	27.247	24.705	28.261	25.870
Services less medical care .....	46.094	42.804	43.565	40.166	41.922	39.154	40.995	37.927	39.518	36.009
Energy .....	10.270	11.185	11.571	12.409	11.796	12.148	12.337	12.788	12.081	12.294
All items less energy .....	89.730	88.815	88.429	87.591	88.204	87.852	87.663	87.212	87.919	87.706
All items less food and energy .....	70.412	68.000	70.029	67.870	69.848	68.349	69.217	67.491	68.963	66.979
Commodities less food and energy .....	23.788	25.199	26.075	27.742	27.329	29.128	27.864	29.599	28.096	30.297
Energy commodities .....	6.059	7.033	6.823	7.611	7.120	7.530	7.281	8.004	7.282	7.630
Services less energy .....	46.625	42.801	43.953	40.128	42.519	39.220	41.353	37.892	40.867	36.682

<sup>1</sup> The population size classes are aggregations of areas which have urban population as defined below:

- A-1 More than 4,000,000.
- A-2 1,250,000 to 4,000,000.
- B 385,000 to 1,250,000.

C 75,000 to 385,000.  
D Less than 75,000.

Population size class A is the aggregation of population size classes A-1 and A-2.

**Table 6. Relative Importance of components in the Consumer Price Indexes: Cross classifications of region and population size class, 1 December 1984**

(Percent of all items)

Group	Northeast							
	Size class A		Size class B		Size class C		Size class D	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Expenditure category							
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Food and beverages .....	21.381	23.316	19.787	21.706	19.835	21.481	19.444	22.841
Food .....	20.273	22.058	18.690	20.504	18.811	20.264	18.471	21.648
Food at home .....	13.703	15.191	13.412	15.045	13.014	14.206	13.363	15.818
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.888	2.126	1.887	2.191	1.875	2.076	1.951	2.223
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	4.579	5.190	4.306	4.779	4.260	4.667	4.197	5.182
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	4.383	4.967	4.127	4.571	4.063	4.489	4.025	4.978
Dairy products .....	1.707	1.884	1.764	1.929	1.592	1.690	1.716	1.994
Fruits and vegetables .....	2.228	2.300	2.139	2.384	2.030	1.990	2.033	2.467
Other foods at home .....	3.302	3.691	3.316	3.763	3.257	3.783	3.465	3.953
Food away from home .....	6.570	6.867	5.278	5.459	5.797	6.058	5.108	5.829
Alcoholic beverages .....	1.107	1.258	1.097	1.202	1.025	1.217	.973	1.193
Housing .....	39.543	36.473	38.516	36.289	37.512	34.999	38.660	34.460
Shelter .....	23.684	21.301	21.285	20.241	21.459	19.675	21.303	18.389
Renters' costs .....	8.721	7.596	6.981	5.635	6.248	5.588	6.730	5.707
Rent, residential .....	7.500	6.840	5.402	5.042	5.417	4.929	5.703	4.933
Other renters' costs .....	1.221	.756	.979	.593	.831	.659	1.028	.774
Homeowners' costs .....	14.175	12.933	13.716	13.177	14.818	13.681	14.102	12.198
Owners' equivalent rent .....	13.913	12.698	13.381	12.901	14.597	13.504	13.712	11.898
Fuel and other utilities .....	8.318	8.200	10.222	9.226	9.078	8.456	9.931	9.004
Fuels .....	6.592	6.520	8.084	7.226	7.056	6.542	7.624	7.106
Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas .....	2.242	2.311	3.698	2.992	3.109	2.880	3.254	2.843
Fuel oil .....	2.142	2.204	3.432	2.704	2.757	2.579	2.950	2.612
Other fuels .....	.096	.101	.263	.278	.345	.293	.304	.231
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	4.350	4.210	4.386	4.234	3.946	3.662	4.370	4.263
Electricity .....	2.429	2.378	2.883	2.664	2.272	2.113	2.574	2.325
Utility (piped) gas .....	1.921	1.832	1.503	1.571	1.674	1.549	1.796	1.938
Household furnishings and operation .....	7.540	6.973	7.008	6.823	6.975	6.868	7.426	7.066
Apparel and upkeep .....	5.045	4.972	4.679	4.627	5.473	5.519	5.518	5.079
Apparel commodities .....	4.088	4.047	3.985	4.036	4.794	4.969	4.846	4.459
Men's and boys' .....	1.328	1.324	1.428	1.357	1.727	1.753	1.377	1.391
Women's and girls' .....	1.411	1.436	1.402	1.402	1.769	1.955	1.952	1.766
Footwear .....	.653	.673	.687	.745	.657	.637	.731	.792
Transportation .....	18.058	20.490	22.296	24.118	22.053	24.010	21.670	23.008
Private .....	15.259	17.670	21.328	23.444	20.432	22.932	20.536	22.377
Motor fuel .....	3.988	4.808	5.436	5.752	5.020	5.678	5.937	6.827
Public .....	2.799	2.820	.967	.674	1.621	1.078	1.135	.631
Medical care .....	5.580	4.872	5.387	4.345	5.454	4.823	5.770	4.669
Entertainment .....	4.165	3.884	4.150	3.680	4.148	3.884	3.813	4.032
Other goods and services .....	6.228	5.992	5.185	5.235	5.524	5.284	5.124	5.912
Personal care .....	1.797	1.920	1.628	1.698	1.847	1.882	1.648	1.776

