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## CONSUMER PRICE INDEX – SEPTEMBER 2018

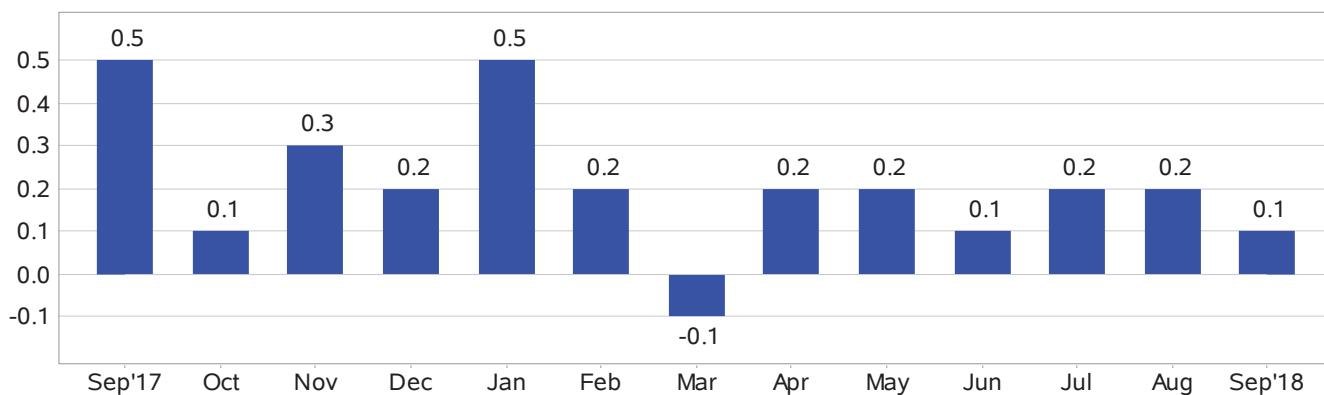
The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 0.1 percent in September on a seasonally adjusted basis after rising 0.2 percent in August, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Over the last 12 months, the all items index rose 2.3 percent before seasonal adjustment.

The shelter index continued to rise and accounted for over half of the seasonally adjusted monthly increase in the all items index. The energy index declined 0.5 percent in September after rising in August. The food index was unchanged in September, as an increase in the index for food away from home offset a decline in the food at home index.

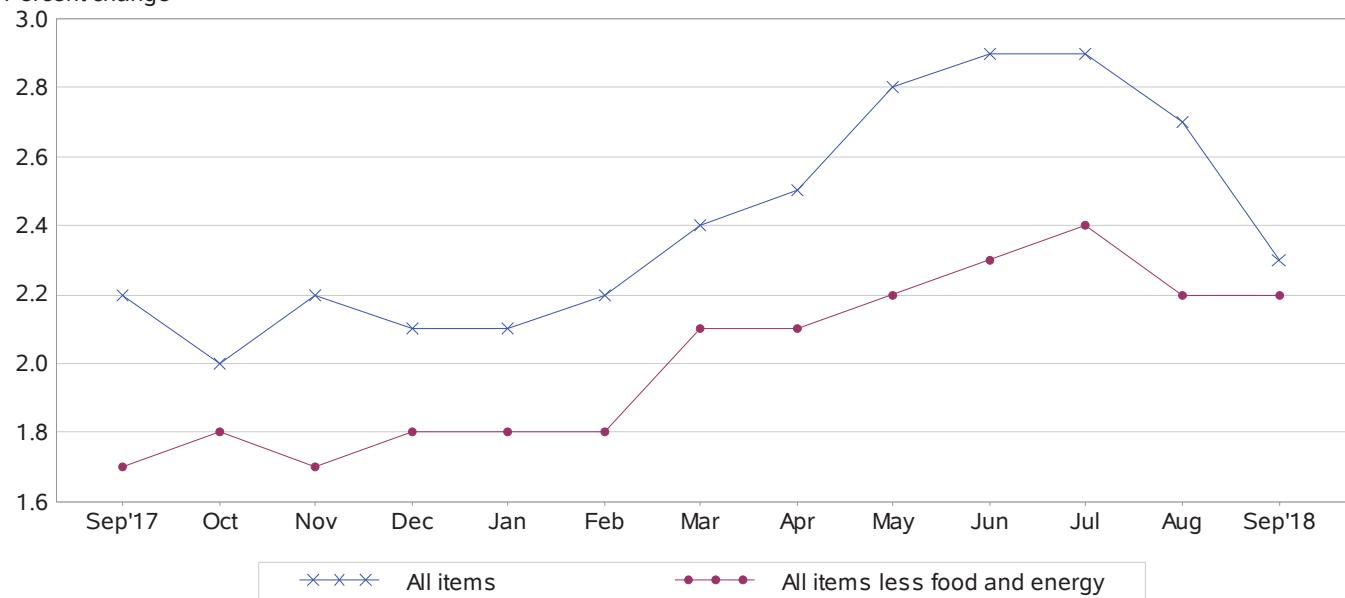
The index for all items less food and energy rose 0.1 percent in September, the same increase as in August. The shelter index increased 0.2 percent, and the indexes for apparel, motor vehicle insurance, recreation, and airline fares also rose. The medical care index increased as well, though its components were mixed. The index for used cars and trucks, which fell sharply, and the new vehicles index were among the indexes that declined in September.

The all items index rose 2.3 percent for the 12 months ending September, a smaller increase than the 2.7-percent increase for the 12 months ending August. The energy index rose 4.8 percent over the last year, a notably smaller increase than the 10.2-percent increase for the 12 month period ending August. The index for all items less food and energy rose 2.2 percent for the 12 months ending September and the food index increased 1.4 percent; these were both the same rate of increase as for the 12 months ending August.

**Chart 1. One-month percent change in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), seasonally adjusted, Sep. 2017 - Sep. 2018**  
Percent change



**Chart 2. 12-month percent change in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), not seasonally adjusted, Sep. 2017 - Sep. 2018**  
 Percent change



**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 Sep. 2018
	Mar. 2018	Apr. 2018	May 2018	June 2018	July 2018	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	
All items .....	-0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	2.3
Food .....	.1	.3	.0	.2	.1	.1	.0	1.4
Food at home .....	.1	.3	-.2	.2	.2	.0	-.1	.4
Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	.1	.2	.3	.2	.1	.2	.2	2.6
Energy .....	-2.8	1.4	.9	-.3	-.5	1.9	-.5	4.8
Energy commodities .....	-4.7	3.0	1.6	.6	-.6	3.0	-.2	9.6
Gasoline (all types) .....	-4.9	3.0	1.7	.5	-.6	3.0	-.2	9.1
Fuel oil .....	-.7	2.7	-.7	2.9	1.2	2.2	.3	23.4
Energy services .....	-.2	-.5	-.1	-1.5	-.4	.4	-.8	-1.2
Electricity .....	.0	-.6	.1	-1.4	-.4	.3	-.5	-1.2
Utility (piped) gas service .....	-1.2	-.4	-.6	-1.7	-.5	.9	-1.7	-1.2
All items less food and energy .....	.2	.1	.2	.2	.2	.1	.1	2.2
Commodities less food and energy								
commodities .....	-.1	-.1	-.1	.0	.1	-.3	-.3	-.3
New vehicles .....	.0	-.5	.3	.4	.3	.0	-.1	.5
Used cars and trucks .....	-.3	-1.6	-.9	.7	1.3	.4	-3.0	-1.5
Apparel .....	-.6	.3	.0	-.9	-.3	-1.6	.9	-.6
Medical care commodities .....	.1	-.2	1.3	.2	-1.1	-.3	-.1	.7
Services less energy services .....	.3	.2	.3	.2	.3	.2	.2	3.0
Shelter .....	.4	.3	.3	.1	.3	.3	.2	3.3
Transportation services .....	.2	-.4	-.0	.2	.5	.3	.5	4.0
Medical care services .....	.5	.2	-.1	.5	.1	-.2	.2	2.0

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

## **Food**

The food index was unchanged in September. The index for food at home, which was unchanged in August, fell 0.1 percent in September with major grocery store food group indexes mixed. The index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs fell 1.0 percent in September, with all its major component indexes falling. The fruits and vegetables index also fell, declining 0.5 percent. The index for dairy and related products declined 0.3 percent.

The index for cereals and bakery products increased 0.6 percent, as did the index for nonalcoholic beverages. The index for other food at home rose 0.2 percent. The index for food away from home rose 0.2 percent in September, the same increase as in August.

The food index rose 1.4 percent over the last 12 months, with the index for food away from home rising 2.6 percent and the food at home index increasing 0.4 percent. All the major grocery store food group indexes rose modestly over the period, except for the index for dairy and related products, which was unchanged.

## **Energy**

The energy index declined 0.5 percent in September after rising 1.9 percent in August. After rising 3.0 percent in August, the gasoline index declined slightly in September, falling 0.2 percent. (Before seasonal adjustment, gasoline prices increased 0.3 percent in September.) The electricity index fell 0.5 percent in September after rising in August, and the index for natural gas, which also increased in August, fell 1.7 percent in September.

The energy index increased 4.8 percent over the past year. The index for fuel oil rose sharply, increasing 23.4 percent. The gasoline index rose 9.1 percent over the last 12 months, while the electricity and natural gas indexes both declined, falling 1.2 percent.

## **All items less food and energy**

The index for all items less food and energy increased 0.1 percent in September. The shelter index rose 0.2 percent in September following a 0.3-percent increase in August. The indexes for rent and owners' equivalent rent both increased 0.2 percent in September, smaller increases than in August.

The index for apparel rose 0.9 percent in September following declines in each of the prior 3 months. The motor vehicle insurance index rose 0.8 percent. The recreation index advanced 0.3 percent in September as the index for recreation services increased 0.7 percent. The medical care index rose 0.2 percent in September after declining in July and August. The index for physicians' services rose 0.3 percent, but the indexes for hospital services and for prescription drugs both declined. The index for airline fares continued to increase, advancing 1.0 percent. The indexes for household furnishings and operations, communication, education, alcoholic beverages, personal care, and tobacco all also rose in September.

The index for used cars and trucks fell sharply in September, declining 3.0 percent following increases in each of the last 3 months. The new vehicles index declined slightly in September, falling 0.1 percent.

The index for all items less food and energy rose 2.2 percent over the past 12 months, the same increase as for the 12 months ending August. The shelter index increased 3.3 percent over the last 12 months, and

the medical care index rose 1.7 percent. The indexes for used cars and trucks, apparel, and airline fares all declined over the past year.

### **Not seasonally adjusted CPI measures**

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 2.3 percent over the last 12 months to an index level of 252.439 (1982-84=100). For the month, the index increased 0.1 percent prior to seasonal adjustment.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) increased 2.3 percent over the last 12 months to an index level of 246.565 (1982-84=100). For the month, the index increased 0.1 percent prior to seasonal adjustment.

The Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U) increased 2.0 percent over the last 12 months. For the month, the index rose 0.1 percent on a not seasonally adjusted basis. Please note that the indexes for the past 10 to 12 months are subject to revision.

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**The Consumer Price Index for October 2018 is scheduled to be released on Wednesday, November 14, 2018, at 8:30 a.m. (EST).**

## **Technical Note**

### **Brief Explanation of the CPI**

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures the change in prices paid by consumers for goods and services. The CPI reflects spending patterns for each of two population groups: all urban consumers and urban wage earners and clerical workers. The all urban consumer group represents about 93 percent of the total U.S. population. It is based on the expenditures of almost all residents of urban or metropolitan areas, including professionals, the self-employed, the poor, the unemployed, and retired people, as well as urban wage earners and clerical workers. Not included in the CPI are the spending patterns of people living in rural nonmetropolitan areas, farming families, people in the Armed Forces, and those in institutions, such as prisons and mental hospitals. Consumer inflation for all urban consumers is measured by two indexes, namely, the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and the Chained Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (C-CPI-U).

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) is based on the expenditures of households included in the CPI-U definition that meet two requirements: more than one-half of the household's income must come from clerical or wage occupations, and at least one of the household's earners must have been employed for at least 37 weeks during the previous 12 months. The CPI-W population represents about 29 percent of the total U.S. population and is a subset of the CPI-U population.

The CPIs are based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, fuels, transportation, doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day-to-day living. Prices are collected each month in 75 urban areas across the country from about 5,000 housing units and approximately 22,000 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 75 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 by the Bureau's trained representatives.

In calculating the index, price changes for the various items in each location are aggregated using 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 23 selected 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. The CPI-U and CPI-W are considered final when released, but the C-CPI-U is issued in preliminary form and subject to three subsequent quarterly revisions.

The index measures price change from a designed reference date. For most of 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 7 percent from the reference base, for example, is shown as 107.000. Alternatively, that relationship can also be expressed as the price of a base period market basket of goods and services rising from \$100 to \$107.

### **Sampling Error in the CPI**

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 0.03 percent for the U.S. all items CPI. 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 percent of these estimates will be within 0.06 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-U, we are 95 percent confident that the actual percent change based on all retail prices would fall between 0.14 and 0.26 percent. For the latest data, including information on how to use the estimates of standard error, see <https://www.bls.gov/cpi/tables/variance-estimates/home.htm>.

### **Calculating Index Changes**

Movements of the indexes from 1 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 following table shows an example of using index values to calculate percent changes:

	<b>Item A</b>	<b>Item B</b>	<b>Item C</b>
<b>Year I</b>	112.500	225.000	110.000
<b>Year II</b>	121.500	243.000	128.000
<b>Change in index points</b>	9.000	18.000	18.000
<b>Percent change</b>	$9.0/112.500 \times 100 = 8.0$	$18.0/225.000 \times 100 = 8.0$	$18.0/110.000 \times 100 = 16.4$

### **Use of Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted Data**

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) produces both unadjusted and seasonally adjusted data. Seasonally adjusted data are computed using seasonal factors derived by the X-13ARIMA-SEATS seasonal adjustment method. These factors are updated each February, and the new factors are used to revise the previous 5 years of seasonally adjusted data. For more information on data revision scheduling, please see the Factsheet on Seasonal Adjustment at [www.bls.gov/cpi/seasonal-adjustment/questions-and-answers.htm](http://www.bls.gov/cpi/seasonal-adjustment/questions-and-answers.htm) and the Timeline of Seasonal Adjustment Methodological Changes at [www.bls.gov/cpi/seasonal-adjustment/timeline-seasonal-adjustment-methodology-changes.htm](http://www.bls.gov/cpi/seasonal-adjustment/timeline-seasonal-adjustment-methodology-changes.htm).

For analyzing short-term 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 weather events, production cycles, model changeovers, holidays, and sales. This allows data users to focus on changes that are not typical for the time of year. The unadjusted data are of primary interest to consumers concerned about the prices they actually pay. Unadjusted data are also 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. BLS advises against the use of seasonally adjusted data in escalation agreements because seasonally adjusted series are revised annually.

### ***Intervention Analysis***

The Bureau of Labor Statistics uses intervention analysis seasonal adjustment for some CPI series. Sometimes extreme values or sharp movements can distort the underlying seasonal pattern of price change. Intervention analysis seasonal adjustment is a process by which the distortions caused by such unusual events are estimated and removed from the data prior to calculation of seasonal factors. The

resulting seasonal factors, which more accurately represent the seasonal pattern, are then applied to the unadjusted data.

For example, this procedure was used for the motor fuel series to offset the effects of the 2009 return to normal pricing after the worldwide economic downturn in 2008. Retaining this outlier data during seasonal factor calculation would distort the computation of the seasonal portion of the time series data for motor fuel, so it was estimated and removed from the data prior to seasonal adjustment. Following that, seasonal factors were calculated based on this “prior adjusted” data. These seasonal factors represent a clearer picture of the seasonal pattern in the data. The last step is for motor fuel seasonal factors to be applied to the unadjusted data.

For the seasonal factors introduced in January 2018, BLS adjusted 38 series using intervention analysis seasonal adjustment, including selected food and beverage items, motor fuels, and natural gas.

#### *Revision of Seasonally Adjusted Indexes*

Seasonally adjusted data, including the U.S. city average all items index levels, are subject to revision for up to 5 years after their original release. Every year, economists in the CPI calculate new seasonal factors for seasonally adjusted series and apply them to the last 5 years of data. Seasonally adjusted indexes beyond the last 5 years of data are considered to be final and not subject to revision. In January 2018, revised seasonal factors and seasonally adjusted indexes for 2013 to 2017 were calculated and published. For series which are directly adjusted using the Census X-13ARIMA-SEATS seasonal adjustment software, the seasonal factors for 2017 will be applied to data for 2018 to produce the seasonally adjusted 2018 indexes. Series which are indirectly seasonally adjusted by summing seasonally adjusted component series have seasonal factors which are derived and are therefore not available in advance.

#### *Determining Seasonal Status*

Each year the seasonal status of every series is reevaluated based upon certain statistical criteria. Using these criteria, BLS economists determine whether a series should change its status from "not seasonally adjusted" to "seasonally adjusted", or vice versa. If any of the 81 components of the U.S. city average all items index 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 5 years, but the seasonally adjusted indexes before that period will not be changed. Twenty-nine of the 81 components of the U.S. city average all items index are not seasonally adjusted for 2018.

#### **Contact Information**

For additional information about the CPI visit [www.bls.gov/cpi](http://www.bls.gov/cpi) or contact the CPI Information and Analysis Section at 202-691-7000 or [cpi\\_info@bls.gov](mailto:cpi_info@bls.gov).

For additional information on seasonal adjustment in the CPI visit <https://www.bls.gov/cpi/seasonal-adjustment/home.htm> or contact the CPI seasonal adjustment section at 202-691-6968 or [cpiseas@bls.gov](mailto:cpiseas@bls.gov).

