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Item	All consumer units	Single consumers		Consumer units of two or more persons			
		No earner	One earner	No earner	One earner	Two earners	Three or more
Number of consumer units (in thousands)	107,182	11,744	18,940	10,092	21,644	34,457	10,305
Consumer unit characteristics:							
Income before taxes ¹	\$41,622	\$13,495	\$28,325	\$22,162	\$37,299	\$58,926	\$68,477
Income after taxes ¹	38,358	12,873	25,481	21,601	34,331	54,108	63,460
Age of reference person	47.6	68.2	39.1	65.3	45.9	41.9	45.7
Average number in consumer unit:							
Persons	2.5	1.0	1.0	2.3	3.0	3.1	4.3
Children under 18 .....	.7	n.a.	n.a.	.4	1.1	.9	1.2
Persons 65 and over .....	.3	.7	.1	1.3	.3	.1	.1
Earners	1.3	n.a.	1.0	n.a.	1.0	2.0	3.3
Vehicles	2.0	.8	1.1	1.8	1.9	2.5	3.3
Percent distribution:							
Sex of reference person:							
Male	58	29	51	66	55	68	66
Female	42	71	49	34	45	32	34
Housing tenure:							
Homeowner	64	58	37	77	64	73	80
With mortgage	39	8	26	15	38	56	64
Without mortgage	26	50	12	62	26	17	16
Renter	36	42	63	23	36	27	20
Race of reference person:							
Black	12	12	11	12	17	10	10
White and other	88	88	89	88	83	90	90
Education of reference person:							
Elementary (1-8)	7	18	2	14	7	3	5
High school (9-12)	39	46	28	48	46	35	38
College	54	35	70	37	47	61	56
Never attended and other	(²)	(²)	(²)	1	(²)	(²)	(²)
At least one vehicle owned or leased	87	63	78	84	89	96	97
Average annual expenditures	\$35,535	\$15,772	\$24,997	\$25,433	\$35,042	\$45,646	\$54,445
Food							
Food at home	13.5	13.4	11.8	16.2	14.2	13.0	14.5
Cereals and bakery products	7.8	9.2	5.5	11.0	8.8	7.3	8.0
Cereals and cereal products	1.2	1.5	.8	1.7	1.4	1.1	1.2
Bakery products .....	.4	.5	.3	.5	.5	.4	.4
Bakery products .....	.8	1.0	.5	1.2	.9	.7	.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.0	2.2	1.3	3.0	2.3	1.9	2.3
Beef .....	.6	.6	.4	.8	.7	.6	.7
Pork .....	.4	.5	.2	.7	.5	.4	.4
Other meats .....	.3	.3	.2	.4	.3	.3	.3
Poultry .....	.4	.4	.3	.5	.4	.4	.4
Fish and seafood .....	.3	.3	.3	.5	.3	.2	.3
Eggs .....	.1	.1	.1	.2	.1	.1	.1
Dairy products .....	.8	1.1	.6	1.2	.9	.8	.8
Fresh milk and cream .....	.3	.4	.2	.5	.4	.3	.3
Other dairy products .....	.5	.7	.3	.7	.6	.5	.5
Fruits and vegetables	1.3	1.7	1.0	2.0	1.5	1.2	1.3
Fresh fruits .....	.4	.6	.3	.6	.5	.4	.4
Fresh vegetables4	.5	.3	.7	.5	.4	.4
Processed fruits3	.4	.2	.4	.3	.3	.3
Processed vegetables2	.3	.1	.3	.3	.2	.2

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		No earner	One earner	No earner	One earner	Two earners	Three or more
Other food at home	2.4	2.7	1.9	3.2	2.6	2.3	2.4
Sugar and other sweets .....	.3	.4	.3	.4	.3	.3	.3
Fats and oils .....	.2	.3	.1	.3	.2	.2	.2
Miscellaneous foods	1.1	1.2	.8	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.1
Nonalcoholic beverages .....	.6	.7	.5	.9	.7	.6	.7
Food prepared by consumer unit on							
out-of-town trips .....	.2	.1	.1	.2	.2	.1	.2
Food away from home	5.7	4.2	6.3	5.1	5.4	5.7	6.5
Alcoholic beverages .....	.9	.8	1.6	1.0	.7	.8	.7
Housing	33.0	40.6	34.9	33.3	34.2	32.4	28.4
Shelter	18.8	22.5	22.4	16.3	18.9	18.6	16.2
Owned dwellings	11.9	10.0	9.5	10.2	11.7	13.2	12.1
Mortgage interest and charges	6.9	2.0	5.7	2.6	6.7	8.4	7.5
Property taxes	2.9	4.1	2.0	4.0	3.0	2.7	2.9
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other							
expenses	2.2	3.9	1.8	3.6	2.1	2.1	1.7
Rented dwellings	5.6	11.0	11.7	4.6	5.9	4.1	2.8
Other lodging	1.3	1.5	1.2	1.5	1.3	1.3	1.3
Utilities, fuels, and public services	6.8	9.9	6.1	9.0	7.5	6.1	6.3
Natural gas .....	.8	1.3	.7	1.1	.9	.7	.7
Electricity	2.6	4.0	2.1	3.7	2.9	2.3	2.3
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	.2	.5	.2	.4	.3	.2	.3
Telephone services	2.3	3.0	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.1	2.1
Water and other public services .....	.8	1.2	.5	1.3	.9	.7	.8
Household operations	1.5	2.4	.8	1.4	1.7	1.8	.9
Personal services .....	.7	.8	(³)	.4	.8	1.1	.3
Other household expenses .....	.8	1.5	.8	1.1	.8	.7	.6
Housekeeping supplies	1.4	1.7	1.1	1.7	1.4	1.4	1.1
Laundry and cleaning supplies .....	.3	.4	.2	.5	.4	.3	.3
Other household products .....	.7	.7	.5	.7	.6	.8	.5
Postage and stationery .....	.4	.6	.4	.5	.4	.3	.3
Household furnishings and equipment	4.5	4.1	4.6	5.0	4.8	4.5	3.9
Household textiles .....	.3	.5	.2	.4	.3	.3	.3
Furniture	1.1	1.0	.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	.8
Floor coverings .....	.4	.4	.5	.8	.5	.4	.2
Major appliances .....	.5	.4	.5	.7	.5	.4	.4
Small appliances, miscellaneous							
housewares .....	.2	.2	.2	.3	.2	.2	.2
Miscellaneous household equipment	2.1	1.5	2.2	1.8	2.1	2.1	2.0
Apparel and services	4.7	3.6	4.8	3.8	5.1	4.6	5.3
Men and boys	1.1	.5	1.1	.9	1.2	1.1	1.3
Men, 16 and over .....	.9	.5	1.0	.7	.8	.9	1.1
Boys, 2 to 15 .....	.2	.1	.1	.2	.3	.3	.2
Women and girls	1.8	1.7	1.9	1.6	2.0	1.7	2.2
Women, 16 and over	1.5	1.7	1.8	1.4	1.6	1.4	1.9
Girls, 2 to 15 .....	.3	(³)	.1	.2	.4	.3	.3
Children under 2 .....	.2	(³)	.1	.2	.3	.2	.1
Footwear .....	.8	.7	.8	.6	.9	.7	.9
Other apparel products and services .....	.8	.7	1.0	.5	.7	.8	.8
Transportation	18.6	11.7	17.0	16.9	18.2	19.1	22.3
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	8.3	4.0	7.3	6.4	8.1	8.7	10.8
Cars and trucks, new	3.9	2.1	3.0	3.5	3.9	4.2	4.5
Cars and trucks, used	4.3	1.8	4.0	2.9	4.1	4.4	6.2
Other vehicles1	4.2	4.3	(³)	4.1	.2	4.1
Gasoline and motor oil	2.9	2.1	2.6	3.0	2.9	2.9	3.2