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 6. Relative importance of components in the Consumer Price Indexes: Cross classifications of region and population size class, <sup>1</sup> December 1984 —Continued**

(Percent of all items)

Group	Northeast							
	Size class A		Size class B		Size class C		Size class D	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Commodity and service group							
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Commodities .....	49.557	53.923	55.139	58.641	54.686	58.710	53.779	58.878
Food and beverages .....	21.381	23.316	19.787	21.706	19.835	21.481	19.444	22.841
Commodities less food and beverages .....	28.177	30.607	35.352	36.935	34.851	37.229	34.335	36.038
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	18.141	19.647	20.731	20.786	20.832	21.679	21.474	22.520
Durables .....	10.036	10.960	14.621	16.149	14.019	15.550	12.861	13.518
Services .....	50.443	46.077	44.861	41.359	45.314	41.290	46.221	41.122
Medical care services .....	4.595	3.941	4.476	3.652	4.578	4.037	4.822	3.840
Special indexes:								
All items less shelter .....	76.316	78.699	78.715	79.759	78.541	80.325	78.697	81.611
All items less medical care .....	94.420	95.128	94.613	95.655	94.546	95.177	94.230	95.331
All items less energy .....	89.420	88.672	86.480	87.022	87.925	87.780	86.439	86.067
Energy .....	10.580	11.328	13.520	12.978	12.075	12.220	13.561	13.933
Commodities less food .....	29.284	31.865	36.449	38.137	35.875	38.445	35.309	37.231
Nondurables less food .....	19.248	20.905	21.828	21.987	21.857	22.896	22.447	23.713
Nondurables .....	39.521	42.963	40.518	42.491	40.667	43.160	40.918	45.360
Services less rent of shelter .....	27.897	25.851	25.156	22.866	24.503	22.235	25.865	23.582
Services less medical care .....	45.848	42.136	40.385	37.707	40.736	37.254	41.398	37.281

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 6. Relative importance of components in the Consumer Price Indexes: Cross classifications of region and population size class, ' December 1984 —Continued**

(Percent of all items)

