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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX – DECEMBER 2014

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) declined 0.4 percent in December on a seasonally adjusted basis, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Over the last 12 months, the all items index increased 0.8 percent before seasonal adjustment.

The gasoline index continued to fall sharply, declining 9.4 percent and leading to the decrease in the seasonally adjusted all items index. The fuel oil index also fell sharply, and the energy index posted its largest one-month decline since December 2008, although the indexes for natural gas and for electricity both increased. The food index, in contrast, rose 0.3 percent, its largest increase since September.

The index for all items less food and energy was unchanged in December, following a 0.2 percent increase in October and a 0.1 percent rise in November. This was only the second time since 2010 that it did not increase. The shelter index continued to rise, and the index for medical care posted its largest increase since August 2013. However, these increases were offset by declines in a broad array of indexes including apparel, airline fares, used cars and trucks, household furnishings and operations, and new vehicles.

The all items index increased 0.8 percent over the last 12 months. This is notably lower than the 1.3 percent change for the 12 months ending November. The energy index has declined 10.6 percent over the span. In contrast, the 3.4 percent increase in the food index is its largest 12-month increase since February 2012. The index for all items less food and energy has increased 1.6 percent over the last 12 months, its smallest 12-month change since the 12 months ending February 2014.

Chart 1. One-month percent change in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), seasonally adjusted, Dec. 2013 - Dec. 2014
Percent change

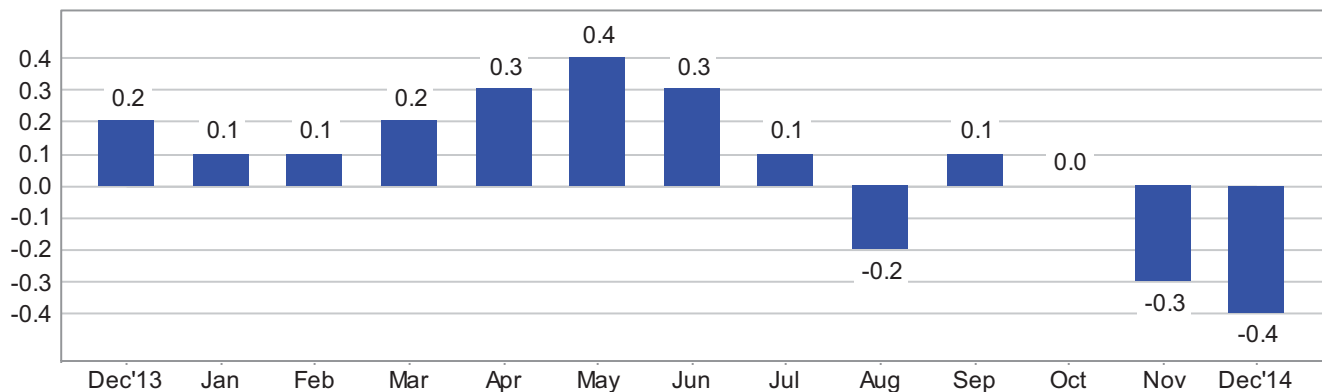


Chart 2. 12-month percent change in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), not seasonally adjusted, Dec. 2013 - Dec. 2014

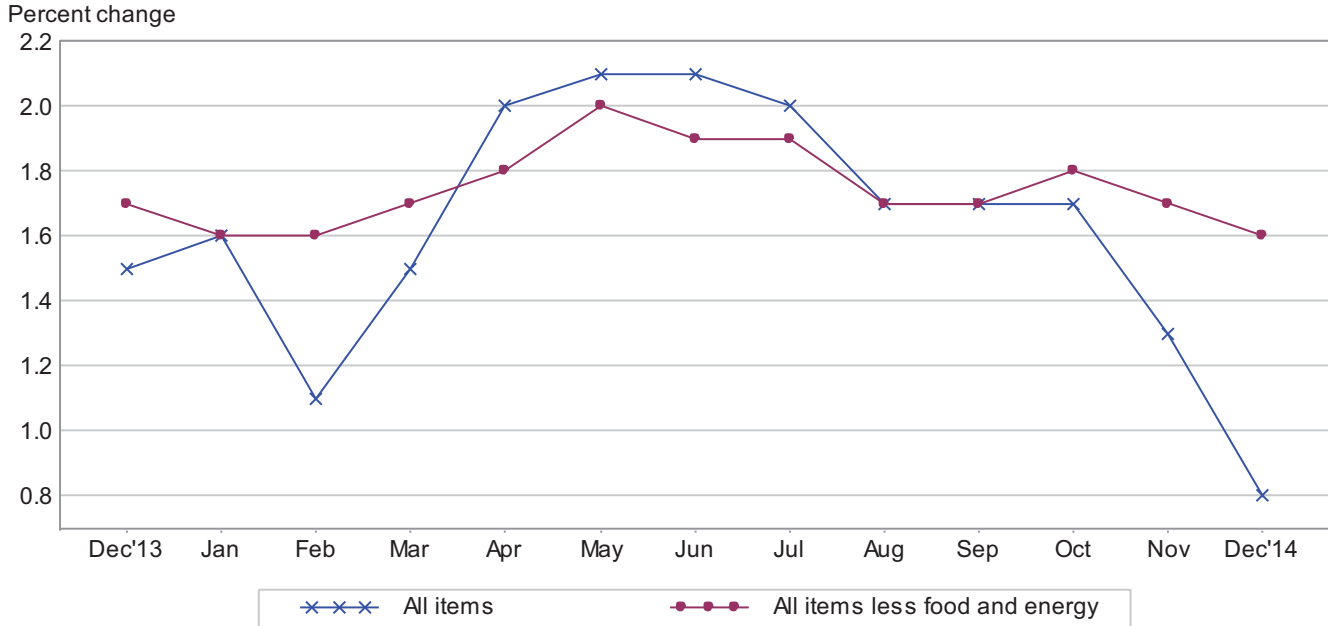


Table A. Percent changes in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average

	Seasonally adjusted changes from preceding month							Un-adjusted 12-mos. ended Dec. 2014
	June 2014	July 2014	Aug. 2014	Sep. 2014	Oct. 2014	Nov. 2014	Dec. 2014	
All items .....	.3	.1	-.2	.1	.0	-.3	-.4	.8
Food .....	.1	.4	.2	.3	.1	.2	.3	3.4
Food at home .....	.0	.4	.2	.3	.1	.1	.3	3.7
Food away from home ¹ .....	.2	.3	.2	.3	.2	.4	.3	3.0
Energy	1.6	-.3	-2.6	-.7	-1.9	-3.8	-4.7	-10.6
Energy commodities	3.0	-.3	-3.9	-1.1	-3.0	-6.4	-9.1	-20.5
Gasoline (all types)	3.3	-.3	-4.1	-1.0	-3.0	-6.6	-9.4	-21.0
Fuel oil ¹	-1.7	-.7	-1.2	-2.1	-4.0	-3.5	-7.8	-19.1
Energy services	-.4	-.4	-.6	-.2	-.2	-.3	1.0	3.7
Electricity .....	.2	-.3	.1	-.7	.5	.1	.8	3.1
Utility (piped) gas service	-2.6	-.4	-2.8	1.6	-2.7	-1.7	1.5	5.8
All items less food and energy .....	.1	.1	.0	.1	.2	.1	.0	1.6
Commodities less food and energy commodities .....	.1	.0	-.1	.0	.0	-.4	-.3	-.8
New vehicles	-.3	.3	.2	.0	.2	-.1	-.1	.5
Used cars and trucks	-.4	-.3	-.3	-.1	-.9	-1.2	-1.2	-4.2
Apparel .....	.5	.2	-.2	.0	-.2	-1.1	-1.2	-2.0
Medical care commodities .....	.7	.3	-.1	.5	.0	.6	1.0	4.8
Services less energy services .....	.1	.1	.0	.2	.3	.2	.1	2.4
Shelter .....	.2	.3	.2	.3	.2	.3	.2	2.9
Transportation services .....	.1	-.7	-.6	.1	.8	.3	-.5	1.7
Medical care services .....	.0	.1	.0	.1	.2	.4	.3	2.4

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

Consumer Price Index Data for December 2014

Food

The food index rose 0.3 percent in December after a 0.2 percent increase in November. The index for food at home rose 0.3 percent with five of the six major grocery store food groups increasing. The index for dairy and related products posted the largest increase, rising 0.6 percent after declining in November. The fruits and vegetables index rose 0.4 percent, with the fresh vegetables index rising 2.4 percent but the index for fresh fruits declining 1.3 percent. The index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs increased 0.3 percent as the index for beef and veal continued to rise, advancing 0.7 percent. The index for other food at home increased 0.3 percent, and the cereals and bakery products index advanced 0.2 percent. The nonalcoholic beverages index, in contrast, declined in December, falling 0.4 percent after rising in each of the previous three months. The food at home index has risen 3.7 percent over the last 12 months, with all six groups rising over the span. The index for food away from home rose 0.3 percent in December after a 0.4 percent increase in November, and has risen 3.0 percent over the last year.

Energy

The energy index continued to decline, falling 4.7 percent in December after a 3.8 percent decrease in November. This was its sixth decline in a row, and the index has fallen 13.3 percent over the six month span. The gasoline index fell 9.4 percent in December and has declined 22.4 percent since June. (Before seasonal adjustment, gasoline prices fell 11.1 percent in December.) The fuel oil index also continued to decline, falling 7.8 percent, its largest decline since June 2012. However, the index for natural gas turned up in December, rising 1.5 percent after falling in October and November. The electricity index also increased in December, rising 0.8 percent.

All items less food and energy

The index for all items less food and energy was unchanged in December. The shelter index increased, advancing 0.2 percent, with the indexes for rent, owners' equivalent rent, and lodging away from home all rising 0.2 percent. The medical care index rose 0.5 percent in December. The index for prescription drugs rose 0.9 percent, and the hospital services index increased 0.5 percent. The tobacco index advanced in December, increasing 0.8 percent, and the personal care index rose 0.1 percent. A wide array of declines offset these increases. The apparel index fell 1.2 percent in December following a 1.1 percent decline the prior month. The index for airline fares, which rose in October and November, fell sharply in December, declining 5.0 percent. The index for used cars and trucks fell 1.2 percent, the same decline as last month. The index for household furnishings and operations fell 0.3 percent, as did the alcoholic beverages index. The index for new vehicles declined 0.1 percent, the same decrease as in November.

Not seasonally adjusted CPI measures

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 0.8 percent over the last 12 months to an index level of 234.812 (1982-84=100). For the month, the index fell 0.6 percent prior to seasonal adjustment.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) increased 0.3 percent over the last 12 months to an index level of 229.909 (1982-84=100). For the month, the index fell 0.7 percent prior to seasonal adjustment.

The Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U) increased 0.3 percent over the last 12 months. For the month, the index fell 0.8 percent on a not seasonally adjusted basis. Please note that the indexes for the post-2012 period are subject to revision.

Year in Review

The CPI rose 0.8 percent in 2014 after a 1.5 percent increase in 2013. This is the second-smallest December-December increase in the last 50 years, trailing only the 0.1 percent increase in 2008. It is considerably lower than the 2.1 percent average annual increase over the last ten years.

The energy index, which rose slightly in both 2012 and 2013, declined sharply in 2014, falling 10.6 percent, the largest decline since 2008. The gasoline index was the main cause of the decline, falling 21.0 percent, with most of the decrease over the last few months of the year. This followed a 1.0 percent decline in 2013. The fuel oil index declined as well, falling 19.1 percent in 2014 after a 1.8 percent decline in 2013. In contrast, the energy services index accelerated in 2014, rising 3.7 percent after a 2.4 percent advance in 2013. The electricity index rose 3.1 percent in 2014, similar to its 3.2 percent advance in 2013. The index for natural gas, which fell slightly in 2013, rose 5.8 percent in 2014, ending a streak of five years of declines. Despite the decline in 2014, the energy index has risen at a 3.2 percent annual rate over the past 10 years.

The index for food rose 3.4 percent in 2014, a substantial acceleration from its 2013 increase of 1.1 percent. The index for food at home rose 3.7 percent in 2014 after rising only 0.4 percent in 2013. All six major grocery store food group indexes increased in 2014. The index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs, which rose 2.9 percent in 2013, increased 9.2 percent, its largest December-December increase since 2003. The index for beef and veal rose 18.7 percent in 2014. The index for dairy and related products rose 5.3 percent in 2014, while the index for fruits and vegetables advanced 3.2 percent; both had declined in 2013. Also turning up after declining in 2013 was the index for other food at home (up 1.5 percent) and the index for nonalcoholic beverages (up 0.7 percent). The only major grocery store food group index not to accelerate was cereals and bakery products, which repeated its 2013 increase of 0.5 percent. The index for food away from home rose 3.0 percent in 2014 after increasing 2.1 percent in 2013. Over the last ten years, the food index has risen at an average annual rate of 2.7 percent.

The index for all items less food and energy rose 1.6 percent in 2014, a slight deceleration from its 1.7 percent increase in 2013, and below its 1.9 percent annual rate over the past ten years. The shelter index accelerated in 2014, increasing 2.9 percent after advancing 2.5 percent in 2013. This was its largest increase since 2007. The rent index rose 3.4 percent and the index for owners' equivalent rent increased 2.6 percent. The medical care index also accelerated, rising 3.0 percent after a 2.0 percent increase in 2013. The new vehicles index accelerated slightly, rising 0.5 percent in 2014 after a 0.4 percent advance the previous year. The personal care index decelerated slightly, rising 1.3 percent in 2014 following a 1.4 percent increase in 2013. The recreation index was unchanged in 2014 after rising slightly in 2013. The index for used cars and trucks turned down in 2014, falling 4.2 percent after rising 2.0 percent in 2013. Similarly, the apparel index, which rose 0.6 percent in 2013, fell 2.0 percent in 2014. The index for household furnishings and operations continued to decline in 2014, falling 0.9 percent after a 1.4

percent decrease the previous year. The index for airline fares also continued to fall, declining 4.7 percent after a 1.4 percent decrease the prior year.

The Consumer Price Index for January 2015 is scheduled to be released on Thursday, February 26, 2015, at 8:30 a.m. (EST).

Chained Consumer Price Index to be Revised Quarterly

Effective with the release of CPI data for January 2015 on February 26, 2015, the Bureau of Labor Statistics will begin quarterly revisions of the Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U). In addition, a Constant Elasticity of Substitution (CES) formula will replace the geometric mean formula for the calculation of Initial and Interim C-CPI-U indexes.

More frequent weight updates and index revisions. Whereas CPI-U and CPI-W indexes are considered final when released, the final C-CPI-U index is published with a lag for administration and processing of Consumer Expenditure Survey household data, the source of the final C-CPI-U monthly expenditure weights. Under the traditional annual revision process, the final C-CPI-U index was published 13 to 24 months after the CPI-U. The CPI program is implementing a new estimation system that calculates monthly expenditure weights and revised C-CPI-U indexes on a quarterly basis. Under the new quarterly process, the final C-CPI-U index will lag the CPI-U index by 10 to 12 months.

Final C-CPI-U indexes for 2014 will be published on the following quarterly schedule:

Index Month	Release Month
January 2013 – March 2014	February 2015
April – June 2014	May 2015
July – September 2014	August 2015
October – December 2014	November 2015

Initial C-CPI-U indexes will continue to be released concurrent with the CPI-U release, and will be updated as interim C-CPI-U indexes with every quarterly revision until the final version is published.

New formula for initial and interim C-CPI-U Indexes. The CES formula will replace the geometric mean formula for initial and interim C-CPI-U indexes effective with the February 26, 2015 release. The CES formula is an improvement over the geometric mean formula because the CES formula more closely models consumer substitution behavior.

With the use of the geometric mean formula, consumers are assumed to consistently substitute within item classification to goods whose prices are falling relative to others. Using a fixed quantity formula, such as a Laspeyres formula, consumers are assumed to make no substitutions between goods when faced with relative price change. In reality, consumers respond to relative price changes differently than either model implies. The CES formula attempts to capture the amount of substitution occurring in the marketplace as consumers respond to changing relative prices.

For further details on the implementation of the CES formula and the frequency of weight updates for the C-CPI-U, please contact the CPI Information and Analysis section at (202) 691-6966.

New Estimation System

Effective with the release of the January 2015 CPI on February 26, 2015, the Bureau of Labor Statistics will utilize a new estimation system for the Consumer Price Index. The new estimation system, the first major improvement to the existing system in over 25 years, is a redesigned, state-of-the-art system with improved flexibility and review capabilities. For more information on this new system, please see <http://www.bls.gov/cpi/cpinewest.htm>.

Facilities for Sensory Impaired

Information from this release will be made available to sensory impaired individuals upon request. Voice phone: 202-691-5200, Federal Relay Services: 1-800-877-8339.

Brief Explanation of the CPI

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time of goods and services purchased by households. The Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes CPIs for two population groups: (1) the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W), which covers households of wage earners and clerical workers that comprise approximately 28 percent of the total population and (2) the CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and the Chained CPI for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U), which covers approximately 89 percent of the total population and includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical worker households, groups such as professional, managerial, and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force.

The CPIs are based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day-to-day living. Prices are collected each month in 87 urban areas across the country from about 4,000 housing units and approximately 26,000 retail establishments-department stores, supermarkets, hospitals, filling stations, and other types of stores and service establishments. All taxes directly associated with the purchase and use of items are included in the index. Prices of fuels and a few other items are obtained every month in all 87 locations. Prices of most other commodities and services are collected every month in the three largest geographic areas and every other month in other areas. Prices of most goods and services are obtained by personal visits or telephone calls of the Bureau's trained representatives.

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. For the CPI-U and CPI-W separate indexes are also published by size of city, by region of the country, for cross-classifications of regions and population-size classes, and for 27 local areas. Area indexes do not measure differences in the level of prices among cities; they only measure the average change in prices for each area since the base period. For the C-CPI-U data are issued only at the national level. It is important to note that the CPI-U and CPI-W are considered final when released, but the C-CPI-U is issued in preliminary form and subject to two annual revisions.

The index measures price change from a designed reference date. For the CPI-U and the CPI-W the reference base is 1982-84 equals 100. The reference base for the C-CPI-U is December 1999 equals 100. An increase of 16.5 percent from the reference base, for example, is shown as 116.500. This change can also be expressed in dollars as follows: the price of a base period market basket of goods and services in the CPI has risen from \$10 in 1982-84 to \$11.65.

