

Consumer Expenditure Telephone Survey

Information Booklet

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Hispanic Origin

- 1 Mexican
- 2 Mexican-American
- 3 Chicano
- 4 Puerto Rican
- 5 Cuban
- 6 Cuban-American
- 7 Central or South American
- 8 Other

Race

(Please choose one or more)

- 1 White
- 2 Black or African American
- 3 American Indian or Alaska Native
- 4 Asian
- 5 Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

Asian Origin

- 1 Chinese
- 2 Filipino
- 3 Japanese
- 4 Korean
- **5** Vietnamese
- 6 Asian Indian
- 7 Other group not listed

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Education

- **0** Never attended, preschool, kindergarten
- **1 11** 1st grade through 11th grade
 - 38 12th grade, no diploma
 - **39** High school graduate high school diploma, or the equivalent (For example: GED)
 - 40 Some college but no degree
 - 41 Associate degree in college Occupational/ Vocational
 - **42** Associate degree in college Academic program
 - **43** Bachelor's degree (For example: BA, AB, BS)
 - **44** Master's degree (For example: MA, MS, MEng, MEd, MSW, MBA)
 - **45** Professional School Degree (For example: MD, DDS, DVM, LLB, JD)
 - **46** Doctorate degree (For example: PhD, EdD)

Armed Forces

A person is considered to be in the armed forces if he or she serves in any branch of the U.S. military. This includes the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force and Coast Guard, their Reserve components, and the Air and Army National Guard.



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Part A - Major Household Appliances

- 1 Microwave oven
- 2 Cooking stove, range, or oven (including convection oven)
- 3 Range hood
- 4 Refrigerator or home freezer
- 5 Built-in dishwasher
- 6 Portable dishwasher
- 7 Garbage disposal
- 8 Clothes washer (including washer/dryer combinations)
- 9 Clothes dryer

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Part B - Household Appliances and Other Selected Items

SMALL HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES

1 - Small electrical kitchen appliances, including -

blender electric frying pan mixer breadmaker electric iron pizza oven coffee grinder electric knife popcorn maker coffee maker electric timer rice cooker crockpot electric wine chiller sandwich grill deep fryer electric wok slow cooker electric barbecue food processor smoothie maker

electric can opener hot plate toaster electric grill ice cream maker toaster oven

electric fondue set juicer waffle iron

2 - Electrical personal care appliances, including -

curling iron electric toothbrush make-up mirror denture cleaner facial sauna massager electric hair trimmer foot bath Waterpik

electric razor hair dryer digital scale heating pad

3 - Smoke detectors, including -

wired battery operated ionization chamber type photo-cell type

4 - Electrical floor cleaning equipment, including -

vacuum cleaner hand vacuum rug shampooer floor polisher

5 - Other household appliances, including -

trash compactor home security device (burglar alarm) including air purifier console, control modules, burglar alarm console,

water filters door and window transmitters

carbon monoxide detector

6 - Sewing machines (with or without cabinet)

7 - Other office machines including fax machines and calculators, also including -

typewriters copy machines

8 - Personal Digital Assistant or PDAs, including -

Palm iPaq

APPLIANCES, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND OTHER SELECTED ITEMS continued

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Part B – Household Appliances and Other Selected Items (continued)

9 - Computers, computer systems, and related hardware for non-business use, including -

CD/DVD drive cables home computers with or without monitors

computer printers fax modems external hard drive keyboards scanner CD/DVD burner

modems memory mouse monitors Micro PC laptops

10 - Computer software, including computer games, or accessories, for non-business use,

including -

PC games printer cartridges mouse pads

11 - Video game hardware, video games, or accessories, including -

Nintendo Wii Gamecube Nintendo DS PSP

Gameboy Playstation Xbox

12 - Telephones or accessories, including -

telephones headsets cordless telephones car chargers beepers chargers cell phone covers cell phones

phone jacks and cords pagers Bluetooth accessories

13 - Telephone answering machines, including -

combinations of telephone/answering machines

14 - Photographic equipment, including -

camera filter projection screen battery pack for camera flash digital camera winder electro flash motor driven film advancer

lens enlarger strobe light

tripod projector (for photographs)

Do not include film, film processing, or other photographic supplies.