Group	North Central							
	Size class A		Size class B		Size class C		Size class D	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Expenditure category							
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Food and beverages .....	19.866	20.978	18.843	20.932	19.097	19.929	20.438	21.574
Food .....	18.743	19.682	17.926	19.832	18.101	18.883	19.249	20.246
Food at home .....	12.489	13.171	11.933	13.188	12.287	13.106	12.703	13.291
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.747	1.830	1.642	1.763	1.737	1.745	1.700	1.811
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	3.973	4.286	3.519	4.161	3.793	4.260	3.984	4.037
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	3.812	4.121	3.328	3.965	3.636	4.101	3.848	3.884
Dairy products .....	1.639	1.720	1.668	1.818	1.735	1.796	1.760	1.925
Fruits and vegetables .....	1.723	1.658	1.640	1.614	1.714	1.723	1.771	1.698
Other foods at home .....	3.407	3.677	3.464	3.831	3.309	3.581	3.489	3.820
Food away from home .....	6.253	6.511	5.993	6.644	5.813	5.777	6.545	6.955
Alcoholic beverages .....	1.123	1.296	.917	1.100	.996	1.046	1.189	1.328
Housing .....	36.913	34.301	36.308	33.112	38.022	35.994	35.576	32.750
Shelter .....	20.824	19.105	18.911	16.904	20.185	19.847	17.930	16.716
Renters' costs .....	6.499	5.620	5.140	4.493	4.616	3.875	5.508	4.600
Rent, residential .....	5.519	4.993	4.166	3.773	3.572	3.156	4.484	3.904
Other renters' costs .....	.980	.627	.974	.720	1.045	.719	1.024	.696
Homeowners' costs .....	13.909	12.990	13.504	12.129	15.063	15.306	11.616	11.186
Owners' equivalent rent .....	13.545	12.660	13.062	11.758	14.588	14.910	11.160	10.809
Fuel and other utilities .....	8.374	8.246	9.770	9.410	10.140	9.084	9.225	8.706
Fuels .....	6.328	6.231	7.329	7.111	7.439	6.617	6.490	6.225
Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas .....	.854	.883	1.346	1.312	1.578	1.406	1.310	1.192
Fuel oil .....	.697	.730	1.161	1.105	1.204	1.042	.981	.898
Other fuels .....	.135	.148	.183	.203	.358	.353	.323	.289
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	5.474	5.348	5.980	5.799	5.860	5.212	5.180	5.032
Electricity .....	2.397	2.330	2.627	2.523	3.153	3.025	2.080	2.092
Utility (piped) gas .....	3.077	3.018	3.353	3.276	2.708	2.186	3.100	2.940
Household furnishings and operation .....	7.714	6.950	7.627	6.798	7.697	7.063	8.421	7.328
Apparel and upkeep .....	4.851	4.725	4.967	5.090	5.175	4.932	4.784	4.815
Apparel commodities .....	4.065	3.984	4.227	4.446	4.525	4.312	4.274	4.318
Men's and boys' .....	1.347	1.323	1.436	1.474	1.363	1.204	1.134	1.189
Women's and girls' .....	1.504	1.504	1.527	1.716	1.738	1.801	1.770	1.723
Footwear .....	.626	.611	.606	.619	.610	.680	.643	.716
Transportation .....	22.854	25.568	24.362	26.890	22.428	25.069	22.435	26.108
Private .....	21.208	24.061	23.464	26.254	21.398	24.476	21.256	25.220
Motor fuel .....	5.655	6.682	6.662	7.465	6.350	6.760	5.278	5.585
Public .....	1.647	1.506	.898	.636	1.030	.593	1.179	.888
Medical care .....	5.983	5.394	5.808	4.931	5.590	4.959	6.740	5.410
Entertainment .....	4.206	4.002	3.771	3.489	4.429	4.057	4.636	4.123
Other goods and services .....	5.327	5.033	5.942	5.556	5.259	5.059	5.392	5.219
Personal care .....	1.765	1.720	2.130	2.104	1.873	1.891	1.933	1.889

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 6. Relative Importance of components in the Consumer Price Indexes: Cross classifications of region and population size class, ' December 1984 —Continued**

(Percent of all items)

Group	North Central							
	Size class A		Size class B		Size class C		Size class D	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Commodity and service group							
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Commodities .....	52.137	55.217	54.786	59.061	54.543	57.529	55.451	59.668
Food and beverages .....	19.866	20.978	18.843	20.932	19.097	19.929	20.438	21.574
Commodities less food and beverages .....	32.271	34.240	35.943	38.130	35.445	37.600	35.014	38.094
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	18.398	19.381	20.499	21.531	20.672	20.587	18.671	18.989
Durables .....	13.875	14.859	15.444	16.598	14.773	17.013	16.342	19.106
Services .....	47.863	44.783	45.214	40.939	45.457	42.471	44.549	40.332
Medical care services .....	5.005	4.500	4.723	3.994	4.575	4.089	5.668	4.488
Special indexes:								
All items less shelter .....	79.176	80.895	81.089	83.096	79.815	80.153	82.070	83.284
All items less medical care .....	94.017	94.606	94.192	95.069	94.410	95.041	93.260	94.580
All items less energy .....	88.017	87.088	86.009	85.424	86.211	86.623	88.232	88.191
Energy .....	11.983	12.912	13.991	14.576	13.789	13.377	11.768	11.809
Commodities less food .....	33.395	35.536	36.680	39.229	36.442	38.646	36.203	39.423
Nondurables less food .....	19.519	20.677	21.416	22.631	21.669	21.633	19.861	20.317
Nondurables .....	38.262	40.359	39.342	42.463	39.770	40.516	39.109	40.563
Services less rent of shelter .....	27.897	26.587	27.081	24.739	26.328	23.751	27.964	24.983
Services less medical care .....	42.858	40.282	40.490	36.945	40.883	38.382	38.883	35.844

