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Number of consumer units (in thousands)	121,107	14,378	21,101	12,095	26,231	37,747	9,555
Consumer unit characteristics:							
Income before taxes	\$62,481	\$17,654	\$43,422	\$32,544	\$57,207	\$92,421	\$106,121
Income after taxes	60,712	17,570	41,600	32,652	56,184	89,086	103,694
Age of reference person	49.4	67.0	43.0	63.2	47.5	44.0	46.6
Average number in consumer unit:							
Persons	2.5	1.0	1.0	2.4	3.1	3.1	4.5
Children under 18 .....	.6	n.a.	n.a.	.4	1.1	.8	1.1
Persons 65 and older .....	.3	.6	.1	1.2	.3	.1	.1
Earners	1.3	n.a.	1.0	n.a.	1.0	2.0	3.3
Vehicles	1.9	.9	1.2	1.7	1.9	2.4	3.1
Percent distribution:							
Sex of reference person:							
Male	47	37	53	46	42	50	50
Female	53	63	47	54	58	50	50
Housing tenure:							
Homeowner	66	59	45	72	65	75	79
With mortgage	41	13	31	19	41	58	63
Without mortgage	25	46	14	53	24	17	16
Renter	34	41	55	28	35	25	21
Race of reference person:							
Black or African-American	12	12	13	15	15	9	10
White, Asian, and all other races	88	88	87	85	85	91	90
Hispanic or Latino origin of reference person:							
Hispanic or Latino	12	6	8	9	16	12	23
Not Hispanic or Latino	88	94	92	91	84	88	77
Education of reference person:							
Elementary (1-8)	5	7	2	7	6	3	8
High school (9-12)	35	48	25	47	38	29	35
College	60	43	72	45	57	68	57
Never attended and other	(1)	1	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	1
At least one vehicle owned or leased	88	68	82	83	91	96	96
Average annual expenditures	\$48,109	\$21,859	\$34,099	\$37,785	\$49,122	\$63,071	\$70,354
Food							
Food at home	6,129	2,745	3,922	5,282	6,502	7,784	9,927
Cereals and bakery products	3,624	1,849	1,896	3,654	4,114	4,370	5,881
Cereals and cereal products	502	271	248	498	584	598	819
Bakery products	165	84	80	154	197	196	276
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	337	188	167	344	388	402	543
Beef	784	388	378	856	902	912	1,379
Pork	217	96	87	281	237	253	412
Other meats	149	79	65	167	175	174	247
Poultry	117	62	63	119	139	134	191
Fish and seafood	138	68	65	139	164	159	252
Eggs	117	56	73	103	132	139	201
Dairy products	46	27	24	48	54	53	77
Fruits and vegetables	380	196	191	372	434	465	618
Fresh milk and cream	141	72	70	142	166	166	229
Other dairy products	240	123	121	229	267	299	389
Processed fruits	679	366	364	671	748	829	1,107
Processed vegetables	232	122	131	224	259	285	357
Other processed products	210	117	116	207	228	253	359
Processed fruits	113	62	56	115	123	141	175
Processed vegetables	124	65	61	125	138	150	216