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

**Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category, September 2018**

[1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Aug. 2018	Unadjusted indexes			Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Sep. 2017-Sep. 2018	Aug. 2018-Aug. 2018	Jun. 2018-Jul. 2018	Jul. 2018-Aug. 2018	Aug. 2018-Sep. 2018
All items.....	100.000	246.819	252.146	252.439	2.3	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1
Food.....	13.234	250.993	254.077	254.393	1.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
Food at home.....	7.261	239.128	240.015	240.125	0.4	0.0	0.2	0.0	-0.1
Cereals and bakery products.....	0.955	271.750	273.338	273.729	0.7	0.1	-0.2	0.0	0.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs.....	1.613	247.613	250.743	248.876	0.5	-0.7	0.3	0.1	-1.0
Dairy and related products.....	0.726	216.564	216.435	216.638	0.0	0.1	-0.6	0.1	-0.3
Fruits and vegetables.....	1.278	297.047	297.644	298.432	0.5	0.3	1.0	-0.3	-0.5
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials.....	0.860	167.429	167.231	168.428	0.6	0.7	0.0	0.2	0.6
Other food at home.....	1.829	210.159	210.158	210.590	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.2
Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	5.973	270.353	276.648	277.258	2.6	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
Energy.....	8.068	215.711	226.939	226.165	4.8	-0.3	-0.5	1.9	-0.5
Energy commodities.....	4.617	234.982	256.520	257.575	9.6	0.4	-0.6	3.0	-0.2
Fuel oil.....	0.117	245.085	296.617	302.419	23.4	2.0	1.2	2.2	0.3
Motor fuel.....	4.427	232.076	252.546	253.432	9.2	0.4	-0.6	3.0	-0.2
Gasoline (all types).....	4.334	231.182	251.367	252.216	9.1	0.3	-0.6	3.0	-0.2
Energy services.....	3.452	207.339	207.617	204.819	-1.2	-1.3	-0.4	0.4	-0.8
Electricity.....	2.688	218.117	217.967	215.536	-1.2	-1.1	-0.4	0.3	-0.5
Utility (piped) gas service.....	0.764	172.111	173.867	170.100	-1.2	-2.2	-0.5	0.9	-1.7
All items less food and energy.....	78.698	252.941	258.012	258.429	2.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities.....	19.536	144.108	143.599	143.641	-0.3	0.0	0.1	-0.3	-0.3
Apparel.....	2.995	128.150	122.447	127.440	-0.6	4.1	-0.3	-1.6	0.9
New vehicles.....	3.711	145.037	146.149	145.715	0.5	-0.3	0.3	0.0	-0.1
Used cars and trucks.....	2.434	137.141	141.095	135.130	-1.5	-4.2	1.3	0.4	-3.0
Medical care commodities.....	1.719	377.869	382.171	380.535	0.7	-0.4	-1.1	-0.3	-0.1
Alcoholic beverages.....	0.959	245.884	248.407	249.921	1.6	0.6	-0.1	0.0	0.5
Tobacco and smoking products.....	0.647	1,031.891	1,064.098	1,065.017	3.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3
Services less energy services.....	59.162	320.210	329.086	329.761	3.0	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2
Shelter.....	32.888	299.844	309.296	309.702	3.3	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.2
Rent of primary residence.....	7.813	310.268	320.651	321.533	3.6	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.2
Owners' equivalent rent of residences <sup>2</sup> .....	23.694	307.106	316.401	317.149	3.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2
Medical care services.....	6.874	508.078	516.841	518.108	2.0	0.2	0.1	-0.2	0.2
Physicians' services.....	1.727	379.169	380.143	380.928	0.5	0.2	-0.2	-0.1	0.3
Hospital services <sup>3</sup> .....	2.316	320.449	332.708	332.595	3.8	0.0	0.4	-0.1	-0.3
Transportation services.....	5.936	309.704	321.387	322.241	4.0	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.5
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair <sup>1</sup> .....	1.113	282.203	286.931	288.457	2.2	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.5
Motor vehicle insurance.....	2.374	532.455	565.113	567.838	6.6	0.5	0.2	0.0	0.8
Airline fares.....	0.678	259.143	255.877	258.196	-0.4	0.9	2.7	2.4	1.0

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

**Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by detailed expenditure category, September 2018**  
 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Aug. 2018	Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Sep. 2017- Sep. 2018	Aug. 2018- Sep. 2018	Jun. 2018- Jul. 2018	Jul. 2018- Aug. 2018	Aug. 2018- Sep. 2018
All items.....	100.000	2.3	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1
Food.....	13.234	1.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
Food at home.....	7.261	0.4	0.0	0.2	0.0	-0.1
Cereals and bakery products.....	0.955	0.7	0.1	-0.2	0.0	0.6
Cereals and cereal products.....	0.311	0.6	0.0	-0.2	0.6	0.7
Flour and prepared flour mixes.....	0.041	1.8	0.7	-0.4	-0.3	1.2
Breakfast cereal <sup>1</sup> .....	0.149	-1.2	0.3	-0.4	0.7	0.3
Rice, pasta, cornmeal <sup>1</sup> .....	0.120	2.4	-0.6	0.5	0.3	-0.6
Rice <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....		3.0	-0.6	-0.7	1.8	-0.6
Bakery products <sup>1</sup> .....	0.644	0.8	0.2	-0.3	-0.1	0.2
Bread <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.190	0.6	-0.6	0.0	0.4	-0.6
White bread <sup>1, 3</sup> .....		-0.2	-0.7	0.0	0.3	-0.7
Bread other than white <sup>1, 3</sup> .....		1.4	-0.6	0.4	0.2	-0.6
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins <sup>2</sup> .....	0.091	2.8	1.2	-0.6	0.2	0.9
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies.....	0.160	1.4	0.7	-0.9	-1.0	0.6
Cookies <sup>3</sup> .....		0.8	1.2	-1.7	-1.7	1.5
Fresh cakes and cupcakes <sup>1, 3</sup> .....		1.6	0.3	-0.1	-0.8	0.3
Other bakery products.....	0.203	-0.4	0.1	0.1	-0.6	0.9
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts <sup>1, 3</sup> ....		1.0	0.3	3.1	-1.1	0.3
Crackers, bread, and cracker products <sup>3</sup> .....		-1.3	-1.2	0.6	-0.3	0.0
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers <sup>3</sup> .....		-0.1	1.6	-1.5	-0.9	1.9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs.....	1.613	0.5	-0.7	0.3	0.1	-1.0
Meats, poultry, and fish.....	1.519	-0.1	-0.7	0.3	0.2	-0.8
Meats.....	0.952	-0.5	-0.6	0.3	0.2	-0.6
Beef and veal.....	0.435	0.9	-1.0	0.5	0.3	-0.6
Uncooked ground beef <sup>1</sup> .....	0.172	-2.2	-1.1	0.3	0.3	-1.1
Uncooked beef roasts <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.063	3.0	-1.7	0.1	-0.4	-1.7
Uncooked beef steaks <sup>2</sup> .....	0.162	3.0	-0.6	1.7	-0.6	-0.2
Uncooked other beef and veal <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.038	3.7	-0.7	-0.1	-0.3	-0.7
Pork.....	0.300	-2.4	-0.6	-0.3	0.2	-0.6
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products <sup>2</sup> .....	0.134	-4.8	0.1	1.1	-0.9	-0.4
Bacon and related products <sup>3</sup> .....		-7.8	-0.3	1.6	-0.2	-1.9
Breakfast sausage and related products <sup>2, 3</sup> ....		-0.2	0.7	0.9	-1.4	1.0
Ham.....	0.054	-0.6	1.6	-1.7	-2.2	0.7
Ham, excluding canned <sup>3</sup> .....		0.2	2.0	-1.6	-2.7	1.0
Pork chops <sup>1</sup> .....	0.044	3.0	-0.6	-0.9	2.8	-0.6
Other pork including roasts, steaks, and ribs <sup>2</sup> ..	0.068	-2.9	-3.8	-0.1	2.9	-3.4
Other meats.....	0.217	-0.8	-0.1	0.8	-0.1	-0.5
Frankfurters <sup>3</sup> .....		-2.2	1.1	-0.4	0.8	-1.4
Lunchmeats <sup>2, 3</sup> .....		-1.1	-0.9	0.9	-0.7	-0.9
Lamb and organ meats <sup>1, 3</sup> .....						
Lamb and mutton <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....						
Poultry <sup>1</sup> .....	0.315	-0.8	-1.0	0.6	-1.0	-1.0
Chicken <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.258	-0.2	-1.0	0.7	-1.0	-1.0
Fresh whole chicken <sup>1, 3</sup> .....		1.1	-0.9	0.9	-1.0	-0.9
Fresh and frozen chicken parts <sup>1, 3</sup> .....		-0.5	-1.1	0.5	-1.1	-1.1
Other uncooked poultry including turkey <sup>2</sup> .....	0.057	-3.2	-1.0	0.3	-0.5	-1.3
Fish and seafood.....	0.252	2.7	-0.7	0.1	1.7	-1.4
Fresh fish and seafood <sup>2</sup> .....	0.130	3.6	-1.5	-0.7	1.9	-2.3
Processed fish and seafood <sup>2</sup> .....	0.122	1.8	0.1	0.3	1.4	0.2
Shelf stable fish and seafood <sup>1, 3</sup> .....		3.5	-1.0	1.5	0.5	-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, September 2018 — Continued**  
 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Aug. 2018	Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Sep. 2017- Sep. 2018	Aug. 2018- Sep. 2018	Jun. 2018- Jul. 2018	Jul. 2018- Aug. 2018	Aug. 2018- Sep. 2018
Frozen fish and seafood <sup>3</sup> .....		0.8	1.0	-0.6	2.0	1.2
Eggs.....	0.094	10.1	-1.3	-0.2	-1.2	-4.1
Dairy and related products.....	0.726	0.0	0.1	-0.6	0.1	-0.3
Milk <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.199	-0.9	0.0	-0.8	0.9	0.0
Fresh whole milk <sup>3</sup> .....		-1.7	-0.1	-0.8	0.7	-1.3
Fresh milk other than whole <sup>2, 3</sup> .....		-0.3	-0.3	-1.9	1.0	-1.1
Cheese and related products.....	0.237	0.4	0.1	-1.0	-0.6	0.1
Ice cream and related products.....	0.103	1.2	1.5	-0.2	0.3	0.1
Other dairy and related products <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.187	-0.1	-0.5	1.1	0.3	-0.5
Fruits and vegetables.....	1.278	0.5	0.3	1.0	-0.3	-0.5
Fresh fruits and vegetables.....	1.006	0.5	0.4	1.3	-0.7	-0.6
Fresh fruits.....	0.542	0.3	1.0	0.9	-1.4	-0.6
Apples.....	0.079	-7.6	-3.4	1.7	0.4	0.6
Bananas <sup>1</sup> .....	0.080	4.4	0.4	0.8	-1.0	0.4
Citrus fruits <sup>2</sup> .....	0.171	5.4	-1.2	0.2	2.0	-2.5
Oranges, including tangerines <sup>3</sup> .....		-0.2	-2.8	-1.0	-1.5	-4.0
Other fresh fruits <sup>2</sup> .....	0.212	-1.4	4.7	1.3	-4.6	-0.3
Fresh vegetables.....	0.464	0.8	-0.3	1.9	0.2	-0.6
Potatoes.....	0.079	0.5	-2.4	0.4	-0.5	-0.9
Lettuce.....	0.058	0.1	-0.9	6.3	1.4	-1.6
Tomatoes <sup>1</sup> .....	0.076	0.2	0.4	0.5	-1.0	0.4
Other fresh vegetables.....	0.251	1.2	0.3	1.7	1.1	-0.2
Processed fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....	0.272	0.2	-0.3	-0.5	1.2	0.0
Canned fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....	0.149	1.9	0.1	-0.7	1.4	0.7
Canned fruits <sup>2, 3</sup> .....		0.3	0.8	-0.7	0.9	1.1
Canned vegetables <sup>2, 3</sup> .....		3.2	-0.3	-0.5	1.4	0.7
Frozen fruits and vegetables <sup>2</sup> .....	0.078	-2.1	-0.6	0.4	0.1	-0.2
Frozen vegetables <sup>3</sup> .....		-2.3	-1.3	0.3	1.0	-0.6
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried <sup>2</sup> .....	0.045	-1.3	-1.2	-1.1	1.9	-1.8
Dried beans, peas, and lentils <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....		-3.2	-1.5	-1.2	0.7	-1.5
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials.....	0.860	0.6	0.7	0.0	0.2	0.6
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks <sup>2</sup> .....	0.606	1.2	1.2	-0.2	0.2	1.0
Carbonated drinks.....	0.256	2.1	0.6	-1.1	2.2	0.3
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.008	-0.7	-1.4	0.7	-0.8	-1.4
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>2</sup> .....	0.342	0.5	1.7	0.4	-0.8	1.3
Beverage materials including coffee and tea <sup>2</sup> .....	0.253	-0.9	-0.4	0.1	-0.1	0.2
Coffee.....	0.163	-2.2	-0.4	-0.2	-0.2	0.3
Roasted coffee <sup>3</sup> .....		-1.7	-0.3	-0.2	0.5	0.1
Instant coffee <sup>1, 3</sup> .....		-4.2	-1.6	1.1	0.1	-1.6
Other beverage materials including tea <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.090	1.3	-0.4	1.7	-0.1	-0.4
Other food at home.....	1.829	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.2
Sugar and sweets <sup>1</sup> .....	0.275	0.4	1.3	-0.8	-0.1	1.3
Sugar and artificial sweeteners.....	0.043	-0.8	0.3	-0.4	-0.1	0.4
Candy and chewing gum <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.180	1.2	1.3	-0.9	0.2	1.3
Other sweets <sup>2</sup> .....	0.053	-0.5	1.8	-0.6	-0.9	1.6
Fats and oils.....	0.214	-0.2	0.3	0.6	-0.4	-0.1
Butter and margarine <sup>2</sup> .....	0.060	-0.2	1.4	0.3	-1.7	1.1
Butter <sup>3</sup> .....		-0.2	1.3	-0.2	-2.2	0.4
Margarine <sup>3</sup> .....		-0.5	1.6	0.7	-0.2	1.8
Salad dressing <sup>2</sup> .....	0.052	0.0	0.6	0.8	1.3	-0.3
Other fats and oils including peanut butter <sup>2</sup> .....	0.102	-0.2	-0.5	0.8	-0.6	-0.4
Peanut butter <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....		-1.3	-2.0	-2.9	3.2	-2.0
Other foods.....	1.340	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.1

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**Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by detailed expenditure category, September 2018 — Continued**  
 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Aug. 2018	Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Sep. 2017- Sep. 2018	Aug. 2018- Sep. 2018	Jun. 2018- Jul. 2018	Jul. 2018- Aug. 2018	Aug. 2018- Sep. 2018
Soups.....	0.084	-3.8	-4.0	0.1	1.1	-1.4
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods <sup>1</sup> .....	0.234	0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.3	0.0
Snacks <sup>1</sup> .....	0.310	1.6	0.7	0.6	-0.3	0.7
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces.....	0.270	0.8	0.6	-0.4	0.0	0.3
Salt and other seasonings and spices <sup>2, 3</sup> .....		1.2	1.4	0.5	-1.4	1.2
Olives, pickles, relishes <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....		-3.9	-6.8	-0.4	1.0	-6.8
Sauces and gravies <sup>2, 3</sup> .....		1.9	1.2	-2.0	0.2	1.0
Other condiments <sup>3</sup> .....		1.4	2.5	-0.1	-2.3	3.9
Baby food <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.049	2.2	0.8	-0.7	0.4	0.8
Other miscellaneous foods <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.394	-0.7	-0.3	0.7	-0.6	-0.3
Prepared salads <sup>1, 3, 4</sup> .....		0.5	-0.9	0.0	1.6	-0.9
Food away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	5.973	2.6	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
Full service meals and snacks <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	2.970	2.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
Limited service meals and snacks <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	2.537	2.7	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.3
Food at employee sites and schools <sup>2</sup> .....	0.181	2.2	0.5	1.8	-1.2	-1.4
Food at elementary and secondary schools <sup>1, 3, 5</sup> .....		1.7	0.7			0.7
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors <sup>1, 2</sup> ....	0.090	3.9	1.1	0.3	0.2	1.1
Other food away from home <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.196	4.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
Energy.....	8.068	4.8	-0.3	-0.5	1.9	-0.5
Energy commodities.....	4.617	9.6	0.4	-0.6	3.0	-0.2
Fuel oil and other fuels.....	0.190	15.6	1.8	0.7	2.3	0.1
Fuel oil.....	0.117	23.4	2.0	1.2	2.2	0.3
Propane, kerosene, and firewood <sup>6</sup> .....	0.073	5.3	1.6	0.1	0.7	0.2
Motor fuel.....	4.427	9.2	0.4	-0.6	3.0	-0.2
Gasoline (all types).....	4.334	9.1	0.3	-0.6	3.0	-0.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>3</sup> .....		9.0	0.3	-1.3	3.8	-0.4
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>3, 7</sup> .....		10.3	0.4	-0.7	2.4	0.1
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>3</sup> .....		9.5	0.4	-0.8	2.9	0.2
Other motor fuels <sup>2</sup> .....	0.093	17.7	1.0	-0.2	0.4	-1.4
Energy services.....	3.452	-1.2	-1.3	-0.4	0.4	-0.8
Electricity.....	2.688	-1.2	-1.1	-0.4	0.3	-0.5
Utility (piped) gas service.....	0.764	-1.2	-2.2	-0.5	0.9	-1.7
All items less food and energy.....	78.698	2.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Commodities less food and energy commodities.....	19.536	-0.3	0.0	0.1	-0.3	-0.3
Household furnishings and supplies <sup>8</sup> .....	3.331	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.2
Window and floor coverings and other linens <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.256	-1.0	1.1	-0.6	-0.3	1.1
Floor coverings <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.055	3.0	0.2	-1.7	1.1	0.2
Window coverings <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.045	-6.0	-0.4	-0.5	-2.4	-0.4
Other linens <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.156	-1.0	1.9	-0.2	-0.2	1.9
Furniture and bedding.....	0.874	0.6	1.1	-0.1	0.3	0.8
Bedroom furniture <sup>1</sup> .....	0.320	-1.3	1.0	0.4	-0.2	1.0
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture <sup>1, 2</sup> ...	0.422	2.3	1.0	-1.1	-0.3	1.0
Other furniture <sup>2</sup> .....	0.121	-1.1	1.3	-0.8	-0.1	1.3
Infants' furniture <sup>1, 3, 5</sup> .....		-4.1	-1.9	-0.6	0.1	-1.9
Appliances <sup>2</sup> .....	0.215	2.9	0.6	1.5	0.3	0.2
Major appliances <sup>2</sup> .....	0.080	7.7	0.4	3.5	-0.5	-0.6
Laundry equipment <sup>3</sup> .....		10.6	-1.9	0.3	-0.2	-3.8
Other appliances <sup>2</sup> .....	0.132	0.5	0.7	0.2	0.8	1.0
Other household equipment and furnishings <sup>2</sup> .....	0.494	-4.4	-0.4	0.4	-0.7	-0.9
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items <sup>1</sup> .....	0.271	-6.0	-1.4	0.3	-1.4	-1.4
Indoor plants and flowers <sup>9</sup> .....	0.091	3.1	1.4	0.9	0.5	0.7
Dishes and flatware <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.053	-9.6	0.2	-1.0	-1.4	0.2
Nonelectric cookware and tableware <sup>2</sup> .....	0.080	-3.3	0.4	-1.0	-1.1	0.4