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

Note on Sampling Error in the Consumer Price Index

The CPI is a statistical estimate that is subject to sampling error because it is based upon a sample of retail prices and not the complete universe of all prices. BLS calculates and publishes estimates of the 1-month, 2-month, 6-month and 12-month percent change standard errors annually, for the CPI-U. These standard error estimates can be used to construct confidence intervals for hypothesis testing. For example, the estimated standard error of the 1 month percent change is 0.04 percent for the U.S. All Items Consumer Price Index. This means that if we repeatedly sample from the universe of all retail prices using the same methodology, and estimate a percentage change for each sample, then 95% of these estimates would be within 0.08 percent of the 1 month percentage change based on all retail prices. For example, for a 1-month change of 0.2 percent in the All Items CPI for All Urban Consumers, we are 95 percent confident that the actual percent change based on all retail prices would fall between 0.12 and 0.28 percent. For the latest data, including information on how to use the estimates of standard error, see “Variance Estimates for Price Changes in the Consumer Price Index, January-December 2013”. These data are available on the CPI home page (<http://www.bls.gov/cpi>), or by using the following link: <http://www.bls.gov/cpi/cpivar2013.pdf>

Calculating Index Changes

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

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

Index Point Change

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

Percent Change

Index point difference	.616
Divided by the previous index	201.800
Equals	0.003
Results multiplied by one hundred	0.003x100
Equals percent change	0.3

A Note on Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted Data

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

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

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

Seasonal factors used in computing the seasonally adjusted indexes are derived by the X-13ARIMA-SEATS Seasonal Adjustment Method. Seasonally adjusted indexes and seasonal factors are computed annually. Each year, the last five years of seasonally adjusted data are revised. Data from January 2009 through December 2013 were replaced in January 2014. Exceptions to the usual revision schedule were: the updated seasonal data at the end of 1977 replaced data from 1967 through 1977; and, in January 2002, dependently seasonally adjusted series were revised for January 1987-December 2001 as a result of a change in the aggregation weights for dependently adjusted series. For further information, please see “Aggregation of Dependently Adjusted Seasonally Adjusted Series,” in the October 2001 issue of the CPI Detailed Report.

Effective with the publication of data from January 2006 through December 2010 in January 2011, the Video and audio series and the Information technology, hardware and services series were changed from independently adjusted to dependently adjusted. This resulted in an increase in the number of seasonal components used in deriving seasonal movement of the All items and 64 other lower level aggregations, from 73 for the publication of January 1998 through December 2005 data to 82 for the publication of seasonally adjusted data for January 2006 and later. Each year the seasonal status of every series is reevaluated based upon certain statistical criteria. If any of the 82 components change their seasonal adjustment status from seasonally adjusted to not seasonally adjusted, not seasonally adjusted data will be used in the aggregation of the dependent series for the last five years, but the seasonally adjusted indexes before that period will not be changed. Note: 35 of the 82 components are not seasonally adjusted for 2014.

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

Effective with the calculation of the seasonal factors for 1990, the Bureau of Labor Statistics has used an enhanced seasonal adjustment procedure called Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment for some CPI series. Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment allows for better estimates of seasonally adjusted data. Extreme values and/or sharp movements which might distort the seasonal pattern are estimated and removed from the data prior to calculation of seasonal factors. Beginning with the calculation of seasonal factors for 1996, X-12-ARIMA software was used for Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment. In 2014, for the 2009-2013 revisions, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began using X-

13ARIMA-SEATS to perform the seasonal adjustment of CPI series, including Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment for certain series.

For the seasonal factors introduced in January 2014, BLS adjusted 31 series using Intervention Analysis Seasonal Adjustment, including selected food and beverage items, motor fuels, electricity and vehicles. For example, this procedure was used for the Motor fuel series to offset the effects of events such as the response in crude oil markets to the worldwide economic downturn in 2008.

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

For additional information on seasonal adjustment in the CPI, please write to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Division of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, Washington, DC 20212 or contact Chris Graci at (202) 691-5826, or by e-mail at graci.christopher@bls.gov, or contact Carlyle Jackson at (202) 691-6984, or by e-mail at jackson.carlyle@bls.gov . If you have general questions about the CPI, please call our information staff at (202) 691-7000.

Recalculated Seasonally Adjusted Indexes to be Available on February 20, 2015

Each year with the release of the January CPI, seasonal adjustment factors are recalculated to reflect price movements from the just-completed calendar year. This routine annual recalculation may result in revisions to seasonally adjusted indexes for the previous 5 years. BLS will make available recalculated seasonally adjusted indexes, as well as recalculated seasonal adjustment factors, for the period January 2010 through December 2014, on Friday, February 20, 2015. This date is before the scheduled release of the January 2015 CPI on Thursday, February 26, 2015.

The revised indexes and seasonal factors will be available on the internet. The address is <http://www.bls.gov/cpi/cpisapage.htm>. Look under Seasonal Adjustment in the CPI and select Revised Seasonally Adjusted Indexes and Factors, 2010-2014.

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Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category, December 2014

[1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Nov. 2014	Unadjusted indexes			Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Dec. 2013	Nov. 2014	Dec. 2014	Dec. 2013- Dec. 2014	Nov. 2014- Dec. 2014	Sep. 2014- Oct. 2014	Oct. 2014- Nov. 2014	Nov. 2014- Dec. 2014
All items.....	100.000	233.049	236.151	234.812	0.8	-0.6	0.0	-0.3	-0.4
Food.....	14.131	237.869	245.192	245.976	3.4	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3
Food at home.....	8.348	233.802	241.576	242.457	3.7	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.3
Cereals and bakery products.....	1.130	269.267	270.344	270.635	0.5	0.1	0.3	-0.2	0.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs.....	1.998	239.102	260.457	261.055	9.2	0.2	-0.4	0.6	0.3
Dairy and related products ¹	0.888	218.376	228.412	229.870	5.3	0.6	0.5	-0.2	0.6
Fruits and vegetables.....	1.355	288.136	293.978	297.429	3.2	1.2	0.9	-0.7	0.4
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials.....	0.953	165.767	167.511	166.978	0.7	-0.3	0.6	0.5	-0.4
Other food at home.....	2.025	203.720	206.210	206.831	1.5	0.3	-0.4	0.4	0.3
Food away from home ¹	5.783	245.300	251.987	252.628	3.0	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3
Energy.....	8.443	234.542	221.844	209.785	-10.6	-5.4	-1.9	-3.8	-4.7
Energy commodities.....	4.691	289.461	257.629	230.195	-20.5	-10.6	-3.0	-6.4	-9.1
Fuel oil ¹	0.150	375.607	329.681	303.844	-19.1	-7.8	-4.0	-3.5	-7.8
Motor fuel.....	4.444	284.445	252.897	225.165	-20.8	-11.0	-3.1	-6.6	-9.3
Gasoline (all types).....	4.364	282.773	251.172	223.404	-21.0	-11.1	-3.0	-6.6	-9.4
Energy services ²	3.753	192.394	197.459	199.592	3.7	1.1	-0.2	-0.3	1.0
Electricity ²	2.903	198.043	202.889	204.275	3.1	0.7	0.5	0.1	0.8
Utility (piped) gas service ²	0.850	172.898	178.558	182.908	5.8	2.4	-2.7	-1.7	1.5
All items less food and energy.....	77.426	235.000	239.248	238.775	1.6	-0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0
Commodities less food and energy commodities.....	19.473	146.277	146.439	145.127	-0.8	-0.9	0.0	-0.4	-0.3
Apparel.....	3.461	126.461	129.023	123.942	-2.0	-3.9	-0.2	-1.1	-1.2
New vehicles.....	3.529	145.766	146.481	146.524	0.5	0.0	0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Used cars and trucks.....	1.606	148.183	144.151	141.957	-4.2	-1.5	-0.9	-1.2	-1.2
Medical care commodities.....	1.751	333.801	347.616	349.750	4.8	0.6	0.0	0.6	1.0
Alcoholic beverages.....	1.012	235.804	239.551	238.856	1.3	-0.3	0.1	0.8	-0.3
Tobacco and smoking products ¹	0.708	890.438	909.610	916.707	3.0	0.8	0.6	0.0	0.8
Services less energy services.....	57.953	289.001	295.911	296.021	2.4	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.1
Shelter.....	32.482	265.881	273.233	273.598	2.9	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2
Rent of primary residence ²	7.099	271.688	280.123	280.874	3.4	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{2, 3}	24.163	274.135	280.840	281.288	2.6	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Medical care services.....	5.899	457.296	467.482	468.393	2.4	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.3
Physicians' services ²	1.578	356.469	361.001	361.659	1.5	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.3
Hospital services ^{2, 4}	1.835	269.365	281.491	282.547	4.9	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.5
Transportation services.....	5.624	281.680	288.174	286.585	1.7	-0.6	0.8	0.3	-0.5
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ¹	1.161	263.081	268.389	268.588	2.1	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1
Motor vehicle insurance.....	2.279	428.640	447.271	448.933	4.7	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.3
Airline fare.....	0.743	301.357	305.885	287.175	-4.7	-6.1	2.4	1.4	-5.0

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

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

³ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

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

Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by detailed expenditure category, December 2014

[1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Nov. 2014	Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Dec. 2013- Dec. 2014	Nov. 2014- Dec. 2014	Sep. 2014- Oct. 2014	Oct. 2014- Nov. 2014	Nov. 2014- Dec. 2014
All items.....	100.000	0.8	-0.6	0.0	-0.3	-0.4
Food.....	14.131	3.4	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3
Food at home.....	8.348	3.7	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.3
Cereals and bakery products.....	1.130	0.5	0.1	0.3	-0.2	0.2
Cereals and cereal products.....	0.370	-0.3	-0.5	1.0	-1.0	-0.4
Flour and prepared flour mixes.....	0.048	-1.9	-0.6	0.0	0.2	-1.6
Breakfast cereal ¹	0.196	1.3	-0.1	1.5	0.7	-0.1
Rice, pasta, cornmeal ¹	0.127	-2.1	-1.1	0.0	-1.7	-1.1
Rice ^{1, 2, 3}		-2.8	-1.0	0.4	-1.1	-1.0
Bakery products.....	0.760	0.9	0.4	-0.2	0.3	0.5
Bread ²	0.225	1.2	1.5	-1.3	0.7	1.2
White bread ^{1, 3}		0.9	1.4	-0.4	-0.2	1.4
Bread other than white ^{1, 3}		0.8	1.6	-1.3	0.2	1.6
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins ^{1, 2}	0.115	1.9	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.2
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies.....	0.189	0.6	-0.5	-0.3	-0.2	0.2
Cookies ^{1, 3}		-0.2	-1.0	-0.3	0.1	-0.3
Fresh cakes and cupcakes ^{1, 3}		1.5	0.1	0.6	-0.7	0.1
Other bakery products.....	0.231	0.4	0.2	0.7	0.3	0.2
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts ^{1, 3}		0.6	1.8	0.0	-0.5	1.8
Crackers, bread, and cracker products ³		1.0	0.3	0.8	0.3	0.1
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers ³		-0.5	-0.4	-0.8	1.4	-0.9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs.....	1.998	9.2	0.2	-0.4	0.6	0.3
Meats, poultry, and fish.....	1.874	9.1	-0.3	-0.4	0.6	0.0
Meats.....	1.223	12.7	-0.1	-0.2	0.3	0.2
Beef and veal ¹	0.575	18.7	0.7	0.3	0.8	0.7
Uncooked ground beef ¹	0.236	19.2	0.2	1.0	1.4	0.2
Uncooked beef roasts ^{1, 2}	0.083	20.6	1.4	-0.4	2.0	1.4
Uncooked beef steaks ^{1, 2}	0.204	16.0	0.9	-0.2	-0.9	0.9
Uncooked other beef and veal ^{1, 2}	0.052	24.0	1.2	0.7	2.7	1.2
Pork.....	0.376	8.2	-1.7	-0.7	-0.3	-0.7
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products ²	0.141	2.4	-0.8	-1.4	-0.5	-0.2
Bacon and related products ³		-1.0	-1.6	-2.5	-0.9	-0.4
Breakfast sausage and related products ^{2, 3}		7.3	-0.1	0.1	0.6	0.4
Ham.....	0.080	13.1	-4.0	0.8	1.3	-1.2
Ham, excluding canned ³		14.4	-4.9	0.3	1.2	-1.7
Pork chops.....	0.064	10.1	-0.3	2.0	-1.1	0.0
Other pork including roasts and picnics ²	0.091	12.5	-2.1	-1.2	-1.6	-1.3
Other meats.....	0.272	7.4	0.5	-0.3	0.4	0.4
Frankfurters ³		12.1	3.6	-1.7	1.6	4.1
Lunchmeats ^{1, 2, 3}		5.8	0.0	0.5	0.2	0.0
Lamb and organ meats ^{1, 3}		8.8	-0.5	0.8	1.6	-0.5
Lamb and mutton ^{1, 2, 3}		3.2	-1.1	-1.2	1.4	-1.1
Poultry.....	0.360	1.6	-0.5	-1.2	1.7	-0.7
Chicken ²	0.293	2.1	-0.3	-1.3	1.6	-0.5
Fresh whole chicken ^{1, 3}		3.0	0.5	-1.8	0.7	0.5
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ^{1, 3}		1.6	-0.5	-0.4	1.6	-0.5
Other poultry including turkey ²	0.067	-0.5	-1.4	-1.1	1.8	-1.8
Fish and seafood ¹	0.291	4.3	-0.8	-0.8	0.3	-0.3
Fresh fish and seafood ^{1, 2}	0.149	5.6	-0.7	-1.9	0.0	-0.7
Processed fish and seafood ²	0.143	3.0	-0.8	-0.2	0.6	-0.9
Shelf stable fish and seafood ^{1, 3}		1.3	-1.0	1.1	0.9	-1.0

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Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by detailed expenditure category, December 2014 — Continued
 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Nov. 2014	Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Dec. 2013- Dec. 2014	Nov. 2014- Dec. 2014	Sep. 2014- Oct. 2014	Oct. 2014- Nov. 2014	Nov. 2014- Dec. 2014
Frozen fish and seafood ³		5.2	-0.7	-1.0	0.9	-0.5
Eggs.....	0.124	10.7	7.7	-0.4	1.1	5.5
Dairy and related products ¹	0.888	5.3	0.6	0.5	-0.2	0.6
Milk ^{1, 2}	0.279	4.3	0.8	-0.5	-0.4	0.8
Fresh whole milk ^{1, 3}		5.2	-0.1	-0.6	0.1	-0.1
Fresh milk other than whole ^{1, 2, 3}		4.1	1.5	-0.6	-0.6	1.5
Cheese and related products ¹	0.285	8.2	-0.2	0.7	0.5	0.2
Ice cream and related products.....	0.122	3.5	2.4	-0.9	0.4	2.3
Other dairy and related products ²	0.202	3.7	0.5	1.3	-0.2	0.0
Fruits and vegetables.....	1.355	3.2	1.2	0.9	-0.7	0.4
Fresh fruits and vegetables.....	1.057	4.1	1.2	1.1	-0.8	0.4
Fresh fruits.....	0.573	3.6	-0.1	0.9	-2.9	-1.3
Apples.....	0.084	-2.3	-2.1	-0.1	-0.4	-0.9
Bananas.....	0.088	-0.7	-1.3	-0.1	1.5	-1.9
Citrus fruits ²	0.155	5.4	-5.9	3.0	-2.1	-1.6
Oranges, including tangerines ³		3.7	-7.8	3.8	-0.1	-1.8
Other fresh fruits ²	0.247	6.2	4.6	1.0	-4.0	-0.2
Fresh vegetables.....	0.484	4.6	2.8	1.4	1.8	2.4
Potatoes.....	0.075	-1.8	-0.6	3.4	-1.8	1.4
Lettuce.....	0.074	4.4	-3.4	-0.3	5.5	-4.3
Tomatoes ¹	0.093	16.5	9.3	4.6	10.4	9.3
Other fresh vegetables.....	0.242	2.3	3.2	0.8	-0.6	3.0
Processed fruits and vegetables ²	0.298	0.4	1.1	0.5	-0.7	0.8
Canned fruits and vegetables ²	0.154	-0.2	1.2	1.6	-1.3	0.8
Canned fruits ^{2, 3}		0.5	2.2	0.5	-0.3	1.0
Canned vegetables ^{2, 3}		0.0	1.1	1.8	-1.8	1.1
Frozen fruits and vegetables ²	0.087	1.5	1.0	-1.1	-0.8	1.3
Frozen vegetables ³		0.9	1.4	-1.1	-1.8	2.0
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried ²	0.057	0.2	0.9	0.8	-0.4	0.7
Dried beans, peas, and lentils ^{1, 2, 3}		4.6	1.1	-0.5	1.0	1.1
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials.....	0.953	0.7	-0.3	0.6	0.5	-0.4
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks ²	0.696	0.1	-0.2	0.7	0.6	-0.5
Carbonated drinks.....	0.283	1.4	0.1	0.5	-0.3	0.7
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ^{1, 2}	0.014	2.3	0.0	2.6	0.6	0.0
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ^{1, 2}	0.399	-1.0	-0.5	1.1	1.3	-0.5
Beverage materials including coffee and tea ²	0.256	2.6	-0.5	-0.3	0.3	-0.4
Coffee.....	0.158	3.6	-0.5	-0.5	-0.1	-0.2
Roasted coffee ³		4.2	-0.9	-0.1	0.2	0.5
Instant and freeze dried coffee ^{1, 3}		0.2	1.9	-0.9	-0.8	1.9
Other beverage materials including tea ²	0.099	1.0	-0.5	0.4	1.0	-0.7
Other food at home.....	2.025	1.5	0.3	-0.4	0.4	0.3
Sugar and sweets ¹	0.295	1.1	0.5	-1.0	-0.2	0.5
Sugar and artificial sweeteners.....	0.053	0.2	0.9	-2.2	0.6	1.3
Candy and chewing gum ^{1, 2}	0.183	1.8	0.6	-0.2	0.1	0.6
Other sweets ²	0.060	-0.2	-0.1	-1.9	1.0	-0.4
Fats and oils.....	0.245	1.0	-0.4	0.3	-0.9	-0.5
Butter and margarine ²	0.077	11.6	-1.6	2.8	-0.2	-1.8
Butter ³		22.5	-2.8	5.1	-1.7	-1.6
Margarine ³		2.6	0.4	1.5	0.1	0.2
Salad dressing ^{1, 2}	0.061	-4.3	0.5	0.4	-1.8	0.5
Other fats and oils including peanut butter ²	0.107	-2.5	0.0	-1.0	-0.7	-0.4
Peanut butter ^{1, 2, 3}		-3.6	-0.3	-0.1	-0.6	-0.3
Other foods.....	1.485	1.7	0.4	-0.4	0.7	0.4