15 - Musical instruments, supplies, and accessories, including -

piano sheet music saxophone music books quitar strings for musical music stand trumpet

woodwinds any other musical instruments clarinet accessories brass instruments stringed picks carrying case trombone instruments rosin Keyboards valve oil reeds drums

Do not include music lessons.

Part B – Household Appliances and Other Selected Items (continued)

16 - Lawn mowing machinery and other yard equipment, including -

lawn mowers motorized tiller snow blower shovel tractor (farm, wheelbarrow electric lawn spreader garden, etc.) rake trimmer

TOOLS FOR HOME USE

17 - Power tools, including -

electric drill sander cordless circular saw
electric saw lathe electric swimming pool
router electric plane cleaning equipment
cordless drill electric polisher air compressor

18 - Non-power tools including -

wrench axe saw drill

socket screwdriver level trouble light hammer pliers plane caulking gun

HEATING AND COOLING EQUIPMENT

19 - Window air conditioners

20 - Portable cooling and heating equipment, including -

space heater dehumidifier humidifier fan

APPLIANCES, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND OTHER SELECTED ITEMS continued

Part B – Household Appliances and Other Selected Items (continued)

TELEVISIONS, RADIOS, VIDEO AND SOUND EQUIPMENT (not installed on vehicles)

21 – Televisions, all types including combinations of TVs with DVD/video players, including –

flat screen TV plasma TV high definition TV

22 - DVD players, VCRs, DVRs, or video cameras, including -

TiVo unit digital TV converter box
Blu-ray disc player video tape recorder/player
high definition disc player video laser disc player

combination of VCR/DVD player video cassette recorder/player

23 - Satellite dishes, receivers, or accessories

24 - Handheld personal music players, including -

iPod personal mp3 players

25 - Radio, all types, including -

CB (not permanently clock radio short-wave transistor/portable mounted in an console walky-talky Walkman (radio only)

automobile)

26 – Tape recorders or players (not permanently mounted in an automobile), including –

audio tape decks audio cassette players/recorders

reel-to-reel tape decks Walkman (cassette/radio combination or cassette only)

27 - Sound components, component systems, or compact disc sound systems, including -

speakers amplifier tape deck (not specified)
mixer turntable compact disc players
stereo receiver stereo rack system

tuner equalizer

28 - Other sound or video equipment, including -

earphones/headphones battery packs adapter for sound equipment power converter power booster base station CB antenna

antenna (TV, radio, etc.) headset microphone

29 – Portable memory, such as flash drives, memory cards, and recordable discs and tapes,

including -

thumb drives blank DVDs blank CDs zip drives memory stick USB flash drive

Part B – Household Appliances and Other Selected Items (continued)

SPORTS, RECREATION, AND EXERCISE EQUIPMENT

30 - General sports equipment, including -

roller blades baseball bat table tennis badminton set sports uniform football equipment soccer ball sports shoes basketball lawn games sports protective tennis racket racquetball frisbee equipment/gear bowling ball racquetball racket boxing equipment golf clubs

baseball glove volleyball karate equipment basketball hoop

skateboard golf shoes golf cart (non-riding)

Include specialized athletic shoes such as for football, baseball, soccer, biking, and bowling, except if included in the rental or activity fee for the sport.