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 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Aug. 2018	Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Sep. 2017- Sep. 2018	Aug. 2018- Sep. 2018	Jun. 2018- Jul. 2018	Jul. 2018- Aug. 2018	Aug. 2018- Sep. 2018
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>2</sup> ....	0.660	0.7	0.0	0.4	-0.2	0.0
Tools, hardware and supplies <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.195	0.9	0.7	0.1	-0.8	0.7
Outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>2</sup> .....	0.306	0.5	-0.4	0.5	0.1	-0.3
Housekeeping supplies <sup>1</sup> .....	0.832	1.3	-0.2	0.6	0.1	-0.2
Household cleaning products <sup>2</sup> .....	0.329	2.2	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.1
Household paper products <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.220	0.4	-0.4	1.4	0.5	-0.4
Miscellaneous household products <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.282	1.0	-0.5	0.6	-0.2	-0.5
Apparel.....	2.995	-0.6	4.1	-0.3	-1.6	0.9
Men's and boys' apparel.....	0.731	0.9	4.5	0.6	-2.1	2.2
Men's apparel.....	0.574	0.3	3.3	1.7	-1.9	1.3
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear.....	0.102	-4.7	5.4	2.5	-2.8	0.6
Men's furnishings.....	0.155	3.6	0.3	5.3	0.2	0.0
Men's shirts and sweaters <sup>2</sup> .....	0.162	0.5	6.1	0.7	-4.2	2.6
Men's pants and shorts.....	0.147	-0.3	1.8	-2.4	-0.7	2.9
Boys' apparel.....	0.156	2.7	8.9	-3.0	0.4	4.8
Women's and girls' apparel.....	1.209	-1.0	6.7	-1.8	-1.7	1.4
Women's apparel.....	1.038	-0.9	6.4	-2.0	-1.9	1.6
Women's outerwear.....	0.068	-0.1	17.0	-1.0	-5.5	9.8
Women's dresses.....	0.130	7.3	10.3	0.8	0.6	0.7
Women's suits and separates <sup>2</sup> .....	0.531	-2.8	8.2	-2.9	-4.1	2.4
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories <sup>2</sup> .....	0.296	-2.9	-1.1	0.9	1.6	-2.0
Girls' apparel.....	0.171	-2.4	8.4	-0.7	-1.0	0.7
Footwear.....	0.671	-0.8	0.5	1.1	-0.6	-1.4
Men's footwear <sup>1</sup> .....	0.218	1.3	-0.3	1.3	1.2	-0.3
Boys' and girls' footwear.....	0.162	0.2	-0.4	4.3	0.1	-1.9
Women's footwear.....	0.291	-3.0	1.6	-1.6	-2.4	-0.9
Infants' and toddlers' apparel.....	0.135	1.1	4.2	-2.4	-2.7	1.8
Jewelry and watches <sup>6</sup> .....	0.251	-2.8	0.0	1.6	-2.0	0.4
Watches <sup>1, 6</sup> .....	0.097	0.3	2.3	2.2	-0.8	2.3
Jewelry <sup>6</sup> .....	0.154	-4.6	-1.4	2.1	-2.4	-1.8
Transportation commodities less motor fuel <sup>8</sup> .....	6.638	-0.2	-1.8	0.7	0.1	-1.2
New vehicles.....	3.711	0.5	-0.3	0.3	0.0	-0.1
New cars and trucks <sup>2, 3</sup> .....		0.5	-0.3	0.3	0.0	-0.1
New cars <sup>3</sup> .....		1.1	-0.1	0.5	0.0	0.1
New trucks <sup>3, 10</sup> .....		0.0	-0.4	0.2	0.1	-0.3
Used cars and trucks.....	2.434	-1.5	-4.2	1.3	0.4	-3.0
Motor vehicle parts and equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	0.378	0.4	-0.1	0.0	0.1	-0.1
Tires <sup>1</sup> .....	0.222	-1.5	0.0	-0.4	0.0	0.0
Vehicle accessories other than tires <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.156	3.3	-0.3	0.6	0.3	-0.3
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires <sup>1, 3</sup> .....		2.7	-0.2	1.0	0.0	-0.2
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids <sup>1, 3</sup> .....		6.8	0.5	-0.5	1.2	0.5
Medical care commodities.....	1.719	0.7	-0.4	-1.1	-0.3	-0.1
Medicinal drugs <sup>1, 8</sup> .....	1.663	0.7	-0.5	-0.8	0.1	-0.5
Prescription drugs.....	1.323	1.2	-0.4	-1.0	0.0	-0.2
Nonprescription drugs <sup>1, 8</sup> .....	0.339	-1.1	-0.8	-0.6	-0.5	-0.8
Medical equipment and supplies <sup>1, 8</sup> .....	0.056	1.0	1.0	-0.2	-0.8	1.0
Recreation commodities <sup>8</sup> .....	1.804	-3.3	-0.6	0.2	-0.5	-0.6
Video and audio products <sup>8</sup> .....	0.235	-13.5	-1.6	0.0	-1.1	-1.4
Televisions.....	0.108	-18.6	-2.5	0.4	-1.3	-1.9
Other video equipment <sup>2</sup> .....	0.027	-1.8	0.0	-2.7	1.0	-0.6
Audio equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	0.043	-14.3	1.0	0.6	-2.3	1.0
Recorded music and music subscriptions <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.049	-4.6	-2.9	0.2	-0.6	-2.9
Pets and pet products <sup>1</sup> .....	0.599	1.0	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.3

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 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Aug. 2018	Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Sep. 2017- Sep. 2018	Aug. 2018- Sep. 2018	Jun. 2018- Jul. 2018	Jul. 2018- Aug. 2018	Aug. 2018- Sep. 2018
Pet food <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....		0.2	0.3	-0.1	-0.3	0.3
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....		2.2	0.3	-0.1	0.3	0.3
Sporting goods.....	0.492	-0.5	-0.7	0.5	-0.5	-0.9
Sports vehicles including bicycles <sup>1</sup> .....	0.281	2.1	-1.2	2.2	-1.8	-1.2
Sports equipment.....	0.204	-3.6	-0.1	-1.3	0.6	-0.4
Photographic equipment and supplies.....	0.033	-6.6	-0.2	-0.6	1.0	-0.5
Film and photographic supplies <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....						
Photographic equipment <sup>2, 3</sup> .....		-6.0	-0.2	-0.4	-0.1	-0.6
Recreational reading materials <sup>1</sup> .....	0.115	1.4	-1.6	1.7	0.2	-1.6
Newspapers and magazines <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.070	2.4	-1.6	2.6	0.3	-1.6
Recreational books <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.045	-0.2	-1.5	0.3	0.0	-1.5
Other recreational goods <sup>2</sup> .....	0.330	-8.3	-0.8	0.1	-1.1	-0.8
Toys.....	0.259	-10.0	-0.9	0.0	-1.4	-0.9
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment <sup>1, 3</sup> .....			-9.7	-0.1	0.7	-0.1
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.023	2.8	-0.3	-0.1	-1.8	-0.3
Music instruments and accessories <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.036	-1.0	-0.2	1.0	1.6	-0.2
Education and communication commodities <sup>8</sup> .....	0.545	-1.9	0.2	-0.9	0.1	0.2
Educational books and supplies.....	0.131	1.8	-0.3	0.3	-2.1	-0.3
College textbooks <sup>1, 3, 11</sup> .....			2.7	0.3	0.5	-1.2
Information technology commodities <sup>8</sup> .....	0.414	-3.1	0.4	-1.2	0.8	0.3
Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>4</sup> .....	0.312	-2.6	1.3	-2.0	1.4	1.1
Computer software and accessories <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.024	-2.2	-0.3	1.2	0.1	-0.3
Telephone hardware, calculators, and other consumer information items <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.078	-6.5	-2.8	1.0	-1.6	-2.8
Alcoholic beverages.....	0.959	1.6	0.6	-0.1	0.0	0.5
Alcoholic beverages at home.....	0.595	1.1	0.7	-0.3	-0.1	0.5
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home.....	0.263	1.1	0.7	-0.3	0.0	0.5
Distilled spirits at home.....	0.081	0.2	-0.1	0.4	0.3	-0.1
Whiskey at home <sup>1, 3</sup> .....			-1.9	-2.2	1.1	0.4
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home <sup>1, 3</sup> ....			0.6	0.4	0.4	0.5
Wine at home.....	0.251	1.4	0.9	-0.4	-0.4	0.8
Alcoholic beverages away from home <sup>1</sup> .....	0.364	2.5	0.5	0.0	0.1	0.5
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....			2.2	0.5	0.1	0.5
Wine away from home <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....			3.4	0.3	0.2	0.8
Distilled spirits away from home <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....			1.9	0.5	-0.2	0.5
Other goods <sup>8</sup> .....	1.545	0.8	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
Tobacco and smoking products.....	0.647	3.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3
Cigarettes <sup>2</sup> .....	0.573	3.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3
Tobacco products other than cigarettes <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.059	3.4	-0.4	0.2	1.0	-0.4
Personal care products <sup>1</sup> .....	0.688	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.380	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.5	0.3
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements <sup>1</sup> .....	0.302	-0.7	-0.2	0.1	-0.5	-0.2
Miscellaneous personal goods <sup>2</sup> .....	0.210	-3.9	0.0	-0.4	-0.7	-0.6
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap <sup>3</sup> .....			-1.7	-0.2	0.2	-1.8
Infants' equipment <sup>1, 3, 5</sup> .....			-7.9	-2.2	-1.2	0.0
Services less energy services.....	59.162	3.0	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2
Shelter.....	32.888	3.3	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.2
Rent of shelter <sup>12</sup> .....	32.513	3.3	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.2
Rent of primary residence.....	7.813	3.6	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.2
Lodging away from home <sup>2</sup> .....	1.006	0.6	-3.4	0.4	0.6	-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, September 2018 — Continued**  
 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Aug. 2018	Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Sep. 2017- Sep. 2018	Aug. 2018- Sep. 2018	Jun. 2018- Jul. 2018	Jul. 2018- Aug. 2018	Aug. 2018- Sep. 2018
Housing at school, excluding board <sup>12</sup> .....	0.113	2.5	0.7	0.1	0.5	0.2
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels.....	0.893	0.1	-3.9	0.4	0.6	-1.2
Owners' equivalent rent of residences <sup>12</sup> .....	23.694	3.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>12</sup> ..	22.372	3.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.375	1.7	-0.1	0.6	0.1	-0.1
Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>2</sup> .....	1.080	3.6	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.1
Water and sewerage maintenance.....	0.816	3.2	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.1
Garbage and trash collection <sup>1, 10</sup> .....	0.265	4.9	0.1	0.1	1.0	0.1
Household operations <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.871	5.5	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0
Domestic services <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.298	2.1	-0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1
Gardening and lawncare services <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.292	8.8	-0.1	0.2	0.9	-0.1
Moving, storage, freight expense <sup>2</sup> .....	0.102	6.7	0.0	1.2	-0.6	1.2
Repair of household items <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.105	4.6	0.2	0.9	-2.5	0.2
Medical care services.....	6.874	2.0	0.2	0.1	-0.2	0.2
Professional services.....	3.238	0.9	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	0.2
Physicians' services.....	1.727	0.5	0.2	-0.2	-0.1	0.3
Dental services.....	0.779	2.1	0.2	-0.2	-0.8	0.3
Eyeglasses and eye care <sup>1, 6</sup> .....	0.316	1.3	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0
Services by other medical professionals <sup>1, 6</sup> .....	0.416	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
Hospital and related services.....	2.594	3.7	0.0	0.4	0.0	-0.2
Hospital services <sup>13</sup> .....	2.316	3.8	0.0	0.4	-0.1	-0.3
Inpatient hospital services <sup>13, 3</sup> .....		3.7	0.2	0.3	-0.3	0.1
Outpatient hospital services <sup>3, 6</sup> .....		3.2	-0.3	0.4	-0.3	-0.6
Nursing homes and adult day services <sup>13</sup> .....	0.191	3.8	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.3
Care of invalids and elderly at home <sup>1, 5</sup> .....	0.087	2.2	0.3	0.8	1.0	0.3
Health insurance <sup>1, 5</sup> .....	1.042	1.0	1.2	-0.2	-0.3	1.2
Transportation services.....	5.936	4.0	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.5
Leased cars and trucks <sup>1, 11</sup> .....	0.654	7.3	0.3	0.7	0.0	0.3
Car and truck rental <sup>2</sup> .....	0.126	-1.8	-5.7	1.7	-1.7	2.2
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair <sup>1</sup> .....	1.113	2.2	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.5
Motor vehicle body work <sup>1</sup> .....	0.055	2.7	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing <sup>1</sup> .....	0.626	2.7	0.5	0.2	0.4	0.5
Motor vehicle repair <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.368	1.3	0.7	0.0	0.2	0.7
Motor vehicle insurance.....	2.374	6.6	0.5	0.2	0.0	0.8
Motor vehicle fees <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.540	2.1	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.0
State motor vehicle registration and license fees <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.279	1.3	-0.1	0.0	0.4	-0.1
Parking and other fees <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.243	3.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
Parking fees and tolls <sup>2, 3</sup> .....		2.1	0.2	-0.2	0.3	0.5
Automobile service clubs <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....			0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0
Public transportation.....	1.131	-0.2	0.3	1.7	1.3	0.4
Airline fares.....	0.678	-0.4	0.9	2.7	2.4	1.0
Other intercity transportation.....	0.167	-1.1	-0.6	0.0	-1.5	0.1
Intercity bus fare <sup>1, 3, 4</sup> .....		1.0	2.3		-5.4	2.3
Intercity train fare <sup>1, 3, 4</sup> .....						
Ship fare <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....		0.2	0.8	0.4	-0.8	0.8
Intracity transportation <sup>1</sup> .....	0.278	0.6	-0.4	0.4	0.3	-0.4
Intracity mass transit <sup>1, 3, 8</sup> .....		2.2	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.1
Recreation services <sup>8</sup> .....	3.835	1.9	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.7
Video and audio services <sup>8</sup> .....	1.579	1.3	0.6	0.1	0.7	0.9
Cable and satellite television service <sup>10</sup> .....	1.495	1.3	0.5	0.2	0.9	0.8
Video discs and other media, including rental of video <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.084	1.2	1.7	-0.4	-2.5	1.7

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**Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by detailed expenditure category, September 2018 — Continued**  
 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Aug. 2018	Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Sep. 2017- Sep. 2018	Aug. 2018- Sep. 2018	Jun. 2018- Jul. 2018	Jul. 2018- Aug. 2018	Aug. 2018- Sep. 2018
Video discs and other media <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....		-3.1	2.1	-0.9	-3.9	2.1
Rental of video discs and other media <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....		2.6	-0.8	0.4	0.1	-0.8
Pet services including veterinary <sup>2</sup> .....	0.410	2.5	0.6	0.1	-0.1	0.6
Pet services <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....		3.1	2.2	-1.2	-0.7	2.2
Veterinarian services <sup>2, 3</sup> .....		2.5	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.4
Photographers and photo processing <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.038	-0.9	0.7	-0.1	0.7	0.7
Photographer fees <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....		2.1	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.6
Photo processing <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....		-8.8	-0.7	-0.1	1.6	-0.7
Other recreation services <sup>2</sup> .....	1.805	2.4	0.4	0.2	-0.3	0.6
Club membership for shopping clubs, fraternal, or other organizations, or participant sports fees <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.667	2.4	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.1
Admissions.....	0.654	2.3	0.2	0.3	-1.4	0.9
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....		1.6	-0.1	0.3	-0.7	-0.1
Admission to sporting events <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....		3.7	0.5	-0.3	-1.1	0.5
Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>1, 6</sup> .....	0.213	3.0	1.7	-0.3	-0.2	1.7
Education and communication services <sup>8</sup> .....	6.045	1.5	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.1
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare.....	2.883	2.6	0.7	0.3	0.7	0.1
College tuition and fees.....	1.597	2.4	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.1
Elementary and high school tuition and fees.....	0.334	4.9	1.1	0.6	1.1	0.4
Child care and nursery school <sup>9</sup> .....	0.801	2.1	0.6	-0.2	0.7	0.1
Technical and business school tuition and fees <sup>2</sup> ..	0.032	1.8	-0.3	0.7	0.0	-0.3
Postage and delivery services <sup>2</sup> .....	0.108	2.6	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3
Postage.....	0.094	2.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.2
Delivery services <sup>2</sup> .....	0.014	7.8	0.5	0.8	0.2	1.1
Telephone services <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	2.266	0.4	0.1	0.1	-0.4	0.1
Wireless telephone services <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	1.695	-0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.4	0.0
Land-line telephone services <sup>1, 8</sup> .....	0.571	1.8	0.4	0.6	-0.2	0.4
Internet services and electronic information providers <sup>2</sup> .....	0.779	1.0	0.2	1.3	0.0	0.3
Other personal services <sup>1, 8</sup> .....	1.632	3.5	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Personal care services <sup>1</sup> .....	0.624	2.6	0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.1
Haircuts and other personal care services <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.624	2.6	0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.1
Miscellaneous personal services.....	1.009	4.0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Legal services <sup>1, 6</sup> .....	0.304	4.6	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.1
Funeral expenses <sup>1, 6</sup> .....	0.127	1.9	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.0
Laundry and dry cleaning services <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.237	3.0	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.5
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning <sup>1, 2</sup> .....	0.029	2.2	0.0	0.8	0.7	0.0
Financial services <sup>6</sup> .....	0.240	5.5	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.2
Checking account and other bank services <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> .....		10.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees <sup>2, 3</sup> .....		5.6	-0.1	0.6	0.2	-0.1

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 2009=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

<sup>10</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

<sup>11</sup> Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.