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Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by detailed expenditure category, December 2014 — Continued
 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Nov. 2014	Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Dec. 2013- Dec. 2014	Nov. 2014- Dec. 2014	Sep. 2014- Oct. 2014	Oct. 2014- Nov. 2014	Nov. 2014- Dec. 2014
Soups.....	0.094	-0.6	-1.6	-1.6	1.2	-1.1
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods ¹	0.282	1.9	0.3	-1.2	1.2	0.3
Snacks ¹	0.327	1.8	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.4
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces.....	0.288	2.2	1.1	-1.2	0.5	1.6
Salt and other seasonings and spices ^{2, 3}		4.8	-0.1	-1.5	2.3	0.1
Olives, pickles, relishes ^{1, 2, 3}		0.2	1.0	-1.5	-2.2	1.0
Sauces and gravies ^{2, 3}		1.7	2.0	-0.2	-0.8	1.8
Other condiments ³		1.8	0.0	-0.3	1.0	3.1
Baby food ^{1, 2}	0.055	2.1	-0.1	0.5	0.0	-0.1
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1, 2}	0.439	1.6	0.5	0.4	1.0	0.5
Prepared salads ^{1, 3, 4}		3.9	1.0	-0.9	0.9	1.0
Food away from home ¹	5.783	3.0	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3
Full service meals and snacks ^{1, 2}	2.800	3.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2
Limited service meals and snacks ^{1, 2}	2.392	3.2	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.3
Food at employee sites and schools ²	0.211	1.8	0.0	0.9	0.2	0.1
Food at elementary and secondary schools ^{3, 5}		2.3	-0.1	1.4	0.2	0.0
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors ^{1, 2}	0.063	0.5	0.6	-0.1	0.7	0.6
Other food away from home ^{1, 2}	0.317	2.0	0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.2
Energy.....	8.443	-10.6	-5.4	-1.9	-3.8	-4.7
Energy commodities.....	4.691	-20.5	-10.6	-3.0	-6.4	-9.1
Fuel oil and other fuels ¹	0.246	-13.7	-4.9	-2.3	-2.0	-4.9
Fuel oil ¹	0.150	-19.1	-7.8	-4.0	-3.5	-7.8
Propane, kerosene, and firewood ^{1, 6}	0.096	-4.6	-0.4	-0.5	-1.8	-1.4
Motor fuel.....	4.444	-20.8	-11.0	-3.1	-6.6	-9.3
Gasoline (all types).....	4.364	-21.0	-11.1	-3.0	-6.6	-9.4
Gasoline, unleaded regular ³		-21.6	-11.3	-3.2	-6.8	-9.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{3, 7}		-19.6	-11.5	-3.0	-5.7	-9.8
Gasoline, unleaded premium ³		-18.3	-9.7	-2.5	-5.9	-8.0
Other motor fuels ²	0.080	-11.9	-6.0	-1.9	-1.6	-5.2
Energy services ⁸	3.753	3.7	1.1	-0.2	-0.3	1.0
Electricity ⁸	2.903	3.1	0.7	0.5	0.1	0.8
Utility (piped) gas service ⁸	0.850	5.8	2.4	-2.7	-1.7	1.5
All items less food and energy.....	77.426	1.6	-0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0
Commodities less food and energy commodities.....	19.473	-0.8	-0.9	0.0	-0.4	-0.3
Household furnishings and supplies ^{1, 9}	3.336	-1.9	-0.4	0.4	-0.5	-0.4
Window and floor coverings and other linens ^{1, 2}	0.271	-3.6	-2.5	-0.3	-0.6	-2.5
Floor coverings ^{1, 2}	0.047	0.8	-0.2	-1.2	-0.7	-0.2
Window coverings ^{1, 2}	0.055	-2.3	-3.3	-0.1	3.4	-3.3
Other linens ^{1, 2}	0.170	-5.2	-2.8	-0.1	-1.9	-2.8
Furniture and bedding ¹	0.762	-1.6	0.3	0.7	0.1	0.3
Bedroom furniture ¹	0.267	-2.4	-0.3	0.0	-0.2	-0.3
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture ^{1, 2}	0.359	-1.9	0.7	1.4	0.3	0.7
Other furniture ²	0.127	0.8	0.4	-0.1	-1.1	0.0
Infants' furniture ^{1, 3, 5}						
Appliances ²	0.271	-5.2	-0.8	0.2	-1.3	-0.6
Major appliances ²	0.146	-6.9	0.2	-0.2	-2.5	0.3
Laundry equipment ³		-7.4	0.7	-0.7	-4.4	1.3
Other appliances ^{1, 2}	0.122	-3.1	-2.1	0.4	-0.1	-2.1
Other household equipment and furnishings ²	0.482	-3.9	-1.2	0.3	-1.1	-0.9
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items ¹	0.260	-5.8	-1.6	0.8	-1.8	-1.6
Indoor plants and flowers ¹⁰	0.106	1.9	0.7	0.0	0.9	0.3
Dishes and flatware ^{1, 2}	0.043	-6.7	-3.6	-0.5	-3.8	-3.6
Nonelectric cookware and tableware ²	0.074	-3.7	-0.9	0.8	-1.2	-0.5

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Expenditure category	Relative importance Nov. 2014	Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Dec. 2013- Dec. 2014	Nov. 2014- Dec. 2014	Sep. 2014- Oct. 2014	Oct. 2014- Nov. 2014	Nov. 2014- Dec. 2014
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies ² . . .	0.706	0.1	0.0	0.5	-0.1	0.0
Tools, hardware and supplies ^{1, 2}	0.188	0.8	0.4	0.2	-0.5	0.4
Outdoor equipment and supplies ²	0.366	-0.3	-0.1	0.9	0.1	-0.3
Housekeeping supplies ¹	0.844	-0.8	-0.1	0.6	-0.3	-0.1
Household cleaning products ^{1, 2}	0.334	-0.9	0.2	0.7	0.4	0.2
Household paper products ^{1, 2}	0.247	-0.7	-0.3	0.2	-0.6	-0.3
Miscellaneous household products ^{1, 2}	0.263	-0.7	-0.4	0.8	-0.8	-0.4
Apparel	3.461	-2.0	-3.9	-0.2	-1.1	-1.2
Men's and boys' apparel	0.864	-3.0	-4.1	-1.1	-0.1	-1.1
Men's apparel	0.680	-3.0	-4.6	-1.6	-0.1	-1.2
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear	0.110	-7.1	-6.1	-4.0	-1.2	-2.1
Men's furnishings	0.192	-2.4	-3.9	-1.5	-0.5	-1.6
Men's shirts and sweaters ²	0.207	-4.5	-5.9	-0.5	-0.8	-1.8
Men's pants and shorts	0.164	1.1	-2.8	-0.9	1.7	-0.9
Boys' apparel	0.184	-2.7	-2.2	1.6	-1.5	0.2
Women's and girls' apparel	1.514	-3.6	-5.5	0.4	-1.9	-2.2
Women's apparel	1.273	-3.5	-5.5	0.3	-1.7	-1.9
Women's outerwear	0.123	3.6	-5.0	-1.8	-3.7	-0.3
Women's dresses	0.167	1.6	-7.8	4.3	0.4	-0.7
Women's suits and separates ²	0.588	-8.2	-6.9	-0.7	-2.4	-1.9
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories ²	0.385	-0.3	-2.4	0.6	-1.9	-0.9
Girls' apparel	0.242	-4.0	-5.8	0.6	-3.4	-3.8
Footwear	0.732	2.8	-1.5	0.0	-0.9	0.4
Men's footwear ¹	0.219	1.8	-1.0	-1.1	-0.6	-1.0
Boys' and girls' footwear	0.178	6.1	-0.7	2.8	-1.7	-0.1
Women's footwear	0.335	1.7	-2.3	-0.2	-0.8	0.6
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	0.136	0.4	-1.0	0.5	-0.5	0.0
Jewelry and watches ⁶	0.214	-4.3	-2.3	-1.9	-0.7	-0.8
Watches ^{1, 6}	0.046	-1.0	-1.3	-0.7	-2.5	-1.3
Jewelry ⁶	0.168	-5.1	-2.6	-2.2	-0.6	-0.4
Transportation commodities less motor fuel ⁹	5.674	-0.9	-0.4	-0.1	-0.4	-0.4
New vehicles	3.529	0.5	0.0	0.2	-0.1	-0.1
New cars and trucks ^{2, 3}		0.6	0.0	0.2	-0.1	-0.1
New cars ³		-0.1	-0.1	0.2	0.0	-0.2
New trucks ^{3, 11}		1.3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Used cars and trucks	1.606	-4.2	-1.5	-0.9	-1.2	-1.2
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹	0.430	-0.7	0.4	-0.1	-0.2	0.4
Tires ¹	0.282	-1.9	0.5	-0.2	-0.4	0.5
Vehicle accessories other than tires ^{1, 2}	0.149	1.7	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.3
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires ^{1, 3}		1.5	0.2	-0.1	0.3	0.2
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids ^{1, 3}		2.4	0.8	0.7	-0.5	0.8
Medical care commodities	1.751	4.8	0.6	0.0	0.6	1.0
Medicinal drugs ^{1, 9}	1.675	5.0	0.6	0.0	0.4	0.6
Prescription drugs	1.328	6.4	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.9
Nonprescription drugs ^{1, 9}	0.348	-0.2	0.4	-2.1	0.2	0.4
Medical equipment and supplies ^{1, 9}	0.076	0.9	-0.1	0.5	0.0	-0.1
Recreation commodities ⁹	2.004	-2.6	-0.4	0.0	-0.6	-0.3
Video and audio products ⁹	0.291	-10.5	-1.4	-0.6	-2.1	-1.4
Televisions	0.135	-16.7	-1.9	-1.2	-3.2	-2.1
Other video equipment ^{1, 2}	0.030	-0.8	-4.5	-0.2	-2.7	-4.5
Audio equipment	0.067	-7.3	-0.7	0.3	-1.3	0.1
Audio discs, tapes and other media ^{1, 2}	0.043	-3.6	0.7	-1.0	-0.1	0.7

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Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by detailed expenditure category, December 2014 — Continued
 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Nov. 2014	Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Dec. 2013- Dec. 2014	Nov. 2014- Dec. 2014	Sep. 2014- Oct. 2014	Oct. 2014- Nov. 2014	Nov. 2014- Dec. 2014
Pets and pet products ¹	0.655	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
Pet food ^{1, 2, 3}		0.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories ^{1, 2, 3}		0.4	0.1	0.7	0.3	0.1
Sporting goods ¹	0.401	-2.2	-0.8	-0.1	-0.8	-0.8
Sports vehicles including bicycles ¹	0.181	-1.1	-0.4	-0.2	-0.6	-0.4
Sports equipment.....	0.215	-3.1	-1.2	-0.2	-0.5	-0.5
Photographic equipment and supplies.....	0.059	-2.2	-3.4	-1.2	-0.5	-1.5
Film and photographic supplies ^{1, 2, 3}		23.4	-1.2	-0.1	0.9	-1.2
Photographic equipment ^{2, 3}		-6.1	-4.0	-1.1	-0.9	-1.5
Recreational reading materials ¹	0.218	2.2	0.1	1.4	-0.3	0.1
Newspapers and magazines ^{1, 2}	0.122	4.8	0.9	1.8	-0.4	0.9
Recreational books ^{1, 2}	0.095	-0.9	-0.8	0.8	-0.1	-0.8
Other recreational goods ²	0.379	-3.8	-0.1	-0.2	-0.7	0.2
Toys.....	0.275	-5.4	0.3	-0.2	-0.9	0.7
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment ^{1, 3}		-2.9	-0.1	0.4	0.0	0.6
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies ^{1, 2}	0.051	0.1	-2.0	-1.1	0.0	-2.0
Music instruments and accessories ²	0.042	2.4	-0.1	0.8	0.1	-0.1
Education and communication commodities ⁹	0.613	-4.9	-1.0	-0.1	-0.9	-0.8
Educational books and supplies.....	0.200	4.6	0.6	0.8	0.2	1.1
College textbooks ^{1, 3, 12}		5.0	0.7	0.7	-0.1	0.7
Information technology commodities ⁹	0.413	-9.0	-1.8	-0.5	-1.4	-1.6
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁴	0.276	-10.5	-2.2	-0.6	-1.5	-2.1
Computer software and accessories ^{1, 2}	0.068	-1.2	-1.3	0.5	0.4	-1.3
Telephone hardware, calculators, and other consumer information items ^{1, 2}	0.068	-9.9	-0.3	-1.1	-2.9	-0.3
Alcoholic beverages.....	1.012	1.3	-0.3	0.1	0.8	-0.3
Alcoholic beverages at home.....	0.596	0.7	-0.5	-0.2	1.0	-0.4
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home.....	0.273	0.7	-0.3	-0.1	0.7	-0.3
Distilled spirits at home ¹	0.073	0.9	-0.4	0.3	0.5	0.0
Whiskey at home ³		1.5	0.1	0.2	-0.2	0.1
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home ^{1, 3}		0.8	-0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.3
Wine at home.....	0.250	0.6	-0.7	-0.6	1.5	-0.4
Alcoholic beverages away from home ¹	0.416	2.2	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.0
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home ^{1, 2, 3}		2.1	-0.1	0.2	0.6	-0.1
Wine away from home ^{1, 2, 3}		2.0	0.0	0.1	0.7	0.0
Distilled spirits away from home ^{1, 2, 3}		2.2	0.0	0.7	0.4	0.0
Other goods ⁹	1.621	1.3	0.2	0.2	-0.6	0.3
Tobacco and smoking products ¹	0.708	3.0	0.8	0.6	0.0	0.8
Cigarettes ^{1, 2}	0.652	3.1	0.8	0.6	-0.1	0.8
Tobacco products other than cigarettes ^{1, 2}	0.050	1.4	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.5
Personal care products ¹	0.721	0.3	-0.2	0.0	-0.8	-0.2
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products ^{1, 2}	0.367	-0.3	-0.2	-0.5	-0.6	-0.2
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements ¹	0.346	1.0	-0.2	0.4	-1.0	-0.2
Miscellaneous personal goods ²	0.192	-0.6	-0.1	-0.1	-1.7	0.0
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap ³		0.0	-0.1	0.0	-1.4	-0.1
Infants' equipment ^{1, 3, 5}		-0.7	0.5	-0.4	-0.6	0.5
Services less energy services.....	57.953	2.4	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.1
Shelter.....	32.482	2.9	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2
Rent of shelter ¹³	32.113	2.9	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.2
Rent of primary residence ⁸	7.099	3.4	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by detailed expenditure category, December 2014 — Continued
 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Nov. 2014	Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Dec. 2013- Dec. 2014	Nov. 2014- Dec. 2014	Sep. 2014- Oct. 2014	Oct. 2014- Nov. 2014	Nov. 2014- Dec. 2014
Lodging away from home ²	0.851	6.3	-2.1	0.7	0.0	0.2
Housing at school, excluding board ^{8, 13}	0.171	2.7	0.0	0.4	0.2	0.3
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels.....	0.680	7.3	-2.6	0.8	-0.1	0.2
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{8, 13}	24.163	2.6	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{8, 13}	22.752	2.6	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1, 2}	0.369	5.6	0.9	-0.1	0.1	0.9
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	1.210	4.6	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.6
Water and sewerage maintenance ⁸	0.935	5.6	0.5	0.8	0.9	0.7
Garbage and trash collection ^{1, 11}	0.275	1.4	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1
Household operations ^{1, 2}	0.845	2.8	-0.3	0.8	0.0	-0.3
Domestic services ^{1, 2}	0.277	1.2	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.1
Gardening and lawncare services ^{1, 2}	0.278	4.4	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.0
Moving, storage, freight expense ²	0.119	2.1	-2.4	0.4	-0.7	-1.8
Repair of household items ^{1, 2}	0.066	4.0	0.8	0.4	0.1	0.8
Medical care services.....	5.899	2.4	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.3
Professional services.....	3.011	1.7	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.2
Physicians' services ⁸	1.578	1.5	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.3
Dental services ⁸	0.799	1.8	0.0	0.1	0.2	-0.1
Eyeglasses and eye care ^{1, 6}	0.282	2.6	0.1	-0.1	0.6	0.1
Services by other medical professionals ^{8, 6}	0.352	2.0	0.0	0.6	0.9	0.1
Hospital and related services.....	2.139	4.5	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.6
Hospital services ^{8, 14}	1.835	4.9	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.5
Inpatient hospital services ^{8, 14, 3}		5.5	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.5
Outpatient hospital services ^{8, 3, 6}		4.5	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.6
Nursing homes and adult day services ^{8, 14}	0.173	2.9	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.1
Care of invalids and elderly at home ^{1, 5}	0.131	1.8	0.4	-0.1	0.1	0.4
Health insurance ^{1, 5}	0.748	-0.5	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
Transportation services.....	5.624	1.7	-0.6	0.8	0.3	-0.5
Leased cars and trucks ¹²	0.394	-0.1	0.3	1.0	-0.4	0.8
Car and truck rental ²	0.071	0.0	1.4	2.9	2.8	-0.9
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ¹	1.161	2.1	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1
Motor vehicle body work ¹	0.056	2.1	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.3
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing ¹	0.490	2.2	0.0	0.1	0.7	0.0
Motor vehicle repair ^{1, 2}	0.583	2.0	0.1	0.5	-0.4	0.1
Motor vehicle insurance.....	2.279	4.7	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.3
Motor vehicle fees ^{1, 2}	0.561	0.3	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.1
State motor vehicle registration and license fees ^{1, 8, 2}	0.311	-1.0	0.0	0.2	-0.2	0.0
Parking and other fees ²	0.232	2.2	0.3	0.9	0.6	0.3
Parking fees and tolls ^{1, 2, 3}		2.7	0.7	0.1	0.3	0.7
Automobile service clubs ^{1, 2, 3}		-0.4	-0.1	1.1	-0.1	-0.1
Public transportation.....	1.159	-2.9	-3.7	1.7	1.1	-3.1
Airline fare.....	0.743	-4.7	-6.1	2.4	1.4	-5.0
Other intercity transportation.....	0.153	-0.7	1.5	1.1	1.8	-0.2
Intercity bus fare ^{1, 3, 4}						
Intercity train fare ^{3, 4}		3.8	5.6	2.6	3.1	1.6
Ship fare ^{1, 2, 3}		-1.9	0.3	0.3	2.2	0.3
Intracity transportation ¹	0.258	1.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0
Intracity mass transit ^{1, 3, 9}		1.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0
Recreation services ⁹	3.721	1.5	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.2
Video and audio services ⁹	1.550	1.8	0.0	0.9	-0.2	0.3

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by detailed expenditure category, December 2014 — Continued
 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Nov. 2014	Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Dec. 2013- Dec. 2014	Nov. 2014- Dec. 2014	Sep. 2014- Oct. 2014	Oct. 2014- Nov. 2014	Nov. 2014- Dec. 2014
Cable and satellite television and radio service ¹¹	1.459	2.2	0.1	0.8	-0.2	0.4
Video discs and other media, including rental of video and audio ^{1, 2}	0.090	-3.0	-1.2	1.5	-0.9	-1.2
Video discs and other media ^{1, 2, 3}		-6.3	-2.7	2.0	-2.4	-2.7
Rental of video or audio discs and other media ^{1, 2, 3}		1.4	1.2	0.2	0.1	1.2
Pet services including veterinary ²	0.396	2.7	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2
Pet services ^{1, 2, 3}		1.8	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0
Veterinarian services ^{2, 3}		2.9	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.3
Photographers and film processing ^{1, 2}	0.061	2.2	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.2
Photographer fees ^{1, 2, 3}		1.1	0.1	0.6	-1.3	0.1
Film processing ^{1, 2, 3}		3.8	0.4	-0.1	0.0	0.4
Other recreation services ²	1.714	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Club dues and fees for participant sports and group exercises ²	0.602	0.4	-0.6	0.1	0.0	-0.6
Admissions ¹	0.632	0.7	0.7	-0.4	0.0	0.7
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts ^{1, 2, 3}		0.4	0.6	-0.4	-0.4	0.6
Admission to sporting events ^{1, 2, 3}		2.7	1.2	0.6	0.0	1.2
Fees for lessons or instructions ^{1, 6}	0.210	2.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0
Education and communication services ⁹	6.425	0.9	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	0.0
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare.....	3.106	3.2	-0.1	0.5	0.4	0.3
College tuition and fees.....	1.844	3.4	0.0	0.7	0.4	0.4
Elementary and high school tuition and fees.....	0.375	4.0	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.3
Child care and nursery school ¹⁰	0.722	2.2	-0.2	0.1	0.3	0.0
Technical and business school tuition and fees ²	0.039	1.8	0.0	0.5	0.4	0.2
Postage and delivery services ²	0.144	3.8	-0.1	0.4	0.4	0.4
Postage ¹	0.129	4.1	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.5
Delivery services ^{1, 2}	0.014	1.1	-0.8	-0.1	-0.4	-0.8
Telephone services ^{1, 2}	2.454	-2.1	-0.2	-1.3	-0.4	-0.2
Wireless telephone services ^{1, 2}	1.623	-4.0	-0.5	-1.9	-0.6	-0.5
Land-line telephone services ^{1, 9}	0.830	1.8	0.3	0.0	-0.1	0.3
Internet services and electronic information providers ^{1, 2}	0.709	1.6	-0.2	0.3	-0.2	-0.2
Other personal services ^{1, 9}	1.747	1.9	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2
Personal care services ¹	0.631	1.5	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.5
Haircuts and other personal care services ^{1, 2}	0.631	1.5	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.5
Miscellaneous personal services.....	1.116	2.1	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.3
Legal services ⁶	0.315	1.4	-0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.2
Funeral expenses ⁶	0.172	1.2	0.0	0.4	-0.1	0.0
Laundry and dry cleaning services ^{1, 2}	0.275	2.2	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.0
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning ^{1, 2}	0.033	1.8	-0.2	0.7	0.1	-0.2
Financial services ^{1, 6}	0.226	3.5	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.3
Checking account and other bank services ^{1, 2, 3}		0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.2
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees ^{2, 3}		6.1	0.2	0.7	0.6	0.2

¹ Not seasonally adjusted.

² Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

³ Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

⁴ Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

⁵ Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.

⁶ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

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

⁹ Indexes on a December 2009=100 base.

¹⁰ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

¹¹ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

¹² Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.

¹³ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

¹⁴ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

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

Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, special aggregate indexes, December 2014

[1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Special aggregate indexes	Relative importance Nov. 2014	Unadjusted indexes			Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Dec. 2013	Nov. 2014	Dec. 2014	Dec. 2013- Dec. 2014	Nov. 2014- Dec. 2014	Sep. 2014- Oct. 2014	Oct. 2014- Nov. 2014	Nov. 2014- Dec. 2014
All items less food.....	85.869	232.314	234.751	233.079	0.3	-0.7	0.0	-0.3	-0.5
All items less shelter.....	67.518	222.834	224.294	222.267	-0.3	-0.9	-0.1	-0.5	-0.6
All items less food and shelter.....	53.387	218.723	218.795	216.110	-1.2	-1.2	-0.2	-0.7	-0.9
All items less food, shelter, and energy.....	44.943	218.037	220.494	219.531	0.7	-0.4	0.2	-0.1	-0.1
All items less food, shelter, energy, and used cars and trucks.....	43.337	222.241	225.075	224.183	0.9	-0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.1
All items less medical care.....	92.350	223.631	226.365	224.921	0.6	-0.6	0.0	-0.3	-0.4
All items less energy.....	91.557	234.768	239.467	239.186	1.9	-0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0
Commodities.....	38.294	185.620	184.964	181.926	-2.0	-1.6	-0.4	-1.0	-1.2
Commodities less food, energy, and used cars and trucks.....	17.866	146.798	147.346	146.109	-0.5	-0.8	0.1	-0.3	-0.3
Commodities less food.....	24.163	161.014	157.379	152.990	-5.0	-2.8	-0.6	-1.7	-2.1
Commodities less food and beverages.....	23.151	158.269	154.441	149.965	-5.2	-2.9	-0.7	-1.8	-2.2
Services.....	61.706	280.102	286.840	287.129	2.5	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
Services less rent of shelter ¹	29.593	305.482	311.716	311.948	2.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2
Services less medical care services.....	55.807	266.629	273.094	273.341	2.5	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2
Durables ²	8.942	110.704	109.016	108.500	-2.0	-0.5	-0.2	-0.7	-0.5
Nondurables.....	29.352	222.790	222.810	218.358	-2.0	-2.0	-0.4	-1.0	-1.3
Nondurables less food.....	15.221	208.623	203.028	194.603	-6.7	-4.1	-0.9	-2.3	-2.9
Nondurables less food and beverages.....	14.209	206.868	200.718	191.838	-7.3	-4.4	-1.0	-2.5	-3.1
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel.....	10.749	261.666	249.944	238.493	-8.9	-4.6	-1.3	-2.9	-3.7
Nondurables less food and apparel.....	11.761	258.079	247.792	237.355	-8.0	-4.2	-1.1	-2.6	-3.4
Housing.....	41.873	228.892	234.315	234.658	2.5	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
Education and communication ³	7.037	136.857	137.708	137.410	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Education ³	3.306	228.578	236.098	236.066	3.3	0.0	0.5	0.3	0.3
Communication ³	3.731	82.344	81.002	80.681	-2.0	-0.4	-0.8	-0.5	-0.4
Information and information processing ³	3.588	78.607	77.161	76.846	-2.2	-0.4	-0.9	-0.5	-0.4
Information technology, hardware and services ⁴	1.134	8.392	8.247	8.182	-2.5	-0.8	0.0	-0.6	-0.7
Recreation ³	5.725	114.855	115.026	114.875	0.0	-0.1	0.2	-0.2	0.0
Video and audio ³	1.841	99.010	98.945	98.702	-0.3	-0.2	0.6	-0.5	0.1
Pets, pet products and services ³	1.050	164.992	166.686	166.919	1.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
Photography ³	0.122	76.067	77.255	76.047	0.0	-1.6	-0.6	-0.3	-0.6
Food and beverages.....	15.143	237.820	244.902	245.585	3.3	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.2
Domestically produced farm food.....	7.017	241.358	250.058	251.370	4.1	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.5
Other services.....	11.893	331.067	335.308	335.162	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Apparel less footwear.....	2.729	120.472	122.172	116.574	-3.2	-4.6	-0.3	-1.2	-1.6
Fuels and utilities.....	5.209	224.407	229.680	231.150	3.0	0.6	-0.1	-0.1	0.6
Household energy.....	3.999	192.224	195.703	197.092	2.5	0.7	-0.4	-0.4	0.6
Medical care.....	7.650	427.089	438.445	439.720	3.0	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.5
Transportation.....	15.743	212.911	206.874	199.777	-6.2	-3.4	-0.7	-2.0	-3.0
Private transportation.....	14.584	207.997	201.505	194.641	-6.4	-3.4	-0.9	-2.3	-3.0
New and used motor vehicles ³	5.709	100.440	99.918	99.544	-0.9	-0.4	0.0	-0.4	-0.3
Utilities and public transportation.....	10.034	211.039	213.984	213.925	1.4	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.1
Household furnishings and operations.....	4.181	123.409	122.694	122.237	-0.9	-0.4	0.4	-0.2	-0.3
Other goods and services.....	3.368	404.097	409.825	410.642	1.6	0.2	0.3	-0.2	0.3
Personal care.....	2.660	216.109	218.752	218.850	1.3	0.0	0.3	-0.2	0.1

¹ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

² Not seasonally adjusted.

³ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

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

Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, all items index, December 2014

[1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Area	Pricing Schedule ¹	Percent change to Dec. 2014 from:			Percent change to Nov. 2014 from:		
		Dec. 2013	Oct. 2014	Nov. 2014	Nov. 2013	Sep. 2014	Oct. 2014
U.S. city average.....	M	0.8	-1.1	-0.6	1.3	-0.8	-0.5
Region and area size²							
Northeast urban.....	M	0.4	-0.9	-0.5	0.9	-0.5	-0.4
Size A - More than 1,500,000.....	M	0.6	-0.7	-0.5	1.1	-0.4	-0.2
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	-0.1	-1.4	-0.6	0.5	-0.9	-0.8
Midwest urban.....	M	0.7	-1.3	-0.7	1.2	-1.1	-0.6
Size A - More than 1,500,000.....	M	0.7	-1.3	-0.7	1.2	-1.0	-0.6
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	0.9	-1.3	-0.7	1.4	-1.2	-0.6
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000).....	M	0.0	-1.5	-0.8	0.8	-1.3	-0.7
South urban.....	M	0.6	-1.2	-0.6	1.3	-0.8	-0.6
Size A - More than 1,500,000.....	M	0.7	-0.9	-0.5	1.5	-0.7	-0.4
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	0.4	-1.3	-0.7	1.1	-0.9	-0.6
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000).....	M	1.3	-1.3	-0.6	2.0	-1.2	-0.8
West urban.....	M	1.3	-1.1	-0.5	1.7	-0.7	-0.6
Size A - More than 1,500,000.....	M	1.4	-1.0	-0.5	1.8	-0.7	-0.6
Size B/C - 50,000 to 1,500,000 ³	M	0.6	-1.1	-0.5	1.2	-0.8	-0.6
Size classes							
A ⁴	M	0.9	-1.0	-0.5	1.4	-0.7	-0.5
B/C ³	M	0.5	-1.3	-0.7	1.1	-0.9	-0.6
D.....	M	1.2	-1.3	-0.6	1.8	-1.1	-0.7
Selected local areas⁵							
Chicago-Gary-Kenosha, IL-IN-WI.....	M	1.5	-1.2	-0.4	1.6	-1.2	-0.8
Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County, CA.....	M	0.7	-1.2	-0.5	1.3	-0.8	-0.7
New York-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT-PA. . .	M	0.3	-0.9	-0.5	0.8	-0.6	-0.4
Boston-Brockton-Nashua, MA-NH-ME-CT.....	1				1.6	0.2	
Cleveland-Akron, OH.....	1				1.5	-0.6	
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX.....	1				0.8	-1.0	
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV ⁶	1				1.2	-0.4	
Atlanta, GA.....	2	0.9	-1.5				
Detroit-Ann Arbor-Flint, MI.....	2	-0.1	-1.8				
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX.....	2	1.1	-1.2				
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL.....	2	1.4	-0.6				
Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City, PA-NJ-DE-MD...	2	0.6	-0.8				
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA.....	2	2.7	-0.9				
Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton, WA.....	2	1.7	-1.1				

¹ Foods, fuels, and several other items are priced every month in all areas. Most other goods and services are priced as indicated: M - Every month. 1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November. 2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

² Regions defined as the four Census regions.

³ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

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

⁶ Indexes on a November 1996=100 base.

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

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

Table 5. Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U) and the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, all items index, December 2014
 [Percent changes]

Month Year	Unadjusted 1-month percent change		Unadjusted 12-month percent change	
	C-CPI-U ¹	CPI-U	C-CPI-U ¹	CPI-U
December 2000.....			2.6	3.4
December 2001.....			1.3	1.6
December 2002.....			2.0	2.4
December 2003.....			1.7	1.9
December 2004.....			3.2	3.3
December 2005.....			2.9	3.4
December 2006.....			2.3	2.5
December 2007.....			3.7	4.1
December 2008.....			0.2	0.1
December 2009.....			2.5	2.7
December 2010.....			1.3	1.5
December 2011.....			2.9	3.0
January 2012.....	0.5	0.4	2.9	2.9
February 2012.....	0.4	0.4	2.8	2.9
March 2012.....	0.7	0.8	2.6	2.7
April 2012.....	0.3	0.3	2.2	2.3
May 2012.....	-0.1	-0.1	1.7	1.7
June 2012.....	-0.1	-0.1	1.6	1.7
July 2012.....	-0.2	-0.2	1.3	1.4
August 2012.....	0.5	0.6	1.6	1.7
September 2012.....	0.4	0.4	1.8	2.0
October 2012.....	-0.1	0.0	1.9	2.2
November 2012.....	-0.5	-0.5	1.5	1.8
December 2012.....	-0.3	-0.3	1.5	1.7
January 2013.....	0.3	0.3	1.3	1.6
February 2013.....	0.8	0.8	1.7	2.0
March 2013.....	0.3	0.3	1.3	1.5
April 2013.....	-0.1	-0.1	0.9	1.1
May 2013.....	0.2	0.2	1.1	1.4
June 2013.....	0.2	0.2	1.5	1.8
July 2013.....	0.0	0.0	1.7	2.0
August 2013.....	0.1	0.1	1.3	1.5
September 2013.....	0.1	0.1	1.0	1.2
October 2013.....	-0.3	-0.3	0.8	1.0
November 2013.....	-0.2	-0.2	1.1	1.2
December 2013.....	0.0	0.0	1.3	1.5
January 2014.....	0.4	0.4	1.4	1.6
February 2014.....	0.4	0.4	1.0	1.1
March 2014.....	0.6	0.6	1.4	1.5
April 2014.....	0.3	0.3	1.8	2.0
May 2014.....	0.3	0.3	2.0	2.1
June 2014.....	0.2	0.2	2.0	2.1
July 2014.....	-0.1	0.0	1.9	2.0
August 2014.....	-0.2	-0.2	1.5	1.7
September 2014.....	0.1	0.1	1.5	1.7
October 2014.....	-0.3	-0.3	1.5	1.7
November 2014.....	-0.7	-0.5	1.0	1.3
December 2014.....	-0.8	-0.6	0.3	0.8

¹ The C-CPI-U is designed to be a closer approximation to a cost-of-living index in that it, in its final form, accounts for any substitution that consumers make across item categories in response to changes in relative prices. Since the expenditure data required for the calculation of the C-CPI-U are available only with a time lag, the C-CPI-U is being issued first in preliminary form using the latest available expenditure data at that time and is subject to two revisions.

NOTE: Indexes for 2014 are initial estimates. Indexes for 2013 are interim adjustments. Data prior to 2013 are final.

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

Table 6. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category, December 2014, 1-month analysis table
 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Nov. 2014	One Month				
		Seasonally adjusted percent change Nov. 2014-Dec. 2014	Seasonally adjusted effect on All Items Nov. 2014-Dec. 2014 ¹	Standard error, median price change ²	Largest (L) or Smallest (S) seasonally adjusted change since: ³	
					Date	Percent change
All items.....	100.000	-0.4		0.03	S-Dec.2008	-0.8
Food.....	14.131	0.3	0.037	0.07	L-Sep.2014	0.3
Food at home.....	8.348	0.3	0.022	0.12	L-Sep.2014	0.3
Cereals and bakery products.....	1.130	0.2	0.002	0.30	L-Oct.2014	0.3
Cereals and cereal products.....	0.370	-0.4	-0.001	0.50	L-Oct.2014	1.0
Flour and prepared flour mixes.....	0.048	-1.6	-0.001	0.71	S-Apr.2014	-1.6
Breakfast cereal ⁴	0.196	-0.1	0.000	0.71	S-Sep.2014	-1.2
Rice, pasta, cornmeal ⁴	0.127	-1.1	-0.001	0.70	L-Oct.2014	0.0
Rice ^{4, 5, 6}		-1.0		0.57	L-Oct.2014	0.4
Bakery products.....	0.760	0.5	0.004	0.39	L-Jul.2014	0.5
Bread ⁵	0.225	1.2	0.003	0.59	L-Apr.2014	1.3
White bread ^{4, 6}		1.4		0.85	L-Apr.2014	2.2
Bread other than white ^{4, 6}		1.6		0.86	L-Nov.2013	2.3
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins ^{4, 5}	0.115	0.2	0.000	0.76	S-Sep.2014	-0.2
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies.....	0.189	0.2	0.000	0.70	L-Aug.2014	0.4
Cookies ^{4, 6}		-0.3		1.12	S-Oct.2014	-0.3
Fresh cakes and cupcakes ^{4, 6}		0.1		0.75	L-Oct.2014	0.6
Other bakery products.....	0.231	0.2	0.000	0.76	S-Sep.2014	-0.3
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts ^{4, 6}		1.8		0.97	L-Aug.2014	2.1
Crackers, bread, and cracker products ⁶		0.1		1.51	S-Sep.2014	-0.8
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers ⁶		-0.9		0.91	S-Aug.2014	-2.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs.....	1.998	0.3	0.006	0.24	S-Oct.2014	-0.4
Meats, poultry, and fish.....	1.874	0.0	-0.001	0.25	S-Oct.2014	-0.4
Meats.....	1.223	0.2	0.003	0.31	S-Oct.2014	-0.2
Beef and veal ⁴	0.575	0.7	0.004	0.44	S-Oct.2014	0.3
Uncooked ground beef ⁴	0.236	0.2	0.000	0.62	S-Jul.2014	-0.4
Uncooked beef roasts ^{4, 5}	0.083	1.4	0.001	1.04	S-Oct.2014	-0.4
Uncooked beef steaks ^{4, 5}	0.204	0.9	0.002	0.83	L-Sep.2014	1.0
Uncooked other beef and veal ^{4, 5}	0.052	1.2	0.001	0.70	S-Oct.2014	0.7
Pork.....	0.376	-0.7	-0.002	0.50	S-Oct.2014	-0.7
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products ⁵	0.141	-0.2	0.000	0.72	L-Aug.2014	0.0
Bacon and related products ⁶		-0.4		0.81	L-Aug.2014	-0.3
Breakfast sausage and related products ^{5, 6}		0.4		1.04	S-Oct.2014	0.1
Ham.....	0.080	-1.2	-0.001	1.16	S-May 2012	-1.5
Ham, excluding canned ⁶		-1.7		1.09	S-Sep.2009	-3.2
Pork chops.....	0.064	0.0	0.000	1.18	L-Oct.2014	2.0
Other pork including roasts and picnics ⁵	0.091	-1.3	-0.001	1.07	L-Oct.2014	-1.2
Other meats.....	0.272	0.4	0.001	0.54	-	-
Frankfurters ⁶		4.1		1.56	L-Apr.2014	4.5
Lunchmeats ^{4, 5, 6}		0.0		0.62	S-Feb.2014	-0.9
Lamb and organ meats ^{4, 6}		-0.5		1.55	S-Jun.2014	-2.1
Lamb and mutton ^{4, 5, 6}		-1.1		1.95	S-Oct.2014	-1.2
Poultry.....	0.360	-0.7	-0.002	0.54	S-Oct.2014	-1.2
Chicken ⁵	0.293	-0.5	-0.001	0.67	S-Oct.2014	-1.3
Fresh whole chicken ^{4, 6}		0.5		1.51	S-Oct.2014	-1.8
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ^{4, 6}		-0.5		0.88	S-Apr.2014	-0.9
Other poultry including turkey ⁵	0.067	-1.8	-0.001	0.72	S-Nov.2010	-1.8
Fish and seafood ⁴	0.291	-0.3	-0.001	0.52	S-Oct.2014	-0.8
Fresh fish and seafood ^{4, 5}	0.149	-0.7	-0.001	0.82	S-Oct.2014	-1.9
Processed fish and seafood ⁵	0.143	-0.9	-0.001	0.64	S-Feb.2014	-0.9

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 6. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category, December 2014, 1-month analysis table — Continued