31 - Health and exercise equipment, including -

trampoline exercise mat weight bench weights home gym treadmill rowing machine exercycle pedometer

32 - Camping equipment, including -

tent sleeping bag camping stove kerosene lamp sleeping pad camping cookware frame packs and air mattress other camping packs canteen camping bag camping stove camping cookware portable heater

33 - Hunting and fishing equipment, including -

fishing rod and tackle knife BB/pellet gun bow and arrow rifle ammunition

crossbow shotgun scopes (not specified)

34 - Winter sports equipment, including -

snow skis ski poles toboggan ski boots ice skates sled

snowboard ice boat

snowboard equipment sledding equipment

APPLIANCES, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND OTHER SELECTED ITEMS continued

Part B – Household Appliances and Other Selected Items (continued)

35 - Water sports equipment, including -

water skis snorkel surf board

life jacket water ski vest raft

wake board diving equipment wind surf board

36 - Outboard motors

37 - Bicycles, including -

bicycle helmets stand tires tubes bicycle parts locks rack supplies

38 - Tricycles or battery powered riders, including -

big wheels

39 - Playground equipment, including -

portable swimming pool swing set sand box gym set

40 - Other sports or recreation equipment, including -

telescope metal detector

paintball equipment

CLOTHING

Clothing

1 - Coats, jackets, and furs, including -

shawl raincoat fur coat winter coat

windbreaker down vest outerwear jacket

2 - Sport coats and tailored jackets, including blazers

3 - Suits, including -

woman's suit (of two or more pieces) formal suit

man's suit (of two or more pieces)

4 - Vests (purchased separately, not with a suit), excluding sweater vests and down vests

5 - Sweaters and sweater sets, including -

cardigan pullover V-neck sweater

sweater vest ski sweater

6 - Pants, slacks, or shorts, including -

jump suit blue jeans maternity pants dress slacks dress pants overalls short sets casual pants

Do not include any athletic shorts.

7 - Dresses, including -

two-piece dresses wedding gown maternity dresses formals or semi-formals

8 - Skirts, including skorts

Do not include any tennis skirts, golf skirts, or other athletic skirts.

9 - Shirts, blouses, and tops, including -

sport shirts tops maternity tops

dress shirts knit blouses T-shirts

Do not include any sweat shirts or athletic shirts.

10 - Undergarments, including -

bras undershirts slips

shapewear underwear thermal underwear

11 - Hosiery, including -

socks knee-highs tights pantyhose

12 - Nightwear and loungewear, including -

pajamas night shirt night gown

robe house coat thermal sleeping garments

CLOTHING continued

CLOTHING (continued)

Clothing (continued)

13 - Accessories, including -

umbrellas gloves apron fold-up rain accessories

belts mittens ear muffs bandannas ties purse handkerchiefs hair accessories

scarves wallet bridal headpiece non-prescription sunglasses

14 - Swimsuits or warm-up or ski suits, including -

athletic shorts tennis outfit sweatshirt swimwear accessories athletic shirt jogging suit swimwear snow and ski suit

hunting wear leotards

Do not include any sports uniforms.

- 15 Uniforms, other than sport, for which the cost is not reimbursed, including shirts, pants, suits, service apparel, such as: medical, barber, boy or girl scout, mechanic, waiter/waitress, plumber and lab smocks, and military apparel
- 16 Costumes, including costumes for dance, ballet, Halloween, etc.
- 17 Footwear, including -

dress shoes sandals bedroom slippers

casual shoes boots sneakers, jogging, aerobic, basketball, tennis shoes

Do not include specialized athletic shoes such as for football, soccer, bowling,

biking, or baseball.

VEHICLE OPERATING EXPENSES

Vehicle Maintenance and Repair, Parts, and Equipment

1 - Oil change, lubrication, and oil filter

(Include oil only if purchased for an oil change)

2 - Motor tune-up, including -

air/fuel filters ignition wires computer sensor ignition timing or mixture distributor cap, rotor PCV valve valve adjustment adiustment emission controls spark plugs breather/vapor/air filter element

3 - Brake work, including -

anti-lock brakes hydraulic system shoes or pads bleed brake system master cylinder wheel calipers machine drums/rotors wheel cylinder brake adjustment parking brake