<sup>12</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>13</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

**Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, special aggregate indexes, September 2018**

[1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Special aggregate indexes	Relative importance Aug. 2018	Unadjusted indexes			Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Sep. 2017-Sep. 2018	Aug. 2018-Aug. 2018	Jun. 2018-Jul. 2018	Jul. 2018-Aug. 2018	Aug. 2018-Sep. 2018
All items less food.....	86.766	246.163	251.827	252.116	2.4	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1
All items less shelter.....	67.112	228.825	232.615	232.868	1.8	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.0
All items less food and shelter.....	53.878	222.978	226.890	227.127	1.9	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.0
All items less food, shelter, and energy.....	45.810	226.824	229.489	229.910	1.4	0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.1
All items less food, shelter, energy, and used cars and trucks.....	43.375	232.332	234.829	235.840	1.5	0.4	0.1	-0.1	0.3
All items less medical care.....	91.407	235.793	241.006	241.287	2.3	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.0
All items less energy.....	91.932	251.950	256.717	257.118	2.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Commodities.....	37.386	182.903	185.366	185.571	1.5	0.1	0.0	0.2	-0.2
Commodities less food, energy, and used cars and trucks.....	17.101	145.584	144.432	145.350	-0.2	0.6	0.0	-0.4	0.1
Commodities less food.....	24.152	152.380	154.439	154.598	1.5	0.1	0.0	0.3	-0.3
Commodities less food and beverages.....	23.194	149.136	151.165	151.289	1.4	0.1	0.0	0.3	-0.3
Services.....	62.614	309.830	317.932	318.312	2.7	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.2
Services less rent of shelter <sup>1</sup> .....	30.101	330.718	337.384	337.734	2.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Services less medical care services.....	55.740	294.785	302.815	303.130	2.8	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2
Durables.....	9.965	104.175	104.669	103.488	-0.7	-1.1	0.5	0.1	-0.8
Nondurables.....	27.421	223.085	226.897	228.169	2.3	0.6	0.2	0.0	-0.1
Nondurables less food.....	14.188	199.202	203.356	205.322	3.1	1.0	0.2	0.0	-0.2
Nondurables less food and beverages.....	13.229	196.273	200.517	202.508	3.2	1.0	0.2	0.0	-0.3
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel.....	10.234	243.070	253.462	253.690	4.4	0.1	0.5	1.3	-0.1
Nondurables less food and apparel.....	11.192	242.167	251.828	252.167	4.1	0.1	0.5	1.1	-0.1
Housing.....	41.812	252.984	259.884	259.941	2.7	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.1
Education and communication <sup>2</sup> .....	6.590	136.189	137.336	137.868	1.2	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.1
Education <sup>2</sup> .....	3.014	255.783	260.613	262.336	2.6	0.7	0.3	0.5	0.1
Communication <sup>2</sup> .....	3.576	73.994	73.983	74.099	0.1	0.2	0.2	-0.2	0.2
Information and information processing <sup>2</sup> ....	3.468	70.145	70.083	70.195	0.1	0.2	0.2	-0.2	0.2
Information technology, hardware and services <sup>3</sup> .....	1.202	7.542	7.481	7.502	-0.5	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.3
Recreation <sup>2</sup> .....	5.639	118.870	118.972	119.163	0.2	0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.3
Video and audio <sup>2</sup> .....	1.814	104.994	103.991	104.306	-0.7	0.3	0.1	0.5	0.6
Pets, pet products and services <sup>2</sup> .....	1.009	170.500	172.538	173.248	1.6	0.4	0.0	-0.1	0.4
Photography <sup>2</sup> .....	0.073	76.839	73.934	74.154	-3.5	0.3	-0.3	0.9	0.2
Food and beverages.....	14.193	250.735	253.779	254.178	1.4	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
Domestically produced farm food.....	6.070	247.431	248.105	248.048	0.2	0.0	0.2	-0.1	-0.2
Other services.....	11.512	348.502	353.802	355.202	1.9	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.3
Apparel less footwear.....	2.325	121.273	114.812	120.684	-0.5	5.1	-0.7	-1.9	1.6
Fuels and utilities.....	4.722	241.574	245.052	242.834	0.5	-0.9	-0.2	0.5	-0.6
Household energy.....	3.641	202.677	204.275	201.859	-0.4	-1.2	-0.3	0.6	-0.8
Medical care.....	8.593	476.485	484.172	484.708	1.7	0.1	-0.2	-0.2	0.2
Transportation.....	17.001	204.775	213.482	212.414	3.7	-0.5	0.3	0.9	-0.3
Private transportation.....	15.870	200.487	209.725	208.550	4.0	-0.6	0.2	0.9	-0.4
New and used motor vehicles <sup>2</sup> .....	7.039	97.831	99.985	98.261	0.4	-1.7	0.7	0.1	-1.1
Utilities and public transportation.....	9.424	217.150	218.312	217.562	0.2	-0.3	0.0	0.3	-0.1
Household furnishings and operations.....	4.202	120.014	121.138	121.390	1.1	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.2
Other goods and services.....	3.178	434.057	442.934	443.409	2.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
Personal care.....	2.530	227.454	231.433	231.694	1.9	0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.1

<sup>1</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>2</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

**Table 4. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, all items index, September 2018**  
 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Area	Pricing Schedule <sup>1</sup>	Percent change to Sep. 2018 from:			Percent change to Aug. 2018 from:		
		Sep. 2017	Jul. 2018	Aug. 2018	Aug. 2017	Jun. 2018	Jul. 2018
U.S. city average.....	M	2.3	0.2	0.1	2.7	0.1	0.1
<b>Region and area size<sup>2</sup></b>							
Northeast.....	M	2.2	0.3	0.1	2.7	0.2	0.2
Northeast - Size Class A.....	M	2.1	0.5	0.4	2.3	0.2	0.1
Northeast - Size Class B/C <sup>3</sup> .....	M	2.7	0.1	-0.2	3.4	0.2	0.3
New England <sup>4</sup> .....	M		0.3	0.4		0.0	-0.1
Middle Atlantic <sup>4</sup> .....	M		0.3	0.0		0.3	0.3
Midwest.....	M	1.9	0.1	0.1	2.1	-0.1	0.0
Midwest - Size Class A.....	M	1.8	0.0	0.1	2.0	-0.2	-0.1
Midwest - Size Class B/C <sup>3</sup> .....	M	1.7	0.1	0.1	1.9	0.0	0.0
East North Central <sup>4</sup> .....	M		0.1	0.2		-0.2	0.0
West North Central <sup>4</sup> .....	M		0.0	0.0		0.1	0.0
South.....	M	1.7	-0.1	0.0	2.4	-0.1	-0.1
South - Size Class A.....	M	1.9	0.0	0.1	2.7	-0.1	0.0
South - Size Class B/C <sup>3</sup> .....	M	1.6	-0.1	0.0	2.3	-0.1	-0.1
South Atlantic <sup>4</sup> .....	M		0.1	0.1		0.0	0.0
East South Central <sup>4</sup> .....	M		-0.3	-0.1		-0.2	-0.2
West South Central <sup>4</sup> .....	M		-0.1	-0.1		-0.2	-0.1
West.....	M	3.4	0.4	0.3	3.6	0.3	0.2
West - Size Class A.....	M	3.7	0.4	0.3	3.8	0.3	0.1
West - Size Class B/C <sup>3</sup> .....	M	2.8	0.5	0.2	3.0	0.2	0.2
Mountain <sup>4</sup> .....	M		0.4	0.3		-0.1	0.0
Pacific <sup>4</sup> .....	M		0.5	0.3		0.4	0.2
<b>Size classes</b>							
Size Class A <sup>5</sup> .....	M	2.5	0.3	0.2	2.8	0.1	0.0
Size Class B/C <sup>3</sup> .....	M	2.0	0.1	0.0	2.5	0.0	0.1
<b>Selected local areas</b>							
Chicago-Naperville-Elgin, IL-IN-WI.....	M	1.6	0.5	0.4	1.7	-0.2	0.1
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim, CA.....	M	3.9	0.8	0.5	3.9	0.4	0.2
New York-Newark-Jersey City, NY-NJ-PA.....	M	2.0	0.5	0.4	2.2	0.1	0.1
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Roswell, GA.....	2				2.2	0.3	
Baltimore-Columbia-Towson, MD <sup>6</sup> .....	2					0.1	
Detroit-Warren-Dearborn, MI.....	2				2.8	-0.6	
Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, TX.....	2				2.3	-0.5	
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach, FL.....	2				3.6	-0.3	
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE-MD.....	2				1.7	0.3	
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ <sup>7</sup> .....	2					-0.2	
San Francisco-Oakland-Hayward, CA.....	2				4.3	0.6	
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA.....	2				3.1	-0.3	
St. Louis, MO-IL.....	2					-0.2	
Urban Alaska.....	2					0.1	
Boston-Cambridge-Newton, MA-NH.....	1		3.3	1.2			
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX.....	1		2.4	0.4			
Denver-Aurora-Lakewood, CO.....	1			0.8			
Minneapolis-St.Paul-Bloomington, MN-WI.....	1			0.3			
Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA <sup>4</sup> .....	1			0.1			
San Diego-Carlsbad, CA.....	1			0.2			
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL <sup>8</sup> .....	1			0.6			
Urban Hawaii.....	1			0.6			
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV <sup>6</sup> .....	1		2.0	0.4			

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>1</sup> - January, March, May, July, September, and November. <sup>2</sup> - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

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

<sup>3</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 2017=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> 1998 - 2017 indexes based on substantially smaller sample.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a 1987=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.

**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, September 2018**  
 [Percent changes]

Month Year	Unadjusted 1-month percent change		Unadjusted 12-month percent change	
	C-CPI-U <sup>1</sup>	CPI-U	C-CPI-U <sup>1</sup>	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
December 2012.....			1.5	1.7
December 2013.....			1.3	1.5
December 2014.....			0.5	0.8
December 2015.....			0.4	0.7
January 2016.....	0.1	0.2	1.1	1.4
February 2016.....	0.0	0.1	0.7	1.0
March 2016.....	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.9
April 2016.....	0.5	0.5	0.8	1.1
May 2016.....	0.4	0.4	0.7	1.0
June 2016.....	0.3	0.3	0.7	1.0
July 2016.....	-0.2	-0.2	0.5	0.8
August 2016.....	0.0	0.1	0.7	1.1
September 2016.....	0.2	0.2	1.1	1.5
October 2016.....	0.2	0.1	1.3	1.6
November 2016.....	-0.2	-0.2	1.4	1.7
December 2016.....	0.0	0.0	1.8	2.1
January 2017.....	0.6	0.6	2.3	2.5
February 2017.....	0.3	0.3	2.6	2.7
March 2017.....	0.0	0.1	2.1	2.4
April 2017.....	0.3	0.3	1.8	2.2
May 2017.....	0.1	0.1	1.5	1.9
June 2017.....	0.0	0.1	1.2	1.6
July 2017.....	-0.2	-0.1	1.3	1.7
August 2017.....	0.3	0.3	1.5	1.9
September 2017.....	0.5	0.5	1.9	2.2
October 2017.....	-0.1	-0.1	1.6	2.0
November 2017.....	0.0	0.0	1.8	2.2
December 2017.....	-0.1	-0.1	1.7	2.1
January 2018.....	0.5	0.5	1.6	2.1
February 2018.....	0.4	0.5	1.8	2.2
March 2018.....	0.2	0.2	2.0	2.4
April 2018.....	0.4	0.4	2.1	2.5
May 2018.....	0.4	0.4	2.4	2.8
June 2018.....	0.1	0.2	2.5	2.9
July 2018.....	0.0	0.0	2.7	2.9
August 2018.....	0.0	0.1	2.5	2.7
September 2018.....	0.1	0.1	2.0	2.3

<sup>1</sup> 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.

Indexes are issued as initial estimates. Indexes are revised each quarter with the publication of January, April, July, and October data as updated expenditure estimates become available. The C-CPI-U indexes are updated quarterly until they become final. January-March indexes are final in January of the following year; April-June indexes are final in April of the following year; July-September indexes are final in July of the following year; October-December indexes are final in October of the following year.

**Table 6. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category, September 2018, 1-month analysis table**  
 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Aug. 2018	One Month			
		Seasonally adjusted percent change Aug. 2018- Sep. 2018	Seasonally adjusted effect on All Items Aug. 2018- Sep. 2018 <sup>1</sup>	Standard error, median price change <sup>2</sup>	Largest (L) or Smallest (S) seasonally adjusted change since: <sup>3</sup>
		Date	Percent change		
All items.....	100.000	0.1		0.03	S-Jun.2018 0.1
Food.....	13.234	0.0	0.004	0.06	S-May 2018 0.0
Food at home.....	7.261	-0.1	-0.009	0.10	S-May 2018 -0.2
Cereals and bakery products.....	0.955	0.6	0.006	0.25	L-Jun.2018 0.6
Cereals and cereal products.....	0.311	0.7	0.002	0.42	L-Feb.2016 1.0
Flour and prepared flour mixes.....	0.041	1.2	0.001	0.66	L-Apr.2018 1.4
Breakfast cereal <sup>4</sup> .....	0.149	0.3	0.000	0.68	S-Jul.2018 -0.4
Rice, pasta, cornmeal <sup>4</sup> .....	0.120	-0.6	-0.001	0.76	S-May 2018 -0.7
Rice <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....		-0.6		1.21	S-Jul.2018 -0.7
Bakery products <sup>4</sup> .....	0.644	0.2	0.001	0.28	L-Jun.2018 0.8
Bread <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.190	-0.6	-0.001	0.48	S-Apr.2018 -1.3
White bread <sup>4, 6</sup> .....		-0.7		0.59	S-Apr.2018 -1.7
Bread other than white <sup>4, 6</sup> .....		-0.6		0.81	S-Apr.2018 -0.8
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins <sup>5</sup> .....	0.091	0.9	0.001	0.71	L-Jun.2018 1.3
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies.....	0.160	0.6	0.001	0.58	L-Jun.2018 2.2
Cookies <sup>6</sup> .....		1.5		0.93	L-Jun.2018 4.3
Fresh cakes and cupcakes <sup>4, 6</sup> .....		0.3		0.69	L-Apr.2018 0.4
Other bakery products.....	0.203	0.9	0.002	0.53	L-Mar.2017 1.0
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts <sup>4, 6</sup> ....		0.3		0.74	L-Jul.2018 3.1
Crackers, bread, and cracker products <sup>6</sup> .....		0.0		0.95	L-Jul.2018 0.6
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers <sup>6</sup> .....		1.9		0.71	L-Oct.2016 2.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs.....	1.613	-1.0	-0.016	0.20	S-Jan.2016 -1.1
Meats, poultry, and fish.....	1.519	-0.8	-0.012	0.21	S-Dec.2015 -1.1
Meats.....	0.952	-0.6	-0.005	0.25	S-May 2018 -0.7
Beef and veal.....	0.435	-0.6	-0.002	0.34	S-May 2018 -1.4
Uncooked ground beef <sup>4</sup> .....	0.172	-1.1	-0.002	0.53	S-May 2018 -2.1
Uncooked beef roasts <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.063	-1.7	-0.001	1.03	S-Oct.2017 -2.3
Uncooked beef steaks <sup>5</sup> .....	0.162	-0.2	0.000	0.63	L-Jul.2018 1.7
Uncooked other beef and veal <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.038	-0.7	0.000	0.86	S-Oct.2017 -1.2
Pork.....	0.300	-0.6	-0.002	0.55	S-Jun.2018 -1.1
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products <sup>5</sup> .....	0.134	-0.4	-0.001	0.68	L-Jul.2018 1.1
Bacon and related products <sup>6</sup> .....		-1.9		1.01	S-Jun.2018 -2.1
Breakfast sausage and related products <sup>5, 6</sup> ...		1.0		1.08	L-Mar.2018 2.5
Ham.....	0.054	0.7	0.000	1.44	L-May 2018 1.7
Ham, excluding canned <sup>6</sup> .....		1.0		1.40	L-May 2018 2.5
Pork chops <sup>4</sup> .....	0.044	-0.6	0.000	1.37	S-Jul.2018 -0.9
Other pork including roasts, steaks, and ribs <sup>5</sup> ...	0.068	-3.4	-0.002	1.19	S-Apr.2015 -3.9
Other meats.....	0.217	-0.5	-0.001	0.54	S-Jun.2018 -2.0
Frankfurters <sup>6</sup> .....		-1.4		1.43	S-Jun.2018 -1.4
Lunchmeats <sup>5, 6</sup> .....		-0.9		0.54	S-Jun.2018 -1.7
Lamb and organ meats <sup>4, 6</sup> .....					
Lamb and mutton <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....					
Poultry <sup>4</sup> .....	0.315	-1.0	-0.003	0.52	— —
Chicken <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.258	-1.0	-0.002	0.62	— —
Fresh whole chicken <sup>4, 6</sup> .....		-0.9		1.14	L-Jul.2018 0.9
Fresh and frozen chicken parts <sup>4, 6</sup> .....		-1.1		0.71	— —
Other uncooked poultry including turkey <sup>5</sup> .....	0.057	-1.3	-0.001	0.89	S-Mar.2018 -1.5
Fish and seafood.....	0.252	-1.4	-0.003	0.51	S-Apr.2017 -1.9
Fresh fish and seafood <sup>5</sup> .....	0.130	-2.3	-0.003	0.75	S-EVER —
Processed fish and seafood <sup>5</sup> .....	0.122	0.2	0.000	0.64	S-Jun.2018 -0.3

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**Table 6. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category, September 2018, 1-month analysis table — Continued**  
 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Aug. 2018	One Month				
		Seasonally adjusted percent change Aug. 2018- Sep. 2018	Seasonally adjusted effect on All Items Aug. 2018- Sep. 2018 <sup>1</sup>	Standard error, median price change <sup>2</sup>	Largest (L) or Smallest (S) seasonally adjusted change since: <sup>3</sup>	
		Date	Percent change			
Shelf stable fish and seafood <sup>4, 6</sup> .....		-1.0	1.05	S-Feb.2018	-3.8	
Frozen fish and seafood <sup>6</sup> .....		1.2	1.10	S-Jul.2018	-0.6	
Eggs.....	0.094	-4.1	-0.004	0.90	S-Jun.2018	-7.1
Dairy and related products.....	0.726	-0.3	-0.002	0.28	S-Jul.2018	-0.6
Milk <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.199	0.0	0.000	0.38	S-Jul.2018	-0.8
Fresh whole milk <sup>6</sup> .....		-1.3	0.56	S-Jul.2016	-1.6	
Fresh milk other than whole <sup>5, 6</sup> .....		-1.1	0.51	S-Jul.2018	-1.9	
Cheese and related products.....	0.237	0.1	0.000	0.51	L-Jun.2018	1.4
Ice cream and related products.....	0.103	0.1	0.000	0.75	S-Jul.2018	-0.2
Other dairy and related products <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.187	-0.5	-0.001	0.56	S-Jun.2018	-0.5
Fruits and vegetables.....	1.278	-0.5	-0.006	0.30	S-Mar.2018	-0.7
Fresh fruits and vegetables.....	1.006	-0.6	-0.006	0.36	L-Jul.2018	1.3
Fresh fruits.....	0.542	-0.6	-0.003	0.45	L-Jul.2018	0.9
Apples.....	0.079	0.6	0.000	1.15	L-Jul.2018	1.7
Bananas <sup>4</sup> .....	0.080	0.4	0.000	0.64	L-Jul.2018	0.8
Citrus fruits <sup>5</sup> .....	0.171	-2.5	-0.004	0.75	S-Jun.2014	-6.8
Oranges, including tangerines <sup>6</sup> .....		-4.0	1.25	S-Jun.2014	-6.0	
Other fresh fruits <sup>5</sup> .....	0.212	-0.3	-0.001	0.73	L-Jul.2018	1.3
Fresh vegetables.....	0.464	-0.6	-0.003	0.56	S-Feb.2018	-0.6
Potatoes.....	0.079	-0.9	-0.001	1.22	S-Mar.2018	-1.1
Lettuce.....	0.058	-1.6	-0.001	1.62	S-Jun.2018	-3.5
Tomatoes <sup>4</sup> .....	0.076	0.4	0.000	1.10	L-Jul.2018	0.5
Other fresh vegetables.....	0.251	-0.2	-0.001	0.69	S-Jun.2018	-0.6
Processed fruits and vegetables <sup>5</sup> .....	0.272	0.0	0.000	0.44	S-Jul.2018	-0.5
Canned fruits and vegetables <sup>5</sup> .....	0.149	0.7	0.001	0.65	S-Jul.2018	-0.7
Canned fruits <sup>5, 6</sup> .....		1.1	0.78	L-Apr.2018	4.3	
Canned vegetables <sup>5, 6</sup> .....		0.7	0.77	S-Jul.2018	-0.5	
Frozen fruits and vegetables <sup>5</sup> .....	0.078	-0.2	0.000	0.83	S-Jun.2018	-0.4
Frozen vegetables <sup>6</sup> .....		-0.6	1.00	S-May 2018	-1.8	
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried <sup>5</sup> .....	0.045	-1.8	-0.001	0.76	S-EVER	—
Dried beans, peas, and lentils <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....		-1.5	0.80	S-Mar.2018	-2.1	
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials.....	0.860	0.6	0.005	0.36	L-May 2017	0.9
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks <sup>5</sup> .....	0.606	1.0	0.006	0.41	L-Feb.2017	1.1
Carbonated drinks.....	0.256	0.3	0.001	0.77	S-Jul.2018	-1.1
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.008	-1.4	0.000	0.73	S-Sep.2017	-3.8
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>5</sup> .....	0.342	1.3	0.005	0.51	L-Dec.2013	1.6
Beverage materials including coffee and tea <sup>5</sup> .....	0.253	0.2	0.001	0.61	L-May 2018	0.2
Coffee.....	0.163	0.3	0.000	0.77	L-Jun.2018	0.3
Roasted coffee <sup>6</sup> .....		0.1	1.08	S-Jul.2018	-0.2	
Instant coffee <sup>4, 6</sup> .....		-1.6	0.71	S-Jan.2018	-2.5	
Other beverage materials including tea <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.090	-0.4	0.000	0.99	S-Jun.2018	-1.0
Other food at home.....	1.829	0.2	0.004	0.20	L-Nov.2017	0.3
Sugar and sweets <sup>4</sup> .....	0.275	1.3	0.004	0.49	L-Jan.2018	1.3
Sugar and artificial sweeteners.....	0.043	0.4	0.000	0.67	L-Mar.2018	1.0
Candy and chewing gum <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.180	1.3	0.002	0.69	L-May 2015	1.6
Other sweets <sup>5</sup> .....	0.053	1.6	0.001	0.84	L-Feb.2017	1.7
Fats and oils.....	0.214	-0.1	0.000	0.44	L-Jul.2018	0.6
Butter and margarine <sup>5</sup> .....	0.060	1.1	0.001	0.88	L-Apr.2018	2.0
Butter <sup>6</sup> .....		0.4	1.01	L-Apr.2018	3.7	
Margarine <sup>6</sup> .....		1.8	0.98	L-Jun.2016	2.2	
Salad dressing <sup>5</sup> .....	0.052	-0.3	0.000	1.03	S-Jun.2018	-0.8
Other fats and oils including peanut butter <sup>5</sup> .....	0.102	-0.4	0.000	0.56	L-Jul.2018	0.8