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 6. Relative Importance of components in the Consumer Price Indexes: Cross classifications of region and population size class, ' December 1984 —Continued**

(Percent of all items)

Group	South							
	Size class A		Size class B		Size class C		Size class D	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Expenditure category							
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Food and beverages .....	19.097	20.474	19.505	19.869	19.862	21.597	19.511	21.193
Food .....	17.915	19.277	18.609	18.966	18.963	20.581	18.799	20.484
Food at home .....	11.781	12.926	12.457	12.575	13.603	14.856	13.222	14.404
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.482	1.601	1.675	1.682	1.836	1.978	1.725	1.944
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	3.641	4.162	3.736	3.855	4.462	4.583	4.198	4.547
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	3.443	3.931	3.536	3.634	4.235	4.330	3.956	4.289
Dairy products .....	1.498	1.586	1.632	1.678	1.784	1.960	1.823	1.939
Fruits and vegetables .....	1.830	1.884	2.052	1.790	1.990	2.238	1.803	1.916
Other foods at home .....	3.330	3.692	3.363	3.569	3.551	4.097	3.673	4.059
Food away from home .....	6.134	6.351	6.151	6.391	5.360	5.725	5.577	6.079
Alcoholic beverages .....	1.182	1.197	.896	.903	.900	1.016	.712	.710
Housing .....	38.262	34.751	36.158	34.368	34.305	31.698	34.800	30.202
Shelter .....	22.875	19.959	20.264	19.759	17.471	15.666	17.226	14.227
Renters' costs .....	8.756	8.468	5.607	5.224	5.146	4.778	4.792	4.457
Rent, residential .....	7.875	7.900	4.647	4.633	4.406	4.194	4.027	3.977
Other renters' costs .....	.881	.568	.960	.591	.741	.584	.766	.480
Homeowners' costs .....	13.757	11.160	14.234	14.170	11.962	10.517	11.918	9.435
Owners' equivalent rent .....	13.262	10.730	13.741	13.761	11.509	10.130	11.346	8.993
Fuel and other utilities .....	7.506	7.609	7.630	7.570	9.353	9.090	8.925	8.430
Fuels .....	5.425	5.527	4.946	4.918	6.096	6.125	5.824	5.580
Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas .....	.855	.878	.390	.364	.578	.576	1.188	1.091
Fuel oil .....	.617	.630	.284	.245	.246	.213	.720	.706
Other fuels .....	.233	.242	.098	.111	.329	.358	.447	.364
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	4.569	4.649	4.558	4.554	5.518	5.549	4.636	4.489
Electricity .....	2.944	3.028	3.473	3.286	3.503	3.535	3.069	3.012
Utility (piped) gas .....	1.625	1.621	1.082	1.268	2.015	2.014	1.567	1.476
Household furnishings and operation .....	7.882	7.183	8.265	7.039	7.481	6.941	8.649	7.545
Apparel and upkeep .....	5.510	5.553	5.309	5.312	5.535	5.513	5.224	5.758
Apparel commodities .....	4.520	4.591	4.365	4.407	4.724	4.789	4.470	4.946
Men's and boys' .....	1.562	1.524	1.504	1.526	1.578	1.617	1.396	1.525
Women's and girls' .....	1.624	1.693	1.632	1.594	1.675	1.783	1.701	1.884
Footwear .....	.651	.654	.582	.643	.701	.751	.648	.765
Transportation .....	21.772	24.658	22.417	25.352	23.178	25.344	22.328	25.773
Private .....	20.272	23.358	21.264	24.669	22.143	24.632	21.293	24.911
Motor fuel .....	6.272	6.855	5.731	6.370	6.183	7.479	5.918	6.646
Public .....	1.500	1.300	1.153	.683	1.035	.713	1.035	.862
Medical care .....	6.126	6.043	7.002	6.431	7.507	6.654	8.894	8.283
Entertainment .....	4.053	3.678	4.241	3.702	4.020	3.561	3.628	3.229
Other goods and services .....	5.178	4.844	5.369	4.968	5.593	5.633	5.615	5.562
Personal care .....	1.891	1.962	2.041	2.002	2.260	2.261	2.087	2.132