4 - Battery purchase and installation

5 - Tire purchase and mounting

6 - Tire repairs

7 – Front end alignment, wheel balancing, wheel rotation

8 - Steering or front-end work, including -

axel bearing/seals bushings studs/lug nuts power steering fluid/filter CV joints/boots axle shafts tie rods idler arms rack and pinion wheel hubs ball joints steering box/linkage

9 - Electrical system work, including -

alternator belt car computer ignition system voltage regulator alternator/generator coil starter motor gauges/instruments battery charge switches wiring

10 - Engine repair or replacement, including -

carburetor fuel injector timing chain/gears or belt motor mounts fuel pump/lines/filter turbo charge oil pump/cooler/hoses pistons/rods crankshaft bearings gaskets choke

11 - Air conditioning work, including -

compressor condenser motor/switch recharging

12 - Engine cooling system work, including -

coolant or filter heater core radiator fan or water pump belt cooling fan/controls hoses thermostat water pump

fan switch or belt pressure cap cooling fan relay

VEHICLE OPERATING EXPENSES

VEHICLE OPERATING EXPENSES (continued)

Vehicle Maintenance and Repair, Parts, and Equipment (continued)

13 - Exhaust system work, including -

catalytic converter hanger/clamps muffler resonator

exhaust pipe manifold gasket

14 - Clutch or transmission work, including -

clutch cable hydraulic system rebuilt transmission transaxle

clutch fork master cylinder safety switch transmission filter flywheel pilot bearing shaft seal

15 - Body work and painting, including -

convertible top doors T-roof crash repairs

glass replacement vinyl top rust proofing window repair/replacement

sanding

16 - Shock absorber replacement, including MacPherson struts

17 - Drive shaft or rear-end work, including -

axle fluid CV joints rear axle suspension

differential tie rods grommet rear wheel axle seal rear wheel bearings universal joint coil or leaf springs axle mounts/bushings

18 - Video equipment and installation, including -

televisions and combinations of GPS navigational system with screen

TVs with VCRs and/or DVD players satellite receiver, In-Motion satellite receiver

Video game consoles

19 - Audio equipment and installation, including -

antenna CB radio speakers tape player

CB antenna radio stereo equipment satellite radio equipment

20 - Vehicle accessories and customizing, including -

alarm system carpeting running boards steering wheel covers

bike/ski racks fender skirts seat covers spoilers

bumper guards luggage rack

21 - Vehicle cleaning services and cleaning supplies, including -

car washes vacuuming cleaning mitts vehicle detailing services waxes upholstery sprays protective coating wheel cleaning supplies

boat cleaning services

22 - Other Vehicle Services, parts, or equipment, including -

battery cables vent filters iack charcoal canister-filters gas cable/cap/can brake lights gasket sets windshield wipers light bulbs wheel lugs headlights speedometer cable wheels/rims hub caps heater repair tire/wheel combination

upholstery work

INSURANCE OTHER THAN HEALTH

1 – Long term care insurance

2 – Life insurance or other policies which provide benefits in case of death or disability, including –

term insurance income or disability insurance

whole-life insurance group-life insurance cash benefits straight-life insurance

mortgage insurance flight insurance veterans insurance life endowments annuities burial insurance

HOME INSURANCE

Insurance protecting your home, furniture, personal effects, or other property against fire, theft, loss, natural disasters, or damage from other means.

3 – Homeowners' insurance, including any insurance covered in mortgage payments or flood insurance

flood insurance fire and extended coverage

4 - Renters' insurance

5 - Automobile or other vehicle insurance, including -

liability insurance bodily injury insurance collision insurance property damage insurance

comprehensive insurance no-fault insurance

6 - Other types of non-health insurance, including -

credit card insurance personal liability insurance mortgage guarantee insurance ambulance umbrella policies

Do not include malpractice insurance.

HOSPITALIZATION AND HEALTH INSURANCE

1 – Health Maintenance Organization

Expenses usually covered in full, or there may be a modest co-payment at the time of your visit.

