

Table 1—Consumer Price Indexes for food and percentage changes from previous years

Year	Food		Food at home		Food away from home	
	Index	Change	Index	Change	Index	Change
	1982-84=100	Percent	1982-84=100	Percent	1982-84=100	Percent
1973	48.2	14.5	49.7	16.4	44.2	7.8
1974	55.1	14.3	57.1	14.9	49.8	12.7
1975	59.8	8.5	61.8	8.2	54.5	9.4
1976	61.6	3.0	63.1	2.1	58.2	6.8
1977	65.5	6.3	66.8	5.9	62.6	7.6
1978	72.0	9.9	73.8	10.5	68.3	9.1
1979	79.9	11.0	81.8	10.8	75.9	11.1
1980	86.8	8.6	88.4	8.1	83.4	9.9
1981	93.6	7.8	94.8	7.2	90.9	9.0
1982	97.4	4.1	98.1	3.5	95.8	5.4
1983	99.4	2.1	99.1	1.0	100.0	4.4
1984	103.2	3.8	102.8	3.7	104.2	4.2
1985	105.6	2.3	104.3	1.5	108.3	3.9
1986	109.0	3.2	107.3	2.9	112.5	3.9
1987	113.5	4.1	111.9	4.3	117.0	4.0
1988	118.2	4.1	116.6	4.2	121.8	4.1
1989	125.1	5.8	124.2	6.5	127.4	4.6
1990	132.4	5.8	132.3	6.5	133.4	4.7
1991	136.3	2.9	135.8	2.6	137.9	3.4
1992	137.9	1.2	136.8	.7	140.7	2.0
1993	140.9	2.2	140.1	2.4	143.2	1.8
1994	144.3	2.4	144.1	2.9	145.7	1.7
1995	148.4	2.9	148.8	3.2	149.0	2.3
1996	153.3	3.3	154.3	3.7	152.7	2.5
1997	157.3	2.6	158.1	2.5	157.0	2.8

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 2—Consumer Price Index changes for food eaten at home, by food group

Food group	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
	<i>Percentage change from year earlier</i>					
Cereal and cereal products	3.9	3.0	4.4	1.4	1.4	0.4
Bakery products	3.9	3.5	4.0	3.4	5.2	2.8
Beef and veal	-.1	3.6	-.8	-.8	-.3	1.7
Pork	-4.7	3.1	1.7	.7	9.9	5.2
Other meat	.2	1.6	2.4	1.5	3.6	2.8
Poultry	-.1	4.2	3.4	1.4	6.2	2.8
Eggs	-10.6	8.1	-2.4	5.4	18.0	-1.5
Fish and seafood	2.3	3.2	4.5	4.8	0.9	2.3
Dairy products	2.7	.7	1.8	0.8	7.0	2.4
Fresh fruit	-5.0	2.5	6.6	8.8	7.1	0.8
Fresh vegetables	2.2	6.6	2.3	12.1	-2.0	2.8
Processed fruit	4.5	-3.9	.6	3.1	5.8	2.5
Processed vegetables	.2	1.6	4.4	1.3	4.0	2.3
Fats and oils	-1.4	.2	2.7	2.8	2.4	0.9
Sugar and sweets	2.9	.2	1.3	1.7	4.5	2.9
Nonalcoholic beverages	.2	.3	7.5	6.9	-2.4	3.7
Other prepared food	2.2	2.6	2.6	2.4	3.4	3.2

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 3—Average retail food prices, selected items

Item	Unit	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	Item	Unit	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
<i>Dollars</i>						<i>Dollars</i>							
Flour, white	Pound	0.23	0.23	0.25	0.29	.30	Apples, red delicious	Pound	0.83	0.80	0.84	0.93	.91
Rice, white, uncooked	Pound	.51	.55	.53	.55	.57	Bananas	Pound	.44	.46	.49	.49	.49
Spaghetti and macaroni	Pound	.83	.87	.86	.87	.87	Oranges, navel	Pound	.54	.54	.60	.62	.60
Bread, white	Pound	.75	.76	.79	.88	.87	Oranges, Valencia	Pound	.65	.59	.64	.70	.63
Bread, French	Pound	—	1.51	1.53	1.50	1.54	Cherries	Pound	—	—	—	—	—
Cookies, chocolate chip	Pound	2.46	2.54	2.47	2.58	2.61	Grapefruit	Pound	.53	.51	.55	.57	.56
Ground beef	Pound	1.57	1.48	1.37	1.37	1.40	Grapes, Thompson						
Chuck, ground	Pound	1.94	1.86	1.84	1.80	1.84	seedless	Pound	1.47	1.51	1.55	1.69	1.71
Chuck roast, bone-in	Pound	2.10	2.13	2.07	2.06	—	Lemons	Pound	1.08	1.11	1.14	1.11	1.25
Round roast, boneless	Pound	3.06	2.98	2.88	2.80	2.82	Peaches	Pound	.95	.95	1.09	1.18	1.05
Rib roast	Pound	4.84	4.79	4.96	5.38	5.15	Pears, Anjou	Pound	.86	.80	.77	.92	.99
Round steak, boneless	Pound	3.40	3.25	3.21	3.12	3.10	Strawberries	12 oz.	1.12	1.13	1.32	1.17	1.36
Sirloin steak, bone-in	Pound	3.91	3.77	—	—	—	Potatoes, white	Pound	.35	.37	.38	.38	.36
T-bone steak	Pound	5.66	5.83	5.97	5.78	5.90	Lettuce, iceberg	Pound	.66	.61	.80	.65	.69
Bacon, sliced	Pound	1.93	1.99	1.99	2.47	2.68	Tomatoes, field-grown	Pound	1.08	1.09	1.16	1.21	1.29
Chops, center-cut	Pound	3.24	3.22	3.21	3.41	3.48	Beans, green	Pound	—	—	—	—	—
Ham, rump	Pound	1.58	1.64	1.56	1.87	1.94	Cabbage	Pound	.41	.37	.43	.40	.40
Ham, shoulder picnic	Pound	1.16	1.13	1.11	1.23	1.28	Carrots	Pound	.43	.44	.53	.51	.51
Sausage	Pound	2.11	1.98	1.91	2.01	2.15	Celery	Pound	.60	.50	.68	.51	.58
Ham, canned	Pound	—	—	—	—	—	Cucumbers	Pound	.62	.62	.69	.70	.66
Frankfurters	Pound	2.11	2.11	2.03	2.08	2.27	Onions, yellow	Pound	.48	.46	.46	.44	.48
Bologna	Pound	2.38	2.29	2.31	2.33	2.37	Peppers, sweet	Pound	1.15	1.13	1.37	1.28	1.34
Chicken, fresh, whole	Pound	.89	.90	.92	.97	1.00	Orange juice,						
Chicken breast	Pound	2.08	2.06	1.98	2.03	2.04	frozen concentrated	16 oz.	1.63	1.61	1.61	1.70	1.73
Chicken legs	Pound	1.10	1.13	1.16	1.24	1.23	Potatoes, frozen,						
Turkey, frozen	Pound	1.00	1.00	1.02	1.04	1.05	french-fried	Pound	.86	.86	.86	.90	.94
Tuna, canned	Pound	1.97	2.04	1.99	1.97	2.01	Tomatoes, canned	Pound	—	—	—	—	—
Eggs, Grade A, large	Dozen	.91	.86	.93	1.11	1.06	Margarine, tub	Pound	1.18	1.15	1.04	1.00	—
Milk, fresh, whole	½ gal.	1.39	1.44	1.43	1.56	1.59	Margarine, stick	Pound	.80	.82	.83	.81	.83
Milk, low-fat	½ gal.	—	—	—	—	—	Shortening	Pound	.80	.85	.89	.87	.87
Butter	Pound	1.66	1.60	1.61	2.05	2.17	Peanut butter	Pound	1.79	1.85	1.80	1.79	1.78
Ice cream	½ gal.	2.53	2.63	2.65	2.86	2.92	Potato chips	Pound	2.88	2.97	3.01	3.06	3.13
Yogurt	½ pt.	.59	.60	.62	.65	.66	Sugar, white	Pound	.41	.40	.40	.42	.43
Cheese, cheddar	Pound	3.34	3.35	3.39	3.25	3.22	Coffee, roasted	Pound	2.47	3.40	4.02	3.41	4.11
Cheese, processed	Pound	3.09	3.07	3.07	3.34	3.45	Cola, nondiet, cans	16 oz.	.46	—	—	—	—

— = Not available.

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 4—Indexes of retail price, farm value, and the farm-to-retail price spread, and farm value as a share of the retail price¹

Year	Retail price	Farm value	Farm-to-retail price spread	Farm value share of retail price
	-----	1982-84 = 100	-----	Percent
1952	34	44	28	47
1953	32	41	28	45
1954	32	39	28	43
1955	31	36	29	41
1956	32	36	29	40
1957	33	37	30	40
1958	35	40	32	41
1959	34	37	32	39
1960	34	38	32	39
1961	34	37	33	39
1962	34	38	33	39
1963	34	36	33	38
1964	34	36	34	36
1965	35	40	33	38
1966	37	43	34	39
1967	37	40	35	39
1968	38	42	36	38
1969	40	46	37	39
1970	42	46	40	37
1971	43	46	41	37
1972	45	50	42	38
1973	52	68	45	44
1974	60	73	53	42
1975	64	76	58	40
1976	65	72	61	38
1977	66	72	63	37
1978	74	83	68	38
1979	82	92	77	38
1980	88	97	84	37
1981	95	100	92	36
1982	98	99	98	35
1983	99	97	100	34
1984	103	104	103	35
1985	104	96	108	32
1986	106	95	112	31
1987	112	97	120	30
1988	116	100	125	30
1989	125	107	134	30
1990	134	113	145	30
1991	137	106	154	27
1992	138	103	157	26
1993	142	105	162	26
1994	145	101	169	24
1995	149	103	175	24
1996	156	111	180	25
1997	160	106	189	23

Source: Calculated by ERS based on data from government and private sources.