[1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Nov. 2014	One Month				
		Seasonally adjusted percent change Nov. 2014-Dec. 2014	Seasonally adjusted effect on All Items Nov. 2014-Dec. 2014 ¹	Standard error, median price change ²	Largest (L) or Smallest (S) seasonally adjusted change since: ³	
					Date	Percent change
Shelf stable fish and seafood ^{4, 6}		-1.0		0.82	S-Aug.2014	-1.3
Frozen fish and seafood ⁶		-0.5		0.79	S-Oct.2014	-1.0
Eggs.....	0.124	5.5	0.007	0.76	L-Nov.2010	8.0
Dairy and related products ⁴	0.888	0.6	0.006	0.25	L-Aug.2014	0.6
Milk ^{4, 5}	0.279	0.8	0.002	0.37	L-Mar.2014	1.8
Fresh whole milk ^{4, 6}		-0.1		0.56	S-Oct.2014	-0.6
Fresh milk other than whole ^{4, 5, 6}		1.5		0.46	L-Mar.2014	1.7
Cheese and related products ⁴	0.285	0.2	0.001	0.47	S-Sep.2014	-0.7
Ice cream and related products.....	0.122	2.3	0.003	0.89	L-Jan.2013	2.4
Other dairy and related products ⁵	0.202	0.0	0.000	0.51	L-Oct.2014	1.3
Fruits and vegetables.....	1.355	0.4	0.006	0.37	L-Oct.2014	0.9
Fresh fruits and vegetables.....	1.057	0.4	0.004	0.44	L-Oct.2014	1.1
Fresh fruits.....	0.573	-1.3	-0.008	0.60	L-Oct.2014	0.9
Apples.....	0.084	-0.9	-0.001	0.94	S-Sep.2014	-3.2
Bananas.....	0.088	-1.9	-0.002	0.73	S-Oct.2013	-1.9
Citrus fruits ⁵	0.155	-1.6	-0.003	1.31	L-Oct.2014	3.0
Oranges, including tangerines ⁶		-1.8		1.43	S-Aug.2014	-3.1
Other fresh fruits ⁵	0.247	-0.2	0.000	1.10	L-Oct.2014	1.0
Fresh vegetables.....	0.484	2.4	0.011	0.70	L-May 2014	2.6
Potatoes.....	0.075	1.4	0.001	1.29	L-Oct.2014	3.4
Lettuce.....	0.074	-4.3	-0.003	2.10	S-Dec.2013	-4.6
Tomatoes ⁴	0.093	9.3	0.009	1.48	S-Oct.2014	4.6
Other fresh vegetables.....	0.242	3.0	0.007	0.80	L-Apr.2010	3.4
Processed fruits and vegetables ⁵	0.298	0.8	0.002	0.47	L-Nov.2012	0.9
Canned fruits and vegetables ⁵	0.154	0.8	0.001	0.77	L-Oct.2014	1.6
Canned fruits ^{5, 6}		1.0		0.91	L-Mar.2014	1.7
Canned vegetables ^{5, 6}		1.1		0.88	L-Oct.2014	1.8
Frozen fruits and vegetables ⁵	0.087	1.3	0.001	0.86	L-Sep.2014	2.2
Frozen vegetables ⁶		2.0		1.01	L-Sep.2014	2.8
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried ⁵	0.057	0.7	0.000	0.80	L-Oct.2014	0.8
Dried beans, peas, and lentils ^{4, 5, 6}		1.1		1.05	L-May 2014	1.6
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials.....	0.953	-0.4	-0.004	0.35	S-Jul.2013	-0.4
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks ⁵	0.696	-0.5	-0.003	0.45	S-Mar.2014	-0.5
Carbonated drinks.....	0.283	0.7	0.002	0.65	L-Apr.2013	1.1
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ^{4, 5}	0.014	0.0	0.000	0.67	S-Aug.2014	-0.1
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ^{4, 5}	0.399	-0.5	-0.002	0.69	S-May 2014	-0.8
Beverage materials including coffee and tea ⁵	0.256	-0.4	-0.001	0.46	S-Feb.2014	-0.4
Coffee.....	0.158	-0.2	0.000	0.65	S-Oct.2014	-0.5
Roasted coffee ⁶		0.5		0.69	L-Sep.2014	0.5
Instant and freeze dried coffee ^{4, 6}		1.9		0.98	L-Jun.2014	2.6
Other beverage materials including tea ⁵	0.099	-0.7	-0.001	0.57	S-Aug.2014	-1.2
Other food at home.....	2.025	0.3	0.007	0.25	S-Oct.2014	-0.4
Sugar and sweets ⁴	0.295	0.5	0.002	0.52	L-Sep.2014	1.6
Sugar and artificial sweeteners.....	0.053	1.3	0.001	0.65	L-Jun.2014	1.7
Candy and chewing gum ^{4, 5}	0.183	0.6	0.001	0.85	L-Sep.2014	2.1
Other sweets ⁵	0.060	-0.4	0.000	0.58	S-Oct.2014	-1.9
Fats and oils.....	0.245	-0.5	-0.001	0.42	L-Oct.2014	0.3
Butter and margarine ⁵	0.077	-1.8	-0.001	0.67	S-Dec.2010	-1.8
Butter ⁶		-1.6		0.88	L-Oct.2014	5.1
Margarine ⁶		0.2		0.99	L-Oct.2014	1.5
Salad dressing ^{4, 5}	0.061	0.5	0.000	0.83	L-Sep.2014	0.6
Other fats and oils including peanut butter ⁵	0.107	-0.4	0.000	0.69	L-Sep.2014	0.0

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Table 6. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category, December 2014, 1-month analysis table — Continued

[1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Nov. 2014	One Month				
		Seasonally adjusted percent change Nov. 2014-Dec. 2014	Seasonally adjusted effect on All Items Nov. 2014-Dec. 2014 ¹	Standard error, median price change ²	Largest (L) or Smallest (S) seasonally adjusted change since: ³	
					Date	Percent change
Peanut butter ^{4, 5, 6}		-0.3		0.88	L-Oct.2014	-0.1
Other foods.....	1.485	0.4	0.006	0.30	S-Oct.2014	-0.4
Soups.....	0.094	-1.1	-0.001	1.07	S-Oct.2014	-1.6
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods ⁴	0.282	0.3	0.001	0.64	S-Oct.2014	-1.2
Snacks ⁴	0.327	0.4	0.001	0.78	L-Oct.2014	0.4
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces.....	0.288	1.6	0.005	0.69	L-Nov.2013	1.7
Salt and other seasonings and spices ^{5, 6}		0.1		1.28	S-Oct.2014	-1.5
Olives, pickles, relishes ^{4, 5, 6}		1.0		1.84	L-Sep.2014	5.6
Sauces and gravies ^{5, 6}		1.8		1.16	L-May 2014	3.1
Other condiments ⁶		3.1		0.73	L-Aug.2014	3.9
Baby food ^{4, 5}	0.055	-0.1	0.000	0.47	S-Sep.2014	-0.2
Other miscellaneous foods ^{4, 5}	0.439	0.5	0.002	0.57	S-Oct.2014	0.4
Prepared salads ^{4, 7, 6}		1.0		0.70	L-Sep.2014	1.4
Food away from home ⁴	5.783	0.3	0.015	0.05	S-Oct.2014	0.2
Full service meals and snacks ^{4, 5}	2.800	0.2	0.007	0.07	S-Oct.2014	0.2
Limited service meals and snacks ^{4, 5}	2.392	0.3	0.007	0.09	S-Oct.2014	0.3
Food at employee sites and schools ⁵	0.211	0.1	0.000	0.13	S-Aug.2014	-1.9
Food at elementary and secondary schools ^{8, 6}		0.0		0.09	S-Aug.2014	-2.3
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors ^{4, 5}	0.063	0.6	0.000	0.17	S-Oct.2014	-0.1
Other food away from home ^{4, 5}	0.317	0.2	0.001	0.11	—	—
Energy.....	8.443	-4.7	-0.412	0.14	S-Dec.2008	-9.5
Energy commodities.....	4.691	-9.1	-0.449	0.15	S-Dec.2008	-18.5
Fuel oil and other fuels ⁴	0.246	-4.9	-0.012	0.34	S-Apr.2014	-5.4
Fuel oil ⁴	0.150	-7.8	-0.012	0.34	S-Jun.2012	-7.9
Propane, kerosene, and firewood ^{4, 9}	0.096	-1.4	-0.001	0.68	L-Oct.2014	-0.5
Motor fuel.....	4.444	-9.3	-0.437	0.16	S-Dec.2008	-19.2
Gasoline (all types).....	4.364	-9.4	-0.432	0.16	S-Dec.2008	-19.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁶		-9.6		0.39	S-Dec.2008	-19.9
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{10, 6}		-9.8		0.40	S-Dec.2008	-18.6
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁶		-8.0		0.37	S-Dec.2008	-18.3
Other motor fuels ⁵	0.080	-5.2	-0.004	0.14	S-Mar.2009	-11.1
Energy services ¹¹	3.753	1.0	0.037	0.25	L-May 2014	1.4
Electricity ¹¹	2.903	0.8	0.025	0.33	L-May 2014	2.3
Utility (piped) gas service ¹¹	0.850	1.5	0.012	0.19	L-Sep.2014	1.6
All items less food and energy.....	77.426	0.0	0.002	0.04	S-Aug.2014	0.0
Commodities less food and energy commodities.....	19.473	-0.3	-0.065	0.10	L-Oct.2014	0.0
Household furnishings and supplies ^{4, 12}	3.336	-0.4	-0.013	0.13	L-Oct.2014	0.4
Window and floor coverings and other linens ^{4, 5}	0.271	-2.5	-0.007	0.53	S-EVER	—
Floor coverings ^{4, 5}	0.047	-0.2	0.000	0.45	L-Sep.2014	0.3
Window coverings ^{4, 5}	0.055	-3.3	-0.002	0.54	S-Feb.2006	-3.4
Other linens ^{4, 5}	0.170	-2.8	-0.005	0.87	S-Dec.2010	-2.8
Furniture and bedding ⁴	0.762	0.3	0.002	0.27	L-Oct.2014	0.7
Bedroom furniture ⁴	0.267	-0.3	-0.001	0.39	S-Sep.2014	-0.5
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture ^{4, 5}	0.359	0.7	0.003	0.39	L-Oct.2014	1.4
Other furniture ⁵	0.127	0.0	0.000	0.77	L-Sep.2014	0.0
Infants' furniture ^{4, 8, 6}						
Appliances ⁵	0.271	-0.6	-0.002	0.46	L-Oct.2014	0.2
Major appliances ⁵	0.146	0.3	0.000	0.68	L-Sep.2014	0.4
Laundry equipment ⁶		1.3		0.84	L-Sep.2014	2.0
Other appliances ^{4, 5}	0.122	-2.1	-0.002	0.52	S-May 2014	-2.1
Other household equipment and furnishings ⁵	0.482	-0.9	-0.004	0.38	L-Oct.2014	0.3
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items ⁴	0.260	-1.6	-0.004	0.61	L-Oct.2014	0.8

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Indoor plants and flowers ¹³	0.106	0.3	0.000	0.72	S-Oct.2014	0.0
Dishes and flatware ^{4, 5}	0.043	-3.6	-0.002	1.00	L-Oct.2014	-0.5
Nonelectric cookware and tableware ⁵	0.074	-0.5	0.000	0.52	L-Oct.2014	0.8
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies ⁵	0.706	0.0	0.000	0.25	L-Oct.2014	0.5
Tools, hardware and supplies ^{4, 5}	0.188	0.4	0.001	0.42	L-Sep.2014	1.0
Outdoor equipment and supplies ⁵	0.366	-0.3	-0.001	0.32	S-Jul.2014	-0.3
Housekeeping supplies ⁴	0.844	-0.1	-0.001	0.20	L-Oct.2014	0.6
Household cleaning products ^{4, 5}	0.334	0.2	0.001	0.35	S-Sep.2014	0.2
Household paper products ^{4, 5}	0.247	-0.3	-0.001	0.38	L-Oct.2014	0.2
Miscellaneous household products ^{4, 5}	0.263	-0.4	-0.001	0.38	L-Oct.2014	0.8
Apparel.....	3.461	-1.2	-0.040	0.47	S-Sep.1998	-1.5
Men's and boys' apparel.....	0.864	-1.1	-0.009	0.90	S-Oct.2014	-1.1
Men's apparel.....	0.680	-1.2	-0.008	1.08	S-Oct.2014	-1.6
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear.....	0.110	-2.1	-0.002	2.92	S-Oct.2014	-4.0
Men's furnishings.....	0.192	-1.6	-0.003	1.13	S-Mar.2013	-2.0
Men's shirts and sweaters ⁵	0.207	-1.8	-0.003	1.68	S-Aug.2014	-4.0
Men's pants and shorts.....	0.164	-0.9	-0.001	1.75	S-Oct.2014	-0.9
Boys' apparel.....	0.184	0.2	0.000	1.33	L-Oct.2014	1.6
Women's and girls' apparel.....	1.514	-2.2	-0.032	0.87	S-Dec.2004	-2.3
Women's apparel.....	1.273	-1.9	-0.023	0.87	S-Sep.2011	-2.0
Women's outerwear.....	0.123	-0.3	0.000	2.44	L-Aug.2014	4.6
Women's dresses.....	0.167	-0.7	-0.001	2.82	S-Aug.2014	-0.8
Women's suits and separates ⁵	0.588	-1.9	-0.011	1.14	L-Oct.2014	-0.7
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories ⁵	0.385	-0.9	-0.003	0.97	L-Oct.2014	0.6
Girls' apparel.....	0.242	-3.8	-0.009	2.02	S-Feb.2013	-5.2
Footwear.....	0.732	0.4	0.003	0.71	L-Sep.2014	0.6
Men's footwear ⁴	0.219	-1.0	-0.002	1.16	S-Oct.2014	-1.1
Boys' and girls' footwear.....	0.178	-0.1	0.000	1.16	L-Oct.2014	2.8
Women's footwear.....	0.335	0.6	0.002	0.92	L-Sep.2014	0.8
Infants' and toddlers' apparel.....	0.136	0.0	0.000	0.88	L-Oct.2014	0.5
Jewelry and watches ⁹	0.214	-0.8	-0.002	0.91	S-Oct.2014	-1.9
Watches ^{4, 9}	0.046	-1.3	-0.001	1.24	L-Oct.2014	-0.7
Jewelry ⁹	0.168	-0.4	-0.001	1.13	L-Sep.2014	0.3
Transportation commodities less motor fuel ¹²	5.674	-0.4	-0.020	0.08	-	-
New vehicles.....	3.529	-0.1	-0.003	0.13	-	-
New cars and trucks ^{5, 6}		-0.1		0.13	-	-
New cars ⁶		-0.2		0.12	S-Jun.2014	-0.2
New trucks ^{14, 6}		-0.1		0.13	-	-
Used cars and trucks.....	1.606	-1.2	-0.019	0.06	-	-
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ⁴	0.430	0.4	0.002	0.20	L-Dec.2013	0.4
Tires ⁴	0.282	0.5	0.001	0.25	L-Dec.2013	0.6
Vehicle accessories other than tires ^{4, 5}	0.149	0.3	0.000	0.25	L-Aug.2014	0.7
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires ^{4, 6}		0.2		0.22	S-Oct.2014	-0.1
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids ^{4, 6}		0.8		0.59	L-Aug.2014	1.5
Medical care commodities.....	1.751	1.0	0.017	0.20	L-May 1989	1.0
Medicinal drugs ^{4, 12}	1.675	0.6	0.011	0.20	L-Jun.2014	0.6
Prescription drugs.....	1.328	0.9	0.012	0.21	L-Jun.2014	1.0
Nonprescription drugs ^{4, 12}	0.348	0.4	0.001	0.47	L-Sep.2014	1.5
Medical equipment and supplies ^{4, 12}	0.076	-0.1	0.000	0.39	S-Sep.2014	-0.1
Recreation commodities ¹²	2.004	-0.3	-0.006	0.17	L-Oct.2014	0.0
Video and audio products ¹²	0.291	-1.4	-0.004	0.29	L-Oct.2014	-0.6

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Televisions.....	0.135	-2.1	-0.003	0.62	L-Oct.2014	-1.2
Other video equipment ^{4, 5}	0.030	-4.5	-0.001	0.78	S-EVER	—
Audio equipment.....	0.067	0.1	0.000	0.56	L-Oct.2014	0.3
Audio discs, tapes and other media ^{4, 5}	0.043	0.7	0.000	0.51	L-Apr.2014	0.7
Pets and pet products ⁴	0.655	0.1	0.001	0.32	—	—
Pet food ^{4, 5, 6}		0.1		0.33	L-Sep.2014	0.4
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories ^{4, 5, 6}		0.1		0.58	S-Aug.2014	-0.9
Sporting goods ⁴	0.401	-0.8	-0.003	0.39	—	—
Sports vehicles including bicycles ⁴	0.181	-0.4	-0.001	0.47	L-Oct.2014	-0.2
Sports equipment.....	0.215	-0.5	-0.001	0.46	—	—
Photographic equipment and supplies.....	0.059	-1.5	-0.001	0.68	S-Jul.2014	-1.9
Film and photographic supplies ^{4, 5, 6}		-1.2		0.66	S-Jan.2013	-1.4
Photographic equipment ^{5, 6}		-1.5		0.69	S-Jul.2014	-1.8
Recreational reading materials ⁴	0.218	0.1	0.000	0.40	L-Oct.2014	1.4
Newspapers and magazines ^{4, 5}	0.122	0.9	0.001	0.45	L-Oct.2014	1.8
Recreational books ^{4, 5}	0.095	-0.8	-0.001	0.57	S-Jun.2014	-0.9
Other recreational goods ⁵	0.379	0.2	0.001	0.53	L-Feb.2014	0.8
Toys.....	0.275	0.7	0.002	0.56	L-Feb.2014	0.7
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment ^{1, 6}		0.6		0.57	L-Feb.2014	0.7
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies ^{4, 5}	0.051	-2.0	-0.001	1.16	S-Dec.2013	-2.0
Music instruments and accessories ⁵	0.042	-0.1	0.000	0.49	S-Aug.2014	-0.8
Education and communication commodities ¹²	0.613	-0.8	-0.005	0.28	L-Oct.2014	-0.1
Educational books and supplies.....	0.200	1.1	0.002	0.38	L-Aug.2014	1.5
College textbooks ^{4, 15, 6}		0.7		0.33	L-Oct.2014	0.7
Information technology commodities ¹²	0.413	-1.6	-0.007	0.38	S-Aug.2011	-1.7
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁷	0.276	-2.1	-0.006	0.46	S-Dec.2011	-2.2
Computer software and accessories ^{4, 5}	0.068	-1.3	-0.001	0.66	S-Dec.2013	-1.7
Telephone hardware, calculators, and other consumer information items ^{4, 5}	0.068	-0.3	0.000	0.71	L-Aug.2014	0.2
Alcoholic beverages.....	1.012	-0.3	-0.003	0.16	S-Feb.2014	-0.3
Alcoholic beverages at home.....	0.596	-0.4	-0.003	0.23	S-Feb.2014	-0.6
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home.....	0.273	-0.3	-0.001	0.27	S-Jul.2014	-0.3
Distilled spirits at home ⁴	0.073	0.0	0.000	0.35	S-Aug.2014	0.0
Whiskey at home ⁶		0.1		0.38	L-Oct.2014	0.2
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home ^{4, 6}		-0.3		0.46	S-Jun.2014	-1.0
Wine at home.....	0.250	-0.4	-0.001	0.40	S-Oct.2014	-0.6
Alcoholic beverages away from home ⁴	0.416	0.0	0.000	0.14	S-Jul.2014	-0.1
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home ^{4, 5, 6}		-0.1		0.19	S-Jul.2014	-0.1
Wine away from home ^{4, 5, 6}		0.0		0.32	S-Jul.2014	0.0
Distilled spirits away from home ^{4, 5, 6}		0.0		0.23	S-Sep.2014	0.0
Other goods ¹²	1.621	0.3	0.004	0.18	L-Jun.2014	0.5
Tobacco and smoking products ⁴	0.708	0.8	0.006	0.15	L-Jun.2014	1.0
Cigarettes ^{4, 5}	0.652	0.8	0.005	0.16	L-Jun.2014	1.0
Tobacco products other than cigarettes ^{4, 5}	0.050	0.5	0.000	0.44	L-Oct.2014	0.7
Personal care products ⁴	0.721	-0.2	-0.001	0.42	L-Oct.2014	0.0
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products ^{4, 5}	0.367	-0.2	-0.001	0.52	L-Sep.2014	0.4
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements ⁴	0.346	-0.2	-0.001	0.54	L-Oct.2014	0.4
Miscellaneous personal goods ⁵	0.192	0.0	0.000	0.55	L-Aug.2014	0.1
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap ⁶		-0.1		0.53	L-Oct.2014	0.0