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Other vehicle expenses	6.2	4.1	5.8	5.8	5.9	6.4	7.3
Vehicle finance charges9	.2	.7	.4	.8	1.1	1.2
Maintenance and repairs	1.8	1.5	2.0	2.1	1.8	1.7	1.9
Vehicle insurance	2.1	1.7	1.9	2.3	1.9	2.0	2.6
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges	1.4	.7	1.3	.9	1.4	1.6	1.6
Public transportation	1.2	1.4	1.4	1.7	1.3	1.1	1.1
Health care	5.4	11.5	3.4	12.1	5.7	4.4	4.2
Health insurance	2.6	5.4	1.5	6.1	2.7	2.1	2.1
Medical services	1.5	3.0	1.1	2.3	1.6	1.4	1.3
Drugs	1.0	2.6	.6	3.0	1.1	.7	.6
Medical supplies .....	.3	.5	.2	.7	.2	.2	.3
Entertainment	4.9	3.9	5.0	4.2	5.0	5.2	4.7
Fees and admissions	1.3	.9	1.4	1.4	1.2	1.3	1.3
Television, radios, sound equipment	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.3	1.5	1.5	1.5
Pets, toys, and playground equipment .....	.9	.7	.7	.8	1.2	1.0	.7
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services	1.2	.7	1.2	.6	1.1	1.4	1.2
Personal care products and services	1.1	1.5	1.0	1.5	1.1	1.0	1.2
Reading .....	.5	.6	.5	.6	.4	.4	.3
Education	1.6	1.2	2.1	.6	1.5	1.5	2.5
Tobacco products and smoking supplies .....	.8	.8	.8	.7	.9	.7	.7
Miscellaneous	2.4	3.1	3.2	2.2	2.5	2.2	2.1
Cash contributions	3.1	6.4	3.5	5.0	3.0	2.8	2.0
Personal insurance and pensions	9.5	1.0	10.3	1.9	7.6	12.0	10.9
Life and other personal insurance	1.1	.9	.6	1.9	1.1	1.2	1.2
Pensions and Social Security	8.4	4.1	9.7	4.1	6.4	10.8	9.8
Sources of income and personal taxes: ¹							
Money income before taxes	\$41,622	\$13,495	\$28,325	\$22,162	\$37,299	\$58,926	\$68,477
Wages and salaries	79.0	(⁵)	87.2	(⁵)	74.8	89.1	90.1
Self-employment income	5.4	(⁵)	5.9	4.2	6.2	5.9	5.4
Social Security, private and government retirement	11.1	79.8	3.5	83.5	13.4	2.5	1.8
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	2.1	12.2	1.2	8.8	2.1	1.2	1.1
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits .....	.5	1.4	.3	.9	.6	.3	.4
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps .....	.8	3.7	.1	4.9	1.4	.3	.2
Regular contributions for support .....	.6	2.5	.7	1.5	.9	.3	.4
Other income .....	.5	.5	1.0	.3	.6	.4	.6
Personal taxes	7.8	4.6	10.0	2.5	8.0	8.2	7.3
Federal income taxes	5.9	3.2	7.7	1.3	6.0	6.2	5.6
State and local income taxes	1.5	.5	2.1	.3	1.5	1.6	1.4
Other taxes .....	.4	.9	.3	.9	.5	.3	.4
Income after taxes	92.2	95.4	90.0	97.5	92.0	91.8	92.7

¹ Components of income and taxes are derived from "complete income reporters" only; see glossary.

² Value less than 0.5.

³ Value less than 0.05.

⁴ Data are likely to have large sampling errors.

⁵ No data reported.

n.a. Not applicable.