¹ For a market basket of food bought in foodstores in a base period, currently 1982-84. The retail price index is derived from data from the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. Farm value is based on prices farmers received for commodities. The spread between the retail price and farm value represents charges for processing and marketing.

Table 5—Retail price, farm value, and farm value share for selected foods

Food	Retail price			Farm value			Farm value share of retail price ¹		
	1995	1996	1997	1995	1996	1997	1995	1996	1997
	-----Dollars-----						-----Percent-----		
Animal products:									
Eggs, Grade A large, 1 doz.	.93	1.11	1.06	0.55	0.69	0.60	59	62	57
Beef, Choice, 1 lb.	2.84	2.80	2.80	1.38	1.35	1.37	49	48	49
Chicken, broiler, 1 lb.	.92	.97	1.00	.49	.55	.53	53	57	53
Milk, ½ gal.	1.43	1.56	1.59	.58	.67	.59	41	43	37
Pork, 1 lb.	1.95	2.21	2.32	.67	.85	.81	34	38	35
Cheese, natural cheddar, 1 lb.	3.39	3.25	3.22	1.16	1.30	1.17	34	40	36
Fruits and vegetables:									
Fresh—									
Lemons, 1 lb.	1.14	1.11	1.25	.30	.27	.31	26	24	25
Apples, red delicious, 1 lb.	.84	.93	.91	.21	.21	.19	25	23	21
Potatoes, 10 lbs.	3.79	3.81	3.56	.80	.80	.60	21	21	17
Oranges, California, 1 lb.	.62	.65	.61	.12	.15	.12	19	23	20
Grapefruit, 1 lb.	.55	.57	.56	.10	.10	.09	18	18	16
Lettuce, 1 lb.	.80	.65	.69	.18	.12	.15	22	18	22
Frozen—									
Orange juice conc., 12 fl. oz.	1.21	1.28	1.30	.48	.47	.46	40	37	35
Broccoli, cut, 1 lb.	1.16	1.19	1.20	.26	.26	.22	22	22	18
Corn, 1 lb.	1.12	1.10	NA	.14	.14	.14	13	13	NA
Green beans, cut, 1 lb.	1.00	1.01	NA	.11	.11	.11	11	11	NA
Canned and bottled—									
Peas, 303 can (17 oz.)	.45	.47	NA	.11	.12	.11	24	26	NA
Corn, 303 can (17 oz.)	.40	.42	.45	.11	.11	.11	28	26	24
Applesauce, 25-oz. jar	1.05	1.07	1.17	.17	.22	.21	16	21	18
Pears, 2-1/2 can	1.22	1.32	1.41	.18	.24	.23	15	18	16
Peaches, cling, 2-1/2 can	1.13	1.23	1.28	.18	.18	.18	16	15	14
Apple juice, 64-oz. bottle	1.44	1.65	NA	.45	.46	.46	31	28	NA
Green beans, cut, 303 can	.39	.42	NA	.06	.06	.06	15	14	NA
Tomatoes, whole, 303 can	.53	.56	.56	.05	.05	.04	9	9	7
Dried—									
Beans, 1 lb.	.71	.74	.77	.25	.23	.19	35	31	25
Raisins, 15-oz. box	1.64	1.68	NA	.42	.50	.50	26	30	NA
Crop products:									
Sugar, 1 lb.	.38	.41	.42	.13	.14	.14	34	34	33
Flour, wheat, 5 lbs.	1.23	1.44	1.51	.43	.48	.38	35	33	25
Shortening, 3 lbs.	2.66	2.61	2.61	.80	.73	.71	30	28	27
Margarine, 1 lb.	.83	.81	.83	.23	.21	.20	28	26	24
Rice, long grain, 1 lb.	.53	.55	.57	.11	.13	.14	21	24	25
Prepared foods:									
Peanut butter, 1 lb.	1.80	1.79	1.78	.48	.48	.48	27	27	27
Pork and beans, 303 can (16 oz.)	.40	.40	.44	.08	.07	.06	20	18	14
Potato chips, regular, 1-lb. bag	1.95	1.95	NA	.35	.33	.28	18	17	NA
Chicken dinner, fried,									
frozen, 11 oz.	1.17	1.17	NA	.17	.18	.18	15	15	NA
Potatoes, french fried, frozen, 1 lb.	.86	.90	.94	.12	.12	.10	14	13	11
Bread, 1 lb.	.79	.88	.87	.06	.07	.05	8	8	6
Corn flakes, 18-oz. box	1.75	1.89	1.98	.10	.13	.10	6	7	5
Oatmeal regular, 42-oz. box	2.56	2.57	NA	.18	.25	.21	7	10	NA
Corn syrup, 16-oz. bottle	1.63	1.67	NA	.06	.08	.06	4	5	NA

Source: Calculated by ERS based on data from government and private sources.

¹ Computed from unrounded farm values.

NA=Not available.

Table 6—Price changes for market basket of foods¹

Item	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997 ²
	<i>Annual percentage change</i>					
Market basket:						
Retail price	.7	2.5	2.5	2.8	4.4	2.4
Farm value	-2.7	1.6	-3.3	1.4	8.1	-4.4
Farm-to-retail spread	2.1	2.9	4.4	3.3	3.2	4.7
Meat products:						
Retail price	-1.4	3.0	.6	.1	3.4	3.1
Farm value	-5.0	2.6	-10.4	-2.4	7.0	.8
Farm-to-retail spread	1.2	3.4	7.9	1.4	1.5	4.3
Dairy products:						
Retail price	2.7	.7	1.8	.8	7.0	2.4
Farm value	6.4	-2.9	1.5	-2.3	16.3	-8.6
Farm-to-retail spread	.8	2.6	2.0	2.5	2.3	8.6
Poultry:						
Retail price	-.1	4.2	3.4	1.4	6.2	2.8
Farm value	1.5	7.2	2.8	-.8	11.0	-4.4
Farm-to-retail spread	-1.2	2.0	3.9	3.0	2.8	8.5
Eggs:						
Retail price	-10.6	8.1	-2.4	5.4	17.9	-1.5
Farm value	-22.9	14.3	-6.1	9.1	25.9	-13.4
Farm-to-retail spread	3.6	2.8	1.0	2.2	10.5	11.3
Cereal and bakery products:						
Retail price	3.9	3.4	4.9	2.0	3.9	2.1
Farm value	10.3	-2.1	12.1	7.1	14.1	-14.3
Farm-to-retail spread	3.4	3.8	3.5	2.4	3.0	3.7
Fresh fruit:						
Retail price	-5.2	3.3	6.6	8.7	7.1	0.9
Farm value	-29.2	10.1	-11.4	14.1	11.4	-9.7
Farm-to-retail spread	3.8	1.5	11.7	7.4	6.1	3.4
Fresh vegetables:						
Retail price	2.3	6.6	2.3	12.1	-2.0	2.9
Farm value	8.8	5.4	-7.1	10.2	-12.9	4.8
Farm-to-retail spread	.2	7.1	5.5	12.6	1.2	2.3
Processed fruits and vegetables:						
Retail price	2.7	-1.6	2.3	2.2	5.0	2.4
Farm value	5.4	-16.8	5.1	7.1	.8	-4.6
Farm-to-retail spread	1.9	2.9	1.5	1.1	6.2	4.2
Fats and oils:						
Retail price	-1.4	.2	2.7	2.8	2.3	0.9
Farm value	-5.0	15.5	16.8	-3.4	-7.4	-2.6
Farm-to-retail spread	-.6	-3.6	-1.2	4.8	5.5	1.8
Other prepared food:						
Retail price	2.2	2.6	2.6	2.4	3.4	3.2
Farm value	-4.1	6.2	-1.3	3.2	3.7	-6.7
Farm-to-retail spread	3.0	2.1	3.1	3.4	3.4	4.3

Source: Calculated by ERS based on data from government and private sources.

¹ Changes in retail prices are from the Consumer Price Index published by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. The farm value is based on prices farmers received for commodities equivalent to food at retail. The spread between the retail price and farm value represents charges for processing and marketing.

² Preliminary.