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 6. Relative importance of components in the Consumer Price Indexes: Cross classifications of region and population size class, December 1984 —Continued**

(Percent of all items)

Group	South							
	Size class A		Size class B		Size class C		Size class D	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Commodity and service group							
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Commodities .....	51.029	55.114	52.475	55.538	53.896	58.063	54.106	58.659
Food and beverages .....	19.097	20.474	19.505	19.869	19.862	21.597	19.511	21.193
Commodities less food and beverages .....	31.932	34.640	32.971	35.670	34.033	36.466	34.594	37.465
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	19.126	20.156	18.327	18.914	19.524	21.287	19.758	20.754
Durables .....	12.806	14.484	14.644	16.756	14.510	15.180	14.836	16.712
Services .....	48.971	44.886	47.525	44.462	46.104	41.937	45.894	41.341
Medical care services .....	5.127	5.075	5.750	5.288	6.124	5.521	7.472	7.077
Special indexes:								
All items less shelter .....	77.125	80.041	79.736	80.241	82.529	84.334	82.774	85.773
All items less medical care .....	93.874	93.957	92.998	93.569	92.493	93.346	91.106	91.717
All items less energy .....	88.303	87.618	89.323	88.712	87.721	86.396	88.258	87.774
Energy .....	11.697	12.382	10.677	11.288	12.279	13.604	11.742	12.226
Commodities less food .....	33.114	35.837	33.867	36.572	34.933	37.462	35.307	38.175
Nondurables less food .....	20.307	21.353	19.223	19.817	20.423	22.302	20.470	21.463
Nondurables .....	38.222	40.630	37.832	38.783	39.386	42.883	39.269	41.947
Services less rent of shelter .....	27.069	25.775	28.282	25.553	29.515	27.092	29.840	27.950
Services less medical care .....	43.844	39.811	41.775	39.174	39.980	36.416	38.423	34.264

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 6. Relative importance of components in the Consumer Price Indexes: Cross classifications of region and population size class, December 1984 —Continued**

(Percent of all items)