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 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Aug. 2018	One Month			
		Seasonally adjusted percent change Aug. 2018-Sep. 2018	Seasonally adjusted effect on All Items Aug. 2018-Sep. 2018 <sup>1</sup>	Standard error, median price change <sup>2</sup>	Largest (L) or Smallest (S) seasonally adjusted change since: <sup>3</sup>
		Date	Percent change		
Peanut butter <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....		-2.0	0.63	S-Jul.2018	-2.9
Other foods.....	1.340	0.1	0.001	0.25	—
Soups.....	0.084	-1.4	-0.001	1.07	S-Mar.2018
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods <sup>4</sup> .....	0.234	0.0	0.000	0.54	L-Jul.2018
Snacks <sup>4</sup> .....	0.310	0.7	0.002	0.72	L-Nov.2017
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces.....	0.270	0.3	0.001	0.54	L-May 2018
Salt and other seasonings and spices <sup>5, 6</sup> .....		1.2	0.96	L-Jun.2018	1.9
Olives, pickles, relishes <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....		-6.8	1.31	S-Nov.2005	-8.7
Sauces and gravies <sup>5, 6</sup> .....		1.0	0.81	L-May 2018	1.2
Other condiments <sup>6</sup> .....		3.9	0.65	L-Aug.2014	4.0
Baby food <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.049	0.8	0.000	0.52	L-May 2018
Other miscellaneous foods <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.394	-0.3	-0.001	0.41	L-Jul.2018
Prepared salads <sup>4, 7, 6</sup> .....		-0.9	0.76	S-May 2018	-2.7
Food away from home <sup>4</sup> .....	5.973	0.2	0.013	0.04	—
Full service meals and snacks <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	2.970	0.1	0.002	0.04	—
Limited service meals and snacks <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	2.537	0.3	0.009	0.07	—
Food at employee sites and schools <sup>5</sup> .....	0.181	-1.4	-0.003	0.38	S-Oct.2017
Food at elementary and secondary schools <sup>4, 8, 6</sup> .....		0.7	0.49	L-Dec.2017	4.1
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors <sup>4, 5</sup> ....	0.090	1.1	0.001	0.11	L-Jun.2018
Other food away from home <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.196	0.1	0.000	0.09	—
Energy.....	8.068	-0.5	-0.037	0.08	S-Jul.2018
Energy commodities.....	4.617	-0.2	-0.009	0.13	S-Jul.2018
Fuel oil and other fuels.....	0.190	0.1	0.000	0.33	S-May 2018
Fuel oil.....	0.117	0.3	0.000	0.43	S-May 2018
Propane, kerosene, and firewood <sup>9</sup> .....	0.073	0.2	0.000	0.48	S-Jul.2018
Motor fuel.....	4.427	-0.2	-0.010	0.13	S-Jul.2018
Gasoline (all types).....	4.334	-0.2	-0.009	0.13	S-Jul.2018
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>6</sup> .....		-0.4	0.51	S-Jul.2018	-1.3
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>10, 6</sup> .....		0.1	0.51	S-Jul.2018	-0.7
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>6</sup> .....		0.2	0.44	S-Jul.2018	-0.8
Other motor fuels <sup>5</sup> .....	0.093	-1.4	-0.001	0.15	S-Mar.2018
Energy services.....	3.452	-0.8	-0.027	0.08	S-Jun.2018
Electricity.....	2.688	-0.5	-0.014	0.10	S-Jun.2018
Utility (piped) gas service.....	0.764	-1.7	-0.013	0.08	S-Jun.2018
All items less food and energy.....	78.698	0.1	0.092	0.03	—
Commodities less food and energy commodities.....	19.536	-0.3	-0.052	0.08	—
Household furnishings and supplies <sup>11</sup> .....	3.331	0.2	0.007	0.16	L-Jul.2018
Window and floor coverings and other linens <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.256	1.1	0.003	0.75	L-Jan.2018
Floor coverings <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.055	0.2	0.000	0.56	S-Jul.2018
Window coverings <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.045	-0.4	0.000	0.88	L-Apr.2018
Other linens <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.156	1.9	0.003	1.15	L-Jan.2018
Furniture and bedding.....	0.874	0.8	0.007	0.34	L-Apr.2018
Bedroom furniture <sup>4</sup> .....	0.320	1.0	0.003	0.52	L-Aug.2017
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture <sup>4, 5</sup> ...	0.422	1.0	0.004	0.45	L-Apr.2018
Other furniture <sup>5</sup> .....	0.121	1.3	0.002	0.71	L-Jan.2017
Infants' furniture <sup>4, 8, 6</sup> .....		-1.9	0.74	S-Mar.2018	-4.2
Appliances <sup>5</sup> .....	0.215	0.2	0.000	0.55	S-Jun.2018
Major appliances <sup>5</sup> .....	0.080	-0.6	0.000	0.70	S-Feb.2018
Laundry equipment <sup>6</sup> .....		-3.8	1.18	S-Feb.2018	-5.9
Other appliances <sup>5</sup> .....	0.132	1.0	0.001	0.63	L-Mar.2018
Other household equipment and furnishings <sup>5</sup> .....	0.494	-0.9	-0.004	0.48	S-Jun.2018
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items <sup>4</sup> .....	0.271	-1.4	-0.004	0.76	—

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Indoor plants and flowers <sup>12</sup> .....	0.091	0.7	0.001	0.68	L-Jul.2018 0.9
Dishes and flatware <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.053	0.2	0.000	1.49	L-May 2018 1.1
Nonelectric cookware and tableware <sup>5</sup> .....	0.080	0.4	0.000	0.75	L-Apr.2018 0.8
Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>5</sup> ....	0.660	0.0	0.000	0.24	L-Jul.2018 0.4
Tools, hardware and supplies <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.195	0.7	0.001	0.35	L-Feb.2018 1.2
Outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>5</sup> .....	0.306	-0.3	-0.001	0.30	S-May 2018 -0.9
Housekeeping supplies <sup>4</sup> .....	0.832	-0.2	-0.002	0.24	S-May 2018 -0.5
Household cleaning products <sup>5</sup> .....	0.329	0.1	0.000	0.39	S-Feb.2018 -0.1
Household paper products <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.220	-0.4	-0.001	0.38	S-May 2018 -0.7
Miscellaneous household products <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.282	-0.5	-0.001	0.41	S-May 2018 -1.2
Apparel.....	2.995	0.9	0.028	0.39	L-Feb.2018 1.5
Men's and boys' apparel.....	0.731	2.2	0.016	0.72	L-Feb.2009 2.4
Men's apparel.....	0.574	1.3	0.007	0.78	L-Jul.2018 1.7
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear.....	0.102	0.6	0.001	1.68	L-Jul.2018 2.5
Men's furnishings.....	0.155	0.0	0.000	1.45	S-May 2018 -0.4
Men's shirts and sweaters <sup>5</sup> .....	0.162	2.6	0.004	1.22	L-Feb.2018 4.3
Men's pants and shorts.....	0.147	2.9	0.004	1.28	L-Oct.2013 10.5
Boys' apparel.....	0.156	4.8	0.008	1.44	L-Aug.2017 8.3
Women's and girls' apparel.....	1.209	1.4	0.018	0.60	L-Feb.2018 1.5
Women's apparel.....	1.038	1.6	0.017	0.65	L-Feb.2018 1.8
Women's outerwear.....	0.068	9.8	0.007	2.13	L-Sep.2012 10.5
Women's dresses.....	0.130	0.7	0.001	1.42	L-Jul.2018 0.8
Women's suits and separates <sup>5</sup> .....	0.531	2.4	0.013	0.87	L-Feb.2018 2.4
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories <sup>5</sup> .....	0.296	-2.0	-0.006	1.10	S-Jun.2018 -3.4
Girls' apparel.....	0.171	0.7	0.001	1.49	L-Apr.2018 3.0
Footwear.....	0.671	-1.4	-0.009	0.57	S-Jun.2016 -1.5
Men's footwear <sup>4</sup> .....	0.218	-0.3	-0.001	0.96	S-Jun.2018 -2.1
Boys' and girls' footwear.....	0.162	-1.9	-0.003	1.01	S-May 2018 -2.3
Women's footwear.....	0.291	-0.9	-0.003	0.80	L-Jun.2018 1.5
Infants' and toddlers' apparel.....	0.135	1.8	0.002	1.24	L-May 2018 2.5
Jewelry and watches <sup>9</sup> .....	0.251	0.4	0.001	1.00	L-Jul.2018 1.6
Watches <sup>4, 9</sup> .....	0.097	2.3	0.002	1.52	L-Jan.2018 2.4
Jewelry <sup>9</sup> .....	0.154	-1.8	-0.003	1.22	L-Jul.2018 2.1
Transportation commodities less motor fuel <sup>11</sup> .....	6.638	-1.2	-0.079	0.09	S-EVER -
New vehicles.....	3.711	-0.1	-0.005	0.15	S-Apr.2018 -0.5
New cars and trucks <sup>5, 6</sup> .....		-0.1		0.23	S-Apr.2018 -0.5
New cars <sup>6</sup> .....		0.1		0.24	L-Jul.2018 0.5
New trucks <sup>13, 6</sup> .....		-0.3		0.21	S-Apr.2018 -0.6
Used cars and trucks.....	2.434	-3.0	-0.072	0.02	S-Sep.2003 -3.0
Motor vehicle parts and equipment <sup>4</sup> .....	0.378	-0.1	-0.001	0.28	S-Apr.2018 -0.3
Tires <sup>4</sup> .....	0.222	0.0	0.000	0.38	- -
Vehicle accessories other than tires <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.156	-0.3	0.000	0.44	S-Dec.2017 -0.3
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires <sup>4, 6</sup> ...		-0.2		0.38	S-Apr.2018 -0.5
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids <sup>4, 6</sup> .....		0.5		0.90	S-Jul.2018 -0.5
Medical care commodities.....	1.719	-0.1	-0.002	0.25	L-Jun.2018 0.2
Medicinal drugs <sup>4, 11</sup> .....	1.663	-0.5	-0.008	0.26	S-Jul.2018 -0.8
Prescription drugs.....	1.323	-0.2	-0.002	0.29	S-Jul.2018 -1.0
Nonprescription drugs <sup>4, 11</sup> .....	0.339	-0.8	-0.003	0.43	S-Jan.2018 -0.8
Medical equipment and supplies <sup>4, 11</sup> .....	0.056	1.0	0.001	0.50	L-May 2018 2.5
Recreation commodities <sup>11</sup> .....	1.804	-0.6	-0.011	0.17	S-May 2018 -0.7
Video and audio products <sup>11</sup> .....	0.235	-1.4	-0.003	0.49	S-Feb.2018 -2.1
Televisions.....	0.108	-1.9	-0.002	0.81	S-Apr.2018 -2.0

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Other video equipment <sup>5</sup> .....	0.027	-0.6	0.000	0.85	S-Jul.2018 -2.7
Audio equipment <sup>4</sup> .....	0.043	1.0	0.000	0.71	L-Sep.2017 1.3
Recorded music and music subscriptions <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.049	-2.9	-0.001	0.85	S-Jun.2016 -3.9
Pets and pet products <sup>4</sup> .....	0.599	0.3	0.002	0.23	L-May 2018 0.3
Pet food <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....		0.3		0.31	L-Apr.2018 0.3
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> ....		0.3		0.39	— —
Sporting goods.....	0.492	-0.9	-0.005	0.29	S-Apr.2018 -0.9
Sports vehicles including bicycles <sup>4</sup> .....	0.281	-1.2	-0.003	0.34	L-Jul.2018 2.2
Sports equipment.....	0.204	-0.4	-0.001	0.47	S-Jul.2018 -1.3
Photographic equipment and supplies.....	0.033	-0.5	0.000	0.66	S-Jul.2018 -0.6
Film and photographic supplies <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....					
Photographic equipment <sup>5, 6</sup> .....		-0.6		0.69	S-Jun.2018 -4.8
Recreational reading materials <sup>4</sup> .....	0.115	-1.6	-0.002	0.64	S-Oct.2017 -1.9
Newspapers and magazines <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.070	-1.6	-0.001	0.95	S-Oct.2017 -3.4
Recreational books <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.045	-1.5	-0.001	0.97	S-Jun.2017 -1.9
Other recreational goods <sup>5</sup> .....	0.330	-0.8	-0.003	0.46	L-Jul.2018 0.1
Toys.....	0.259	-0.9	-0.002	0.52	L-Jul.2018 0.0
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment <sup>5, 6</sup> .....		-0.1		0.55	L-Jul.2018 0.7
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.023	-0.3	0.000	1.10	L-Jul.2018 -0.1
Music instruments and accessories <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.036	-0.2	0.000	0.68	S-May 2018 -1.1
Education and communication commodities <sup>11</sup> .....	0.545	0.2	0.001	0.36	L-May 2018 0.7
Educational books and supplies.....	0.131	-0.3	0.000	0.60	L-Jul.2018 0.3
College textbooks <sup>4, 14, 6</sup> .....		0.3		0.58	L-Jul.2018 0.5
Information technology commodities <sup>11</sup> .....	0.414	0.3	0.001	0.43	S-Jul.2018 -1.2
Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>7</sup> ....	0.312	1.1	0.003	0.59	S-Jul.2018 -2.0
Computer software and accessories <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.024	-0.3	0.000	1.10	S-May 2018 -1.2
Telephone hardware, calculators, and other consumer information items <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.078	-2.8	-0.002	0.70	S-Sep.2015 -3.2
Alcoholic beverages.....	0.959	0.5	0.005	0.14	L-Jun.2018 0.5
Alcoholic beverages at home.....	0.595	0.5	0.003	0.22	L-Jun.2018 0.7
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home.....	0.263	0.5	0.001	0.27	L-Jun.2018 0.8
Distilled spirits at home.....	0.081	-0.1	0.000	0.37	S-Jun.2018 -0.1
Whiskey at home <sup>4, 6</sup> .....		-2.2		0.54	S-May 2016 -2.7
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home <sup>4, 6</sup> ....		0.4		0.50	S-Jul.2018 0.4
Wine at home.....	0.251	0.8	0.002	0.46	L-Apr.2018 1.0
Alcoholic beverages away from home <sup>4</sup> .....	0.364	0.5	0.002	0.12	L-Jan.2018 0.5
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....		0.5		0.18	L-Jan.2018 0.5
Wine away from home <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....		0.3		0.18	S-Jul.2018 0.2
Distilled spirits away from home <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....		0.5		0.15	L-Mar.2018 0.5
Other goods <sup>11</sup> .....	1.545	0.1	0.001	0.16	L-Apr.2018 0.6
Tobacco and smoking products.....	0.647	0.3	0.002	0.14	L-May 2018 0.4
Cigarettes <sup>5</sup> .....	0.573	0.3	0.002	0.15	L-May 2018 0.5
Tobacco products other than cigarettes <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.059	-0.4	0.000	0.33	S-May 2018 -0.8
Personal care products <sup>4</sup> .....	0.688	0.1	0.001	0.30	L-Jul.2018 0.1
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.380	0.3	0.001	0.37	S-Jul.2018 0.1
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements <sup>4</sup> .....	0.302	-0.2	0.000	0.45	L-Jul.2018 0.1
Miscellaneous personal goods <sup>5</sup> .....	0.210	-0.6	-0.001	0.75	L-Jul.2018 -0.4
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap <sup>6</sup> .....		-0.9		0.77	L-Jul.2018 0.2
Infants' equipment <sup>4, 8, 6</sup> .....		-2.2		0.46	S-Jun.2018 -3.3