Table 7—Market basket of food products originating on U.S. farms by food group: Indexes of retail cost, farm value, and farm-to-retail price spread, and farm value share of retail cost¹

Year	Meat products				Poultry				Eggs			
	Retail cost	Farm value	Farm-to-retail spread	Farm value share	Retail cost	Farm value	Farm-to-retail spread	Farm value share	Retail cost	Farm value	Farm-to-retail spread	Farm value share
	-----	1982-84 = 100	-----	Percent	-----	1982-84 = 100	-----	Percent	-----	1982-84 = 100	-----	Percent
1967	37	41	34	56	49	45	54	49	52	48	60	59
1968	38	42	33	54	51	48	54	51	56	54	61	61
1969	42	48	35	56	54	51	57	51	66	69	61	67
1970	43	47	40	53	53	46	61	46	66	64	69	63
1971	43	46	40	52	54	47	60	47	57	50	68	57
1972	48	55	42	56	54	48	60	49	56	50	68	57
1973	60	74	46	60	77	84	68	59	84	90	71	70
1974	61	67	55	54	73	76	69	56	84	89	76	68
1975	66	78	56	57	80	88	71	59	82	84	78	66
1976	66	70	63	51	77	79	75	55	91	97	81	68
1977	65	70	60	53	78	80	74	56	88	87	90	64
1978	77	85	69	54	85	93	76	58	82	83	81	65
1979	90	97	84	52	89	92	86	55	90	93	85	66
1980	93	97	89	51	94	96	92	54	89	88	89	64
1981	96	97	95	49	98	95	101	52	96	99	90	66
1982	101	104	98	52	96	91	101	51	93	91	97	63
1983	99	97	102	49	97	96	98	53	98	99	95	65
1984	100	99	100	50	107	113	101	56	109	110	107	65
1985	99	91	107	47	106	106	107	53	91	86	100	61
1986	102	94	110	47	114	115	113	54	97	92	106	61
1987	110	101	118	47	113	94	134	45	92	77	118	54
1988	112	100	125	45	121	110	133	49	94	77	124	53
1989	117	104	130	45	133	117	151	47	118	108	138	58
1990	129	117	140	46	133	108	161	44	124	108	153	56
1991	133	110	156	42	132	103	165	42	121	101	158	54
1992	131	105	158	41	131	104	163	42	108	78	163	46
1993	135	107	163	40	137	112	166	44	117	89	168	49
1994	135	96	176	36	142	115	173	43	114	84	169	47
1995	136	94	178	35	144	114	178	42	121	91	173	49
1996	140	100	181	36	152	126	183	44	142	115	191	52
1997	144	101	189	36	157	121	198	41	140	99	213	46

See footnotes at end of table.

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Table 7—Market basket of food products originating on U.S. farms by food group: Indexes of retail cost, farm value, and farm-to-retail price spread, and farm value share of retail cost¹ (cont.)

Year	Dairy products ²				Fats and oils ³				Fresh fruit			
	Retail cost	Farm value	Farm-to-retail spread	Farm value share	Retail cost	Farm value	Farm-to-retail spread	Farm value share	Retail cost	Farm value	Farm-to-retail spread	Farm value share
	----- 1982-84 = 100 -----			Percent	----- 1982-84 = 100 -----			Percent	----- 1982-84 = 100 -----			Percent
1967	40	38	42	47	37	38	37	28	31	37	28	31
1968	41	40	42	47	36	35	36	26	36	48	32	35
1969	42	42	43	48	36	35	36	26	34	40	32	31
1970	45	44	45	48	38	43	37	30	34	37	33	28
1971	46	44	47	47	42	49	39	32	37	42	35	30
1972	47	46	48	48	43	42	43	27	39	44	37	30
1973	51	52	50	50	47	66	40	38	44	56	40	33
1974	60	61	60	49	71	124	52	47	49	55	46	30
1975	62	63	61	50	77	97	69	34	50	58	47	30
1976	67	71	64	52	65	79	60	26	50	54	48	28
1977	69	72	68	50	71	95	62	26	58	65	55	29
1978	74	78	71	51	78	98	70	34	71	87	66	32
1979	83	88	78	52	84	106	75	34	80	89	77	29
1980	91	96	86	52	89	96	87	29	84	84	84	26
1981	97	102	93	51	99	100	98	27	88	87	89	26
1982	99	100	97	49	96	80	102	22	100	106	97	33
1983	100	100	100	48	97	96	98	27	94	80	100	27
1984	101	99	103	47	107	124	100	31	107	114	103	34
1985	103	95	110	44	109	104	111	26	118	111	122	30
1986	103	93	113	43	106	76	118	19	120	104	128	27
1987	106	93	118	42	108	74	120	18	136	114	146	26
1988	108	91	125	40	113	103	117	24	145	117	159	25
1989	116	99	131	41	121	96	131	21	155	109	176	22
1990	127	102	150	39	126	107	133	23	175	128	196	23
1991	125	90	157	35	132	98	144	20	200	173	213	27
1992	129	96	159	36	130	93	143	19	190	122	221	20
1993	129	93	163	35	130	108	138	22	196	135	224	22
1994	132	94	166	34	134	126	137	25	209	119	250	18
1995	133	92	170	33	137	121	143	24	227	136	269	19
1996	142	107	174	36	141	112	151	22	243	152	285	20
1997	146	98	189	32	142	109	154	21	245	137	295	18

Table 7—Market basket of food products originating on U.S. farms by food group: Indexes of retail cost, and farm value, farm-to-retail price spread, and farm value share of retail cost¹ (cont.)

Year	Fresh vegetables ⁴				Processed fruits and vegetables				Bakery and cereal products			
	Retail cost	Farm value	Farm-to-retail spread	Farm value share	Retail cost	Farm value	Farm-to-retail spread	Farm value share	Retail cost	Farm value	Farm-to-retail spread	Farm value share
	-----	1982-84 = 100	-----	Percent	-----	1982-84 = 100	-----	Percent	-----	1982-84 = 100	-----	Percent
1967	33	38	31	32	36	33	37	18	34	54	32	17
1968	35	40	33	33	38	38	38	20	35	52	33	16
1969	36	42	35	33	39	39	38	21	36	52	34	16
1970	39	43	38	32	39	37	40	19	38	56	36	16
1971	40	46	38	33	41	38	42	18	40	57	38	16
1972	43	47	41	32	42	40	42	19	40	60	37	17
1973	53	64	48	35	44	43	44	19	44	90	38	22
1974	58	67	54	34	54	60	53	22	57	130	48	25
1975	55	67	51	35	61	66	60	21	63	106	57	18
1976	58	67	55	33	62	63	62	20	62	86	59	15
1977	65	74	62	33	65	59	66	18	63	72	61	12
1978	70	75	69	30	71	88	67	25	68	83	66	13
1979	73	71	73	28	77	91	74	24	75	95	73	14
1980	79	73	81	27	83	97	79	23	84	111	81	14
1981	94	104	90	32	92	106	89	23	92	110	90	13
1982	94	95	94	34	97	100	97	24	97	96	97	12
1983	98	97	98	34	98	93	100	23	100	101	99	12
1984	108	108	108	34	104	107	103	24	104	103	104	12
1985	104	93	109	31	107	118	104	26	108	94	110	11
1986	108	90	117	28	105	102	106	23	111	76	116	8
1987	122	110	128	31	109	111	108	24	115	71	121	8
1988	129	106	141	28	118	137	112	28	122	93	126	9
1989	143	123	153	29	125	132	123	25	132	102	137	9
1990	151	124	165	28	133	144	129	26	140	91	147	8
1991	154	111	177	24	130	122	133	22	146	85	154	7
1992	158	121	177	26	134	129	135	23	152	94	160	8
1993	168	127	190	26	132	107	139	19	157	92	166	7
1994	172	118	200	23	135	113	141	20	164	103	171	8
1995	193	130	226	23	138	121	143	21	168	110	176	8
1996	189	113	228	20	144	122	152	20	174	126	181	9
1997	195	119	234	21	148	116	158	19	178	108	187	7

Source: Calculated by ERS based on data from government and private sources.

¹ See Table 5 for aggregated market basket data and explanations.

² Includes butter.

³ Excludes butter and includes peanut butter.

⁴ Includes potatoes.

