

Table 42. Consumer units of single females by age of reference person: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1998-1999

Item	All single females	Under 25	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65 and over
Number of consumer units (in thousands)	17,859	2,216	1,827	1,763	2,249	2,261	7,543
Consumer unit characteristics:							
Income before taxes ¹	\$20,779	\$10,163	\$28,489	\$34,174	\$28,628	\$21,799	\$16,241
Income after taxes ¹	19,132	9,624	25,831	30,580	26,053	19,788	15,350
Age of reference person	55.8	20.8	29.0	39.8	49.8	59.4	76.9
Average number in consumer unit:							
Persons	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Children under 18	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Persons 65 and over .....	.4	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	1.0
Earners .....	.5	.9	.9	.9	.8	.6	.1
Vehicles .....	.8	.6	.9	1.0	1.1	1.0	.8
Percent distribution:							
Sex of reference person:							
Female	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Housing tenure:							
Homeowner	52	4	23	48	55	65	70
With mortgage	18	2	19	37	37	29	9
Without mortgage	35	2	4	11	19	36	61
Renter	48	96	77	52	45	35	30
Race of reference person:							
Black	12	9	13	19	19	13	9
White and other	88	91	87	81	81	87	91
Education of reference person:							
Elementary (1-8)	9	(²)	1	2	3	7	18
High school (9-12)	37	18	13	27	32	42	50
College	54	82	86	70	64	50	32
Never attended and other	(²)	(³)	1	1	(²)	(²)	(²)
At least one vehicle owned or leased	71	57	77	79	81	80	65
Average annual expenditures	\$20,575	\$13,182	\$25,608	\$26,808	\$26,065	\$23,088	\$17,658
Food							
Food at home	1,488	875	1,476	1,530	1,812	1,654	1,498
Cereals and bakery products	233	143	228	211	258	253	250
Cereals and cereal products	73	49	68	74	79	72	78
Bakery products	160	94	160	137	179	181	172
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	333	164	296	360	423	384	337
Beef	86	40	73	86	126	98	87
Pork	65	32	51	69	77	89	65
Other meats	42	26	36	45	43	43	46
Poultry	65	33	70	76	74	83	63
Fish and seafood	57	26	53	67	82	53	58
Eggs	17	7	14	18	20	19	19
Dairy products	163	113	159	156	183	185	167
Fresh milk and cream	61	36	57	58	62	62	69
Other dairy products	102	76	103	99	121	123	98
Fruits and vegetables	291	166	263	265	357	314	310
Fresh fruits	97	49	83	83	121	106	107
Fresh vegetables	88	46	84	93	116	88	91
Processed fruits	64	49	61	55	67	73	68
Processed vegetables	41	22	35	34	52	47	43

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Table 42. Consumer units of single females by age of reference person: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1998-1999 — Continued

Item	All single females	Under 25	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65 and over
Other food at home	\$469	\$289	\$529	\$536	\$591	\$518	\$434
Sugar and other sweets	67	45	81	71	74	69	66
Fats and oils	45	26	36	43	60	53	46
Miscellaneous foods	213	129	248	232	279	227	198
Nonalcoholic beverages	121	68	135	160	149	136	109
Food prepared by consumer unit on out-of-town trips	23	20	29	31	29	33	16
Food away from home	910	1,154	1,361	1,345	1,153	888	568
Alcoholic beverages	156	231	266	247	237	129	74
Housing	8,025	4,291	9,744	10,299	10,151	8,462	7,401
Shelter	4,762	2,889	6,493	6,788	6,330	4,966	3,890
Owned dwellings	2,242	162	1,630	3,281	3,550	3,017	2,136
Mortgage interest and charges	903	477	1,109	2,115	2,003	1,370	345
Property taxes	697	66	327	721	812	849	886
Maintenance, repairs, insurance, other expenses	642	419	194	445	734	798	906
Rented dwellings	2,274	2,499	4,660	3,152	2,555	1,640	1,531
Other lodging	246	229	203	355	226	309	223
Utilities, fuels, and public services	1,619	717	1,641	1,794	1,820	1,836	1,712
Natural gas	200	53	159	199	215	221	242
Electricity	594	204	513	624	633	709	675
Fuel oil and other fuels	53	410	421	31	45	62	79
Telephone services	595	416	861	769	739	636	487
Water and other public services	176	35	87	170	188	209	228
Household operations	470	43	130	294	251	285	838
Personal services	171	(³)	44	454	414	46	384
Other household expenses	299	43	126	239	237	278	454
Housekeeping supplies	293	126	248	301	396	388	288
Laundry and cleaning supplies	63	26	66	72	70	80	63
Other household products	123	44	90	115	177	184	120
Postage and stationery	107	56	92	114	150	124	105
Household furnishings and equipment	882	516	1,232	1,122	1,354	987	674
Household textiles	94	19	156	84	74	134	95
Furniture	210	138	285	299	291	221	166
Floor coverings	33	6	18	57	35	78	25
Major appliances	118	46	217	101	207	91	100
Small appliances, miscellaneous housewares	62	34	94	76	95	67	48
Miscellaneous household equipment	365	272	461	505	652	396	239
Apparel and services	1,051	1,016	1,572	1,461	1,135	1,011	829
Men and boys	46	28	79	38	71	51	37
Men, 16 and over	30	426	427	418	54	434	27
Boys, 2 to 15	16	42	52	20	17	17	10
Women and girls	603	649	961	939	744	585	391
Women, 16 and over	590	649	947	927	710	565	381
Girls, 2 to 15	14	(²)	415	12	34	21	10
Children under 2	14	48	419	47	431	430	47
Footwear	153	200	258	233	90	150	117
Other apparel products and services	233	131	255	244	200	196	277
Transportation	2,985	2,110	4,535	4,609	4,397	3,432	1,933
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	1,252	899	2,119	2,109	1,967	1,397	688
Cars and trucks, new	698	4372	1,083	1,258	864	955	442
Cars and trucks, used	554	527	1,036	851	1,103	442	246
Other vehicles	(³)	(³)	(³)	(³)	(³)	(³)	(³)
Gasoline and motor oil	433	396	547	624	584	550	292