Group	West							
	Size class A		Size class B		Size class C		Size class D	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Expenditure category							
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Food and beverages .....	18.792	20.107	19.254	20.300	18.723	19.892	20.356	22.825
Food .....	17.506	18.837	18.027	19.089	17.403	18.757	19.148	21.442
Food at home .....	11.070	11.898	11.782	12.545	11.560	12.302	11.891	13.298
Cereals and bakery products .....	1.467	1.575	1.534	1.623	1.513	1.615	1.596	1.904
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs .....	3.381	3.558	3.531	3.877	3.304	3.640	3.537	3.848
Meats, poultry, and fish .....	3.175	3.332	3.348	3.692	3.131	3.461	3.349	3.613
Dairy products .....	1.463	1.626	1.528	1.662	1.548	1.669	1.482	1.765
Fruits and vegetables .....	1.717	1.794	1.970	1.827	1.824	1.908	2.025	2.026
Other foods at home .....	3.042	3.346	3.220	3.556	3.371	3.471	3.251	3.755
Food away from home .....	6.437	6.938	6.244	6.524	5.843	6.455	7.256	8.144
Alcoholic beverages .....	1.286	1.270	1.227	1.231	1.320	1.135	1.208	1.382
Housing .....	39.705	38.833	38.728	36.622	38.436	35.783	36.641	34.698
Shelter .....	26.548	24.267	24.559	23.091	23.890	22.456	19.821	19.097
Renters' costs .....	9.850	8.792	8.106	8.059	7.640	7.640	7.833	7.685
Rent, residential .....	9.094	8.253	7.380	7.505	6.823	6.980	7.068	7.094
Other renters' costs .....	.756	.539	.726	.554	.817	.661	.766	.591
Homeowners' costs .....	16.380	15.139	15.692	14.267	16.009	14.525	11.780	11.209
Owners' equivalent rent .....	15.990	14.788	15.293	13.919	15.475	14.092	11.440	10.865
Fuel and other utilities .....	5.474	5.500	6.760	6.670	7.237	6.888	9.073	8.592
Fuels .....	3.481	3.529	4.703	4.626	4.728	4.548	6.206	5.890
Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas .....	.221	.201	.548	.577	.898	.667	1.445	1.240
Fuel oil .....	.174	.152	.407	.423	.420	.427	1.096	1.016
Other fuels .....	.040	.045	.132	.145	.269	.235	.334	.221
Gas (piped) and electricity .....	3.260	3.328	4.157	4.050	4.031	3.881	4.762	4.650
Electricity .....	1.740	1.821	2.434	2.285	1.858	1.750	3.112	2.989
Utility (piped) gas .....	1.520	1.507	1.723	1.765	2.173	2.131	1.649	1.661
Household furnishings and operation .....	7.682	7.066	7.409	6.862	7.308	6.439	7.746	7.009
Apparel and upkeep .....	4.668	4.600	4.805	4.658	4.667	4.367	5.337	5.049
Apparel commodities .....	3.908	3.883	4.194	4.063	3.988	3.853	4.635	4.387
Men's and boys' .....	1.200	1.195	1.377	1.321	1.338	1.208	1.298	1.263
Women's and girls' .....	1.356	1.289	1.429	1.325	1.362	1.430	1.886	1.696
Footwear .....	.639	.704	.680	.667	.640	.642	.612	.671
Transportation .....	22.204	24.749	21.498	23.324	21.802	24.376	21.463	21.806
Private .....	20.921	23.632	19.934	22.158	20.499	23.335	19.380	20.152
Motor fuel .....	5.798	6.645	5.696	5.904	5.658	6.063	5.844	5.868
Public .....	1.283	1.117	1.564	1.166	1.303	1.042	2.083	1.654
Medical care .....	6.135	5.585	6.628	6.283	7.227	6.338	6.582	5.882
Entertainment .....	4.236	3.935	4.864	4.764	5.079	5.167	4.969	4.913
Other goods and services .....	4.259	4.191	4.422	4.048	4.068	4.077	4.653	4.828
Personal care .....	1.725	1.780	1.853	1.797	1.710	1.776	1.779	1.821

See footnotes at end of table.



**Table 6. Relative Importance of components in the Consumer Price Indexes: Cross classifications of region and population size class, ' December 1984 —Continued**

(Percent of all items)

Group	West							
	Size class A		Size class B		Size class C		Size class D	
	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W	CPI-U	CPI-W
	Commodity and service group							
All items .....	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000
Commodities .....	47.877	51.123	49.935	52.272	49.993	53.204	53.025	55.872
Food and beverages .....	18.792	20.107	19.254	20.300	18.723	19.892	20.356	22.825
Commodities less food and beverages .....	29.084	31.018	30.881	31.971	31.271	33.312	32.669	33.048
Nondurables less food and beverages .....	16.878	17.888	17.984	18.118	17.671	17.894	18.849	19.943
Durables .....	12.206	13.128	12.698	13.854	13.599	15.417	12.820	13.105
Services .....	52.123	48.877	50.065	47.728	50.007	46.796	46.975	44.128
Medical care services .....	5.209	4.696	5.644	5.365	6.212	5.480	5.563	4.909
Special indexes:								
All items less shelter .....	73.452	75.733	75.441	76.909	76.110	77.544	80.179	80.903
All items less medical care .....	93.865	94.415	93.372	93.717	92.773	93.662	93.418	94.118
All items less energy .....	90.721	89.826	89.600	89.468	89.614	89.390	87.950	88.242
Energy .....	9.279	10.174	10.400	10.531	10.386	10.610	12.050	11.758
Commodities less food .....	30.370	32.286	31.908	33.203	32.590	34.446	33.878	34.430
Nondurables less food .....	18.164	19.158	19.211	19.348	18.991	19.029	21.057	21.325
Nondurables .....	35.671	37.995	37.237	38.418	36.394	37.786	40.205	42.768
Services less rent of shelter .....	26.376	25.345	26.734	25.813	26.977	25.111	27.747	25.618
Services less medical care .....	46.915	44.181	44.421	42.363	43.795	41.317	41.412	39.219

<sup>1</sup> Regions are defined as the four Census regions.  
 The population size classes are aggregations of areas which have urban population as defined below:  
 A-1 More than 4,000,000.  
 A-2 1,250,000 to 4,000,000.