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Services less energy services.....	59.162	0.2	0.140	0.03	—
Shelter.....	32.888	0.2	0.051	0.04	S-Jun.2018 0.1
Rent of shelter <sup>15</sup> .....	32.513	0.2	0.051	0.04	S-Jun.2018 0.1
Rent of primary residence.....	7.813	0.2	0.019	0.03	S-Feb.2018 0.2
Lodging away from home <sup>5</sup> .....	1.006	-1.0	-0.010	1.24	S-Jun.2018 -3.7
Housing at school, excluding board <sup>15</sup> .....	0.113	0.2	0.000	0.06	S-Jul.2018 0.1
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels.....	0.893	-1.2	-0.010	1.45	S-Jun.2018 -4.1
Owners' equivalent rent of residences <sup>15</sup> .....	23.694	0.2	0.043	0.03	S-May 2018 0.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>15</sup> ..	22.372	0.2	0.041	0.03	S-Feb.2018 0.2
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.375	-0.1	0.000	0.13	S-Nov.2017 -0.2
Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>5</sup> .....	1.080	0.1	0.001	0.05	S-Aug.2017 0.1
Water and sewerage maintenance.....	0.816	0.1	0.001	0.06	—
Garbage and trash collection <sup>4, 13</sup> .....	0.265	0.1	0.000	0.07	S-Jul.2018 0.1
Household operations <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.871	0.0	0.000	0.32	—
Domestic services <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.298	-0.1	0.000	0.04	S-Jun.2018 -0.7
Gardening and lawncare services <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.292	-0.1	0.000	0.05	S-Jul.2017 -0.2
Moving, storage, freight expense <sup>5</sup> .....	0.102	1.2	0.001	1.97	L-Jul.2018 1.2
Repair of household items <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.105	0.2	0.000	0.23	L-Jul.2018 0.9
Medical care services.....	6.874	0.2	0.016	0.09	L-Jun.2018 0.5
Professional services.....	3.238	0.2	0.006	0.10	L-Apr.2018 0.2
Physicians' services.....	1.727	0.3	0.004	0.09	L-Jan.2018 0.3
Dental services.....	0.779	0.3	0.002	0.11	L-Jun.2018 0.3
Eyeglasses and eye care <sup>4, 9</sup> .....	0.316	0.0	0.000	0.31	S-May 2018 -0.4
Services by other medical professionals <sup>4, 9</sup> .....	0.416	-0.1	-0.001	0.09	—
Hospital and related services.....	2.594	-0.2	-0.005	0.12	S-Feb.2018 -0.4
Hospital services <sup>16</sup> .....	2.316	-0.3	-0.006	0.13	S-Feb.2018 -0.5
Inpatient hospital services <sup>16, 6</sup> .....		0.1		0.20	L-Jul.2018 0.3
Outpatient hospital services <sup>9, 6</sup> .....		-0.6		0.32	S-Jun.2015 -1.0
Nursing homes and adult day services <sup>16</sup> .....	0.191	0.3	0.001	0.12	S-Jul.2018 0.2
Care of invalids and elderly at home <sup>4, 8</sup> .....	0.087	0.3	0.000	0.12	S-Jun.2018 0.2
Health insurance <sup>4, 8</sup> .....	1.042	1.2	0.013	0.08	L-Feb.2016 1.3
Transportation services.....	5.936	0.5	0.033	0.13	L-Jul.2018 0.5
Leased cars and trucks <sup>4, 14</sup> .....	0.654	0.3	0.002	0.39	L-Jul.2018 0.7
Car and truck rental <sup>5</sup> .....	0.126	2.2	0.003	1.78	L-Mar.2018 3.0
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair <sup>4</sup> .....	1.113	0.5	0.006	0.15	L-Sep.2017 0.6
Motor vehicle body work <sup>4</sup> .....	0.055	0.0	0.000	0.11	S-Jul.2018 0.0
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing <sup>4</sup> .....	0.626	0.5	0.003	0.24	L-Sep.2017 0.5
Motor vehicle repair <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.368	0.7	0.003	0.14	L-Sep.2017 0.8
Motor vehicle insurance.....	2.374	0.8	0.018	0.17	L-Feb.2018 1.7
Motor vehicle fees <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.540	0.0	0.000	0.12	S-Jun.2018 -0.3
State motor vehicle registration and license fees <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.279	-0.1	0.000	0.04	S-Mar.2017 -0.1
Parking and other fees <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.243	0.2	0.000	0.22	—
Parking fees and tolls <sup>5, 6</sup> .....		0.5		0.16	L-Jul.2017 0.6
Automobile service clubs <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....		0.0		0.43	—
Public transportation.....	1.131	0.4	0.004	0.36	S-Jun.2018 -0.8
Airline fares.....	0.678	1.0	0.007	0.58	S-Jun.2018 -0.9
Other intercity transportation.....	0.167	0.1	0.000	0.56	L-Apr.2018 0.1
Intercity bus fare <sup>4, 7, 6</sup> .....		2.3		0.98	L-Dec.2017 2.3
Intercity train fare <sup>4, 7, 6</sup> .....		0.8		0.82	L-Mar.2018 1.6
Ship fare <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....		-0.4	-0.001	0.19	S-Jun.2018 -1.0
Intracity transportation <sup>4</sup> .....	0.278				

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Intracity mass transit <sup>4, 11, 6</sup> .....		0.1	0.15	L-Jul.2018	0.4	
Recreation services <sup>11</sup> .....	3.835	0.7	0.028	L-Feb.2017	0.8	
Video and audio services <sup>11</sup> .....	1.579	0.9	0.014	L-Nov.2016	1.0	
Cable and satellite television service <sup>13</sup> .....	1.495	0.8	0.012	S-Jul.2018	0.2	
Video discs and other media, including rental of video <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.084	1.7	0.001	L-Jan.2018	3.9	
Video discs and other media <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....		2.1	2.01	L-Jan.2018	5.3	
Rental of video discs and other media <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....		-0.8	0.14	S-Aug.2015	-0.8	
Pet services including veterinary <sup>5</sup> .....	0.410	0.6	0.003	L-May 2018	0.6	
Pet services <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....		2.2	0.10	L-May 2018	2.5	
Veterinarian services <sup>5, 6</sup> .....		0.4	0.13	L-Mar.2018	0.4	
Photographers and photo processing <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.038	0.7	0.000	0.43	—	
Photographer fees <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....		0.6	0.06	L-Nov.2017	1.8	
Photo processing <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....		-0.7	0.65	S-Mar.2018	-0.8	
Other recreation services <sup>5</sup> .....	1.805	0.6	0.012	0.29	L-Jun.2018	0.8
Club membership for shopping clubs, fraternal, or other organizations, or participant sports fees <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.667	0.1	0.000	0.22	S-Jul.2018	0.1
Admissions.....	0.654	0.9	0.006	0.58	L-Jun.2018	1.8
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....		-0.1	0.46	L-Jul.2018	0.3	
Admission to sporting events <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....		0.5	1.79	L-Jun.2018	2.9	
Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>4, 9</sup> .....	0.213	1.7	0.004	0.34	L-Jun.2007	2.1
Education and communication services <sup>11</sup> .....	6.045	0.1	0.009	0.07	S-Apr.2018	0.0
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare.....	2.883	0.1	0.004	0.05	S-Mar.2018	-0.1
College tuition and fees.....	1.597	0.1	0.002	0.06	S-Apr.2018	0.1
Elementary and high school tuition and fees.....	0.334	0.4	0.001	0.08	S-Jun.2018	0.4
Child care and nursery school <sup>12</sup> .....	0.801	0.1	0.001	0.09	S-Jul.2018	-0.2
Technical and business school tuition and fees <sup>5</sup> ..	0.032	-0.3	0.000	0.11	S-Jan.2018	-0.3
Postage and delivery services <sup>5</sup> .....	0.108	0.3	0.000	0.02	L-May 2018	0.4
Postage.....	0.094	0.2	0.000	0.00	—	—
Delivery services <sup>5</sup> .....	0.014	1.1	0.000	0.32	L-Jan.2018	1.5
Telephone services <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	2.266	0.1	0.002	0.12	L-Jul.2018	0.1
Wireless telephone services <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	1.695	0.0	0.000	0.10	L-Jul.2018	0.0
Land-line telephone services <sup>4, 11</sup> .....	0.571	0.4	0.002	0.21	L-Jul.2018	0.6
Internet services and electronic information providers <sup>5</sup> .....	0.779	0.3	0.002	0.29	L-Jul.2018	1.3
Other personal services <sup>4, 11</sup> .....	1.632	0.1	0.002	0.11	—	—
Personal care services <sup>4</sup> .....	0.624	0.1	0.001	0.13	L-Jul.2018	0.1
Haircuts and other personal care services <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.624	0.1	0.001	0.13	L-Jul.2018	0.1
Miscellaneous personal services.....	1.009	0.2	0.002	0.11	—	—
Legal services <sup>4, 9</sup> .....	0.304	0.1	0.000	0.07	L-May 2018	0.2
Funeral expenses <sup>4, 9</sup> .....	0.127	0.0	0.000	0.09	S-Jan.2018	-0.1
Laundry and dry cleaning services <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.237	0.5	0.001	0.16	L-Apr.2018	0.5
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning <sup>4, 5</sup> .....	0.029	0.0	0.000	0.21	S-Apr.2018	0.0
Financial services <sup>9</sup> .....	0.240	0.2	0.000	0.32	S-Jul.2018	0.2
Checking account and other bank services <sup>4, 5, 6</sup> .....		0.0	0.02	S-Jul.2018	0.0	
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees <sup>5, 6</sup> .....		-0.1	0.33	S-Mar.2018	-0.4	
<b>Special aggregate indexes</b>						
All items less food.....	86.766	0.1	0.055	0.03	S-Jun.2018	0.1

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**Table 6. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category, September 2018, 1-month analysis table — Continued**  
 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Aug. 2018	One Month			
		Seasonally adjusted percent change Aug. 2018-Sep. 2018	Seasonally adjusted effect on All Items Aug. 2018-Sep. 2018 <sup>1</sup>	Standard error, median price change <sup>2</sup>	Largest (L) or Smallest (S) seasonally adjusted change since: <sup>3</sup>
		Date	Percent change		
All items less shelter.....	67.112	0.0	0.007	0.03	S-Mar.2018 -0.3
All items less food and shelter.....	53.878	0.0	0.003	0.04	S-Mar.2018 -0.4
All items less food, shelter, and energy.....	45.810	0.1	0.040	0.05	L-Jul.2018 0.2
All items less food, shelter, energy, and used cars and trucks.....	43.375	0.3	0.112	0.05	L-Jan.2018 0.4
All items less medical care.....	91.407	0.0	0.045	0.03	S-Mar.2018 -0.1
All items less energy.....	91.932	0.1	0.096	0.03	— —
Commodities.....	37.386	-0.2	-0.058	0.05	S-Mar.2018 -0.6
Commodities less food, energy, and used cars and trucks.....	17.101	0.1	0.019	0.09	L-Apr.2018 0.1
Commodities less food.....	24.152	-0.3	-0.062	0.07	S-Mar.2018 -1.0
Commodities less food and beverages.....	23.194	-0.3	-0.067	0.07	S-Mar.2018 -1.0
Services.....	62.614	0.2	0.113	0.03	— —
Services less rent of shelter <sup>15</sup> .....	30.101	0.2	0.070	0.05	L-Mar.2018 0.2
Services less medical care services.....	55.740	0.2	0.099	0.04	S-Jul.2018 0.2
Durables.....	9.965	-0.8	-0.076	0.08	S-Sep.2003 -0.9
Nondurables.....	27.421	-0.1	-0.030	0.07	S-Mar.2018 -0.7
Nondurables less food.....	14.188	-0.2	-0.031	0.11	S-Mar.2018 -1.5
Nondurables less food and beverages.....	13.229	-0.3	-0.037	0.12	S-Mar.2018 -1.6
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel.....	10.234	-0.1	-0.015	0.09	S-Jun.2018 -1.0
Nondurables less food and apparel.....	11.192	-0.1	-0.009	0.08	S-Jun.2018 -0.8
Housing.....	41.812	0.1	0.033	0.04	S-Jun.2018 0.0
Education and communication <sup>5</sup> .....	6.590	0.1	0.009	0.07	S-Apr.2018 0.0
Education <sup>5</sup> .....	3.014	0.1	0.004	0.06	S-Mar.2018 -0.1
Communication <sup>5</sup> .....	3.576	0.2	0.006	0.11	L-Jul.2018 0.2
Information and information processing <sup>5</sup> .....	3.468	0.2	0.005	0.12	L-Jul.2018 0.2
Information technology, hardware and services <sup>17</sup> .....	1.202	0.3	0.003	0.25	L-Jul.2018 0.4
Recreation <sup>5</sup> .....	5.639	0.3	0.017	0.11	L-Jul.2017 0.4
Video and audio <sup>5</sup> .....	1.814	0.6	0.010	0.15	L-Feb.2017 0.6
Pets, pet products and services <sup>5</sup> .....	1.009	0.4	0.004	0.16	L-May 2018 0.4
Photography <sup>5</sup> .....	0.073	0.2	0.000	0.41	S-Jul.2018 -0.3
Food and beverages.....	14.193	0.1	0.009	0.06	— —
Domestically produced farm food.....	6.070	-0.2	-0.012	0.11	S-May 2018 -0.2
Other services.....	11.512	0.3	0.040	0.06	L-Jul.2018 0.3
Apparel less footwear.....	2.325	1.6	0.038	0.45	L-Jan.2018 2.0
Fuels and utilities.....	4.722	-0.6	-0.026	0.06	S-Jun.2018 -0.9
Household energy.....	3.641	-0.8	-0.027	0.08	S-Jun.2018 -1.3
Medical care.....	8.593	0.2	0.014	0.09	L-Jun.2018 0.4
Transportation.....	17.001	-0.3	-0.056	0.06	S-Mar.2018 -1.2
Private transportation.....	15.870	-0.4	-0.060	0.06	S-Mar.2018 -1.3
New and used motor vehicles <sup>5</sup> .....	7.039	-1.1	-0.074	0.10	S-Sep.2003 -1.1
Utilities and public transportation.....	9.424	-0.1	-0.009	0.07	S-Jun.2018 -0.5
Household furnishings and operations.....	4.202	0.2	0.007	0.16	L-Jul.2018 0.3
Other goods and services.....	3.178	0.1	0.005	0.10	L-May 2018 0.1
Personal care <sup>4</sup> .....	2.530	0.1	0.003	0.13	L-Apr.2018 0.7

<sup>1</sup> 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).

<sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>3</sup> 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)maller 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.

<sup>4</sup> Not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>5</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>6</sup> 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.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>10</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>11</sup> Indexes on a December 2009=100 base.

<sup>12</sup> Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

<sup>13</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

<sup>14</sup> Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.

<sup>15</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>16</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>17</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.

**Table 7. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category, September 2018, 12-month analysis table**  
 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Aug. 2018	Twelve Month			
		Unadjusted percent change Sep. 2017-Sep. 2018	Unadjusted effect on All Items Sep. 2017-Sep. 2018 <sup>1</sup>	Standard error, median price change <sup>2</sup>	Largest (L) or Smallest (S) unadjusted change since: <sup>3</sup>
		Date	Percent change		
All items.....	100.000	2.3		0.07	S-Feb.2018 2.2
Food.....	13.234	1.4	0.181	0.10	– –
Food at home.....	7.261	0.4	0.030	0.16	S-Jul.2018 0.4
Cereals and bakery products.....	0.955	0.7	0.007	0.30	L-Dec.2015 1.0
Cereals and cereal products.....	0.311	0.6	0.002	0.62	L-Dec.2015 0.8
Flour and prepared flour mixes.....	0.041	1.8	0.001	0.99	L-Apr.2018 2.4
Breakfast cereal.....	0.149	-1.2	-0.002	0.85	– –
Rice, pasta, cornmeal.....	0.120	2.4	0.003	1.11	L-Dec.2015 2.7
Rice <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		3.0		1.35	L-Oct.2013 5.3
Bakery products.....	0.644	0.8	0.005	0.37	L-Jul.2018 0.9
Bread <sup>4</sup> .....	0.190	0.6	0.001	0.66	L-Jul.2018 1.0
White bread <sup>5</sup> .....		-0.2		0.89	S-Jun.2018 -0.8
Bread other than white <sup>5</sup> .....		1.4		0.89	L-Jul.2018 2.2
Fresh biscuits, rolls, muffins <sup>4</sup> .....	0.091	2.8	0.003	1.07	L-Jul.2015 3.3
Cakes, cupcakes, and cookies.....	0.160	1.4	0.002	0.68	L-Jul.2018 1.5
Cookies <sup>5</sup> .....		0.8		1.14	L-Jul.2018 0.9
Fresh cakes and cupcakes <sup>5</sup> .....		1.6		1.11	S-Jul.2018 1.6
Other bakery products.....	0.203	-0.4	-0.001	0.71	L-Jul.2018 -0.2
Fresh sweetrolls, coffeecakes, doughnuts <sup>5</sup> .....		1.0		1.16	S-Jun.2018 0.2
Crackers, bread, and cracker products <sup>5</sup> .....		-1.3		1.24	S-Jun.2018 -1.9
Frozen and refrigerated bakery products, pies, tarts, turnovers <sup>5</sup> .....		-0.1		1.15	L-Jun.2018 0.9
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs.....	1.613	0.5	0.009	0.33	S-Sep.2017 0.4
Meats, poultry, and fish.....	1.519	-0.1	-0.001	0.32	S-Jun.2017 -0.3
Meats.....	0.952	-0.5	-0.006	0.39	S-Jul.2018 -0.7
Beef and veal.....	0.435	0.9	0.004	0.49	L-May 2018 2.6
Uncooked ground beef.....	0.172	-2.2	-0.004	0.81	S-May 2017 -3.3
Uncooked beef roasts <sup>4</sup> .....	0.063	3.0	0.002	1.39	S-Jul.2018 2.6
Uncooked beef steaks <sup>4</sup> .....	0.162	3.0	0.005	0.91	L-Sep.2015 3.6
Uncooked other beef and veal <sup>4</sup> .....	0.038	3.7	0.001	1.30	L-May 2018 5.2
Pork.....	0.300	-2.4	-0.008	0.79	S-Jan.2017 -3.5
Bacon, breakfast sausage, and related products <sup>4</sup> .....	0.134	-4.8	-0.007	1.01	S-Nov.2016 -5.4
Bacon and related products <sup>5</sup> .....		-7.8		1.31	S-Aug.2015 -9.3
Breakfast sausage and related products <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		-0.2		1.67	S-Aug.2017 -1.4
Ham.....	0.054	-0.6	-0.001	1.82	L-Jun.2018 1.4
Ham, excluding canned <sup>5</sup> .....		0.2		2.30	L-Jun.2018 2.2
Pork chops.....	0.044	3.0	0.001	1.89	S-Jul.2018 2.3
Other pork including roasts, steaks, and ribs <sup>4</sup> .....	0.068	-2.9	-0.002	1.73	S-Aug.2017 -4.4
Other meats.....	0.217	-0.8	-0.001	0.83	– –
Frankfurters <sup>5</sup> .....		-2.2		2.43	S-Apr.2017 -2.7
Lunchmeats <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		-1.1		0.83	L-May 2018 -0.6
Lamb and organ meats <sup>5</sup> .....					
Lamb and mutton <sup>4, 5</sup> .....					
Poultry.....	0.315	-0.8	-0.002	0.72	S-Apr.2017 -0.9
Chicken <sup>4</sup> .....	0.258	-0.2	0.000	0.84	S-Apr.2017 -0.7
Fresh whole chicken <sup>5</sup> .....		1.1		1.94	S-Dec.2017 -0.2
Fresh and frozen chicken parts <sup>5</sup> .....		-0.5		0.99	S-Jan.2017 -0.7
Other uncooked poultry including turkey <sup>4</sup> .....	0.057	-3.2	-0.002	1.44	S-May 2018 -4.1
Fish and seafood.....	0.252	2.7	0.007	0.84	S-Jul.2018 1.6
Fresh fish and seafood <sup>4</sup> .....	0.130	3.6	0.005	1.17	S-Jul.2018 2.4
Processed fish and seafood <sup>4</sup> .....	0.122	1.8	0.002	0.98	S-Jul.2018 0.9
Shelf stable fish and seafood <sup>5</sup> .....		3.5		1.31	S-Jun.2018 2.9