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Infants' equipment ^{4, 8, 6}		0.5		0.58	L-Jun.2014	1.8
Services less energy services.....	57.953	0.1	0.068	0.04	S-Aug.2014	0.0
Shelter.....	32.482	0.2	0.055	0.05	S-Oct.2014	0.2
Rent of shelter ¹⁶	32.113	0.2	0.058	0.05	—	—
Rent of primary residence ¹¹	7.099	0.2	0.012	0.05	S-Oct.2014	0.2
Lodging away from home ⁵	0.851	0.2	0.002	1.12	L-Oct.2014	0.7
Housing at school, excluding board ^{11, 16}	0.171	0.3	0.001	0.07	L-Oct.2014	0.4
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels.....	0.680	0.2	0.002	1.39	L-Oct.2014	0.8
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{11, 16}	24.163	0.2	0.038	0.04	—	—
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{11, 16}	22.752	0.2	0.036	0.04	—	—
Tenants' and household insurance ^{4, 5}	0.369	0.9	0.003	0.24	L-May 2014	1.2
Water and sewer and trash collection services ⁵	1.210	0.6	0.007	0.11	S-Oct.2014	0.6
Water and sewerage maintenance ¹¹	0.935	0.7	0.007	0.14	S-Sep.2014	0.4
Garbage and trash collection ^{4, 14}	0.275	0.1	0.000	0.15	L-Oct.2014	0.2
Household operations ^{4, 5}	0.845	-0.3	-0.002	0.12	S-Feb.2014	-0.5
Domestic services ^{4, 5}	0.277	0.1	0.000	0.13	S-Sep.2014	0.0
Gardening and lawn care services ^{4, 5}	0.278	0.0	0.000	0.07	—	—
Moving, storage, freight expense ⁵	0.119	-1.8	-0.002	0.56	S-Nov.2008	-2.0
Repair of household items ^{4, 5}	0.066	0.8	0.000	0.24	L-Jul.2014	1.6
Medical care services.....	5.899	0.3	0.019	0.08	S-Oct.2014	0.2
Professional services.....	3.011	0.2	0.006	0.08	S-Oct.2014	0.2
Physicians' services ¹¹	1.578	0.3	0.004	0.12	S-Oct.2014	0.1
Dental services ¹¹	0.799	-0.1	-0.001	0.12	S-Feb.2011	-0.1
Eyeglasses and eye care ^{4, 9}	0.282	0.1	0.000	0.26	S-Oct.2014	-0.1
Services by other medical professionals ^{11, 9}	0.352	0.1	0.000	0.10	S-Sep.2014	-0.1
Hospital and related services.....	2.139	0.6	0.013	0.13	L-Mar.2014	0.7
Hospital services ^{11, 17}	1.835	0.5	0.009	0.15	L-Apr.2014	0.5
Inpatient hospital services ^{11, 17, 6}		0.5		0.28	L-Jul.2014	0.5
Outpatient hospital services ^{11, 9, 6}		0.6		0.29	L-Mar.2014	0.6
Nursing homes and adult day services ^{11, 17}	0.173	0.1	0.000	0.12	S-Jul.2014	0.1
Care of invalids and elderly at home ^{4, 8}	0.131	0.4	0.001	0.09	L-Mar.2014	0.4
Health insurance ^{4, 8}	0.748	0.1	0.001	0.09	—	—
Transportation services.....	5.624	-0.5	-0.025	0.13	S-Aug.2014	-0.6
Leased cars and trucks ¹⁵	0.394	0.8	0.003	0.43	L-Oct.2014	1.0
Car and truck rental ⁵	0.071	-0.9	-0.001	1.51	S-Sep.2014	-3.2
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ⁴	1.161	0.1	0.001	0.09	—	—
Motor vehicle body work ⁴	0.056	0.3	0.000	0.13	L-Feb.2014	0.9
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing ⁴	0.490	0.0	0.000	0.15	S-May 2014	-0.3
Motor vehicle repair ^{4, 5}	0.583	0.1	0.001	0.13	L-Oct.2014	0.5
Motor vehicle insurance.....	2.279	0.3	0.007	0.21	L-Oct.2014	0.6
Motor vehicle fees ^{4, 5}	0.561	0.1	0.001	0.07	—	—
State motor vehicle registration and license fees ^{4, 11, 5}	0.311	0.0	0.000	0.03	L-Oct.2014	0.2
Parking and other fees ⁵	0.232	0.3	0.001	0.17	S-Sep.2014	0.0
Parking fees and tolls ^{4, 5, 6}		0.7		0.20	L-Jul.2013	0.9
Automobile service clubs ^{4, 5, 6}		-0.1		0.26	—	—
Public transportation.....	1.159	-3.1	-0.036	0.41	S-Aug.2014	-3.3
Airline fare.....	0.743	-5.0	-0.037	0.56	S-Jul.2014	-5.9
Other intercity transportation.....	0.153	-0.2	0.000	0.79	S-Sep.2014	-0.3
Intercity bus fare ^{4, 7, 6}						
Intercity train fare ^{7, 6}		1.6		1.80	S-Aug.2014	-1.4

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Ship fare ^{4, 5, 6}		0.3		0.75	S-Oct.2014	0.3
Intracity transportation ⁴	0.258	0.0	0.000	0.03	—	—
Intracity mass transit ^{4, 12, 6}		0.0		0.05	—	—
Recreation services ¹²	3.721	0.2	0.007	0.20	L-Oct.2014	0.4
Video and audio services ¹²	1.550	0.3	0.005	0.13	L-Oct.2014	0.9
Cable and satellite television and radio service ¹⁴	1.459	0.4	0.006	0.12	L-Oct.2014	0.8
Video discs and other media, including rental of video and audio ^{4, 5}	0.090	-1.2	-0.001	0.80	S-Aug.2014	-1.6
Video discs and other media ^{4, 5, 6}		-2.7		1.02	S-Aug.2014	-2.7
Rental of video or audio discs and other media ^{4, 5, 6}		1.2		0.38	L-Jan.2012	1.7
Pet services including veterinary ⁵	0.396	0.2	0.001	0.14	S-Oct.2014	0.2
Pet services ^{4, 5, 6}		0.0		0.11	S-Oct.2014	0.0
Veterinarian services ^{5, 6}		0.3		0.13	S-Oct.2014	0.2
Photographers and film processing ^{4, 5}	0.061	0.2	0.000	0.49	L-Sep.2014	0.4
Photographer fees ^{4, 5, 6}		0.1		0.31	L-Oct.2014	0.6
Film processing ^{4, 5, 6}		0.4		0.39	L-Sep.2014	0.6
Other recreation services ⁵	1.714	0.0	0.001	0.41	—	—
Club dues and fees for participant sports and group exercises ⁵	0.602	-0.6	-0.004	0.52	S-Aug.2014	-0.7
Admissions ⁴	0.632	0.7	0.005	0.53	L-Jul.2014	0.8
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts ^{4, 5, 6}		0.6		0.44	L-Jul.2014	0.8
Admission to sporting events ^{4, 5, 6}		1.2		0.49	L-May 2013	1.4
Fees for lessons or instructions ^{4, 9}	0.210	0.0	0.000	0.17	—	—
Education and communication services ¹²	6.425	0.0	0.001	0.07	—	—
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare.....	3.106	0.3	0.008	0.07	S-Sep.2014	0.1
College tuition and fees.....	1.844	0.4	0.007	0.10	—	—
Elementary and high school tuition and fees.....	0.375	0.3	0.001	0.06	S-Oct.2014	0.3
Child care and nursery school ¹³	0.722	0.0	0.000	0.08	S-Jul.2014	0.0
Technical and business school tuition and fees ⁵	0.039	0.2	0.000	0.14	S-Sep.2014	0.1
Postage and delivery services ⁵	0.144	0.4	0.001	0.02	—	—
Postage ⁴	0.129	0.5	0.001	0.00	—	—
Delivery services ^{4, 5}	0.014	-0.8	0.000	0.26	S-Jul.2013	-1.2
Telephone services ^{4, 5}	2.454	-0.2	-0.006	0.10	L-Sep.2014	0.0
Wireless telephone services ^{4, 5}	1.623	-0.5	-0.008	0.04	L-Sep.2014	-0.1
Land-line telephone services ^{4, 12}	0.830	0.3	0.002	0.21	L-May 2014	0.3
Internet services and electronic information providers ^{4, 5}	0.709	-0.2	-0.002	0.26	—	—
Other personal services ^{4, 12}	1.747	0.2	0.003	0.11	L-Oct.2014	0.3
Personal care services ⁴	0.631	0.5	0.003	0.15	L-Dec.2012	0.5
Haircuts and other personal care services ^{4, 5}	0.631	0.5	0.003	0.15	L-Dec.2012	0.5
Miscellaneous personal services.....	1.116	0.3	0.003	0.09	L-Oct.2014	0.3
Legal services ⁹	0.315	-0.2	-0.001	0.19	S-May 2014	-0.3
Funeral expenses ⁹	0.172	0.0	0.000	0.15	L-Oct.2014	0.4
Laundry and dry cleaning services ^{4, 5}	0.275	0.0	0.000	0.09	S-Jul.2014	-0.1
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning ^{4, 5}	0.033	-0.2	0.000	0.22	S-Sep.2014	-0.4
Financial services ^{4, 9}	0.226	0.3	0.001	0.22	S-Oct.2014	0.3
Checking account and other bank services ^{4, 5, 6}		0.2		0.04	L-Jun.2013	4.6
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees ^{4, 6}		0.2		0.38	S-Sep.2014	0.0

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Special aggregate indexes						
All items less food.....	85.869	-0.5	-0.409	0.04	S-Dec.2008	-1.0
All items less shelter.....	67.518	-0.6	-0.428	0.04	S-Dec.2008	-1.2
All items less food and shelter.....	53.387	-0.9	-0.465	0.05	S-Dec.2008	-1.6
All items less food, shelter, and energy.....	44.943	-0.1	-0.053	0.05	—	—
All items less food, shelter, energy, and used cars and trucks.....	43.337	-0.1	-0.034	0.06	S-Aug.2014	-0.1
All items less medical care.....	92.350	-0.4	-0.409	0.04	S-Dec.2008	-0.9
All items less energy.....	91.557	0.0	0.039	0.04	S-Aug.2014	0.0
Commodities.....	38.294	-1.2	-0.475	0.06	S-Dec.2008	-2.1
Commodities less food, energy, and used cars and trucks.....	17.866	-0.3	-0.046	0.11	—	—
Commodities less food.....	24.163	-2.1	-0.512	0.09	S-Dec.2008	-3.4
Commodities less food and beverages.....	23.151	-2.2	-0.510	0.09	S-Dec.2008	-3.5
Services.....	61.706	0.2	0.105	0.04	—	—
Services less rent of shelter ¹⁶	29.593	0.2	0.058	0.06	L-Oct.2014	0.2
Services less medical care services.....	55.807	0.2	0.099	0.04	L-Oct.2014	0.2
Durables ⁴	8.942	-0.5	-0.042	0.08	L-Oct.2014	-0.2
Nondurables.....	29.352	-1.3	-0.377	0.08	S-Dec.2008	-2.7
Nondurables less food.....	15.221	-2.9	-0.441	0.13	S-Dec.2008	-5.2
Nondurables less food and beverages.....	14.209	-3.1	-0.441	0.14	S-Dec.2008	-5.7
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel.....	10.749	-3.7	-0.404	0.09	S-Dec.2008	-7.5
Nondurables less food and apparel.....	11.761	-3.4	-0.404	0.09	S-Dec.2008	-6.7
Housing.....	41.873	0.2	0.074	0.05	—	—
Education and communication ⁵	7.037	-0.1	-0.004	0.07	—	—
Education ⁵	3.306	0.3	0.010	0.07	—	—
Communication ⁵	3.731	-0.4	-0.014	0.09	L-Sep.2014	-0.2
Information and information processing ⁵	3.588	-0.4	-0.014	0.10	L-Sep.2014	-0.2
Information technology, hardware and services ¹⁸	1.134	-0.7	-0.008	0.21	S-Jul.2013	-0.9
Recreation ⁵	5.725	0.0	0.001	0.14	L-Oct.2014	0.2
Video and audio ⁵	1.841	0.1	0.001	0.13	L-Oct.2014	0.6
Pets, pet products and services ⁵	1.050	0.2	0.002	0.21	—	—
Photography ⁵	0.122	-0.6	-0.001	0.38	S-Oct.2014	-0.6
Food and beverages.....	15.143	0.2	0.034	0.07	S-Oct.2014	0.1
Domestically produced farm food.....	7.017	0.5	0.033	0.13	L-May 2014	0.8
Other services.....	11.893	0.1	0.014	0.08	L-Jul.2014	0.1
Apparel less footwear.....	2.729	-1.6	-0.043	0.56	S-Sep.1998	-1.7
Fuels and utilities.....	5.209	0.6	0.032	0.18	L-May 2014	0.9
Household energy.....	3.999	0.6	0.025	0.23	L-May 2014	1.1
Medical care.....	7.650	0.5	0.036	0.08	L-Aug.2013	0.5
Transportation.....	15.743	-3.0	-0.482	0.08	S-Dec.2008	-5.0
Private transportation.....	14.584	-3.0	-0.446	0.08	S-Dec.2008	-5.3
New and used motor vehicles ⁵	5.709	-0.3	-0.020	0.09	L-Oct.2014	0.0
Utilities and public transportation.....	10.034	0.1	0.009	0.11	L-May 2014	1.0
Household furnishings and operations.....	4.181	-0.3	-0.014	0.11	S-Aug.2014	-0.3
Other goods and services.....	3.368	0.3	0.008	0.11	L-Oct.2014	0.3
Personal care.....	2.660	0.1	0.003	0.13	L-Oct.2014	0.3

¹ The 'effect' of an item category is a measure of that item's contribution to the All items price change. For example, if the Food index had an effect of 0.40, and the All items index rose 1.2 percent, then the increase in food prices contributed 0.40 / 1.2, or 33.3 percent, to that All items increase. Said another way, had food prices been unchanged for that month the change in the All items index would have been 1.2 percent minus 0.40, or 0.8 percent. Effects can be negative as well. For example, if the effect of food was a negative 0.1, and the All items index rose 0.5 percent, the All items index actually would have been 0.1 percent higher (or 0.6 percent) had food prices been unchanged. Since food prices fell while prices overall were rising, the contribution of food to the All items price change was negative (in this case, -0.1 / 0.5, or minus 20 percent).

² A statistic's margin of error is often expressed as its point estimate plus or minus two standard errors. For example, if a CPI category rose 0.6

percent, and its standard error was 0.15 percent, the margin of error on this item's 1-month percent change would be 0.6 percent, plus or minus 0.3 percent.

³ If the current seasonally adjusted 1-month percent change is greater than the previous published 1-month percent change, then this column identifies the closest prior month with a 1-month percent change as (L)arge as or (L)arger than the current 1-month change. If the current 1-month percent change is smaller than the previous published 1-month percent change, the most recent month with a change as (S)mall or (S)maller than the current month change is identified. If the current and previous published 1-month percent changes are equal, a dash will appear. Standard numerical comparisons are used. For example, 0.8% is greater than 0.6%, -0.4% is less than -0.2%, and -0.2% is less than 0.0%. Note that a (L)arger change can be a smaller decline, for example, a -0.2% change is larger than a -0.4% change, but still represents a decline in the price index. Likewise, (S)maller changes can be increases, for example, a 0.6% change is smaller than 0.8%, but still represents an increase in the price index. In this context, a -0.2% change is considered to be smaller than a 0.0% change.

⁴ Not seasonally adjusted.

⁵ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

⁶ Special indexes based on a substantially smaller sample. These series do not contribute to the all items index aggregation and therefore do not have a relative importance or effect.

⁷ Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

⁸ Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

¹⁰ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹¹ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

¹² Indexes on a December 2009=100 base.

¹³ Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

¹⁴ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

¹⁵ Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.