Table 8—Price indexes of food marketing costs¹

Year	Labor—hourly earnings and benefits				Packaging and containers							
	Total	Process- ing	Wholesale- ing	Retail- ing	Total	Paper boxes and con- tainers	Metal cans	Paper bags and sacks	Plastic packag- ing	Glass con- tainers	Metal foil	Transpor- tation services
<i>1982 = 100</i>												
1968	31.1	32.1	31.8	29.8	35.0	37.6	28.7	38.2	39.2	30.2	47.0	27.5
1969	33.2	34.2	33.9	32.0	36.2	39.0	29.5	39.2	40.0	32.2	49.5	28.3
1970	35.7	36.7	37.3	34.1	37.7	39.7	31.1	40.8	43.0	33.8	49.9	30.8
1971	38.5	39.7	39.4	37.0	38.7	40.2	34.0	41.5	40.9	37.0	49.9	34.6
1972	41.8	40.6	42.9	40.7	40.1	41.4	36.2	43.0	41.5	38.0	49.8	35.7
1973	45.0	45.8	45.9	43.8	42.6	45.2	38.1	46.0	43.2	39.0	49.7	36.4
1974	49.2	49.8	50.0	48.3	54.4	59.7	46.8	54.8	64.8	43.7	53.0	42.1
1975	54.7	55.8	54.4	53.7	63.4	66.8	55.1	61.1	85.4	51.1	54.7	47.7
1976	59.5	60.6	59.0	58.5	67.2	69.1	58.3	64.3	94.1	54.9	59.6	52.4
1977	64.9	65.9	65.0	63.8	70.1	69.2	63.6	66.8	96.8	60.3	65.7	55.3
1978	71.3	72.0	71.4	70.7	74.4	70.5	72.6	70.5	96.1	68.7	74.7	59.4
1979	77.6	78.2	77.7	76.8	83.0	79.3	80.6	79.3	108.5	73.4	82.4	67.7
1980	85.4	85.8	84.6	85.3	95.1	92.0	89.6	89.4	119.3	82.3	86.4	80.0
1981	93.8	93.7	92.4	94.2	102.1	101.3	95.1	97.9	131.3	92.4	95.4	93.2
1982	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1983	104.1	103.6	106.9	103.3	102.0	98.5	102.9	100.4	113.1	99.1	100.4	100.9
1984	106.7	106.1	110.7	105.3	110.3	103.6	109.3	110.0	136.6	101.4	106.4	105.6
1985	105.9	108.5	111.5	101.2	113.4	106.6	114.7	111.5	137.2	106.8	100.3	106.1
1986	104.9	110.1	112.3	96.8	115.4	105.6	118.3	116.5	137.4	111.9	98.2	105.6
1987	105.4	112.2	114.7	95.1	119.9	113.0	119.1	125.3	140.1	113.0	104.2	103.7
1988	108.1	115.6	118.9	96.6	127.5	120.9	121.6	140.8	152.9	112.1	125.2	108.7
1989	111.5	118.8	123.9	99.6	132.5	127.0	121.9	154.8	156.6	115.2	128.7	109.1
1990	115.5	123.0	127.9	103.3	133.6	127.1	125.1	156.2	153.6	120.1	121.2	110.8
1991	118.4	127.7	132.5	103.9	134.9	125.7	129.4	155.4	155.4	125.4	118.0	113.9
1992	122.1	132.3	136.9	106.7	134.5	127.4	131.5	146.7	155.0	124.9	113.0	114.8
1993	126.1	135.8	142.2	110.3	134.9	126.7	134.1	146.5	154.0	125.6	112.0	114.8
1994	129.4	139.6	145.8	113.2	140.1	132.6	142.7	150.2	156.0	127.3	111.8	117.2
1995	132.8	143.2	149.9	116.1	151.1	153.8	138.9	173.1	165.3	130.3	123.4	117.7
1996	134.1	143.8	154.0	116.9	145.3	142.7	137.0	165.6	163.3	129.5	110.6	115.8
1997	138.4	147.3	160.0	121.1	141.9	134.1	135.0	167.1	163.3	125.8	109.5	115.9

See footnote at end of table.

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Table 8—Price indexes of food marketing costs¹ (cont).

Year	Adver- tising	Fuel and power			Natu- ral gas	Communi- cations, water, and sewage	Rent	Mainte- nance and repair	Busi- ness servi- ces	Sup- plies	Prop- erty taxes and in- surance	Inter- est, short- term	Total market- ing cost index
		Total	Elec- tric	Petro- leum									
1982= 100													
1968	39.4	14.1	24.8	10.1	9.4	54.0	39.5	32.5	37.9	35.3	35.2	49.7	31.0
1969	41.3	14.3	25.1	10.1	9.4	55.1	41.4	35.0	39.7	35.6	38.2	65.9	32.7
1970	42.1	15.0	26.1	10.5	10.5	56.3	43.7	37.6	41.7	36.8	42.1	64.9	34.8
1971	41.8	15.9	28.0	10.9	10.9	59.6	46.0	40.4	44.6	37.6	45.8	43.0	36.8
1972	43.5	16.8	29.9	11.2	11.5	63.1	47.8	42.4	46.3	41.5	49.5	39.8	39.1
1973	45.4	18.9	31.8	13.8	12.8	64.7	49.6	45.1	48.1	39.2	51.1	68.6	41.7
1974	47.8	28.2	40.2	26.9	16.4	67.6	55.2	50.5	53.0	50.2	52.6	82.8	47.8
1975	52.6	33.5	47.6	30.6	21.9	70.6	63.2	56.0	57.6	58.8	58.1	53.2	53.5
1976	58.7	37.5	51.1	33.3	29.0	74.1	66.2	60.3	61.8	62.7	62.8	45.0	58.0
1977	63.9	44.1	57.4	38.0	39.2	76.4	70.0	64.3	65.9	65.3	70.7	47.2	62.6
1978	69.7	47.0	61.7	39.3	43.3	79.0	75.4	69.8	70.4	68.4	76.6	67.2	68.0
1979	75.9	59.3	66.6	56.8	55.0	79.6	81.9	76.8	76.1	77.6	79.7	91.8	75.5
1980	82.5	79.9	79.2	84.0	73.2	82.4	88.9	85.2	83.2	89.7	87.2	103.3	85.6
1981	90.3	94.9	90.6	104.4	83.4	90.4	96.5	93.5	91.7	98.2	94.9	124.2	95.1
1982	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1983	107.7	100.0	102.9	88.5	116.7	106.9	98.6	104.3	105.3	99.1	105.7	74.8	102.7
1984	115.5	101.0	108.3	87.0	117.4	115.4	98.9	107.8	110.5	99.7	110.9	214.3	106.6
1985	123.1	99.3	111.7	81.2	117.0	120.5	99.5	110.8	116.2	99.6	116.8	67.6	107.4
1986	130.6	83.7	112.8	49.4	110.8	126.5	101.0	113.3	120.6	97.8	123.4	53.8	106.3
1987	138.8	84.6	110.9	55.5	105.9	127.7	99.2	117.7	124.9	99.2	128.9	57.1	107.9
1988	147.6	82.0	111.6	49.6	105.2	129.2	100.4	121.8	134.0	105.7	135.5	64.6	111.5
1989	157.3	87.8	115.5	58.5	108.1	132.5	102.1	126.3	140.2	111.2	141.9	74.0	115.6
1990	166.5	95.2	117.6	73.6	108.1	135.6	105.9	131.3	144.2	111.1	149.1	66.8	119.4
1991	176.9	93.0	125.2	64.2	107.5	140.2	107.0	136.2	153.5	110.4	155.1	49.2	121.9
1992	180.1	92.8	126.6	63.2	107.1	143.0	105.3	139.9	159.5	110.0	160.3	32.0	124.1
1993	187.4	95.3	128.6	63.1	114.4	144.6	103.3	143.1	166.0	111.1	165.5	27.8	127.0
1994	195.2	93.7	127.9	58.9	116.3	148.3	103.5	145.3	171.5	112.8	170.9	41.5	130.2
1995	207.3	89.9	125.9	55.3	110.2	152.6	101.8	149.5	177.2	118.5	176.4	48.8	133.2
1996	223.0	95.1	123.4	65.9	114.8	159.0	101.6	153.7	181.1	117.0	182.1	44.7	135.4
1997	234.3	94.8	122.9	60.9	122.6	162.2	100.5	158.4	184.9	116.8	187.2	46.8	137.7

Source: Calculated by ERS based on data from government and private sources.

¹ Indexes measure changes in employee wages and benefits and in prices of supplies and services used in processing, wholesaling, and retailing U.S. farm food purchased for consumption at home.

Table 9—Choice beef and pork: Retail price, farm value, price spreads, and the farm value share of the retail price

Item	Retail price ¹	Wholesale value ²	Net farm value ³	Price spreads			Farm value share ⁶
				Farm-to-retail	Wholesale-to-retail ⁴	Farm-to-wholesale ⁵	
				----- <i>Cents per retail pound</i> -----			----- <i>Percent</i> -----
Choice beef:							
1980	233.6	171.1	145.7	87.9	62.5	25.4	62
1981	234.7	164.4	139.1	95.6	70.3	25.3	59
1982	238.4	165.9	141.1	97.3	72.5	24.8	59
1983	234.1	160.1	136.8	97.3	74.0	23.3	58
1984	235.5	162.5	140.7	94.8	73.0	21.8	60
1985	228.6	148.8	127.4	101.2	79.8	21.4	56
1986	226.8	146.5	125.0	101.8	80.3	21.5	55
1987	238.4	160.0	138.7	99.7	78.4	21.3	58
1988	250.3	169.4	148.3	102.0	80.9	21.1	59
1989	265.7	176.8	157.6	108.1	88.9	19.2	59
1990	281.0	189.6	168.4	112.6	91.4	21.2	60
1991	288.3	182.5	160.2	128.1	105.8	22.3	56
1992	284.6	179.6	161.8	122.8	105.0	17.8	57
1993	293.4	182.5	164.1	129.3	110.9	18.4	56
1994	282.9	166.7	145.5	137.4	116.2	21.2	51
1995	284.4	163.9	138.4	146.0	120.5	25.5	49
1996	280.2	158.1	134.9	145.3	122.1	23.2	48
1997	279.5	158.2	137.2	142.3	121.3	21.0	49
Pork:							
1980	139.4	98.0	63.2	76.2	41.4	34.8	45
1981	152.4	106.7	70.3	82.1	45.7	36.4	46
1982	175.4	121.8	88.0	87.4	53.6	33.8	50
1983	169.8	108.9	76.5	93.3	60.9	32.4	45
1984	162.0	110.1	77.4	84.6	51.9	32.7	48
1985	162.0	101.1	71.4	90.6	60.9	29.7	44
1986	178.4	110.9	82.4	96.0	67.5	28.5	46
1987	188.4	113.0	82.7	105.7	75.4	30.3	44
1988	183.4	101.0	69.4	114.0	82.4	31.6	38
1989	182.9	99.2	70.4	112.5	83.7	28.8	38
1990	212.6	118.3	87.2	125.4	94.3	31.1	41
1991	211.9	108.9	78.4	133.5	103.0	30.5	37
1992	198.0	98.9	67.8	130.2	99.1	31.1	34
1993	197.6	102.8	72.5	125.1	94.8	30.3	37
1994	198.0	98.9	62.9	135.1	99.1	36.0	32
1995	194.8	98.8	66.7	128.1	96.0	32.1	34
1996	220.9	117.2	84.6	136.3	103.7	32.6	38
1997	231.5	117.1	81.1	150.4	114.4	36.0	35

Source: Calculated by ERS based on data from government and private sources.