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 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Aug. 2018	Twelve Month			
		Unadjusted percent change Sep. 2017-Sep. 2018	Unadjusted effect on All Items Sep. 2017-Sep. 2018 <sup>1</sup>	Standard error, median price change <sup>2</sup>	Largest (L) or Smallest (S) unadjusted change since: <sup>3</sup>
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Frozen fish and seafood <sup>5</sup> .....		0.8	1.50	L-Apr.2018	1.3
Eggs.....	0.094	10.1	0.010	S-Jan.2018	2.5
Dairy and related products.....	0.726	0.0	0.000	—	—
Milk <sup>4</sup> .....	0.199	-0.9	-0.002	L-Aug.2017	-0.3
Fresh whole milk <sup>5</sup> .....		-1.7	1.68	S-Jul.2018	-2.8
Fresh milk other than whole <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		-0.3	0.99	L-Jun.2018	-0.3
Cheese and related products.....	0.237	0.4	0.001	L-Jul.2018	0.9
Ice cream and related products.....	0.103	1.2	0.001	L-Feb.2017	2.0
Other dairy and related products <sup>4</sup> .....	0.187	-0.1	0.000	S-Jul.2018	-0.3
Fruits and vegetables.....	1.278	0.5	0.006	S-Jun.2018	0.2
Fresh fruits and vegetables.....	1.006	0.5	0.006	S-May 2018	-0.3
Fresh fruits.....	0.542	0.3	0.002	S-May 2017	0.3
Apples.....	0.079	-7.6	-0.007	S-Aug.2015	-9.7
Bananas.....	0.080	4.4	0.004	L-Nov.2011	4.8
Citrus fruits <sup>4</sup> .....	0.171	5.4	0.008	S-Jul.2018	4.9
Oranges, including tangerines <sup>5</sup> .....		-0.2	2.18	S-Nov.2016	-0.5
Other fresh fruits <sup>4</sup> .....	0.212	-1.4	-0.003	S-May 2018	-2.6
Fresh vegetables.....	0.464	0.8	0.004	S-Jun.2018	-0.8
Potatoes.....	0.079	0.5	0.000	S-May 2018	0.0
Lettuce.....	0.058	0.1	0.000	S-Jun.2018	-7.2
Tomatoes.....	0.076	0.2	0.001	S-Nov.2017	-0.3
Other fresh vegetables.....	0.251	1.2	0.003	L-Feb.2018	1.9
Processed fruits and vegetables <sup>4</sup> .....	0.272	0.2	0.000	L-Apr.2016	1.0
Canned fruits and vegetables <sup>4</sup> .....	0.149	1.9	0.003	L-Sep.2015	2.3
Canned fruits <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		0.3	1.19	L-Mar.2017	0.7
Canned vegetables <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		3.2	1.24	L-May 2014	4.2
Frozen fruits and vegetables <sup>4</sup> .....	0.078	-2.1	-0.002	L-Apr.2018	-1.2
Frozen vegetables <sup>5</sup> .....		-2.3	1.67	L-Apr.2018	-2.0
Other processed fruits and vegetables including dried <sup>4</sup> .....	0.045	-1.3	-0.001	S-Jul.2018	-1.3
Dried beans, peas, and lentils <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		-3.2	2.11	S-Mar.2018	-4.0
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials.....	0.860	0.6	0.005	L-Oct.2017	0.7
Juices and nonalcoholic drinks <sup>4</sup> .....	0.606	1.2	0.007	L-Mar.2016	1.2
Carbonated drinks.....	0.256	2.1	0.005	S-Jul.2018	0.7
Frozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>4</sup> .....	0.008	-0.7	0.000	L-Jun.2018	0.8
Nonfrozen noncarbonated juices and drinks <sup>4</sup> .....	0.342	0.5	0.002	L-Jan.2018	1.0
Beverage materials including coffee and tea <sup>4</sup> .....	0.253	-0.9	-0.002	S-Jul.2018	-1.5
Coffee.....	0.163	-2.2	-0.004	S-Jul.2018	-2.4
Roasted coffee <sup>5</sup> .....		-1.7	1.60	S-Jul.2018	-3.0
Instant coffee <sup>5</sup> .....		-4.2	1.65	L-Jul.2018	-4.2
Other beverage materials including tea <sup>4</sup> .....	0.090	1.3	0.001	S-Jul.2018	0.0
Other food at home.....	1.829	0.2	0.004	L-Feb.2018	0.6
Sugar and sweets.....	0.275	0.4	0.001	L-May 2018	0.5
Sugar and artificial sweeteners.....	0.043	-0.8	-0.001	S-Jul.2018	-0.9
Candy and chewing gum <sup>4</sup> .....	0.180	1.2	0.002	L-May 2018	1.3
Other sweets <sup>4</sup> .....	0.053	-0.5	0.000	L-Apr.2018	0.6
Fats and oils.....	0.214	-0.2	-0.001	S-Jul.2018	-0.5
Butter and margarine <sup>4</sup> .....	0.060	-0.2	0.000	L-Jul.2018	-0.2
Butter <sup>5</sup> .....		-0.2	1.57	L-Jul.2018	1.2
Margarine <sup>5</sup> .....		-0.5	1.43	L-Mar.2018	0.5
Salad dressing <sup>4</sup> .....	0.052	0.0	0.000	L-Apr.2018	0.2
Other fats and oils including peanut butter <sup>4</sup> .....	0.102	-0.2	0.000	S-May 2017	-0.2
Peanut butter <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		-1.3	1.06	S-Jul.2018	-1.9
Other foods.....	1.340	0.2	0.003	S-Jun.2018	0.1

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 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

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		Date	Percent change		
Soups.....	0.084	-3.8	-0.004	1.65	S-Jun.2010 -4.2
Frozen and freeze dried prepared foods.....	0.234	0.2	0.001	0.89	L-Apr.2016 0.2
Snacks.....	0.310	1.6	0.005	0.82	L-Jul.2018 2.0
Spices, seasonings, condiments, sauces.....	0.270	0.8	0.002	0.79	L-Jul.2018 0.8
Salt and other seasonings and spices <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		1.2		1.40	L-Jul.2018 1.2
Olives, pickles, relishes <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		-3.9		1.68	S-Jul.2017 -4.2
Sauces and gravies <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		1.9		1.16	L-Jun.2018 3.7
Other condiments <sup>5</sup> .....		1.4		1.74	L-Dec.2017 2.0
Baby food <sup>4</sup> .....	0.049	2.2	0.001	1.16	L-Jun.2017 2.6
Other miscellaneous foods <sup>4</sup> .....	0.394	-0.7	-0.002	0.51	S-Jun.2018 -0.9
Prepared salads <sup>6, 5</sup> .....		0.5		1.26	S-Jul.2018 -0.7
Food away from home.....	5.973	2.6	0.151	0.10	— —
Full service meals and snacks <sup>4</sup> .....	2.970	2.3	0.068	0.13	S-Apr.2018 2.2
Limited service meals and snacks <sup>4</sup> .....	2.537	2.7	0.068	0.18	— —
Food at employee sites and schools <sup>4</sup> .....	0.181	2.2	0.004	0.63	S-Apr.2018 1.9
Food at elementary and secondary schools <sup>7, 5</sup> .....		1.7		0.52	S-Apr.2018 1.5
Food from vending machines and mobile vendors <sup>4</sup> .....	0.090	3.9	0.003	1.49	L-Nov.2016 4.3
Other food away from home <sup>4</sup> .....	0.196	4.1	0.008	0.53	S-Mar.2018 2.2
Energy.....	8.068	4.8	0.386	0.11	S-Jul.2017 3.4
Energy commodities.....	4.617	9.6	0.435	0.17	S-Jan.2018 9.0
Fuel oil and other fuels.....	0.190	15.6	0.029	0.91	S-Apr.2018 15.4
Fuel oil.....	0.117	23.4	0.024	1.08	S-Apr.2018 22.6
Propane, kerosene, and firewood <sup>8</sup> .....	0.073	5.3	0.005	1.58	S-Dec.2016 2.8
Motor fuel.....	4.427	9.2	0.407	0.18	S-Jan.2018 8.6
Gasoline (all types).....	4.334	9.1	0.394	0.18	S-Jan.2018 8.5
Gasoline, unleaded regular <sup>5</sup> .....		9.0		0.94	S-Jan.2018 8.5
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade <sup>9, 5</sup> .....		10.3		0.78	S-Mar.2018 9.9
Gasoline, unleaded premium <sup>5</sup> .....		9.5		0.79	S-Jan.2018 8.4
Other motor fuels <sup>4</sup> .....	0.093	17.7	0.013	0.28	S-Mar.2018 16.5
Energy services.....	3.452	-1.2	-0.049	0.15	S-Jun.2016 -2.5
Electricity.....	2.688	-1.2	-0.041	0.18	S-Jun.2016 -1.8
Utility (piped) gas service.....	0.764	-1.2	-0.008	0.22	S-Jul.2018 -1.3
All items less food and energy.....	78.698	2.2	1.710	0.08	— —
Commodities less food and energy commodities.....	19.536	-0.3	-0.052	0.19	S-May 2018 -0.3
Household furnishings and supplies <sup>10</sup> .....	3.331	0.0	0.003	0.33	L-Aug.2012 0.0
Window and floor coverings and other linens <sup>4</sup> .....	0.256	-1.0	-0.002	1.10	S-Apr.2018 -1.7
Floor coverings <sup>4</sup> .....	0.055	3.0	0.002	1.56	L-Apr.2018 4.3
Window coverings <sup>4</sup> .....	0.045	-6.0	-0.003	2.47	S-Dec.2017 -7.3
Other linens <sup>4</sup> .....	0.156	-1.0	-0.001	1.79	S-Apr.2018 -3.2
Furniture and bedding.....	0.874	0.6	0.006	0.84	L-Aug.2017 0.7
Bedroom furniture.....	0.320	-1.3	-0.002	1.05	L-Jul.2018 0.8
Living room, kitchen, and dining room furniture <sup>4</sup> ....	0.422	2.3	0.010	1.41	L-Sep.2012 2.4
Other furniture <sup>4</sup> .....	0.121	-1.1	-0.001	1.58	L-Jan.2018 -0.8
Infants' furniture <sup>7, 5</sup> .....		-4.1		2.26	S-Mar.2018 -5.1
Appliances <sup>4</sup> .....	0.215	2.9	0.007	1.10	L-Jun.2012 3.2
Major appliances <sup>4</sup> .....	0.080	7.7	0.006	1.29	L-Jul.2018 8.5
Laundry equipment <sup>5</sup> .....		10.6		2.84	S-May 2018 8.4
Other appliances <sup>4</sup> .....	0.132	0.5	0.001	1.52	L-Oct.2009 1.4
Other household equipment and furnishings <sup>4</sup> .....	0.494	-4.4	-0.024	1.03	L-Jun.2017 -3.3
Clocks, lamps, and decorator items.....	0.271	-6.0	-0.019	1.64	S-Jul.2018 -7.2
Indoor plants and flowers <sup>11</sup> .....	0.091	3.1	0.003	1.28	L-Aug.2017 3.2
Dishes and flatware <sup>4</sup> .....	0.053	-9.6	-0.005	3.20	L-Jun.2018 -8.4
Nonelectric cookware and tableware <sup>4</sup> .....	0.080	-3.3	-0.002	1.49	L-Jul.2018 -3.3

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 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Aug. 2018	Twelve Month			
		Unadjusted percent change Sep. 2017-Sep. 2018	Unadjusted effect on All Items Sep. 2017-Sep. 2018 <sup>1</sup>	Standard error, median price change <sup>2</sup>	Largest (L) or Smallest (S) unadjusted change since: <sup>3</sup>
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Tools, hardware, outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>4</sup> ....	0.660	0.7	0.004	0.70	L-Sep.2013 1.4
Tools, hardware and supplies <sup>4</sup> .....	0.195	0.9	0.002	0.81	L-Apr.2018 1.4
Outdoor equipment and supplies <sup>4</sup> .....	0.306	0.5	0.002	0.92	L-May 2017 0.5
Housekeeping supplies.....	0.832	1.3	0.011	0.43	— —
Household cleaning products <sup>4</sup> .....	0.329	2.2	0.007	0.62	L-Jul.2012 2.4
Household paper products <sup>4</sup> .....	0.220	0.4	0.001	0.83	S-Jul.2018 0.4
Miscellaneous household products <sup>4</sup> .....	0.282	1.0	0.003	0.88	— —
Apparel.....	2.995	-0.6	-0.012	0.79	L-Jul.2018 0.3
Men's and boys' apparel.....	0.731	0.9	0.007	1.43	L-Jul.2018 1.4
Men's apparel.....	0.574	0.3	0.002	1.68	L-Jul.2018 0.8
Men's suits, sport coats, and outerwear.....	0.102	-4.7	-0.004	2.87	S-Jun.2018 -4.8
Men's furnishings.....	0.155	3.6	0.005	3.59	S-Jun.2018 -0.7
Men's shirts and sweaters <sup>4</sup> .....	0.162	0.5	0.001	2.21	L-Jul.2018 1.3
Men's pants and shorts.....	0.147	-0.3	0.000	2.81	L-Jun.2018 -0.1
Boys' apparel.....	0.156	2.7	0.006	3.18	L-Jul.2018 4.1
Women's and girls' apparel.....	1.209	-1.0	-0.009	1.21	L-Jun.2018 0.8
Women's apparel.....	1.038	-0.9	-0.004	1.32	L-Jun.2018 0.8
Women's outerwear.....	0.068	-0.1	0.001	4.56	L-Nov.2017 -0.1
Women's dresses.....	0.130	7.3	0.008	3.98	L-May 2018 7.6
Women's suits and separates <sup>4</sup> .....	0.531	-2.8	-0.003	1.77	L-Jul.2018 -1.6
Women's underwear, nightwear, sportswear and accessories <sup>4</sup> .....	0.296	-2.9	-0.010	2.05	S-May 2015 -3.8
Girls' apparel.....	0.171	-2.4	-0.005	2.99	L-Jul.2018 -2.0
Footwear.....	0.671	-0.8	-0.005	1.29	S-Jun.2018 -1.3
Men's footwear.....	0.218	1.3	0.003	2.00	S-Jun.2018 -0.9
Boys' and girls' footwear.....	0.162	0.2	0.000	2.35	S-Jun.2018 -1.2
Women's footwear.....	0.291	-3.0	-0.009	1.69	L-Jul.2018 -2.0
Infants' and toddlers' apparel.....	0.135	1.1	0.001	2.57	S-Feb.2018 0.9
Jewelry and watches <sup>8</sup> .....	0.251	-2.8	-0.005	4.64	S-Jan.2015 -2.8
Watches <sup>8</sup> .....	0.097	0.3	0.001	10.80	L-Jul.2018 0.3
Jewelry <sup>8</sup> .....	0.154	-4.6	-0.006	4.96	S-Dec.2014 -5.1
Transportation commodities less motor fuel <sup>10</sup> .....	6.638	-0.2	-0.014	0.19	S-Jun.2018 -0.4
New vehicles.....	3.711	0.5	0.015	0.33	L-Feb.2017 0.5
New cars and trucks <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		0.5		0.39	L-Feb.2017 0.5
New cars <sup>5</sup> .....		1.1		0.39	L-Jan.2013 1.4
New trucks <sup>12, 5</sup> .....		0.0		0.52	— —
Used cars and trucks.....	2.434	-1.5	-0.032	0.09	S-May 2018 -1.7
Motor vehicle parts and equipment.....	0.378	0.4	0.002	0.70	— —
Tires.....	0.222	-1.5	-0.003	1.03	L-May 2018 -0.8
Vehicle accessories other than tires <sup>4</sup> .....	0.156	3.3	0.005	0.75	S-Jul.2018 2.7
Vehicle parts and equipment other than tires <sup>5</sup> ....		2.7		0.80	S-Jun.2018 2.1
Motor oil, coolant, and fluids <sup>5</sup> .....		6.8		1.08	L-Jun.2012 9.5
Medical care commodities.....	1.719	0.7	0.013	0.69	L-Jun.2018 2.4
Medicinal drugs <sup>10</sup> .....	1.663	0.7	0.012	0.71	L-Jun.2018 2.4
Prescription drugs.....	1.323	1.2	0.016	0.87	L-Jun.2018 3.2
Nonprescription drugs <sup>10</sup> .....	0.339	-1.1	-0.004	0.77	L-Jun.2018 -0.6
Medical equipment and supplies <sup>10</sup> .....	0.056	1.0	0.001	0.90	L-Jul.2018 1.3
Recreation commodities <sup>10</sup> .....	1.804	-3.3	-0.059	0.43	S-May 2018 -3.3
Video and audio products <sup>10</sup> .....	0.235	-13.5	-0.032	1.38	S-Jun.2018 -13.6
Televisions.....	0.108	-18.6	-0.022	1.88	S-Jun.2018 -19.1
Other video equipment <sup>4</sup> .....	0.027	-1.8	0.000	1.71	L-May 2018 -1.8
Audio equipment.....	0.043	-14.3	-0.008	2.38	S-Jun.2018 -14.5
Recorded music and music subscriptions <sup>4</sup> .....	0.049	-4.6	-0.002	7.26	S-Jan.2017 -4.6
Pets and pet products.....	0.599	1.0	0.007	0.54	L-May 2013 1.4