- Group/staff type: You go to a central facility (group health center) to receive care.
- Independent practice association (IPA): Providers work from their individual offices (and are referred to as primary care physicians).

2 - Fee for Service Plan

You or your insurance company are generally billed after each visit.

- Traditional fee for service plan: You may go to any doctor or hospital you choose.
- Preferred Provider Organization (PPO): You are given a list of doctors from which to choose. If you go to a doctor on the PPO list, more expenses are covered than if you go to a doctor not on the list.

3 - Commercial Medicare Supplement

Voluntary contributory private insurance plan available to Medicare recipients. Covers the costs of deductibles, co-insurance, physician services, and other medical and health services.

4 - Special Purpose Plan

Covers only specific health needs. Examples of special purpose health insurance plans are:

dental insurance mental health insurance vision insurance dread disease policy prescription drug insurance

Do not include Medicare Prescription Drug plans.

EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES

1 – Recreational lessons or other instructions, including –

golf dancing driving tennis music photography skiing painting

sailing swimming sewing instructional day camps

skydiving needlepoint cooking self defense

driving lessons horseback riding

2 - Nursery school or child day care centers, including non-instructional day camps

3 - Tuition, including -

college or university business school elementary school high school secretarial school parochial school seminary technical school

adult education vocational school preparatory school middle/junior high school

Include only those expenses paid directly to the school or to other educational facility.

Do not report student loans.

4 - Housing while attending school, including -

student dormitory sorority fraternity housing for married students

Include only those expenses paid directly to the school or to other educational facility.

5 - Food or board while attending school

Include only those expenses paid directly to the school or to other educational facility.

6 - Private school bus

7 – Test preparation or tutoring services

8 – Purchase of any school books, supplies, or equipment, which has not already been reported, including –

text books ruler drafting equipment laboratory equipment

microscopes art supplies technical books cap and gown

9 – Other school related expenses not already reported, including the rental of any school books or expenses

laboratory fees matriculation fees transportation fees conferences and seminars

registration fees health fees student union fees laundry fees athletic fees rental of school books cap and gown rentals administration fees rental of school equipment

Do not report student loans.

SUBSCRIPTIONS, MEMBERSHIPS, BOOKS, AND ENTERTAINMENT EXPENSES

Part A - Subscriptions and Memberships

- 1 Subscriptions to newspapers, magazines, or periodicals. Include online subscriptions
- 2 Books purchased from book club
- 3 Season tickets to theater, concert series, opera, other musical series, or amusement parks
- 4 Season tickets to sporting events
- 5 Encyclopedias or other sets of reference books
- 6 Golf courses, country clubs and other social organizations
- 7 Health clubs, fitness centers, swimming pools, weight loss centers, or other sports and recreational organizations
- 8 Vacation clubs
- **9** Civic, service, or fraternal organization
- 10 Credit card membership fees
- 11 Shopping club memberships such as COSTCO and SAM'S
- 12 Services that use Global Positioning Systems (GPS) such as OnStar, not already reported
- 13 Direct or online dating services

SUBSCRIPTIONS, MEMBERSHIPS, BOOKS, AND ENTERTAINMENT EXPENSES (continued)

Part B - Books and Entertainment Expenses

Fees for participation in sports, including -

tennis golf bowling swimming

billiards

Single admissions to spectator sporting events, including –

football baseball hockey soccer

auto racing basketball

Single admissions to performances, including -

movies operas plays concerts

Single admissions to other entertainment activities, including -

museums zoos state parks amusement parks

historic sites

Books not purchased through book clubs, including -

paperbacks hardcover audio digital books

Exclude reference books or school books.

Single copies of newspapers, magazines, periodicals (non-subscription)

Compact discs, audio tapes, or records

Do not include blank or recordable CDs or blank or recordable audio tapes.