B 385,000 to 1,250,000.  
 C 75,000 to 385,000.  
 D Less than 75,000.  
 Population size class A is the aggregation of population size classes A-1 and A-2.

**Table 7. Relative importance of selected areas in the Consumer Price Indexes, December 1984**

(Percent of the U.S. city average all items index)

Area, region, and population size class	CPI-U	CPI-W	
	December 1984	December 1984	December 1984 Old Series
U.S. city average .....	100.000	100.000	100.000
<b>Area <sup>1</sup></b>			
Anchorage, Alaska .....	.093	.045	.046
Atlanta, Ga. ....	.914	.858	.882
Baltimore, Md. ....	1.199	1.310	1.310
Boston, Mass. ....	1.915	1.864	1.730
Buffalo, N.Y. ....	.702	.826	.750
Chicago, Ill.-Northwestern Ind. ....	4.578	5.111	5.123
Cincinnati, Ohio-Ky.-Ind. ....	.727	.828	.861
Cleveland, Ohio ....	1.220	1.330	1.409
Dallas-Fort Worth, Tex. ....	1.401	1.414	1.445
Detroit, Mich. ....	2.555	3.032	3.136
Honolulu, Hawaii ....	.376	.345	.335
Houston, Tex. ....	1.197	1.268	1.255
Kansas City, Mo.-Kan. ....	.735	.794	.810
L.A.-Long Beach, Anaheim, Calif. ....	6.105	5.859	6.133
Miami, Fla. ....	.873	.805	.781
Milwaukee, Wisc. ....	.755	.907	.993
Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn.-Wisc. ....	1.152	1.160	1.215
N.Y., N.Y.-Northeastern N.J. ....	10.967	11.215	10.288
Northeast Pennsylvania ....	.315	.365	.335
Philadelphia, Pa.-N.J. ....	3.003	3.246	3.019
Pittsburgh, Pa. ....	1.316	1.517	1.419
Portland, Ore.-Wash. ....	.597	.633	.669
St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. ....	1.304	1.452	1.499
San Diego, Calif. ....	.954	.689	.737
San Francisco-Oakland, Calif. ....	2.453	2.275	2.375
Seattle-Everett, Wash. ....	.943	.944	.969
Washington, D.C.-Md.-Va. ....	2.044	1.708	1.600
<b>Region <sup>2</sup></b>			
Northeast .....	27.747	28.939	27.307
North Central .....	25.635	28.143	28.727
South .....	25.997	24.049	24.366
West .....	20.621	18.868	19.600
<b>Population size class <sup>2</sup></b>			
A-1 .....	27.208	28.462	27.700
A-2 .....	21.804	21.947	22.039
B .....	20.945	20.806	20.875
C .....	18.907	17.836	18.078
D .....	11.137	10.949	11.307

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 7. Relative importance of selected areas in the Consumer Price Indexes, December 1984 —Continued**

(Percent of the U.S. city average all items index)

Area, region, and population size class	CPI-U		CPI-W
	December 1984	December 1984	December 1984 Old Series
Region/population size class cross classification <sup>2</sup>			
Northeast/A .....	17.903	18.667	17.206
North Central/A .....	13.025	14.614	15.047
South/A .....	7.628	7.362	7.272
West/A .....	10.455	9.766	10.214
Northeast/B .....	4.377	4.552	4.343
North Central/B .....	3.757	4.237	4.319
South/B .....	7.523	7.093	7.123
West/B .....	5.287	4.924	5.091
Northeast/C .....	3.750	3.927	4.064
North Central/C .....	5.102	5.472	5.344
South/C .....	6.973	5.805	5.990
West/C .....	3.082	2.633	2.680
Northeast/D .....	1.716	1.794	1.695
North Central/D .....	3.751	3.820	4.017
South/D .....	3.873	3.789	3.981
West/D .....	1.797	1.545	1.616

<sup>1</sup> Area is generally the Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA), exclusive of farms. L.A.-Long Beach, Anaheim, Calif. is a combination of two SMSA's, and N.Y., N.Y.-Northeastern N.J. and Chicago, Ill.-Northwestern Ind. are the more extensive Standard Consolidated Areas. Area definitions are those established by the Office of Management and Budget in 1973, except for Denver-Boulder, Colo. which does not include Douglas County. Definitions do not include revisions made since 1973.