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Pet food <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		0.2	0.69	L-Jul.2018	0.3		
Purchase of pets, pet supplies, accessories <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		2.2	1.01	L-Dec.2011	2.2		
Sporting goods.....	0.492	-0.5	-0.002	0.81	S-Feb.2018	-0.6	
Sports vehicles including bicycles.....	0.281	2.1	0.005	1.23	S-Jun.2018	1.8	
Sports equipment.....	0.204	-3.6	-0.007	1.05	S-May 2017	-4.4	
Photographic equipment and supplies.....	0.033	-6.6	-0.003	2.01	S-Apr.2016	-7.6	
Film and photographic supplies <sup>4, 5</sup> .....				2.74	S-May 2016	-7.5	
Photographic equipment <sup>4, 5</sup> .....				-6.0	S-May 2016	-7.5	
Recreational reading materials.....	0.115	1.4	0.001	1.35	S-May 2018	0.8	
Newspapers and magazines <sup>4</sup> .....	0.070	2.4	0.001	1.97	S-Jun.2018	0.2	
Recreational books <sup>4</sup> .....	0.045	-0.2	0.000	1.67	S-Mar.2018	-2.0	
Other recreational goods <sup>4</sup> .....	0.330	-8.3	-0.029	0.98	S-Aug.2017	-8.6	
Toys.....	0.259	-10.0	-0.029	1.11	S-Jun.2018	-10.2	
Toys, games, hobbies and playground equipment <sup>4, 5</sup> .....				-9.7	S-Jun.2018	-10.4	
Sewing machines, fabric and supplies <sup>4</sup> .....	0.023	2.8	0.001	2.69	L-Jul.2018	5.6	
Music instruments and accessories <sup>4</sup> .....	0.036	-1.0	0.000	1.50	S-Jul.2018	-2.2	
Education and communication commodities <sup>10</sup> .....	0.545	-1.9	-0.011	0.97	L-May 2018	-1.1	
Educational books and supplies.....	0.131	1.8	0.003	1.91	L-Jul.2018	1.9	
College textbooks <sup>13, 5</sup> .....				2.7	L-May 2018	3.8	
Information technology commodities <sup>10</sup> .....	0.414	-3.1	-0.014	1.04	L-May 2018	-2.9	
Personal computers and peripheral equipment <sup>6</sup> ....	0.312	-2.6	-0.007	1.24	L-May 2018	-2.3	
Computer software and accessories <sup>4</sup> .....	0.024	-2.2	-0.001	3.43	L-Apr.2018	-0.5	
Telephone hardware, calculators, and other consumer information items <sup>4</sup> .....	0.078	-6.5	-0.005	1.41	S-Nov.2017	-6.7	
Alcoholic beverages.....	0.959	1.6	0.016	0.29	L-Jun.2018	1.7	
Alcoholic beverages at home.....	0.595	1.1	0.007	0.43	—	—	
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages at home.....	0.263	1.1	0.003	0.52	S-May 2018	0.9	
Distilled spirits at home.....	0.081	0.2	0.000	0.73	S-Jul.2018	0.2	
Whiskey at home <sup>5</sup> .....				-1.9	S-Jun.2018	-1.9	
Distilled spirits, excluding whiskey, at home <sup>5</sup> .....				0.6	1.03	L-Sep.2017	0.6
Wine at home.....	0.251	1.4	0.004	0.81	L-Jun.2018	2.1	
Alcoholic beverages away from home.....	0.364	2.5	0.009	0.32	L-May 2015	2.5	
Beer, ale, and other malt beverages away from home <sup>4, 5</sup> .....				2.2	0.63	L-Sep.2017	2.4
Wine away from home <sup>4, 5</sup> .....				3.4	0.58	L-Oct.2012	3.4
Distilled spirits away from home <sup>4, 5</sup> .....				1.9	0.77	L-Jul.2018	2.1
Other goods <sup>10</sup> .....	1.545	0.8	0.012	0.34	S-Jul.2018	0.8	
Tobacco and smoking products.....	0.647	3.2	0.021	0.44	S-Jul.2018	3.1	
Cigarettes <sup>4</sup> .....	0.573	3.2	0.019	0.43	S-Jul.2018	3.1	
Tobacco products other than cigarettes <sup>4</sup> .....	0.059	3.4	0.002	1.18	S-Jun.2017	3.3	
Personal care products.....	0.688	0.0	0.000	0.54	S-Jul.2018	-0.2	
Hair, dental, shaving, and miscellaneous personal care products <sup>4</sup> .....	0.380	0.4	0.002	0.81	S-Jul.2018	-0.3	
Cosmetics, perfume, bath, nail preparations and implements.....	0.302	-0.7	-0.002	0.85	—	—	
Miscellaneous personal goods <sup>4</sup> .....	0.210	-3.9	-0.009	1.81	S-Apr.2017	-5.0	
Stationery, stationery supplies, gift wrap <sup>5</sup> .....				-1.7	1.51	S-Dec.2017	-1.7
Infants' equipment <sup>7, 5</sup> .....				-7.9	1.28	S-Mar.2017	-8.4
Services less energy services.....	59.162	3.0	1.762	0.09	—	—	
Shelter.....	32.888	3.3	1.079	0.10	S-Mar.2018	3.3	
Rent of shelter <sup>14</sup> .....	32.513	3.3	1.073	0.10	S-Mar.2018	3.3	
Rent of primary residence.....	7.813	3.6	0.282	0.11	—	—	
Lodging away from home <sup>4</sup> .....	1.006	0.6	0.012	2.03	S-Feb.2018	-1.5	

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Housing at school, excluding board <sup>14</sup> .....	0.113	2.5	0.003	0.29	—
Other lodging away from home including hotels and motels.....	0.893	0.1	0.009	2.37	S-Feb.2018 -2.2
Owners' equivalent rent of residences <sup>14</sup> .....	23.694	3.3	0.779	0.10	—
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence <sup>14</sup> ..	22.372	3.3	0.739	0.10	—
Tenants' and household insurance <sup>4</sup> .....	0.375	1.7	0.006	0.37	—
Water and sewer and trash collection services <sup>4</sup> .....	1.080	3.6	0.040	0.20	S-Jul.2018 3.6
Water and sewerage maintenance.....	0.816	3.2	0.027	0.24	S-May 2018 3.2
Garbage and trash collection <sup>12</sup> .....	0.265	4.9	0.013	0.38	L-Dec.2008 5.0
Household operations <sup>4</sup> .....	0.871	5.5	0.047	0.99	S-Jan.2018 4.0
Domestic services <sup>4</sup> .....	0.298	2.1	0.006	0.41	S-Apr.2017 1.9
Gardening and lawncare services <sup>4</sup> .....	0.292	8.8	0.024	0.51	S-Jul.2018 8.0
Moving, storage, freight expense <sup>4</sup> .....	0.102	6.7	0.007	4.54	L-Jul.2018 8.6
Repair of household items <sup>4</sup> .....	0.105	4.6	0.005	0.81	—
Medical care services.....	6.874	2.0	0.136	0.32	L-Jul.2018 2.3
Professional services.....	3.238	0.9	0.029	0.38	L-Jul.2018 1.4
Physicians' services.....	1.727	0.5	0.009	0.62	L-Jul.2018 0.6
Dental services.....	0.779	2.1	0.017	0.50	—
Eyeglasses and eye care <sup>8</sup> .....	0.316	1.3	0.004	0.78	L-Jul.2018 2.5
Services by other medical professionals <sup>8</sup> .....	0.416	0.0	-0.001	0.86	S-Feb.2018 -0.3
Hospital and related services.....	2.594	3.7	0.096	0.50	S-May 2016 3.3
Hospital services <sup>15</sup> .....	2.316	3.8	0.086	0.55	S-May 2016 3.2
Inpatient hospital services <sup>15, 5</sup> .....		3.7		1.65	L-Jul.2018 4.1
Outpatient hospital services <sup>8, 5</sup> .....		3.2		1.51	S-Nov.2016 3.2
Nursing homes and adult day services <sup>15</sup> .....	0.191	3.8	0.007	0.44	—
Care of invalids and elderly at home <sup>7</sup> .....	0.087	2.2	0.002	1.16	L-Oct.2016 2.4
Health insurance <sup>7</sup> .....	1.042	1.0	0.011	0.36	L-Jul.2017 1.2
Transportation services.....	5.936	4.0	0.238	0.25	L-Jul.2018 4.0
Leased cars and trucks <sup>13</sup> .....	0.654	7.3	0.044	1.20	L-Aug.2009 8.0
Car and truck rental <sup>4</sup> .....	0.126	-1.8	-0.001	2.67	L-Apr.2018 2.4
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair.....	1.113	2.2	0.025	0.47	S-May 2018 1.6
Motor vehicle body work.....	0.055	2.7	0.002	0.64	S-May 2018 2.5
Motor vehicle maintenance and servicing.....	0.626	2.7	0.017	0.69	S-May 2018 2.5
Motor vehicle repair <sup>4</sup> .....	0.368	1.3	0.005	0.64	S-Jul.2018 1.3
Motor vehicle insurance.....	2.374	6.6	0.160	0.46	L-Jul.2018 7.4
Motor vehicle fees <sup>4</sup> .....	0.540	2.1	0.012	0.35	L-May 2018 2.3
State motor vehicle registration and license fees <sup>4</sup> .....	0.279	1.3	0.004	0.43	S-Jul.2018 1.1
Parking and other fees <sup>4</sup> .....	0.243	3.1	0.008	0.54	L-May 2018 3.3
Parking fees and tolls <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		2.1		1.21	L-Jun.2018 2.3
Automobile service clubs <sup>4, 5</sup> .....				1.99	—
Public transportation.....	1.131	-0.2	-0.001	0.63	S-Jul.2018 -1.5
Airline fares.....	0.678	-0.4	-0.001	0.94	L-Mar.2017 0.0
Other intercity transportation.....	0.167	-1.1	-0.002	1.21	S-Jun.2015 -2.5
Intercity bus fare <sup>6, 5</sup> .....		1.0		3.59	L-Apr.2018 3.3
Intercity train fare <sup>6, 5</sup> .....					
Ship fare <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		0.2		2.08	L-Jul.2018 0.7
Intracity transportation.....	0.278	0.6	0.002	0.30	S-Aug.2014 0.6
Intracity mass transit <sup>10, 5</sup> .....		2.2		0.81	S-Aug.2017 0.8
Recreation services <sup>10</sup> .....	3.835	1.9	0.073	0.55	L-Jun.2018 2.3
Video and audio services <sup>10</sup> .....	1.579	1.3	0.020	0.50	L-Jun.2018 1.3
Cable and satellite television service <sup>12</sup> .....	1.495	1.3	0.019	0.51	L-May 2018 1.4
Video discs and other media, including rental of video <sup>4</sup> .....	0.084	1.2	0.001	1.69	L-Jul.2018 4.3

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**Table 7. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category, September 2018, 12-month analysis table — Continued**  
 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Aug. 2018	Twelve Month			
		Unadjusted percent change Sep. 2017-Sep. 2018	Unadjusted effect on All Items Sep. 2017-Sep. 2018 <sup>1</sup>	Standard error, median price change <sup>2</sup>	Largest (L) or Smallest (S) unadjusted change since: <sup>3</sup>
		Date	Percent change		
Video discs and other media <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		-3.1		3.58	L-Jul.2018 2.4
Rental of video discs and other media <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		2.6		0.80	S-Nov.2017 2.6
Pet services including veterinary <sup>4</sup> .....	0.410	2.5	0.010	0.57	L-Jul.2018 2.6
Pet services <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		3.1		0.60	L-Jun.2018 3.9
Veterinarian services <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		2.5		0.65	L-Jun.2018 2.8
Photographers and photo processing <sup>4</sup> .....	0.038	-0.9	0.000	1.05	L-Apr.2017 -0.5
Photographer fees <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		2.1		1.26	L-Aug.2016 3.0
Photo processing <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		-8.8		1.21	S-EVER -
Other recreation services <sup>4</sup> .....	1.805	2.4	0.044	1.08	L-Jul.2018 2.4
Club membership for shopping clubs, fraternal, or other organizations, or participant sports fees <sup>4</sup> .....	0.667	2.4	0.015	1.42	L-Jun.2018 2.9
Admissions.....	0.654	2.3	0.015	1.68	L-Jul.2018 2.9
Admission to movies, theaters, and concerts <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		1.6		1.68	L-Jul.2018 3.0
Admission to sporting events <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		3.7		3.59	L-Jun.2018 5.4
Fees for lessons or instructions <sup>8</sup> .....	0.213	3.0	0.007	1.34	L-Mar.2018 3.3
Education and communication services <sup>10</sup> .....	6.045	1.5	0.093	0.24	S-Jul.2018 1.5
Tuition, other school fees, and childcare.....	2.883	2.6	0.075	0.20	S-Jul.2018 2.2
College tuition and fees.....	1.597	2.4	0.038	0.26	S-Jul.2018 2.0
Elementary and high school tuition and fees.....	0.334	4.9	0.016	0.42	L-Aug.2009 5.2
Child care and nursery school <sup>11</sup> .....	0.801	2.1	0.017	0.40	L-Sep.2017 2.2
Technical and business school tuition and fees <sup>4</sup> ..	0.032	1.8	0.001	1.02	S-Apr.2018 1.6
Postage and delivery services <sup>4</sup> .....	0.108	2.6	0.003	0.22	L-Jan.2018 4.0
Postage.....	0.094	2.0	0.002	0.22	- -
Delivery services <sup>4</sup> .....	0.014	7.8	0.001	0.99	L-Jul.2018 8.0
Telephone services <sup>4</sup> .....	2.266	0.4	0.008	0.50	- -
Wireless telephone services <sup>4</sup> .....	1.695	-0.2	-0.004	0.64	S-May 2018 -0.5
Land-line telephone services <sup>10</sup> .....	0.571	1.8	0.012	0.61	L-Jan.2018 2.1
Internet services and electronic information providers <sup>4</sup> .....	0.779	1.0	0.008	1.21	L-Sep.2016 1.1
Other personal services <sup>10</sup> .....	1.632	3.5	0.056	0.25	L-Jun.2018 3.6
Personal care services.....	0.624	2.6	0.016	0.36	L-Jul.2018 3.0
Haircuts and other personal care services <sup>4</sup> .....	0.624	2.6	0.016	0.36	L-Jul.2018 3.0
Miscellaneous personal services.....	1.009	4.0	0.040	0.38	L-May 2018 4.2
Legal services <sup>8</sup> .....	0.304	4.6	0.014	0.56	L-May 2018 4.8
Funeral expenses <sup>8</sup> .....	0.127	1.9	0.003	0.41	- -
Laundry and dry cleaning services <sup>4</sup> .....	0.237	3.0	0.007	0.74	L-May 2017 3.0
Apparel services other than laundry and dry cleaning <sup>4</sup> .....	0.029	2.2	0.001	0.91	L-Jan.2017 2.4
Financial services <sup>8</sup> .....	0.240	5.5	0.013	1.03	- -
Checking account and other bank services <sup>4, 5</sup> ..		10.0		0.96	- -
Tax return preparation and other accounting fees <sup>4, 5</sup> .....		5.6		1.14	S-Mar.2018 -1.7
<b>Special aggregate indexes</b>					
All items less food.....	86.766	2.4	2.096	0.07	S-Feb.2018 2.3
All items less shelter.....	67.112	1.8	1.198	0.08	S-Feb.2018 1.7
All items less food and shelter.....	53.878	1.9	1.017	0.10	S-Feb.2018 1.8
All items less food, shelter, and energy.....	45.810	1.4	0.631	0.11	L-Jul.2018 1.5
All items less food, shelter, energy, and used cars and trucks.....	43.375	1.5	0.663	0.12	L-Jul.2018 1.5
All items less medical care.....	91.407	2.3	2.128	0.07	S-Feb.2018 2.3
All items less energy.....	91.932	2.1	1.891	0.07	- -
Commodities.....	37.386	1.5	0.565	0.11	S-Mar.2018 1.5

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**Table 7. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category, September 2018, 12-month analysis table — Continued**  
 [1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Aug. 2018	Twelve Month			
		Unadjusted percent change Sep. 2017-Sep. 2018	Unadjusted effect on All Items Sep. 2017-Sep. 2018 <sup>1</sup>	Standard error, median price change <sup>2</sup>	Largest (L) or Smallest (S) unadjusted change since: <sup>3</sup>
		Date	Percent change		
Commodities less food, energy, and used cars and trucks.....	17.101	-0.2	-0.020	0.21	L-Jul.2018 -0.2
Commodities less food.....	24.152	1.5	0.384	0.17	S-Mar.2018 1.5
Commodities less food and beverages.....	23.194	1.4	0.368	0.17	S-Jan.2018 0.9
Services.....	62.614	2.7	1.712	0.08	S-Feb.2018 2.6
Services less rent of shelter <sup>14</sup> .....	30.101	2.1	0.640	0.13	— —
Services less medical care services.....	55.740	2.8	1.577	0.09	S-Feb.2018 2.7
Durables.....	9.965	-0.7	-0.066	0.18	S-Jun.2018 -1.2
Nondurables.....	27.421	2.3	0.630	0.13	S-Jan.2018 2.2
Nondurables less food.....	14.188	3.1	0.449	0.24	S-Jan.2018 2.6
Nondurables less food and beverages.....	13.229	3.2	0.434	0.25	S-Jan.2018 2.8
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel.....	10.234	4.4	0.445	0.20	S-Jan.2018 3.9
Nondurables less food and apparel.....	11.192	4.1	0.461	0.18	S-Jan.2018 3.6
Housing.....	41.812	2.7	1.147	0.09	S-Sep.2016 2.7
Education and communication <sup>4</sup> .....	6.590	1.2	0.082	0.22	— —
Education <sup>4</sup> .....	3.014	2.6	0.078	0.22	S-Jul.2018 2.1
Communication <sup>4</sup> .....	3.576	0.1	0.004	0.37	L-Jul.2018 0.1
Information and information processing <sup>4</sup> .....	3.468	0.1	0.002	0.38	L-Jun.2012 0.1
Information technology, hardware and services <sup>16</sup> .....	1.202	-0.5	-0.006	0.81	L-Oct.1990 0.1
Recreation <sup>4</sup> .....	5.639	0.2	0.015	0.40	L-Jul.2018 0.3
Video and audio <sup>4</sup> .....	1.814	-0.7	-0.012	0.46	L-Jun.2018 -0.6
Pets, pet products and services <sup>4</sup> .....	1.009	1.6	0.017	0.40	L-Jun.2018 1.6
Photography <sup>4</sup> .....	0.073	-3.5	-0.003	1.02	S-Jul.2018 -4.0
Food and beverages.....	14.193	1.4	0.197	0.09	— —
Domestically produced farm food.....	6.070	0.2	0.015	0.17	S-Jun.2017 -0.2
Other services.....	11.512	1.9	0.223	0.21	L-Aug.2016 2.0
Apparel less footwear.....	2.325	-0.5	-0.006	0.97	L-Jul.2018 0.2
Fuels and utilities.....	4.722	0.5	0.019	0.12	S-Aug.2016 0.2
Household energy.....	3.641	-0.4	-0.021	0.15	S-Aug.2016 -0.7
Medical care.....	8.593	1.7	0.149	0.30	L-Jul.2018 1.9
Transportation.....	17.001	3.7	0.630	0.12	S-Jan.2018 3.0
Private transportation.....	15.870	4.0	0.631	0.12	S-Jan.2018 3.4
New and used motor vehicles <sup>4</sup> .....	7.039	0.4	0.027	0.21	S-Jun.2018 0.0
Utilities and public transportation.....	9.424	0.2	0.016	0.16	S-Jul.2018 0.2
Household furnishings and operations.....	4.202	1.1	0.049	0.36	L-Mar.2012 1.1
Other goods and services.....	3.178	2.2	0.068	0.21	— —
Personal care.....	2.530	1.9	0.047	0.26	— —

<sup>1</sup> 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).

<sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.

<sup>5</sup> 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.

<sup>6</sup> Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.

<sup>7</sup> Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.

<sup>8</sup> Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

<sup>9</sup> Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.

<sup>10</sup> Indexes on a December 2009=100 base.

<sup>11</sup> Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.

<sup>12</sup> Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.

<sup>13</sup> Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.

<sup>14</sup> Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.

<sup>15</sup> Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

<sup>16</sup> Indexes on a December 1988=100 base.