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Other food at home	\$1,278	\$629	\$715	\$1,257	\$1,447	\$1,566	\$1,957
Sugar and other sweets	132	67	66	145	154	158	198
Fats and oils	103	51	52	116	118	120	166
Miscellaneous foods	667	344	368	617	755	830	1,012
Nonalcoholic beverages	333	151	202	329	375	403	527
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips	43	17	27	51	45	56	55
Food away from home	2,505	896	2,026	1,628	2,387	3,414	4,046
Alcoholic beverages	412	143	442	303	331	569	541
Housing	16,557	9,334	12,509	12,916	17,498	20,891	21,321
Shelter	9,812	5,674	8,318	6,568	10,198	12,357	12,330
Owned dwellings	6,277	2,887	3,879	3,943	6,390	8,925	8,862
Mortgage interest and charges	3,351	707	2,126	1,067	3,528	5,208	5,106
Property taxes	1,814	1,095	1,041	1,602	1,834	2,368	2,627
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses	1,112	1,084	712	1,274	1,027	1,349	1,129
Rented dwellings	2,900	2,577	3,968	1,966	3,144	2,611	2,677
Other lodging	635	210	470	659	665	821	791
Utilities, fuels, and public services	3,660	2,317	2,340	3,564	3,983	4,321	5,217
Natural gas	440	301	286	432	464	515	637
Electricity	1,413	924	894	1,515	1,590	1,612	1,888
Fuel oil and other fuels	140	154	73	169	136	157	182
Telephone services	1,178	609	795	958	1,263	1,453	1,835
Water and other public services	489	330	292	491	531	584	675
Household operations	1,007	485	541	770	1,093	1,494	962
Personal services	340	70	53	89	350	708	215
Other household expenses	667	415	487	681	743	786	747
Housekeeping supplies	612	316	371	689	680	735	820
Laundry and cleaning supplies	150	93	79	155	175	178	210
Other household products	329	145	209	363	385	385	448
Postage and stationery	132	78	83	171	119	172	162
Household furnishings and equipment	1,467	542	940	1,324	1,543	1,985	1,992
Household textiles	102	49	53	108	119	130	137
Furniture	355	129	280	331	380	456	428
Floor coverings	36	8	48	19	40	44	33
Major appliances	209	86	113	219	231	278	265
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	107	45	60	129	116	128	164
Miscellaneous household equipment	657	225	385	519	658	950	965
Apparel and services	1,700	440	1,048	1,777	1,872	2,181	2,594
Men and boys	382	68	264	366	389	497	688
Men, 16 and over	304	59	251	301	270	391	576
Boys, 2 to 15	78	9	13	66	119	106	111
Women and girls	663	186	380	560	768	872	1,044
Women, 16 and over	562	172	365	478	607	732	922
Girls, 2 to 15	101	14	15	82	162	140	122
Children under 2	91	14	19	78	140	126	97
Footwear	303	86	195	282	353	371	502
Other apparel products and services	261	85	190	491	222	316	262
Transportation	7,677	2,516	5,027	5,840	7,923	10,363	12,442
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	2,588	584	1,344	1,894	2,865	3,678	4,170
Cars and trucks, new	1,219	251	637	1,166	1,458	1,670	1,594
Cars and trucks, used	1,318	333	641	728	1,370	1,920	2,521
Other vehicles	51	(²)	366	(²)	37	88	354
Gasoline and motor oil	2,132	730	1,460	1,549	2,240	2,818	3,462

