

**Table 11. Type of Area: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1987**

Item	All consumer units	Urban	Rural
Number of consumer units (in thousands)	94,150	80,732	13,418
Number of sample interviews	41,925	36,901	5,024
<b>Consumer unit characteristics:</b>			
<b>Income before taxes</b> <sup>1</sup>	\$27,326	\$28,246	\$21,891
<b>Income after taxes</b> <sup>1</sup>	24,871	25,662	20,198
<b>Average number of persons in consumer unit</b>	2.6	2.5	2.7
<b>Age of reference person</b>	47	46.7	49.3
<b>Average number in consumer unit:</b>			
Earners	1.4	1.4	1.4
Vehicles	2	1.9	2.6
Children under 18	0.7	0.7	0.8
Persons 65 and over	0.3	0.3	0.3
<b>Percent distribution:</b>			
<b>Sex of reference person:</b>			
Male	67	65	75
Female	33	35	25
<b>Housing tenure:</b>			
Homeowner with mortgage	38	38	36
Homeowner without mortgage	25	22	43
Renter	38	41	21
<b>Race of reference person:</b>			
Black	11	11	6
White and other	89	89	94
<b>Education of reference person:</b>			
Elementary (1-8)	12	11	17
High school (9-12)	45	44	52
College	43	45	31
Never attended and other	1	0	1
<b>At least one vehicle owned</b>	86	84	92
<b>Average annual expenditures:</b>			
<b>Food</b>	3,664	3,693	3,484
Food at home	2,099	2,073	2,256
Cereals and bakery products	299	294	328

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Item	All consumer units	Urban	Rural
Cereals and cereal products	104	101	125
Bakery products	194	193	203
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	572	565	615
Beef	191	190	200
Pork	116	109	152
Other meats	83	82	94
Poultry	87	88	81
Fish and seafood	66	68	56
Eggs	28	28	31
Dairy products	274	269	306
Fresh milk and cream	132	128	158
Other dairy products	142	141	148
Fruits and vegetables	356	355	356
Fresh fruits	113	112	116
Fresh vegetables	110	111	108
Processed fruits	78	78	79
Processed vegetables	55	55	53
Other food at home	567	558	624
Sugar and other sweets	74	72	91
Fats and oils	51	49	62
Miscellaneous foods	248	246	261
Nonalcoholic beverages	194	192	209
Food prep by cu, out-of-town trips	31	32	27
Food away from home	1,565	1,620	1,228
<b>Alcoholic beverages</b>	289	307	181
<b>Housing</b>	7,569	7,872	5,748
Shelter	4,154	4,412	2,604
Owned dwellings	2,375	2,483	1,723
Mortgage interest and charges	1,461	1,559	875
Property taxes	464	473	413
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses	449	452	434
Rented dwellings	1,345	1,473	576
Other lodging	434	455	305
Utilities, fuels, and public services	1,671	1,663	1,717
Natural gas	232	258	77
Electricity	692	667	843
Fuel oil and other fuels	94	76	198
Telephone services	499	503	475
Water and other public services	153	158	124
Household operations	371	391	255
Personal services	170	175	142
Other household expenses	201	216	112
Housekeeping supplies	341	342	339

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Item	All consumer units	Urban	Rural
Laundry and cleaning supplies	97	95	108
Other household products	139	137	149
Postage and stationery	105	109	82
Household furnishings and equipment	1,032	1,065	833
Household textiles	91	96	61
Furniture	315	335	197
Floor coverings	69	77	23
Major appliances	160	158	175
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	57	59	45
Miscellaneous household equipment	340	342	333
<b>Apparel and services</b>	1,446	1,511	1,051
Men and boys	361	380	248
Men, 16 and over	295	312	192
Boys, 2 to 15	66	68	56
Women and girls	591	613	457
Women, 16 and over	510	533	372
Girls, 2 to 15	81	80	85
Children under 2	58	61	40
Footwear	184	190	153
Other apparel products and services	251	268	155
<b>Transportation</b>	4,600	4,682	4,108
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	2,022	2,063	1,772
Cars and trucks, new	1,143	1,206	765
Cars and trucks, used	860	842	967
Other vehicles	18	15	40
Gasoline and motor oil	888	860	1,060
Other vehicle expenses	1,417	1,456	1,181
Vehicle finance charges	280	290	221
Maintenance and repairs	514	529	425
Vehicle insurance	462	472	404
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges	160	165	131
Public transportation	273	302	95
<b>Health care</b>	1,135	1,111	1,278
Health insurance	392	376	484
Medical services	467	469	450
Drugs	203	192	269
Medical supplies	73	73	75
<b>Entertainment</b>	1,193	1,231	964
Fees and admissions	323	343	202
Television, radios, sound equipment	379	396	276
Pets, toys, and playground equipment	218	215	237
Other supplies, equipment, and services	273	277	249
<b>Personal care products and services</b>	330	345	239

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Item	All consumer units	Urban	Rural
Reading	142	146	121
Education	337	357	219
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	232	226	273
Miscellaneous	562	577	473
Cash contributions	741	772	555
Personal insurance and pensions	2,175	2,233	1,821
Life and other personal insurance	294	290	320
Pensions and Social Security	1,881	1,944	1,501
<b>Sources of income and taxes: <sup>1</sup></b>			
Money income before taxes	27,326	28,246	21,891
Wages and salaries	20,613	21,373	16,126
Self-employment income	1,821	1,925	1,211
Social Security, private and government retirement	2,941	2,925	3,036
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	1,115	1,175	759
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits	209	184	359
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps	294	308	211
Regular contributions for support	232	252	112
Other income	102	106	78
Personal taxes <sup>1</sup>	2,455	2,585	1,693
Federal income taxes	1,951	2,076	1,214
State and local income taxes	454	461	413
Other taxes	50	48	66
Income after taxes <sup>1</sup>	24,871	25,662	20,198
<b>Addenda:</b>			
Net change in total assets	4,608	5,104	1,622
Net change in total liabilities	1,486	1,784	-308
<b>Other financial information</b>			
Other money receipts	316	283	515

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Item	All consumer units	Urban	Rural
Mortgage principal paid on owned property	-434	-424	-496
Estimated market value of owned home	52,599	54,166	43,174
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home	333	349	242
<b>Gifts of:</b>			
Clothing, males 2 and over	58	60	44
Clothing, females 2 and over	75	76	68
Clothing, infants less than 2	25	27	16
Jewelry and watches	23	25	11
Small appliances and miscellaneous housewares	16	17	15
Household textiles	12	13	5
All other gifts	540	553	461

<sup>1</sup> Components of income and taxes are derived from "complete income reporters" only; see glossary at <http://stats.bls.gov/csxgloss.htm>

**Note:** All values have been rounded, and therefore some rounded values equal zero. When data are not reported or are not applicable (i.e., missing values), values are set to zero.

**Note:** Some data are likely to have large sampling errors