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Table 42. Consumer units of single females by age of reference person: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 1998-1999 — Continued

Item	All single females	Under 25	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65 and over
Other vehicle expenses	\$1,036	\$630	\$1,467	\$1,516	\$1,580	\$1,160	\$740
Vehicle finance charges	98	78	213	168	174	108	34
Maintenance and repairs	332	230	324	455	486	378	275
Vehicle insurance	381	187	543	549	478	454	308
Vehicle rental, leases, licenses, other charges	226	136	387	345	442	219	123
Public transportation	264	185	403	360	266	325	212
Health care	1,515	295	760	1,089	1,371	1,474	2,209
Health insurance	692	110	318	394	481	574	1,122
Medical services	391	91	264	414	484	474	452
Drugs	350	59	122	213	303	341	536
Medical supplies	83	34	56	69	104	86	99
Entertainment	840	641	1,090	1,199	1,013	1,126	614
Fees and admissions	227	246	372	317	248	279	144
Television, radios, sound equipment	333	222	409	444	370	351	305
Pets, toys, and playground equipment	173	67	177	298	220	269	129
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services	106	106	132	141	175	227	36
Personal care products and services	335	216	423	416	450	326	294
Reading	128	63	135	139	176	145	124
Education	349	1,287	841	260	281	206	39
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	117	75	92	182	216	189	69
Miscellaneous	639	221	513	561	744	896	701
Cash contributions	775	130	354	472	381	1,452	1,052
Personal insurance and pensions	1,261	578	2,442	2,999	2,547	1,698	254
Life and other personal insurance	136	18	73	148	160	220	150
Pensions and Social Security	1,125	560	2,369	2,851	2,388	1,478	104
Sources of income and personal taxes: ¹							
Money income before taxes	20,779	10,163	28,489	34,174	28,628	21,799	16,241
Wages and salaries	12,478	8,458	26,373	31,260	25,617	15,197	1,236
Self-employment income	466	⁴ 164	643	1,312	834	782	117
Social Security, private and government retirement	5,521	⁴ 77	335	788	960	3,970	11,241
Interest, dividends, rental income, other property income	1,585	60	138	155	422	871	3,258
Unemployment and workers' compensation, veterans' benefits	75	⁴ 10	⁴ 95	⁴ 99	88	⁴ 195	⁴ 45
Public assistance, supplemental security income, food stamps	194	59	156	214	357	403	127
Regular contributions for support	265	724	479	251	142	327	103
Other income	194	610	271	95	207	54	115
Personal taxes	1,647	539	2,658	3,594	2,575	2,011	891
Federal income taxes	1,220	417	1,993	2,768	2,005	1,535	584
State and local income taxes	323	120	644	779	478	360	141
Other taxes	104	⁴ 2	21	47	92	116	166
Income after taxes	19,132	9,624	25,831	30,580	26,053	19,788	15,350

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Item	All single females	Under 25	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65 and over
Addenda:							
Net change in total assets and liabilities	-\$275	-\$1,574	-\$3,685	\$877	-\$936	\$1,590	\$302
Net change in total assets	2,208	347	293	9,336	4,230	3,444	580
Net change in total liabilities	2,483	1,922	3,978	8,458	5,166	1,854	278
Other financial information:							
Other money receipts	379	185	430	315	876	899	134
Mortgage principal paid on owned property	-425	⁴ -20	-320	-641	-791	-984	-241
Estimated market value of owned home	55,775	4,511	20,659	48,690	55,181	65,229	78,340
Estimated monthly rental value of owned home ..	395	39	184	398	427	492	511
Gifts of goods and services	749	416	656	772	893	1,122	707
Food	42	25	45	47	56	56	36
Housing	228	175	191	271	240	292	219
Housekeeping supplies	35	17	32	62	48	54	24
Household textiles	23	(²)	⁴ 22	⁴ 6	20	54	25
Appliances and miscellaneous							
housewares	26	⁴ 9	28	⁴ 37	18	43	25
Major appliances	10	⁴ 5	⁴ 3	⁴ 8	⁴ 1	⁴ 23	12
Small appliances and miscellaneous							
housewares	16	44	25	⁴ 29	17	21	13
Miscellaneous household equipment	52	56	64	80	70	50	37
Other housing	92	92	45	86	84	92	108
Apparel and services	166	99	203	160	226	229	140
Males, 2 and over	46	28	79	38	69	52	37
Females, 2 and over	61	⁴ 16	83	43	98	86	53
Children under 2	14	48	⁴ 19	47	31	30	7
Other apparel products and services	44	47	22	71	29	62	42
Jewelry and watches	23	19	16	37	16	18	26
All other apparel products and services	22	⁴ 28	⁴ 6	⁴ 34	⁴ 13	⁴ 43	17
Transportation	38	10	27	19	18	147	26
Health care	59	41	⁴ 15	⁴ 20	⁴ 24	⁴ 11	120
Entertainment	64	26	65	63	60	123	58
Toys, games, hobbies, and tricycles	25	9	19	25	28	43	24
Other entertainment	39	17	47	38	32	80	34
Education	66	44	⁴ 28	480	161	⁴ 141	26
All other gifts	87	34	81	113	106	123	82

¹ Components of income and taxes are derived from "complete income reporters" only; see glossary.
² Value less than 0.5.

³ No data reported.
⁴ Data are likely to have large sampling errors.
n.a. Not applicable.