<sup>2</sup> Regions are defined as the four Census regions.

The population size classes are aggregations of areas which have urban population as defined below:

- A-1 More than 4,000,000.
- A-2 1,250,000 to 4,000,000.
- B 385,000 to 1,250,000.
- C 75,000 to 385,000.
- D Less than 75,000.

Population size class A is the aggregation of population size classes A-1 and A-2.

# Brief Explanation of the CPI

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. Effective with the January 1978 index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began publishing CPI's for two population groups: (1) a new CPI for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U) which covers approximately 80 percent of the total noninstitutional civilian population; and (2) a revised CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) which represents about half the population covered by the CPI-U. The CPI-U includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage, such as professional, managerial, and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force.

BLS introduced an important improvement in the CPI-U with release of the January 1983 data. The Bureau changed the homeownership component from an "asset" approach to a "flow-of services" approach. The change was implemented by a rental equivalence technique. The CPI-W continued to use the old homeownership method until January 1985, when it also was changed to incorporate a rental equivalence measure of homeownership costs.

The CPI is 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 85 urban areas across the country from over 18,000 tenants, 18,000 housing units for property taxes, and about 24,000 establishments—grocery and department stores, 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 food, fuels, and a few other items are obtained every month in all 85 locations.

Prices of most other commodities and services are collected every month in the five largest geographic areas and every other month in other areas. Prices of most goods and services are obtained by personal visits of the Bureau's trained representatives. Mail questionnaires are used to obtain public utility rates, some fuel prices, and certain other items.

In calculating the index, price changes for the various items in each location are averaged together with weights which represent their importance in the spending of the appropriate population group. Local data are then combined to obtain a U.S. city average. Separate indexes are also published for 28 local areas. Area indexes do not measure differences in the level of prices among cities; they only measure the average change in prices for each area since the base period.

The index measures price changes from a designated reference date—1967—which equals 100.0. An increase of 22 percent, for example, is shown as 122.0. This change can also be expressed in dollars as follows: The prices of a base period "market basket" of goods and services in the CPI has risen from \$10 in 1967 to \$12.20.

For further details see the following: *The Consumer Price Index: Concepts and Content Over the Years*, Report 517, revised edition (Bureau of Labor Statistics, May 1978); *The Revision of the Consumer Price Index*, by W. John Layng, reprinted from the *Statistical Reporter*, February 1978, No. 78-5 (U.S. Dept. of Commerce); *Revisions in the Medical Care Service Component of the Consumer Price Index*, by Daniel H. Ginsburg, *Monthly Labor Review*, August 1978; Robert Gillingham and Walter Lane, "Changing the Treatment of Homeownership in the CPI," *Monthly Labor Review*, June 1982; and "Changing the Homeownership Component of the Consumer Price Index to Rental Equivalence," *CPI Detailed Report*, January 1983.



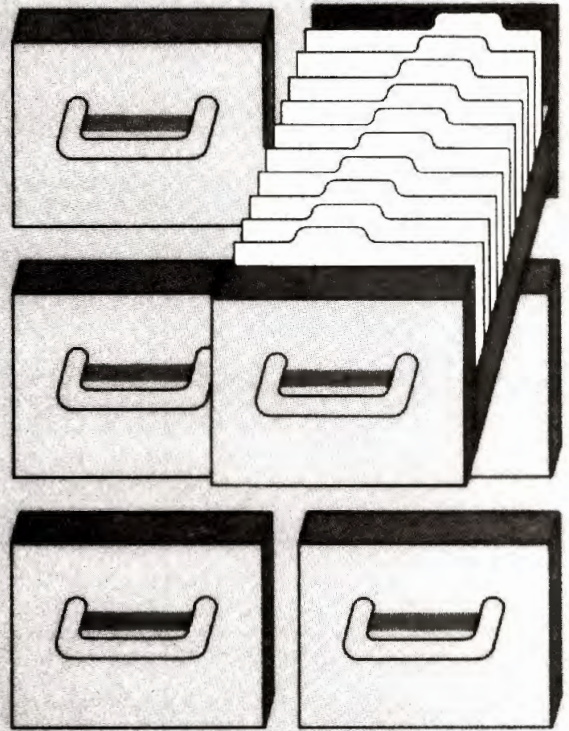
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