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Other vehicle expenses	\$2,464	\$1,029	\$1,811	\$1,993	\$2,354	\$3,218	\$4,087
Vehicle finance charges	243	34	144	109	246	378	403
Maintenance and repairs	787	332	585	625	755	1,041	1,221
Vehicle insurance	1,010	519	768	979	948	1,203	1,825
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, and other charges	423	143	313	281	405	596	638
Public transportation	493	174	412	404	464	649	723
Healthcare	3,157	2,630	1,617	4,736	3,305	3,520	3,514
Health insurance	1,831	1,589	894	3,003	1,938	1,957	1,983
Medical services	722	473	408	731	732	960	810
Drugs	485	476	247	852	521	463	553
Medical supplies	119	92	67	150	114	140	168
Entertainment	2,504	1,065	1,696	2,104	2,556	3,376	3,416
Fees and admissions	581	147	345	499	597	837	815
Audio and visual equipment and services	954	569	724	868	1,004	1,167	1,174
Pets, toys, hobbies, and playground equipment	606	258	415	471	672	738	1,036
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services	364	92	212	265	282	635	392
Personal care products and services	582	299	401	522	608	730	839
Reading	100	77	83	118	91	115	111
Education	1,074	350	770	330	915	1,495	2,555
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	362	242	285	341	425	380	494
Miscellaneous	849	708	783	802	798	959	977
Cash contributions	1,633	1,117	1,327	2,194	1,549	1,772	2,059
Personal insurance and pensions	5,373	193	4,190	521	4,748	8,934	9,564
Life and other personal insurance	318	141	145	291	321	437	525
Pensions and Social Security	5,054	³ 52	4,045	³ 229	4,427	8,497	9,040
Sources of income and personal taxes:							
Money income before taxes	62,481	17,654	43,422	32,544	57,207	92,421	106,121
Wages and salaries	49,568	(²)	38,159	(²)	43,632	83,479	94,423
Self-employment income	2,820	³ 22	1,574	(²)	2,918	4,324	7,141
Social Security, private and government retirement	7,173	14,068	1,935	26,425	7,361	2,353	2,517
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	1,182	1,547	901	2,492	1,133	1,001	440
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits	634	424	294	719	842	686	812
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps	505	617	68	1,764	743	196	283
Regular contributions for support	407	678	256	900	399	265	293
Other income	192	298	235	244	178	117	212
Personal taxes	1,769	84	1,822	-108	1,024	3,335	2,426
Federal income taxes	1,136	-20	1,241	-233	482	2,314	1,516
2008 Tax stimulus (thru Q20091)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
State and local income taxes	482	-1	489	-31	371	842	730
Other taxes	151	105	91	156	171	179	180

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Income after taxes	60,712	17,570	41,600	32,652	56,184	89,086	103,694
Addenda:							
Net change in total assets and liabilities	-\$4,458	-\$3,356	\$934	\$1,511	-\$9,092	-\$5,663	-\$8,095
Net change in total assets	5,503	-1,297	6,081	3,827	2,934	11,017	1,849
Net change in total liabilities	9,960	2,059	5,147	2,315	12,026	16,679	9,944
Other financial information:							
Other money receipts	555	805	377	513	581	386	1,222
Mortgage principal paid on owned property	-2,013	-513	-1,209	-907	-2,020	-3,047	-3,350
Estimated market value of owned home	155,083	98,222	90,744	157,029	159,892	197,236	200,532
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home	849	578	515	845	854	1,069	1,120
Gifts of goods and services	1,029	557	945	941	920	1,237	1,512
Food	89	43	73	39	66	138	124
Alcoholic beverages	14	14	18	10	6	22	9
Housing	199	149	176	216	167	228	278
Housekeeping supplies	25	14	34	31	20	27	24
Household textiles	8	5	4	15	9	7	21
Appliances and miscellaneous housewares	22	13	18	33	16	28	30
Major appliances	5	2	5	³ 4	5	6	6
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares	17	10	13	28	11	22	24
Miscellaneous household equipment	47	24	43	51	55	46	58
Other housing	97	93	77	87	67	120	145
Apparel and services	212	88	217	257	230	225	215
Males, 2 and over	50	23	54	55	44	58	55
Females, 2 and over	73	34	74	126	84	65	59
Children under 2	47	14	19	44	54	68	61
Other apparel products and services	42	17	70	32	48	35	40
Jewelry and watches	17	6	37	10	16	14	15
All other apparel products and services	25	³ 11	33	³ 22	32	21	³ 24
Transportation	85	49	105	168	54	78	98
Health care	21	³ 31	33	³ 2	12	25	³ 14
Entertainment	95	73	83	84	92	105	137
Toys, games, arts and crafts, and tricycles	38	³ 18	16	³ 31	49	45	63
Other entertainment	58	55	67	53	43	60	75
Personal care products and services	13	³ 2	11	12	23	12	12
Reading	1	1	1	1	1	1	³ 1
Education	221	46	126	71	184	322	586
All other gifts	80	61	104	81	84	81	37

1 Value is less than or equal to 0.5.
2 No data reported.
3 Data are likely to have large sampling errors.
n.a. Not applicable.

Source: Consumer Expenditure Survey, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, September, 2011