Photographic film, including disposable cameras

Photo processing, including -

digital photo processing video film processing

Purchase of video tapes or DVDs other than through a mail-order club

Do not include blank or recordable DVDs or blank or recordable video tapes.

Rental of video tapes or DVDs, including -

mail delivery DVD rentals

SUBSCRIPTIONS, MEMBERSHIPS, BOOKS, AND ENTERTAINMENT EXPENSES (continued)

Part C - Summary Questions

Subscriptions, Books, and Magazines

Subscriptions to newspapers, magazines, or periodicals. Include online subscriptions

Single copies of newspapers, magazines, periodicals (non-subscription)

Books purchased from book club

Books not purchased through book clubs, including -

paperbacks hardcover Audio digital books

Exclude reference books or school books.

Encyclopedias or other sets of reference books

Tickets/Admission for Movies, Concerts, and Sporting Events

Season tickets to theater, concert series, opera, other musical series, or amusement parks

Season tickets to sporting events

Single admissions to spectator sporting events, including

Football baseball Hockey soccer

auto racing basketball

Single admissions to performances, including

Movies operas plays concerts

Single admissions to other entertainment activities, including -

museums zoos state parks amusement parks

historic sites

SUBSCRIPTIONS, MEMBERSHIPS, BOOKS, AND ENTERTAINMENT EXPENSES (continued)

Part C - Summary Questions (continued)

Membership Fees, including

Golf courses, country clubs and other social organizations

Health clubs, fitness centers, swimming pools, weight loss centers, or other sports and recreational organizations

Fees for participation in sports, including -

tennis golf bowling swimming

billiards

Vacation clubs

Civic, service, or fraternal organization

Credit card membership fees

Shopping club memberships such as COSTCO and SAM'S

DVDs, Photographic Film, and Audio Recordings, including

Purchase of video tapes or DVDs other than through a mail-order club

Do not include blank or recordable DVDs or blank or recordable video tapes.

Rental of video tapes or DVDs, including -

mail delivery DVD rentals

Photographic film, including disposable cameras

Photo processing, including -

digital photo processing video film processing

Compact discs, audio tapes, or records

Do not include blank or recordable CDs or blank or recordable audio tapes.

TRIPS AND VACATIONS

Types of Trips

- 1 Visit friends or relatives
- 2 Business trips
- 3 Recreational trips, such as -

Sightseeing

Sports events

Club or organizational meetings

Outdoor recreation

- 4 Any other trips that occur overnight or longer
- **5** Any day trips to a place at least 75 miles away

Types of Transportation

COMMERCIAL

- 1 local (taxi, etc.)
- 2 airplane
- 3 train
- **4** bus
- **5** ship

RENTED

- 6 automobile
- 7 truck, van
- 8 motorcycle, moped
- 9 private plane
- 10 boat, trailer
- 11 camper
- 12 other vehicles

PRIVATE

- 13 automobiles or other vehicles privately owned or leased by the household
- 14 vehicle owned by someone else
- **15** other transport

TRIPS AND VACATIONS (continued)

Rental of Sports Equipment

Golf clubs

Skis/snowboards

Fishing equipment

Boat

Scuba/snorkeling equipment

Other sports equipment

Fees for Playing Sports

Golf

Fishing

Swimming

Tennis

Skiing/snowboarding

Bowling

Exercise classes

Scuba/snorkeling

Other sports

Entertainment or Admissions

Movies

Theater

Concerts

Museums

Tours

Sports events

Other entertainment events

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

The U.S. Census Bureau is conducting the Consumer Expenditure Surveys for the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor under title 29, United States Code. The survey's purpose is to obtain information on what Americans are purchasing in order to update the Consumer Price Index (CPI). All survey information will be used for statistical purposes only.

Any information you provide for this survey is confidential, by law, under title 13, United States Code. Participation in this survey is voluntary and there are no penalties for refusing to answer any question(s). However, your cooperation is extremely important to help ensure the completeness and accuracy of these data.