¹ Composite of all cuts.

² For quantity equivalent to 1 retail pound: beef, 1.142 pounds of wholesale cuts; pork, 1.06 pounds of wholesale cuts.

³ For quantity of live animal equivalent to 1 retail pound, minus byproduct allowance: beef, 2.4 pounds; pork, 1.7 pounds.

⁴ Includes retailing, meat fabricating, wholesaling, and intracity transportation.

⁵ Charges for livestock processing and transporting of meat to city where consumed.

⁶ Percentage of retail price.

Table 10—Choice beef and pork: Farm value, retail price, and estimated marketing costs by function

Item	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
<i>Cents per retail pound</i>							
Beef:							
Farm value	160.2	161.8	164.1	145.5	138.4	134.9	137.2
Slaughtering and boxing carcass	18.5	14.1	14.6	17.4	21.6	19.4	17.1
Intercity transportation	3.8	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.9
Warehousing and store delivery	16.7	13.1	13.5	13.0	13.1	12.9	12.9
Cutting and merchandising	89.1	91.9	97.4	103.2	107.4	109.2	108.4
Retail price	288.3	284.6	293.4	282.9	284.4	280.2	279.5
Pork:							
Farm value	78.4	67.8	72.5	62.9	66.7	84.6	81.1
Slaughtering and processing	27.0	27.7	26.9	32.5	28.6	29.2	32.4
Intercity transportation	3.5	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.6
Warehousing and store delivery	12.3	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.0	10.2	10.6
Cutting and merchandising	90.7	90.0	85.7	90.0	87.0	93.5	103.8
Retail price	211.9	198.0	197.6	198.0	194.8	220.9	231.5

Source: Calculated by ERS based on data from government and private sources.

Table 11—Broilers, eggs, and fluid milk: Farm value and retail price

	Broilers, ready-to-cook, whole (pound)		Eggs, Grade A, large (dozen)		Fluid whole milk (half gallon)	
	Farm value ¹	Retail price ³	Farm value ¹	Retail price ³	Farm value ²	Retail price ³
	<i>Cents</i>					
1975	37.0	63.2	50.8	77.0	41.2	76.9
1976	32.6	59.7	58.0	84.9	46.2	81.0
1977	33.0	60.1	53.8	82.3	45.1	82.1
1978	36.8	66.5	49.7	78.5	47.0	86.1
1979	36.8	68.0	53.7	85.9	52.2	96.0
1980	39.4	70.9	51.0	84.3	55.8	104.9
1981	39.4	73.2	56.9	89.9	59.5	111.7
1982	37.8	71.4	54.5	86.7	59.2	112.4
1983	41.2	72.5	59.5	89.4	59.5	112.8
1984	46.7	81.0	66.0	100.5	58.2	112.7
1985	42.4	76.3	51.4	80.4	56.1	113.4
1986	49.0	83.5	55.4	87.0	54.2	111.4
1987	40.2	78.5	46.0	78.3	59.0	113.7
1988	48.1	85.4	46.0	79.0	63.6	116.4
1989	50.8	92.7	64.4	99.8	54.0	126.9
1990	46.3	89.9	64.7	101.4	59.7	142.4
1991	43.6	88.1	59.1	98.9	58.2	136.8
1992	44.6	86.9	46.3	86.0	60.7	139.2
1993	48.2	89.0	53.1	91.1	58.2	139.4
1994	49.4	90.1	49.9	86.3	60.7	144.0
1995	48.8	91.7	54.6	92.5	58.2	142.9
1996	54.7	97.3	68.7	110.6	66.5	155.8
1997	52.7	100.0	59.5	105.8	58.5	158.5

Source: Calculated by ERS based on data from government and private sources.

¹ Farm values are derived from U.S. average broiler and market egg prices that USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service publishes monthly.

² Prices farmers receive are normally quoted for 3.5 percent butterfat at plant of first receipt. This price has been adjusted for transportation from farm to first plant to get the farm price, then adjusted to get the value of milk containing 3.3 percent butterfat, the usual butterfat content at retail. There are approximately 23.3 half-gallons of milk per 100 pounds.

³ Average of Bureau of Labor Statistics monthly prices.

Table 12—Selected fruits and vegetables: Farm value and retail price

	<u>Oranges, California (pound)</u>		<u>Iceberg lettuce (pound)</u>		<u>Orange juice, frozen concentrate (12 fl. oz.)</u>	
	Farm value ¹	Retail price ²	Farm value ¹	Retail price ²	Farm value ¹	Retail price ²
<i>Cents</i>						
1982	17.1	47.6	8.5	56.2	46.3	106.1
1983	5.3	38.7	6.8	55.5	44.0	104.4
1984	17.2	49.9	5.1	50.4	49.0	121.6
1985	12.4	53.4	8.2	52.6	61.9	131.6
1986	8.2	47.6	6.8	53.9	39.6	115.6
1987	10.0	55.0	11.1	59.5	42.5	114.8
1988	11.8	56.4	10.1	60.3	51.9	136.7
1989	11.3	56.1	10.0	60.6	56.0	139.4
1990	11.3	56.6	9.3	59.6	55.4	162.1
1991	33.6	89.2	8.7	61.1	53.1	137.9
1992	10.0	56.9	9.6	57.7	57.2	141.5
1993	12.6	58.6	12.0	65.6	40.2	122.2
1994	11.0	56.0	11.9	60.8	46.0	120.8
1995	12.3	62.3	17.6	80.1	48.0	120.6
1996	14.6	65.3	12.0	64.8	47.4	127.7
1997	12.1	61.1	14.7	69.4	46.2	129.6

Source: Calculated by ERS based on data from government and private sources.

¹ Payment for the quantity of farm product equivalent to the retail unit minus imputed value of byproducts, computed from average grower prices.

² U.S. average retail prices. Prices of fresh produce weighted by quantities marketed except for 1992.

Table 13—White bread: Retail price, farm value of ingredients, farm-to-retail price spread, and farm value share of retail price per 1-pound loaf

Year	Retail price	Farm value of ingredients			Farm-to-retail spread	Farm value share	
		Wheat ¹	Other farm ingredients ²	All ingredients		Wheat	All ingredients
----- Cents -----					----- Percent -----		
1970	27.7	2.6	0.8	3.4	24.3	9	12
1971	28.5	2.6	.9	3.5	25.0	9	12
1972	28.2	2.9	.9	3.8	24.4	10	13
1973	31.5	4.1	1.4	5.5	26.0	13	17
1974	39.3	5.4	2.5	7.9	31.4	14	20
1975	41.0	4.5	2.3	6.8	34.2	11	17
1976	40.2	3.8	1.7	5.5	34.7	9	14
1977	40.5	2.7	.7	3.4	37.1	7	8
1978	41.7	3.3	.7	4.0	37.7	8	10
1979	46.7	4.1	.8	4.9	41.8	9	10
1980	50.9	4.5	.8	5.3	45.6	9	10
1981	52.5	4.7	.8	5.5	47.0	9	10
1982	53.2	4.4	.6	5.0	48.2	8	9
1983	54.2	4.5	.7	5.2	49.0	8	9
1984	54.1	4.3	.8	5.1	49.0	8	9
1985	55.3	4.1	.7	4.8	50.5	7	9
1986	56.5	3.5	.5	4.1	52.5	6	7
1987	54.7	3.3	.5	3.8	50.9	6	7
1988	61.3	4.1	.7	4.8	56.5	7	8
1989	66.6	4.8	.7	5.5	61.1	7	8
1990	69.5	3.7	.7	4.4	65.1	5	6
1991	71.1	3.4	.6	4.0	67.1	5	6
1992	75.0	4.4	.6	5.0	70.0	6	7
1993	75.2	4.1	.7	4.8	70.4	5	6
1994	76.1	4.5	.7	5.2	70.9	6	7
1995	79.1	5.3	.7	6.0	73.1	7	8
1996	87.6	5.9	.9	6.8	80.8	7	8
1997	87.2	4.7	.7	5.4	81.8	5	6

Source: Calculated by ERS based on data from government and private sources.

¹ Payment to farmers for the quantity of wheat (approximately 0.86 pound) required to produce the flour for a 1-pound loaf of white bread, minus the value of millfeed byproducts. Based on average farm prices for hard winter and spring wheat in 11 States producing these wheats through 1982; all wheat prices used beginning in 1983.

² Value for lard, shortening, granulated sugar, and nonfat dry milk through 1976. Value for 1977 forward is for lard, soybean oil, high-fructose corn syrup, corn syrup, and soy-whey blend.