¹⁶ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

¹⁷ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

¹⁸ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

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

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All items.....	100.000	0.8		0.08	S-Oct.2009	-0.2
Food.....	14.131	3.4	0.473	0.11	L-Feb.2012	3.9
Food at home.....	8.348	3.7	0.303	0.17	L-Feb.2012	4.5
Cereals and bakery products.....	1.130	0.5	0.006	0.38	L-Feb.2014	0.5
Cereals and cereal products.....	0.370	-0.3	-0.001	0.61	S-Jun.2014	-0.4
Flour and prepared flour mixes.....	0.048	-1.9	-0.001	0.99	S-May 2014	-2.7
Breakfast cereal.....	0.196	1.3	0.002	0.85	L-Jan.2014	1.9
Rice, pasta, cornmeal.....	0.127	-2.1	-0.003	0.97	L-Oct.2014	-1.6
Rice ^{4, 5}		-2.8		1.33	S-Mar.2010	-5.1
Bakery products.....	0.760	0.9	0.007	0.50	L-Feb.2014	1.1
Bread ⁴	0.225	1.2	0.003	1.01	L-Oct.2014	1.3
White bread ⁵		0.9		1.53	L-Feb.2014	1.1
Bread other than white ⁵		0.8		1.52	L-Oct.2014	2.0
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins ⁴	0.115	1.9	0.002	1.14	L-Feb.2014	2.4
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies.....	0.189	0.6	0.001	1.10	L-Aug.2014	1.3
Cookies ⁵		-0.2		1.44	S-Oct.2014	-0.3
Fresh cakes and cupcakes ⁵		1.5		1.44	L-Jun.2014	1.8
Other bakery products.....	0.231	0.4	0.001	1.22	S-Oct.2014	0.4
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts ⁵		0.6		2.33	L-Feb.2014	1.2
Crackers, bread, and cracker products ⁵		1.0		1.95	S-Aug.2014	0.5
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers ⁵		-0.5		1.33	S-Oct.2014	-0.8
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs.....	1.998	9.2	0.171	0.36	L-Sep.2014	9.4
Meats, poultry, and fish.....	1.874	9.1	0.158	0.38	S-Oct.2014	8.5
Meats.....	1.223	12.7	0.140	0.44	S-Oct.2014	12.5
Beef and veal.....	0.575	18.7	0.092	0.58	L-Jan.2004	20.4
Uncooked ground beef.....	0.236	19.2	0.039	0.78	L-Dec.2003	19.5
Uncooked beef roasts ⁴	0.083	20.6	0.015	1.32	L-Dec.2003	23.5
Uncooked beef steaks ⁴	0.204	16.0	0.029	1.03	L-Sep.2014	16.8
Uncooked other beef and veal ⁴	0.052	24.0	0.010	1.34	L-EVER	-
Pork.....	0.376	8.2	0.028	0.76	S-Mar.2014	5.3
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products ⁴	0.141	2.4	0.003	0.95	S-May 2013	1.3
Bacon and related products ⁵		-1.0		1.63	S-Feb.2013	-1.7
Breakfast sausage and related products ^{4, 5}		7.3		1.41	S-Nov.2013	1.3
Ham.....	0.080	13.1	0.009	1.88	S-Oct.2014	12.6
Ham, excluding canned ⁵		14.4		1.79	S-Oct.2014	13.9
Pork chops.....	0.064	10.1	0.006	1.36	S-Mar.2014	4.1
Other pork including roasts and picnics ⁴	0.091	12.5	0.010	1.65	S-Mar.2014	7.2
Other meats.....	0.272	7.4	0.019	0.98	L-Aug.2011	7.7
Frankfurters ⁵		12.1		2.37	L-Nov.1990	13.4
Lunchmeats ^{4, 5}		5.8		0.97	S-Oct.2014	5.7
Lamb and organ meats ⁵		8.8		2.07	L-Dec.2011	9.5
Lamb and mutton ^{4, 5}		3.2		3.91	L-Apr.2012	10.0
Poultry.....	0.360	1.6	0.006	0.87	S-Oct.2014	-0.1
Chicken ⁴	0.293	2.1	0.006	1.02	S-Oct.2014	0.0
Fresh whole chicken ⁵		3.0		1.76	S-Oct.2014	2.1
Fresh and frozen chicken parts ⁵		1.6		1.29	S-Oct.2014	-1.1
Other poultry including turkey ⁴	0.067	-0.5	0.000	1.55	S-Jan.2010	-2.1
Fish and seafood.....	0.291	4.3	0.012	0.85	S-Oct.2014	3.8
Fresh fish and seafood ⁴	0.149	5.6	0.008	1.23	L-Sep.2014	7.4
Processed fish and seafood ⁴	0.143	3.0	0.004	1.16	S-Oct.2014	2.7
Shelf stable fish and seafood ⁵		1.3		1.47	S-Oct.2014	0.6

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Frozen fish and seafood ⁵		5.2		2.28	S-Oct.2014	4.5
Eggs.....	0.124	10.7	0.013	1.14	L-Oct.2011	22.8
Dairy and related products.....	0.888	5.3	0.045	0.47	L-Oct.2014	5.6
Milk ⁴	0.279	4.3	0.012	0.69	S-Feb.2014	2.6
Fresh whole milk ⁵		5.2		1.03	S-Feb.2014	2.4
Fresh milk other than whole ^{4, 5}		4.1		0.71	L-Oct.2014	4.7
Cheese and related products.....	0.285	8.2	0.022	0.88	S-Sep.2014	6.8
Ice cream and related products.....	0.122	3.5	0.004	1.19	L-May 2012	6.1
Other dairy and related products ⁴	0.202	3.7	0.007	0.80	L-Oct.2014	3.7
Fruits and vegetables.....	1.355	3.2	0.043	0.54	L-May 2014	3.2
Fresh fruits and vegetables.....	1.057	4.1	0.042	0.67	L-May 2014	4.2
Fresh fruits.....	0.573	3.6	0.020	0.94	S-Feb.2014	1.6
Apples.....	0.084	-2.3	-0.002	1.68	S-Mar.2014	-3.0
Bananas.....	0.088	-0.7	-0.001	1.11	S-Sep.2014	-0.9
Citrus fruits ⁴	0.155	5.4	0.008	2.17	S-Dec.2013	2.8
Oranges, including tangerines ⁵		3.7		2.90	S-Sep.2014	3.7
Other fresh fruits ⁴	0.247	6.2	0.015	1.62	L-Oct.2014	7.8
Fresh vegetables.....	0.484	4.6	0.022	0.99	L-Nov.2013	4.6
Potatoes.....	0.075	-1.8	-0.001	1.79	L-Jul.2014	1.3
Lettuce.....	0.074	4.4	0.003	2.67	L-Jun.2014	4.6
Tomatoes.....	0.093	16.5	0.015	2.13	L-Apr.2010	24.4
Other fresh vegetables.....	0.242	2.3	0.006	1.23	L-Nov.2013	3.5
Processed fruits and vegetables ⁴	0.298	0.4	0.001	0.69	L-Oct.2014	1.1
Canned fruits and vegetables ⁴	0.154	-0.2	0.000	1.12	L-Oct.2014	1.7
Canned fruits ^{4, 5}		0.5		1.34	L-Mar.2014	0.5
Canned vegetables ^{4, 5}		0.0		1.20	L-Oct.2014	2.8
Frozen fruits and vegetables ⁴	0.087	1.5	0.001	1.17	L-Sep.2012	3.0
Frozen vegetables ⁵		0.9		1.45	L-Sep.2012	2.6
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried ⁴	0.057	0.2	0.000	1.16	L-Oct.2014	0.8
Dried beans, peas, and lentils ^{4, 5}		4.6		2.11	S-Oct.2014	3.1
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials.....	0.953	0.7	0.007	0.47	S-Oct.2014	0.6
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks ⁴	0.696	0.1	0.001	0.56	S-Sep.2014	-0.4
Carbonated drinks.....	0.283	1.4	0.004	0.73	L-Sep.2012	1.5
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ⁴	0.014	2.3	0.000	1.37	L-May 2014	2.5
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks ⁴	0.399	-1.0	-0.004	0.86	S-Aug.2014	-1.2
Beverage materials including coffee and tea ⁴	0.256	2.6	0.006	0.69	L-Apr.2012	3.5
Coffee.....	0.158	3.6	0.006	0.97	L-Apr.2012	5.8
Roasted coffee ⁵		4.2		1.31	L-Apr.2012	5.9
Instant and freeze dried coffee ⁵		0.2		2.43	L-Sep.2014	1.7
Other beverage materials including tea ⁴	0.099	1.0	0.001	0.88	S-Oct.2014	-0.6
Other food at home.....	2.025	1.5	0.031	0.32	L-Sep.2014	1.6
Sugar and sweets.....	0.295	1.1	0.003	0.75	L-Dec.2012	1.1
Sugar and artificial sweeteners.....	0.053	0.2	0.000	0.97	L-Aug.2012	0.2
Candy and chewing gum ⁴	0.183	1.8	0.003	1.12	L-Sep.2014	1.9
Other sweets ⁴	0.060	-0.2	0.000	1.17	S-Oct.2014	-0.6
Fats and oils.....	0.245	1.0	0.002	0.63	S-Jul.2014	1.0
Butter and margarine ⁴	0.077	11.6	0.008	1.05	S-Sep.2014	11.3
Butter ⁵		22.5		1.53	S-Aug.2014	18.8
Margarine ⁵		2.6		1.48	L-Oct.2014	2.7
Salad dressing ⁴	0.061	-4.3	-0.003	1.13	—	—
Other fats and oils including peanut butter ⁴	0.107	-2.5	-0.003	0.99	L-Sep.2014	-1.2
Peanut butter ^{4, 5}		-3.6		1.26	L-Sep.2014	-3.3
Other foods.....	1.485	1.7	0.025	0.39	—	—

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Soups.....	0.094	-0.6	-0.001	1.30	S-Jun.2014	-1.1
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods.....	0.282	1.9	0.005	0.82	S-Oct.2014	1.1
Snacks.....	0.327	1.8	0.006	1.00	S-Oct.2014	0.5
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces.....	0.288	2.2	0.006	0.92	L-Oct.2014	2.4
Salt and other seasonings and spices ^{4, 5}		4.8		1.48	L-Aug.2012	6.1
Olives, pickles, relishes ^{4, 5}		0.2		1.57	L-Oct.2014	0.9
Sauces and gravies ^{4, 5}		1.7		1.43	L-Oct.2014	2.7
Other condiments ⁵		1.8		1.03	L-Aug.2013	6.5
Baby food ⁴	0.055	2.1	0.001	0.79	S-Jul.2014	1.7
Other miscellaneous foods ⁴	0.439	1.6	0.007	0.82	L-Oct.2014	1.6
Prepared salads ^{6, 5}		3.9		1.19	L-Sep.2014	4.7
Food away from home.....	5.783	3.0	0.170	0.17	L-Mar.2012	3.0
Full service meals and snacks ⁴	2.800	3.1	0.085	0.27	L-May 2009	3.4
Limited service meals and snacks ⁴	2.392	3.2	0.075	0.27	L-Oct.2012	3.2
Food at employee sites and schools ⁴	0.211	1.8	0.004	0.67	S-Aug.2014	0.9
Food at elementary and secondary schools ^{7, 5}		2.3		0.73	S-Aug.2014	0.6
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors ⁴	0.063	0.5	0.000	0.80	L-Dec.2013	1.2
Other food away from home ⁴	0.317	2.0	0.006	0.43	L-Oct.2014	2.3
Energy.....	8.443	-10.6	-0.955	0.19	S-Oct.2009	-14.0
Energy commodities.....	4.691	-20.5	-1.093	0.18	S-Sep.2009	-30.1
Fuel oil and other fuels.....	0.246	-13.7	-0.038	0.60	S-Oct.2009	-23.5
Fuel oil.....	0.150	-19.1	-0.033	0.62	S-Oct.2009	-26.3
Propane, kerosene, and firewood ⁶	0.096	-4.6	-0.005	1.34	S-May 2013	-5.4
Motor fuel.....	4.444	-20.8	-1.056	0.19	S-Sep.2009	-30.0
Gasoline (all types).....	4.364	-21.0	-1.045	0.19	S-Sep.2009	-29.7
Gasoline, unleaded regular ⁵		-21.6		0.55	S-Sep.2009	-30.0
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade ^{9, 5}		-19.6		0.53	S-Sep.2009	-29.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium ⁵		-18.3		0.56	S-Sep.2009	-28.0
Other motor fuels ⁴	0.080	-11.9	-0.010	0.23	S-Oct.2009	-28.3
Energy services ¹⁰	3.753	3.7	0.139	0.42	L-Aug.2014	4.6
Electricity ¹⁰	2.903	3.1	0.090	0.49	L-Oct.2014	3.1
Utility (piped) gas service ¹⁰	0.850	5.8	0.048	0.60	L-Sep.2014	5.8
All items less food and energy.....	77.426	1.6	1.238	0.09	S-Feb.2014	1.6
Commodities less food and energy commodities.....	19.473	-0.8	-0.155	0.24	S-Sep.2007	-0.8
Household furnishings and supplies ¹¹	3.336	-1.9	-0.064	0.30	S-Sep.2014	-2.4
Window and floor coverings and other linens ⁴	0.271	-3.6	-0.010	0.93	S-Dec.2013	-3.6
Floor coverings ⁴	0.047	0.8	0.000	1.29	S-Jun.2014	0.7
Window coverings ⁴	0.055	-2.3	-0.001	1.08	S-Oct.2014	-2.9
Other linens ⁴	0.170	-5.2	-0.009	1.37	S-Nov.2013	-5.4
Furniture and bedding.....	0.762	-1.6	-0.013	0.78	L-Jan.2014	-1.6
Bedroom furniture.....	0.267	-2.4	-0.007	1.08	L-Oct.2014	-2.2
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture ⁴	0.359	-1.9	-0.007	1.03	L-Jan.2014	-0.7
Other furniture ⁴	0.127	0.8	0.001	2.52	S-Oct.2014	-1.0
Infants' furniture ^{7, 5}						
Appliances ⁴	0.271	-5.2	-0.015	0.83	S-Jun.2014	-5.4
Major appliances ⁴	0.146	-6.9	-0.011	1.14	L-Oct.2014	-6.6
Laundry equipment ⁵		-7.4		1.19	L-Oct.2014	-7.4
Other appliances ⁴	0.122	-3.1	-0.004	1.15	S-May 2014	-3.2
Other household equipment and furnishings ⁴	0.482	-3.9	-0.020	1.17	S-Jul.2014	-3.9
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items.....	0.260	-5.8	-0.016	1.84	S-Jul.2014	-6.1
Indoor plants and flowers ¹²	0.106	1.9	0.002	1.66	L-May 2011	2.2
Dishes and flatware ⁴	0.043	-6.7	-0.003	3.26	S-May 2014	-10.2
Nonelectric cookware and tableware ⁴	0.074	-3.7	-0.003	1.34	L-Oct.2014	-2.9

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Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies ⁴ . . .	0.706	0.1	0.001	0.58	L-Mar.2014	0.1
Tools, hardware and supplies ⁴	0.188	0.8	0.002	0.71	L-Nov.2013	1.1
Outdoor equipment and supplies ⁴	0.366	-0.3	-0.001	0.81	S-Oct.2014	-0.8
Housekeeping supplies	0.844	-0.8	-0.007	0.44	S-Sep.2014	-1.0
Household cleaning products ⁴	0.334	-0.9	-0.003	0.67	L-May 2013	-0.3
Household paper products ⁴	0.247	-0.7	-0.002	0.72	S-Oct.2014	-0.7
Miscellaneous household products ⁴	0.263	-0.7	-0.002	0.79	S-Jan.2014	-0.8
Apparel	3.461	-2.0	-0.068	1.12	S-Dec.2003	-2.1
Men's and boys' apparel	0.864	-3.0	-0.026	1.54	S-Apr.2010	-3.0
Men's apparel	0.680	-3.0	-0.020	1.77	S-Mar.2010	-3.5
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear	0.110	-7.1	-0.008	5.75	S-Jul.2009	-9.1
Men's furnishings	0.192	-2.4	-0.005	2.27	S-Feb.2011	-3.8
Men's shirts and sweaters ⁴	0.207	-4.5	-0.009	3.39	S-Aug.2014	-5.7
Men's pants and shorts	0.164	1.1	0.002	3.81	S-Oct.2014	-5.0
Boys' apparel	0.184	-2.7	-0.005	3.42	L-Oct.2014	-1.4
Women's and girls' apparel	1.514	-3.6	-0.054	2.28	S-Jan.2009	-3.6
Women's apparel	1.273	-3.5	-0.044	2.46	S-Jan.2009	-3.6
Women's outerwear	0.123	3.6	0.004	8.24	S-Nov.2013	2.3
Women's dresses	0.167	1.6	0.003	12.36	S-Sep.2014	0.1
Women's suits and separates ⁴	0.588	-8.2	-0.049	2.48	S-EVER	-
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories ⁴	0.385	-0.3	-0.001	1.96	S-Apr.2013	-0.4
Girls' apparel	0.242	-4.0	-0.010	5.18	S-Jan.2014	-8.8
Footwear	0.732	2.8	0.020	1.28	L-Jul.2013	2.9
Men's footwear	0.219	1.8	0.004	1.81	L-Sep.2014	2.0
Boys' and girls' footwear	0.178	6.1	0.010	2.69	S-Jun.2014	3.9
Women's footwear	0.335	1.7	0.005	1.95	L-Aug.2013	3.0
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	0.136	0.4	0.001	1.92	S-Feb.2014	-2.7
Jewelry and watches ⁸	0.214	-4.3	-0.009	1.99	S-Jun.2005	-4.5
Watches ⁸	0.046	-1.0	0.000	3.43	S-Aug.2013	-2.6
Jewelry ⁸	0.168	-5.1	-0.009	2.26	S-Jun.2005	-5.4
Transportation commodities less motor fuel ¹¹	5.674	-0.9	-0.054	0.21	S-EVER	-
New vehicles	3.529	0.5	0.018	0.30	S-Sep.2014	0.3
New cars and trucks ^{4, 5}		0.6		0.27	-	-
New cars ⁵		-0.1		0.25	S-Sep.2014	-0.4
New trucks ^{13, 5}		1.3		0.26	-	-
Used cars and trucks	1.606	-4.2	-0.070	0.29	S-Aug.2009	-5.4
Motor vehicle parts and equipment	0.430	-0.7	-0.003	0.37	-	-
Tires	0.282	-1.9	-0.005	0.49	S-Jul.2014	-2.0
Vehicle accessories other than tires ⁴	0.149	1.7	0.003	0.64	L-Oct.2013	2.1
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires ⁵		1.5		0.57	L-Apr.2014	1.5
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids ⁵		2.4		0.86	L-Oct.2014	2.7
Medical care commodities	1.751	4.8	0.081	0.84	L-Jan.1993	4.8
Medicinal drugs ¹¹	1.675	5.0	0.081	0.88	L-EVER	-
Prescription drugs	1.328	6.4	0.081	1.06	L-Aug.1992	6.4
Nonprescription drugs ¹¹	0.348	-0.2	-0.001	0.78	L-Sep.2014	0.6
Medical equipment and supplies ¹¹	0.076	0.9	0.001	0.84	L-Apr.2013	1.6
Recreation commodities ¹¹	2.004	-2.6	-0.053	0.41	L-Oct.2014	-2.2
Video and audio products ¹¹	0.291	-10.5	-0.034	0.58	S-Dec.2010	-10.5
Televisions	0.135	-16.7	-0.027	1.06	S-Apr.2013	-17.4
Other video equipment ⁴	0.030	-0.8	0.000	2.08	S-Jun.2014	-1.4
Audio equipment	0.067	-7.3	-0.005	1.23	L-Oct.2014	-6.3
Audio discs, tapes and other media ⁴	0.043	-3.6	-0.002	1.19	S-Oct.2014	-3.6
Pets and pet products	0.655	0.3	0.002	0.67	L-Dec.2013	0.3