Table 14—Sugar: Farm value, price spreads, and retail price

Item	Crop year beginning October					
	1991/92	1992/93	1993/94	1994/95	1995/96	1996/97
	<i>Cents per pound</i>					
Farm value ¹	14.9	15.0	14.2	13.7	14.0	14.2
Processing and refining spread ²	18.0	17.5	17.7	17.5	NA	NA
Wholesaling and retailing spread ³	6.8	7.6	6.7	6.7	NA	NA
Retail price ⁴	39.6	40.1	38.6	37.9	41.0	42.0

NA=Not available due to discontinued data.

Source: Calculated by ERS based on data from government and private sources.

¹ Based on season average prices U.S. sugar producers received for sugarcane and sugar beets.

² Difference between the farm value and an average of effective wholesale prices.

³ Difference between the retail price and the wholesale price.

⁴ Average of Bureau of Labor Statistics' monthly retail prices for sugar sold in 33- to 80-ounce packages.

Table 15—Marketing bill and farm value components of consumer expenditures for domestically produced farm foods

Year	Consumer expenditures			Marketing bill	Farm value	Farm value share of expenditures
	Total	At home ¹	Away from home ²			
----- <i>Billion dollars</i> -----				----- <i>Percent</i> -----		
1953	51.0	—	—	31.5	19.5	38
1954	51.1	—	—	32.3	18.8	37
1955	53.1	—	—	34.4	18.7	35
1956	55.5	—	—	36.3	19.2	35
1957	58.3	—	—	37.9	20.4	35
1958	61.0	—	—	39.6	21.4	35
1959	63.6	—	—	42.4	21.2	33
1960	66.9	—	—	44.6	22.3	33
1961	68.7	—	—	45.7	23.0	33
1962	71.3	—	—	47.6	23.7	33
1963	74.0	56.0	18.0	49.9	24.1	33
1964	77.5	58.5	19.0	52.6	24.9	32
1965	81.1	60.2	20.9	54.0	27.1	33
1966	86.9	64.0	22.9	57.1	29.8	34
1967	91.6	66.8	24.8	62.4	29.2	32
1968	96.8	69.5	27.3	65.9	30.9	32
1969	102.6	73.1	29.5	68.3	34.3	33
1970	110.6	78.2	32.4	75.1	35.5	32
1971	114.6	80.6	34.0	78.5	36.1	32
1972	122.2	85.4	36.8	82.4	39.8	33
1973	138.8	98.5	40.3	87.1	51.7	37
1974	154.6	109.5	45.1	98.2	56.4	36
1975	167.0	116.2	50.8	111.4	55.6	33
1976	183.3	127.2	56.1	125.0	58.3	32
1977	190.9	130.8	60.1	132.7	58.2	30
1978	216.9	149.2	67.7	147.4	69.5	32
1979	245.2	169.4	75.8	166.0	79.2	32
1980	264.4	180.1	84.3	182.7	81.7	31
1981	287.7	194.0	93.7	206.0	81.7	28
1982	298.9	196.7	102.2	217.5	81.4	27
1983	315.0	204.6	110.4	229.7	85.3	27
1984	332.0	213.1	118.9	242.2	89.8	27
1985	345.4	220.8	124.6	259.0	86.4	25
1986	359.6	226.0	133.6	270.8	88.8	25
1987	375.5	230.2	145.3	285.1	90.4	24
1988	398.8	242.1	156.7	301.9	96.8	24
1989	419.4	255.5	163.9	315.6	103.8	25
1990	449.8	276.2	173.6	343.6	106.2	24
1991	465.1	286.1	179.0	363.5	101.6	22
1992	474.5	289.6	184.9	369.4	105.1	22
1993	489.2	294.9	194.3	379.6	109.6	22
1994	512.2	308.7	203.5	402.6	109.6	21
1995	529.5	316.9	212.6	415.7	113.8	21
1996	546.7	328.0	218.7	424.5	122.2	22
1997 ³	561.1	334.7	226.4	441.1	120.0	21

Source: Calculated by ERS based on data from government and private sources.

— = Not available.

¹ Includes food purchased primarily at retail food stores.

² Includes food purchased at restaurants, fast-food outlets, and other public eating places, and food served in institutions, such as hospitals, schools, and rest homes.

³ Preliminary. Some historical data have been revised.

Table 16—Components of the marketing bill for domestically produced farm food

Year	Labor ¹	Packaging materials	Intercity rail and truck transportation	Fuels and electricity	Corporate profits before taxes	Other ²	Total marketing bill ³
<i>Billion dollars</i>							
1967	25.9	7.3	4.3	—	3.4	21.5	62.4
1968	28.0	7.6	4.5	—	3.6	22.2	65.9
1969	30.4	7.9	4.6	—	3.6	21.8	68.3
1970	32.2	8.2	5.2	2.2	3.6	23.7	75.1
1971	34.5	8.5	6.0	2.4	3.9	23.2	78.5
1972	36.6	8.9	6.1	2.5	4.0	24.3	82.4
1973	39.7	9.4	6.4	2.8	5.4	23.4	87.1
1974	44.3	11.8	7.5	3.7	6.1	24.8	98.2
1975	48.3	13.3	8.4	4.6	7.1	29.7	111.4
1976	53.8	14.5	9.1	5.0	7.7	34.9	125.0
1977	58.3	15.1	9.7	6.0	8.0	35.6	132.7
1978	66.2	16.6	10.5	7.1	9.9	37.1	147.4
1979	75.2	18.6	11.8	8.2	10.0	42.3	166.1
1980	81.5	21.0	13.0	9.0	9.9	48.3	182.7
1981	91.0	22.6	14.3	10.0	9.7	58.4	206.0
1982	96.6	23.7	14.7	11.0	9.4	62.1	217.5
1983	102.4	24.7	15.4	11.7	9.6	65.9	229.7
1984	109.3	26.2	15.9	12.5	9.6	68.7	242.2
1985	115.6	26.9	16.5	13.1	10.4	76.5	259.0
1986	122.9	27.7	16.8	13.2	10.3	79.9	270.8
1987	130.0	29.9	17.2	13.6	11.1	83.3	285.1
1988	137.9	32.6	17.8	14.1	12.0	87.5	301.9
1989	145.1	35.2	18.6	14.8	12.9	89.0	315.6
1990	154.0	36.5	19.8	15.2	13.2	104.9	343.6
1991	160.9	38.1	20.4	16.3	15.2	112.6	363.5
1992	168.4	40.1	20.6	16.7	15.7	107.9	369.4
1993	178.0	40.9	21.2	17.2	18.1	104.2	379.6
1994	186.1	43.3	21.8	17.9	20.9	112.6	402.6
1995	196.6	48.2	22.3	18.6	19.5	110.5	415.7
1996	204.6	47.7	22.9	19.6	19.2	110.5	424.5
1997	216.2	48.7	23.6	20.0	18.4	114.2	441.1

See footnotes at end of table.

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Table 16—Components of the marketing bill for domestically produced farm food (cont.)

Year	Advertising	Depreciation	Net interest	Net rent	Repairs	Taxes	Other
<i>Billion dollars</i>							
1967	2.5	2.5	0.5	2.3	1.0	2.6	10.1
1968	2.6	2.7	0.7	2.4	1.1	2.8	10.0
1969	2.7	2.8	0.8	2.5	1.2	3.0	8.7
1970	2.7	3.1	1.0	2.7	1.4	3.3	9.4
1971	2.8	3.3	1.0	2.9	1.5	3.6	8.0
1972	3.0	3.5	1.1	3.1	1.6	3.9	8.2
1973	3.0	3.8	1.4	3.3	1.7	4.4	5.9
1974	3.4	4.1	1.7	3.7	1.8	4.8	5.2
1975	4.0	4.6	1.7	4.1	2.1	5.3	8.1
1976	4.8	5.0	1.7	4.7	2.4	6.0	10.3
1977	5.0	5.6	1.9	5.1	2.5	6.3	9.2
1978	5.6	6.2	2.3	5.5	2.9	7.0	7.5
1979	6.7	7.2	2.9	6.1	3.3	7.8	8.3
1980	7.3	7.8	3.4	6.8	3.6	8.3	11.0
1981	8.7	9.4	3.9	7.6	4.0	9.1	15.7
1982	9.0	11.1	4.4	7.7	4.1	9.5	16.3
1983	10.6	12.6	4.6	8.2	4.3	10.3	15.4
1984	11.4	13.9	5.4	8.7	4.5	11.1	13.7
1985	12.5	15.4	6.1	9.3	4.8	11.7	16.7
1986	13.5	15.8	6.7	9.7	5.0	12.2	17.0
1987	13.8	15.8	8.1	10.9	5.1	12.6	17.1
1988	14.1	16.2	9.7	11.7	5.2	13.7	16.8
1989	15.7	16.4	12.3	12.7	5.7	14.6	11.5
1990	17.1	16.3	13.5	13.9	6.2	15.7	22.2
1991	17.5	15.8	12.2	15.9	6.4	16.5	28.3
1992	18.0	16.2	10.9	17.2	6.6	17.5	21.5
1993	18.6	17.2	10.1	17.9	7.2	18.2	15.0
1994	19.3	18.1	11.0	18.9	7.8	18.7	18.8
1995	19.8	18.9	11.6	19.8	7.9	19.1	13.4
1996	20.6	19.6	12.1	20.4	8.2	19.7	9.9
1997	21.0	20.1	13.0	21.0	8.4	20.2	10.5

Source: Calculated by ERS based on data from government and private sources.