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Pet food ^{4, 5}		0.4		0.76	L-Jan.2014	0.7
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories ^{4, 5}		0.4		1.15	L-Jun.2012	0.7
Sporting goods.....	0.401	-2.2	-0.009	0.95	S-Jul.2014	-2.2
Sports vehicles including bicycles.....	0.181	-1.1	-0.002	1.13	S-Jul.2014	-1.6
Sports equipment.....	0.215	-3.1	-0.007	1.58	S-Oct.2013	-3.2
Photographic equipment and supplies.....	0.059	-2.2	-0.001	1.92	S-Jun.2014	-2.4
Film and photographic supplies ^{4, 5}		23.4		2.36	L-EVER	-
Photographic equipment ^{4, 5}		-6.1		2.83	S-Jul.2014	-6.4
Recreational reading materials.....	0.218	2.2	0.005	0.97	L-Oct.2014	2.7
Newspapers and magazines ⁴	0.122	4.8	0.006	1.36	L-Oct.2014	5.4
Recreational books ⁴	0.095	-0.9	-0.001	1.38	S-Sep.2014	-1.3
Other recreational goods ⁴	0.379	-3.8	-0.015	1.25	L-Feb.2014	-3.6
Toys.....	0.275	-5.4	-0.016	1.48	L-Mar.2014	-5.4
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment ^{4, 5}		-2.9		2.14	L-Mar.2014	-2.6
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies ⁴	0.051	0.1	0.000	2.78	L-May 2014	0.3
Music instruments and accessories ⁴	0.042	2.4	0.001	2.30	-	-
Education and communication commodities ¹¹	0.613	-4.9	-0.032	0.69	S-EVER	-
Educational books and supplies.....	0.200	4.6	0.009	1.03	L-Sep.2014	4.6
College textbooks ^{14, 5}		5.0		0.95	L-Sep.2014	5.1
Information technology commodities ¹¹	0.413	-9.0	-0.041	0.93	S-Apr.2012	-9.6
Personal computers and peripheral equipment ⁶	0.276	-10.5	-0.032	1.23	S-Jul.2013	-10.6
Computer software and accessories ⁴	0.068	-1.2	-0.001	3.85	L-Jul.2009	-1.1
Telephone hardware, calculators, and other consumer information items ⁴	0.068	-9.9	-0.008	1.61	L-Oct.2014	-5.8
Alcoholic beverages.....	1.012	1.3	0.013	0.30	S-Oct.2014	1.1
Alcoholic beverages at home.....	0.596	0.7	0.004	0.42	S-Oct.2014	0.7
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home.....	0.273	0.7	0.002	0.49	S-Jul.2014	0.4
Distilled spirits at home.....	0.073	0.9	0.001	0.68	S-Oct.2014	0.8
Whiskey at home ⁵		1.5		1.23	L-Oct.2014	1.6
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home ⁵		0.8		0.73	L-Jan.2014	1.1
Wine at home.....	0.250	0.6	0.001	0.82	S-Oct.2014	0.3
Alcoholic beverages away from home.....	0.416	2.2	0.009	0.41	L-Dec.2013	2.3
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home ^{4, 5}		2.1		0.60	S-Oct.2014	1.8
Wine away from home ^{4, 5}		2.0		0.86	L-Dec.2013	2.4
Distilled spirits away from home ^{4, 5}		2.2		0.68	L-Jan.2014	2.3
Other goods ¹¹	1.621	1.3	0.022	0.35	S-Nov.2013	1.2
Tobacco and smoking products.....	0.708	3.0	0.021	0.43	L-Jun.2014	4.3
Cigarettes ⁴	0.652	3.1	0.020	0.47	L-Jun.2014	4.5
Tobacco products other than cigarettes ⁴	0.050	1.4	0.001	1.17	S-Oct.2014	0.3
Personal care products.....	0.721	0.3	0.002	0.67	S-Mar.2014	0.3
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products ⁴	0.367	-0.3	-0.001	1.06	L-Oct.2014	-0.3
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements.....	0.346	1.0	0.003	0.90	S-Apr.2014	0.9
Miscellaneous personal goods ⁴	0.192	-0.6	-0.001	1.02	L-Oct.2014	0.4
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap ⁵		0.0		1.31	L-Oct.2014	1.2
Infants' equipment ^{7, 5}		-0.7		1.70	L-Oct.2013	-0.4
Services less energy services.....	57.953	2.4	1.393	0.10	S-Sep.2014	2.4
Shelter.....	32.482	2.9	0.930	0.15	S-Aug.2014	2.9
Rent of shelter ¹⁵	32.113	2.9	0.910	0.15	S-Sep.2014	2.9
Rent of primary residence ¹⁰	7.099	3.4	0.236	0.17	S-Oct.2014	3.3
Lodging away from home ⁴	0.851	6.3	0.050	1.35	L-Oct.2014	8.4

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Housing at school, excluding board ^{10, 15}	0.171	2.7	0.005	0.27	—	—
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels.....	0.680	7.3	0.046	1.66	L-Oct.2014	9.8
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{10, 15}	24.163	2.6	0.624	0.17	S-Jun.2014	2.6
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{10, 15}	22.752	2.6	0.587	0.17	S-Jun.2014	2.6
Tenants' and household insurance ⁴	0.369	5.6	0.020	0.94	L-Oct.2014	5.6
Water and sewer and trash collection services ⁴	1.210	4.6	0.054	0.83	L-May 2013	4.8
Water and sewerage maintenance ¹⁰	0.935	5.6	0.050	1.07	L-Mar.2013	6.1
Garbage and trash collection ¹³	0.275	1.4	0.004	0.63	S-May 2012	1.4
Household operations ⁴	0.845	2.8	0.023	0.39	S-Sep.2014	2.7
Domestic services ⁴	0.277	1.2	0.003	0.43	S-May 2012	1.2
Gardening and lawncare services ⁴	0.278	4.4	0.012	0.39	—	—
Moving, storage, freight expense ⁴	0.119	2.1	0.002	1.77	S-Jul.2014	1.6
Repair of household items ⁴	0.066	4.0	0.003	0.93	L-Oct.2013	4.5
Medical care services.....	5.899	2.4	0.142	0.24	L-Jul.2014	2.5
Professional services.....	3.011	1.7	0.052	0.26	S-Oct.2014	1.5
Physicians' services ¹⁰	1.578	1.5	0.023	0.43	—	—
Dental services ¹⁰	0.799	1.8	0.014	0.45	S-Dec.1961	1.1
Eyeglasses and eye care ⁸	0.282	2.6	0.007	0.61	—	—
Services by other medical professionals ^{10, 8}	0.352	2.0	0.007	0.38	L-Dec.2013	2.1
Hospital and related services.....	2.139	4.5	0.094	0.39	L-Jul.2014	5.5
Hospital services ^{10, 16}	1.835	4.9	0.087	0.44	L-Jul.2014	6.0
Inpatient hospital services ^{10, 16, 5}		5.5		0.55	L-Jul.2014	6.8
Outpatient hospital services ^{10, 8, 5}		4.5		0.88	L-Jul.2014	5.6
Nursing homes and adult day services ^{10, 16}	0.173	2.9	0.005	0.40	S-Aug.2014	2.9
Care of invalids and elderly at home ⁷	0.131	1.8	0.002	0.39	L-Jan.2012	1.9
Health insurance ⁷	0.748	-0.5	-0.004	0.28	L-May 2014	-0.1
Transportation services.....	5.624	1.7	0.097	0.34	S-Sep.2014	1.4
Leased cars and trucks ¹⁴	0.394	-0.1	-0.001	1.24	L-Dec.2009	0.0
Car and truck rental ⁴	0.071	0.0	0.000	2.04	S-Oct.2014	-0.1
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair.....	1.161	2.1	0.024	0.30	—	—
Motor vehicle body work.....	0.056	2.1	0.001	0.52	L-Aug.2014	2.7
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing.....	0.490	2.2	0.011	0.57	S-Oct.2014	1.7
Motor vehicle repair ⁴	0.583	2.0	0.012	0.44	L-Oct.2014	2.1
Motor vehicle insurance.....	2.279	4.7	0.105	0.62	S-Oct.2014	4.7
Motor vehicle fees ⁴	0.561	0.3	0.002	0.41	—	—
State motor vehicle registration and license fees ^{10, 4}	0.311	-1.0	-0.003	0.59	S-Sep.2014	-1.0
Parking and other fees ⁴	0.232	2.2	0.005	0.48	L-May 2014	2.6
Parking fees and tolls ^{4, 5}		2.7		1.10	L-May 2014	3.3
Automobile service clubs ^{4, 5}		-0.4		0.82	S-Sep.2014	-1.5
Public transportation.....	1.159	-2.9	-0.033	0.72	S-Oct.2009	-4.5
Airline fare.....	0.743	-4.7	-0.035	1.05	S-Jan.2014	-4.8
Other intercity transportation.....	0.153	-0.7	-0.001	1.85	S-Oct.2014	-2.1
Intercity bus fare ^{6, 5}						
Intercity train fare ^{6, 5}		3.8		2.00	L-Apr.2013	7.4
Ship fare ^{4, 5}		-1.9		1.88	S-Oct.2014	-4.1
Intracity transportation.....	0.258	1.1	0.003	0.45	—	—
Intracity mass transit ^{11, 5}		1.1		1.80	—	—
Recreation services ¹¹	3.721	1.5	0.054	0.47	L-Oct.2014	1.5
Video and audio services ¹¹	1.550	1.8	0.028	0.38	L-Oct.2014	1.9
Cable and satellite television and radio service ¹³	1.459	2.2	0.031	0.40	L-Oct.2014	2.4

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Video discs and other media, including rental of video and audio ⁴	0.090	-3.0	-0.003	1.66	L-Oct.2013	-2.7
Video discs and other media ^{4, 5}		-6.3		2.39	L-Jun.2014	-6.2
Rental of video or audio discs and other media ^{4, 5}		1.4		1.00	L-Sep.2012	2.3
Pet services including veterinary ⁴	0.396	2.7	0.011	0.47	S-Nov.2013	2.6
Pet services ^{4, 5}		1.8		0.86	S-Aug.2013	1.1
Veterinarian services ^{4, 5}		2.9		0.52	S-Nov.2013	2.7
Photographers and film processing ⁴	0.061	2.2	0.001	1.07	L-Sep.2014	2.6
Photographer fees ^{4, 5}		1.1		0.64	—	—
Film processing ^{4, 5}		3.8		1.03	L-Nov.2011	3.9
Other recreation services ⁴	1.714	0.8	0.014	0.91	L-Oct.2014	0.8
Club dues and fees for participant sports and group exercises ⁴	0.602	0.4	0.002	1.23	S-Oct.2014	0.2
Admissions.....	0.632	0.7	0.004	1.50	L-Oct.2014	1.2
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts ^{4, 5}		0.4		1.21	L-Oct.2014	1.6
Admission to sporting events ^{4, 5}		2.7		1.53	L-Jul.2014	3.7
Fees for lessons or instructions ⁸	0.210	2.0	0.004	1.41	S-Sep.2014	1.8
Education and communication services ¹¹	6.425	0.9	0.060	0.23	S-EVER	—
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare.....	3.106	3.2	0.097	0.34	S-Sep.2014	3.2
College tuition and fees.....	1.844	3.4	0.062	0.50	S-Sep.2014	3.4
Elementary and high school tuition and fees.....	0.375	4.0	0.014	0.44	—	—
Child care and nursery school ¹²	0.722	2.2	0.016	0.43	S-Jul.2014	2.1
Technical and business school tuition and fees ⁴	0.039	1.8	0.001	0.98	S-Sep.2014	1.7
Postage and delivery services ⁴	0.144	3.8	0.005	0.48	S-Dec.2012	3.8
Postage.....	0.129	4.1	0.005	0.51	—	—
Delivery services ⁴	0.014	1.1	0.000	0.50	S-Nov.2009	-6.6
Telephone services ⁴	2.454	-2.1	-0.054	0.32	S-Feb.2005	-2.1
Wireless telephone services ⁴	1.623	-4.0	-0.069	0.39	S-Sep.2011	-4.2
Land-line telephone services ¹¹	0.830	1.8	0.015	0.59	L-Sep.2014	2.3
Internet services and electronic information providers ⁴	0.709	1.6	0.012	1.01	S-Sep.2014	1.3
Other personal services ¹¹	1.747	1.9	0.033	0.35	—	—
Personal care services.....	0.631	1.5	0.010	0.58	L-Oct.2014	1.6
Haircuts and other personal care services ⁴	0.631	1.5	0.010	0.58	L-Oct.2014	1.6
Miscellaneous personal services.....	1.116	2.1	0.023	0.40	S-Oct.2014	2.0
Legal services ⁸	0.315	1.4	0.005	0.75	S-Oct.2014	1.4
Funeral expenses ⁸	0.172	1.2	0.002	0.41	S-EVER	—
Laundry and dry cleaning services ⁴	0.275	2.2	0.006	0.44	S-Jul.2014	1.8
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning ⁴	0.033	1.8	0.001	0.99	S-Mar.2014	1.5
Financial services ⁸	0.226	3.5	0.008	1.00	L-May 2013	4.1
Checking account and other bank services ^{4, 5}		0.1		3.68	L-May 2014	4.2
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees ^{4, 5}		6.1		0.85	L-May 2012	6.4
Special aggregate indexes						
All items less food.....	85.869	0.3	0.283	0.09	S-Oct.2009	-0.1
All items less shelter.....	67.518	-0.3	-0.173	0.10	S-Oct.2009	-0.6
All items less food and shelter.....	53.387	-1.2	-0.646	0.11	S-Sep.2009	-2.7
All items less food, shelter, and energy.....	44.943	0.7	0.309	0.13	S-Feb.2004	0.7
All items less food, shelter, energy, and used cars and trucks.....	43.337	0.9	0.379	0.14	—	—
All items less medical care.....	92.350	0.6	0.534	0.08	S-Oct.2009	-0.4

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All items less energy.....	91.557	1.9	1.712	0.08	—	—
Commodities.....	38.294	-2.0	-0.775	0.13	S-Sep.2009	-4.2
Commodities less food, energy, and used cars and trucks.....	17.866	-0.5	-0.085	0.27	S-Feb.2014	-0.5
Commodities less food.....	24.163	-5.0	-1.248	0.18	S-Sep.2009	-6.2
Commodities less food and beverages.....	23.151	-5.2	-1.261	0.19	S-Sep.2009	-6.6
Services.....	61.706	2.5	1.532	0.11	—	—
Services less rent of shelter ¹⁵	29.593	2.1	0.622	0.14	L-Aug.2014	2.3
Services less medical care services.....	55.807	2.5	1.390	0.11	—	—
Durables.....	8.942	-2.0	-0.183	0.17	S-Apr.2009	-2.0
Nondurables.....	29.352	-2.0	-0.592	0.15	S-Oct.2009	-2.6
Nondurables less food.....	15.221	-6.7	-1.065	0.25	S-Sep.2009	-9.5
Nondurables less food and beverages.....	14.209	-7.3	-1.078	0.27	S-Sep.2009	-10.3
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel.....	10.749	-8.9	-1.010	0.17	S-Sep.2009	-13.6
Nondurables less food and apparel.....	11.761	-8.0	-0.997	0.16	S-Sep.2009	-12.4
Housing.....	41.873	2.5	1.044	0.14	S-Apr.2014	2.5
Education and communication ⁴	7.037	0.4	0.029	0.21	S-Jul.1999	0.4
Education ⁴	3.306	3.3	0.106	0.32	—	—
Communication ⁴	3.731	-2.0	-0.078	0.27	S-Feb.2007	-2.0
Information and information processing ⁴	3.588	-2.2	-0.083	0.28	S-Sep.2011	-2.3
Information technology, hardware and services ¹⁷	1.134	-2.5	-0.029	0.71	S-Mar.2014	-3.0
Recreation ⁴	5.725	0.0	0.001	0.31	L-Oct.2014	0.2
Video and audio ⁴	1.841	-0.3	-0.006	0.35	L-Oct.2014	0.1
Pets, pet products and services ⁴	1.050	1.2	0.012	0.45	L-Dec.2013	1.3
Photography ⁴	0.122	0.0	0.000	1.17	S-Apr.2014	0.0
Food and beverages.....	15.143	3.3	0.487	0.10	L-Feb.2012	3.8
Domestically produced farm food.....	7.017	4.1	0.285	0.18	L-Feb.2012	4.7
Other services.....	11.893	1.2	0.147	0.20	—	—
Apparel less footwear.....	2.729	-3.2	-0.088	1.35	S-May 2003	-3.5
Fuels and utilities.....	5.209	3.0	0.155	0.36	L-Oct.2014	3.1
Household energy.....	3.999	2.5	0.101	0.39	L-Oct.2014	2.8
Medical care.....	7.650	3.0	0.223	0.28	L-Mar.2013	3.1
Transportation.....	15.743	-6.2	-1.013	0.14	S-Sep.2009	-9.8
Private transportation.....	14.584	-6.4	-0.980	0.14	S-Sep.2009	-9.9
New and used motor vehicles ⁴	5.709	-0.9	-0.052	0.22	S-May 2009	-1.1
Utilities and public transportation.....	10.034	1.4	0.137	0.24	L-Oct.2014	1.4
Household furnishings and operations.....	4.181	-0.9	-0.040	0.24	S-Sep.2014	-1.4
Other goods and services.....	3.368	1.6	0.054	0.26	S-Sep.2014	1.6
Personal care.....	2.660	1.3	0.034	0.32	S-Jun.2014	1.2

¹ The 'effect' of an item category is a measure of that item's contribution to the All items price change. For example, if the Food index had an effect of 0.40, and the All items index rose 1.2 percent, then the increase in food prices contributed 0.40 / 1.2, or 33.3 percent, to that All items increase. Said another way, had food prices been unchanged for that year the change in the All items index would have been 1.2 percent minus 0.40, or 0.8 percent. Effects can be negative as well. For example, if the effect of food was a negative 0.1, and the All items index rose 0.5 percent, the All items index actually would have been 0.1 percent higher (or 0.6 percent) had food prices been unchanged. Since food prices fell while prices overall were rising, the contribution of food to the All items price change was negative (in this case, -0.1 / 0.5, or minus 20 percent).

² A statistic's margin of error is often expressed as its point estimate plus or minus two standard errors. For example, if a CPI category rose 2.6 percent, and its standard error was 0.25 percent, the margin of error on this item's 12-month percent change would be 2.6 percent, plus or minus 0.5 percent.

³ If the current 12-month percent change is greater than the previous published 12-month percent change, then this column identifies the closest prior month with a 12-month percent change as (L)arge as or (L)arger than the current 12-month change. If the current 12-month percent change is smaller than the previous published 12-month percent change, the most recent month with a change as (S)mall or (S)maller than the current month change is identified. If the current and previous published 12-month percent changes are equal, a dash will appear. Standard numerical comparison is used. For example, 2.0% is greater than 0.6%, -4.4% is less than -2.0%, and -2.0% is less than 0.0%. Note that a (L)arger change can be a smaller decline, for example, a -0.2% change is larger than a -0.4% change, but still represents a decline in the price index. Likewise, (S)maller changes can be increases, for example, a 0.6% change is smaller than 0.8%, but still represents an increase in the price index. In this context, a -0.2% change is considered to be smaller than a 0.0% change.

⁴ Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

⁵ Special indexes based on a substantially smaller sample. These series do not contribute to the all items index aggregation and therefore do not have a relative importance or effect.

⁶ Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

⁷ Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.

⁸ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

⁹ Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

¹⁰ This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.

¹¹ Indexes on a December 2009=100 base.

¹² Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

¹³ Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

¹⁴ Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.

¹⁵ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

¹⁶ Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

¹⁷ Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

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