— = Not available.

¹ Includes employee wages or salaries and their health and welfare benefits. Also includes estimated earnings of proprietors, partners, and family workers not receiving stated remuneration.

² Includes depreciation, rent, advertising and promotion, interest, taxes, licenses, insurance, professional services, local for-hire transportation, food service in schools, colleges, hospitals, and other institutions, and miscellaneous items. Data for 1967-69 also include fuels and electricity.

³ The marketing bill is the difference between the farm value and consumer expenditures for these foods at both food stores and restaurants. Thus, it covers processing, wholesaling, transportation, retailing costs, and profits. Some historical data were revised.

Table 17—Average hourly earnings of production and nonsupervisory employees of food industries

Year	Manufacturing, food and kindred products	Wholesale trade, groceries, and related products	Food stores	Eating and drinking places
<i>Dollars per hour</i>				
1977	5.37	5.43	4.77	2.93
1978	5.80	5.92	5.23	3.22
1979	6.27	6.39	5.67	3.45
1980	6.85	6.96	6.24	3.69
1981	7.44	7.57	6.85	3.95
1982	7.92	8.25	7.22	4.09
1983	8.19	8.70	7.51	4.27
1984	8.39	9.03	7.64	4.26
1985	8.57	9.22	7.35	4.33
1986	8.75	9.30	7.06	4.35
1987	8.93	9.53	6.95	4.42
1988	9.12	9.79	7.01	4.57
1989	9.38	10.16	7.15	4.75
1990	9.62	10.45	7.31	4.97
1991	9.90	10.77	7.33	5.18
1992	10.20	11.09	7.56	5.29
1993	10.45	11.47	7.79	5.35
1994	10.66	11.77	7.94	5.47
1995	10.94	12.08	8.15	5.59
1996	11.20	12.46	8.40	5.79
1997	11.49	12.87	8.59	6.05

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, *Employment and Earnings*, March 1997

Table 18—Employment Cost Index for workers in foodstores and all private industry

Period	Foodstores		Private industry		
	Total compensation costs	Wages and salaries	Total compensation costs	Wages and salaries	Benefits
<i>Annual percent change in Employment Cost Index (ECI)</i>					
1990	4.4	4.0	5.0	4.2	6.9
1991	4.5	4.2	4.4	3.8	6.1
1992	3.8	3.3	3.7	2.9	5.5
1993	2.9	2.4	3.6	2.9	5.4
1994	2.6	1.9	3.3	2.9	4.0
1995	1.1	0.8	2.7	2.8	2.4
1996	3.6	3.5	2.9	3.3	1.8
1997	2.4	3.1	3.1	3.5	2.1
<i>Indexes, June 1989=100</i>					
1992:					
March	112.6	110.9	113.1	110.9	118.6
June	113.6	112.3	113.9	111.6	119.7
September	114.2	112.9	114.8	112.2	121.2
December	115.1	113.7	115.6	112.9	122.2
Average	113.9	112.5	114.4	111.9	120.4
1993:					
March	115.9	114.6	117.1	113.9	125.2
June	117.2	115.4	118.0	114.6	126.7
September	117.1	114.9	119.1	115.7	127.7
December	118.3	115.9	119.8	116.4	128.3
Average	117.1	115.2	118.5	115.2	127.0
1994:					
March	119.6	117.0	121.0	117.2	130.7
June	120.6	117.8	122.0	118.1	131.7
September	120.3	117.4	123.0	119.1	132.8
December	120.0	117.3	123.5	119.7	133.0
Average	120.1	117.4	122.4	118.5	132.1
1995:					
March	120.8	117.8	124.5	120.6	134.5
June	120.7	117.6	125.4	121.5	135.1
September	121.8	118.6	126.2	122.4	135.6
December	122.4	119.1	126.7	123.1	135.9
Average	121.4	118.3	125.7	121.9	135.3
1996:					
March	123.6	120.5	127.9	124.4	136.6
June	124.4	121.2	129.0	125.6	137.4
September	127.0	123.1	129.8	126.5	138.1
December	128.4	124.7	130.6	127.3	138.6
Average	125.9	122.4	129.3	126.0	137.7
1997:					
March	128.2	124.8	131.7	128.6	139.4
June	128.2	124.7	132.8	129.7	140.1
September	129.8	126.7	133.9	131.0	140.8
December	129.4	128.4	135.1	132.3	141.8
Average	128.9	126.2	133.4	130.4	140.5

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 19—Indexes of output per employee hour in selected food manufacturing industries, retail food-stores, and restaurants

Year	Food manufacturing							Retail food-stores	Eating and drinking places
	Meat products	Fats and oils	Dairy products	Preserved fruit and vegetables	Grain mill products	Bakery products	Beverages		
<i>1987 = 100</i>									
1987	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1988	100.1	108.9	108.4	99.6	101.3	95.5	106.0	98.9	102.8
1989	99.3	116.4	107.8	105.3	107.6	95.2	112.7	95.9	102.2
1990	97.1	118.1	107.3	105.9	105.3	91.7	117.7	95.9	104.0
1991	99.7	120.1	108.4	111.4	104.9	89.1	120.5	94.8	103.1
1992	104.6	114.1	111.5	110.8	107.7	90.3	127.6	94.2	102.4
1993	104.3	112.6	109.7	116.5	109.1	92.5	127.0	93.1	103.0
1994	101.2	111.8	111.9	118.7	108.4	95.6	130.9	92.6	101.4
1995	102.4	120.3	116.6	118.8	115.3	96.1	134.3	91.1	101.5
1996 ¹	97.7	111.1	115.9	116.7	107.7	94.1	135.7	88.7	98.2
Average annual change:	<i>Percent</i>								
1980-96	-0.3	1.2	1.7	1.7	0.8	-0.7	3.5	-1.2	-0.5

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

¹ Preliminary. Some historical data were revised.

Table 20—Annual average trucking costs for fresh fruits and vegetables

Food group	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
<i>Cents per mile</i>						
Fixed costs:						
Interest	3.7	3.0	2.6	2.9	2.8	3.0
Depreciation	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6
Overhead	13.5	15.2	15.5	16.0	16.4	16.8
Insurance	8.8	9.3	9.6	10.0	10.5	10.8
Licenses	8.6	9.0	9.3	9.5	9.7	9.8
Variable costs:						
Vehicle depreciation	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7
Wages	34.8	36.0	36.5	37.5	38.3	38.8
Fuel costs	20.5	19.9	19.6	19.1	21.3	20.8
Maintenance	14.4	15.1	15.1	15.4	15.6	15.7
Tires	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.6
Miscellaneous	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.9	6.8
Total costs	124.1	127.3	127.8	130.2	134.4	135.4

Source: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

Table 21—Profit margins of food manufacturers and retail food chains, industry averages

Year and quarter	Food manufacturers ¹			Retail food chains ²		
	After-tax profits as a percentage of—					
	Sales	Stockholder equity	Assets	Sales	Stockholder equity	Assets
	<i>Percent</i>					
1980	3.4	14.7	7.1	0.9	13.7	4.5
1981	3.1	13.6	6.5	1.0	13.9	4.7
1982	3.1	13.0	6.3	.9	12.7	4.4
1983	3.3	13.3	6.0	1.1	13.6	4.9
1984	3.3	13.3	6.0	1.4	17.3	6.0
1985	4.1	15.3	6.6	1.3	14.5	5.3
1986	4.2	16.2	6.3	1.1	11.9	4.4
1987	4.6	17.5	6.8	.9	12.8	3.6
1988	5.5	20.9	8.1	.9	13.6	3.2
1989	4.2	17.1	5.5	.8	20.7	2.9
1990	4.0	16.1	5.3	1.1	22.8	3.8
1991	4.8	17.5	6.0	1.1	18.8	3.8
1992	4.3	15.0	5.3	1.0	14.6	3.2
1993	3.7	13.5	4.7	.8	11.7	2.5
1994	5.0	17.8	6.1	1.4	18.4	4.4
1995	5.5	18.5	6.6	1.5	21.3	4.7
1996	5.6	19.1	6.7	1.6	19.4	4.8
1997	5.6	19.8	6.8	1.6	17.4	4.7
1992:						
I	3.2	10.9	3.9	1.1	16.0	3.5
II	5.8	20.4	7.3	.8	11.6	2.6
III	4.4	15.6	5.4	.7	10.4	2.3
IV	3.7	13.2	4.6	1.4	20.0	4.4
1993:						
I	2.8	10.0	3.5	-.5	-6.9	-1.5
II	4.6	16.5	5.7	1.3	19.4	4.2
III	4.2	15.2	5.3	1.0	14.1	3.1
IV	3.4	12.3	4.2	1.3	19.1	4.3
1994:						
I	5.2	18.4	6.3	1.3	17.2	4.0
II	4.3	15.2	5.3	1.6	21.3	5.1
III	5.3	18.8	6.6	1.4	18.5	4.5
IV	5.1	18.5	6.3	1.3	16.7	4.1
1995:						
I	5.4	18.2	6.4	1.3	20.3	4.0
II	6.0	19.8	7.2	1.5	22.7	5.0
III	5.9	19.4	6.9	1.4	19.1	4.4
IV	4.8	16.5	5.8	1.7	23.0	5.5
1996:						
I	5.6	18.4	6.5	1.6	20.0	5.0
II	5.2	17.6	6.2	1.6	20.5	5.0
III	5.7	20.1	7.1	1.5	18.5	4.4
IV	5.9	20.5	7.2	1.6	18.8	4.7
1997:						
I	5.2	18.1	6.2	1.6	18.3	4.9
II	6.0	21.2	7.4	1.2	14.1	3.7
III	6.7	24.2	8.2	1.6	16.2	4.5
IV	4.3	15.8	5.3	2.0	20.7	5.8

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce.

¹ Data represent aggregate estimates for corporations, based on a sample of company reports. Beginning in 1985, data are not comparable with earlier years because the tobacco industry was combined with food manufacturers.² Data are based on reports from all food retailing corporations having at least \$1 billion in annual sales, at least 70 percent of which are derived from supermarket operations. Beginning in 1990, data reflect a larger sample of firms.

Table 22—Food expenditures by families and individuals as a share of disposable personal income

Year	Disposable personal income	Expenditures for food			Proportion of income spent for food		
		At home ¹	Away from home ²	Total ³	At home	Away from home	Total ³
		----- <i>Billion dollars</i> -----			----- <i>Percent</i> -----		
1929	81.8	16.9	2.6	19.5	20.7	3.2	23.9
1939	69.7	13.0	2.3	15.2	18.6	3.3	21.9
1949	188.1	33.8	7.8	41.5	18.0	4.1	22.1
1959	349.0	49.3	12.1	61.4	14.1	3.5	17.6
1961	378.8	51.1	13.1	64.2	13.5	3.5	16.9
1962	401.3	52.0	13.9	65.9	13.0	3.5	16.4
1963	421.1	52.4	14.5	66.9	12.4	3.5	15.9
1964	457.6	54.5	15.7	70.2	11.9	3.4	15.3
1965	493.9	57.4	16.9	74.3	11.6	3.4	15.0
1966	533.7	59.9	18.6	78.5	11.2	3.5	14.7
1967	571.9	60.3	19.8	80.0	10.5	3.5	14.0
1968	621.4	63.5	21.7	85.2	10.2	3.5	13.7
1969	668.4	68.0	23.4	91.3	10.2	3.5	13.7
1970	727.1	74.2	26.4	100.6	10.2	3.6	13.8
1971	790.2	78.1	28.1	106.2	9.9	3.6	13.4
1972	855.3	84.4	31.3	115.8	9.9	3.7	13.5
1973	965.0	93.1	34.9	128.0	9.7	3.6	13.3
1974	1,054.2	105.4	38.5	143.9	10.0	3.7	13.7
1975	1,159.2	115.2	45.9	161.1	9.9	4.0	13.9
1976	1,273.0	123.1	52.6	175.7	9.7	4.1	13.8
1977	1,401.4	131.8	58.5	190.3	9.4	4.2	13.6
1978	1,580.1	145.3	67.5	212.8	9.2	4.3	13.5
1979	1,769.5	162.2	76.9	239.1	9.2	4.3	13.5
1980	1,973.3	179.1	85.2	264.4	9.1	4.3	13.4
1981	2,200.2	191.0	95.8	286.8	8.7	4.4	13.0
1982	2,347.3	198.4	104.5	302.9	8.5	4.5	12.9
1983	2,522.4	209.0	113.7	322.7	8.3	4.5	12.8
1984	2,810.0	220.9	121.9	342.8	7.9	4.3	12.2
1985	3,002.2	230.7	128.6	359.3	7.7	4.3	12.0
1986	3,187.6	239.3	137.9	377.2	7.5	4.3	11.8
1987	3,363.1	249.0	146.3	395.3	7.4	4.3	11.8
1988	3,640.8	261.9	157.6	419.5	7.2	4.3	11.5
1989	3,894.5	280.9	165.5	446.4	7.2	4.3	11.5
1990	4,166.8	306.0	177.6	483.6	7.3	4.3	11.6
1991	4,343.7	319.5	183.1	502.6	7.4	4.2	11.6
1992	4,626.7	321.6	192.1	513.6	7.0	4.2	11.1
1993	4,829.3	327.7	204.9	532.6	6.8	4.2	11.0
1994	5,052.7	344.6	214.7	559.3	6.8	4.2	11.1
1995	5,355.7	360.4	222.6	583.1	6.7	4.2	10.9
1996	5,608.3	376.0	230.1	606.2	6.7	4.1	10.8
1997	5,885.2	390.3	239.1	629.4	6.6	4.1	10.7

Source: Calculated by ERS based on data from government and private sources.

¹ Food purchased from grocery stores and other retail outlets, including purchases with food stamps and food produced and consumed on farms, because the value of these foods is included in personal income. Excludes Government-donated foods.

² Purchases of meals and snacks by families and individuals and food furnished to employees, because it is included in personal income. Excludes food paid for by Government and business, such as food donated to schools, meals in prisons and other institutions, and expense-account meals.

³ May not add due to rounding.

Table 23—Average household food spending in 1996

Item	All households	Household income before taxes		
		\$5,000 to \$9,999	\$15,000 to \$19,999	\$30,000 to \$39,999
<i>Number</i>				
Average persons per household	2.5	1.7	2.3	2.7
<i>Dollar</i>				
Household income after taxes	34,864	7,419	16,849	32,003
Annual food expenditures	4,913	2,539	3,587	4,929
Food at home	2,999	1,937	2,425	2,970
Cereal products	172	113	131	171
Bakery products	295	177	240	286
Beef	220	147	184	204
Pork	160	121	144	166
Other meat	101	67	75	94
Poultry	151	99	126	149
Fish and seafood	91	57	68	78
Eggs	35	30	34	38
Fresh milk and cream	139	95	113	151
Other dairy products	191	107	146	198
Fresh fruit	158	89	143	158
Fresh vegetables	148	101	132	143
Processed fruit	115	77	96	109
Processed vegetables	83	60	74	82
Sugar and other sweets	121	80	98	124
Fats and oils	87	71	77	86
Miscellaneous food	415	243	315	406
Nonalcoholic beverages	264	180	198	280
Food away from home	1,914	602	1,162	1,959
<i>Percent</i>				
Share of income spent for food	14.1	34.2	21.3	15.4

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Office of Prices, *Consumer Expenditures in 1996*, August 1998.

Table 24—Relative importance of food and beverage components in the CPI-U

Item	1980	1985	1990	1992	1994	1995	1996
	<i>CPI-U</i>						
Food and beverages	18.309	19.619	17.706	17.396	17.412	17.332	17.484
Food	17.322	18.513	16.188	15.777	15.838	15.766	15.913
Food at home	12.003	12.380	10.094	9.780	9.934	9.880	10.040
Cereals and bakery	1.507	1.707	1.420	1.441	1.464	1.473	1.479
Cereals	0.391	0.432	0.459	0.465	0.469	0.469	0.449
Bakery products	1.117	1.275	0.961	0.976	0.994	1.004	1.030
Meat, poultry, fish, and eggs	4.047	3.884	3.169	2.955	2.892	2.936	3.002
Meats, poultry, fish	3.823	3.690	2.976	2.790	2.737	2.747	2.797
Meats	3.032	2.864	2.157	1.996	1.930	1.931	1.968
Beef and veal	1.695	1.556	1.092	1.029	0.989	0.964	0.955
Pork	0.822	0.831	0.641	0.563	0.545	0.571	0.615
Other meats	0.515	0.478	0.424	0.404	0.396	0.397	0.398
Poultry	0.401	0.397	0.442	0.430	0.428	0.435	0.454
Fish and seafood	0.390	0.430	0.377	0.364	0.379	0.381	0.375
Eggs	0.224	0.194	0.192	0.166	0.155	0.189	0.205
Dairy products	1.603	1.573	1.258	1.209	1.169	1.169	1.245
Milk	0.922	0.879	0.628	0.605	0.590	0.586	0.632
Butter	0.083	0.082	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cheese	0.339	0.339	0.365	0.351	0.334	0.333	0.348
Ice cream	0.168	0.178	0.160	0.154	0.152	0.152	0.159
Other dairy	0.090	0.096	0.105	0.099	0.093	0.098	0.106
Fruits and vegetables	1.682	1.938	1.830	1.839	2.013	1.936	1.974
Fresh fruits and vegetables	0.902	1.055	1.172	1.219	1.415	1.337	1.357
Fresh fruits	0.419	0.508	0.638	0.639	0.710	0.728	0.790
Fresh vegetables	0.483	0.547	0.534	0.581	0.705	0.609	0.567
Processed fruits and vegetables	0.780	0.883	0.658	0.620	0.598	0.599	0.617
Processed fruit	0.389	0.459	0.382	0.361	0.338	0.341	0.353
Processed vegetables	0.391	0.424	0.276	0.259	0.260	0.258	0.264
Other food at home	3.164	3.279	2.418	2.336	2.396	2.365	2.340
Sugar and sweets	0.505	0.478	0.343	0.338	0.326	0.327	0.331
Fats and oils	0.333	0.349	0.271	0.251	0.249	0.248	0.246
Nonalcoholic beverages	1.321	1.331	0.765	0.716	0.796	0.763	0.724
Other prepared foods	1.005	1.121	1.039	1.031	1.026	1.027	1.039

NA=Not available. Beginning in 1987, butter was included in a new group, "other dairy products, including butter."
CPI-U is the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers.

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor.