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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION
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Memorandum

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TO : The Commission
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FROM : Amy S. Colvin, Attorney, OGC

SUBJECT : Adjusted Civil Penalty Maximum Amounts

BALLOT VOTE: Due NOV 14 2011

The Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 1990 directed the Commission to adjust every five years the maximum civil penalty amounts applicable under the Consumer Product Safety Act (CPSA), the Federal Hazardous Substances Act (FHSA), and the Flammable Fabrics Act (FFA). On August 14, 2009, the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA) increased the maximum civil penalty amounts to \$100,000 for each violation and \$15,000,000 for any related series of violations under the CPSA, FHSA, and FFA. The CPSIA also revised the starting date, from December 1, 1994 to December 1, 2011, on which the Commission must prescribe and publish in the Federal Register the schedule of maximum authorized penalties. The Directorate for Economic Analysis has put the new cost-of-living numbers into the statutory formula, and calculated the adjusted amounts as \$100,000 for each violation and \$15,150,000 for any related series of violations.

The attached draft *Federal Register* notice would notify the public that the new maximum civil penalty amounts become effective on January 1, 2012.

Please indicate your vote:

- I. Approve publication of the draft notice in the *Federal Register*.

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(Date)

II. Approve publication of the draft notice in the *Federal Register*, with changes. (Please specify.)

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III. Do not approve publication of the draft notice in the *Federal Register*.

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IV. Take other action. (Please specify.)

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Civil Penalties; Notice of Adjusted Maximum Amounts

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice of adjusted maximum civil penalty amounts.

SUMMARY: In 1990, Congress enacted statutory amendments that provided for periodic adjustments to the maximum civil penalty amounts authorized under the Consumer Product Safety Act, the Federal Hazardous Substances Act, and the Flammable Fabrics Act. On August 14, 2009, the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA) increased the maximum civil penalty amounts to \$100,000 for each violation and \$15,000,000 for any related series of violations. The CPSIA also revised the starting date, from December 1, 1994 to December 1, 2011, on which the Commission must prescribe and publish in the Federal Register the schedule of maximum authorized penalties. As calculated in accordance with the amendments, the new amounts are \$100,000 for each violation, and \$15,150,000 for any related series of violations.

DATES: The new amounts will become effective on January 1, 2012.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 1990 (Improvement Act), Public Law 101-608, 104 Stat. 3110 (November 16, 1990), and the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA), Public Law

110-314, 122 Stat. 3016 (August 14, 2008), amended the Consumer Product Safety Act (CPSA), the Federal Hazardous Substances Act (FHSA), and the Flammable Fabrics Act (FFA). The Improvement Act added civil penalty authority to the FHSA and FFA, which previously contained only criminal penalties. 15 U.S.C. §§ 1264(c) and 1194(e). The Improvement Act also increased the maximum civil penalty amounts applicable to civil penalties under the CPSA and set the same maximum amounts for the newly created FHSA and FFA civil penalties. 15 U.S.C. §§ 2069(a)(1), 1264(c)(1), and 1194(e)(1).

The Improvement Act directed the Commission to adjust the maximum civil penalty amounts periodically for inflation:

(A) The maximum penalty amounts authorized in paragraph (1) shall be adjusted for inflation as provided in this paragraph.

(B) Not later than December 1, 1994, and December 1 of each fifth calendar year thereafter, the Commission shall prescribe and publish in the Federal Register a schedule of maximum authorized penalties that shall apply for violations that occur after January 1 of the year immediately following such publication.

(C) The schedule of maximum authorized penalties shall be prescribed by increasing each of the amounts referred to in paragraph (1) by the cost-of-living adjustment for the preceding 5 years. Any increase determined under the preceding sentence shall be rounded to—

(i) in the case of penalties greater than \$1,000 but less than or equal to \$10,000, the nearest multiple of \$1,000;

(ii) in the case of penalties greater than \$10,000 but less than or equal to \$100,000, the nearest multiple of \$5,000;

(iii) in the case of penalties greater than \$100,000 but less than or equal to \$200,000, the nearest multiple of \$10,000; and

(iv) in the case of penalties greater than \$200,000, the nearest multiple of \$25,000.

(D) For purposes of this subsection:

(i) The term “Consumer Price Index” means the Consumer Price Index for all-urban consumers published by the Department of Labor.

(ii) The term “cost-of-living adjustment for the preceding five years” means the percentage by which—

(I) the Consumer Price Index for the month of June of the calendar year preceding the adjustment; exceeds

(II) the Consumer Price Index for the month of June preceding the date on which the maximum authorized penalty was last adjusted.

15 U.S.C. §§ 2069(a)(3), 1264(c)(6), and 1194(e)(5).

The CPSIA amended the CPSA, FHSA, and FFA to increase the maximum civil penalty amounts to \$100,000 for each violation, and \$15,000,000 for any related series of violations. 15 U.S.C. §§ 2069(a)(1), 1264(c)(1), and 1194(e)(1). The CPSIA also revised the starting date from December 1, 1994, and every fifth year thereafter, to no later than December 1, 2011, on which “the Commission shall prescribe and publish in the Federal Register a schedule of maximum authorized penalties that shall apply for violations that occur after January 1 of the year immediately following such publication.”

The Commission’s Directorate for Economics has calculated that the cost-of-living adjustment increases the maximum civil penalty amounts to \$101,053 for each

violation, and to \$15,157,981 for any related series of violations. Rounding off these numbers in accordance with the statutory directions, the adjusted maximum amounts are \$100,000 for each violation, and \$15,150,000 for any related series of violations. These new amounts will apply to violations that occur after January 1, 2012.

Dated:

Todd A. Stevenson,
Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission



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SUBJECT : Adjustment of Civil Penalties for Inflation

The Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 1990 requires that the maximum civil penalties applicable to various violations of safety standards be adjusted periodically for inflation, based upon changes to the Consumer Price Index, All Urban Consumers (the "CPI-U," published by the Department of Labor Statistics). In addition, the adjusted penalties are rounded, based upon their size, according to the statute. Applicable rounding for CPSC penalties is to the nearest multiple of \$1,000 for penalties between \$1,000 and \$10,000; the nearest multiple of \$5,000 for penalties between \$10,000 and \$100,000; the nearest multiple of \$10,000 for penalties between \$100,000 and \$200,000; and, the nearest multiple of \$25,000 for penalties greater than \$200,000.

Section 217(a)(4) of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA), effective August 14, 2009, increased the maximum penalty amounts for each violation from \$8,000 to \$100,000 and increased the maximum penalty amounts for any related series of violations from \$1,825,000 to \$15,000,000.

The Office of the General Counsel has asked the Directorate for Economic Analysis to adjust these new maximum penalties for inflation that occurred between 2004 and 2010, 2006 and 2010, and 2009 and 2010, based upon the CPI-U for these years, which are presented in Table 1. The base years of 2004 and 2006 were chosen to reflect two events. First, the agency last adjusted penalties for inflation on January 1, 2005, based on the 2004 CPI-U. However, the maximum amounts adjusted were different because the CPSIA had not been enacted. Second, the penalties are required to be adjusted by the cost-of-living adjustment for the preceding 5 years, and 2006 is the year 5 years prior to 2011.

Table 1: Historic CPI's and Percent Changes

	CPI-U	CPI-U Percent Change to 2010
June 2004	568.2	14.91%
June 2006	607.8	7.43%
June 2009	646.1	1.05%
June 2010	652.9	Not Applicable

The adjustments to the penalties, based upon the percent change in the CPI-U, are presented below:

- For 2004–2010:
 - The \$100,000 penalty adjusts to \$114,911, and rounds to \$110,000.
 - The \$15,000,000 penalty adjusts to \$17,236,695, and rounds to \$17,250,000.
- For 2006–2010:
 - The \$100,000 penalty adjusts to \$107,424, and rounds to \$110,000.
 - The \$15,000,000 penalty adjusts to \$16,113,672, and rounds to \$16,125,000.
- For 2009–2010:
 - The \$100,000 penalty adjusts to \$101,053, and rounds to \$100,000.
 - The \$15,000,000 penalty adjusts to \$15,157,981, and rounds to \$15,150,000.

The adjustment for 2009 to 2010 inflation seems most appropriate. The new maximum penalties (enacted under the CPSIA) became effective in 2009. Using 2009 as a base for adjustment assumes these numbers were current (*i.e.*, 2009) dollar amounts at their effective date. Using a base of 2004 or 2006 for the adjustments would imply that the penalty amounts became effective as “deflated” values, which would be a highly unusual practice. Any inflation that occurred

between 2004 and 2006 should have been embodied in the new maximums set forth in the CPSIA by Congress; therefore, adjusting from 2004 seems unnecessary. To the extent that the maximums needed adjustment between 2006 and 2009, the customary practice would have been to make the adjustment prior to the 2009 effective date. It is reasonable to expect that the public and regulated community viewed these values as in current dollars in 2009, because the CPSC did not specify otherwise (*i.e.* that they were to be in 2004 or 2006 dollars rather than 2009 dollars).

In summary, the Directorate for Economic Analysis recommends using the adjustment for inflation between 2009 and 2010, as a basis for adjusting the new civil penalty amounts. Thus, the new adjusted amounts would be \$100,000 for each violation, and \$15,150,000 for any related series of violations.

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June 2004 CPI-U. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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June 2006 CPI-U. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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June 2009 CPI-U. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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June 2010 CPI-U. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Expenditure category	Relative Importance, December 2003	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to June 2004 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		May 2004	June 2004	June 2003	May 2004	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May	May to June
All items	100.000	189.1	189.7	3.3	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.3
All items (1967=100)	-	566.4	568.2	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	15.384	186.5	186.8	3.7	.2	.2	.9	.2
Food	14.383	186.1	186.3	3.7	.1	.2	.9	.2
Food at home	8.256	186.6	186.8	4.4	.1	.1	1.4	.1
Cereals and bakery products	1.202	206.1	206.8	1.5	.3	.0	.2	.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.320	181.1	182.3	9.0	.7	.2	1.6	.3
Dairy and related products .....	.842	185.9	188.8	15.2	1.6	1.6	6.8	1.7
Fruits and vegetables	1.221	231.7	226.7	-.3	-2.2	-.6	.7	-.8
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	.905	139.9	139.8	-.4	-.1	-.6	.4	.0
Other food at home	1.765	165.4	165.8	1.5	.2	.1	.4	.1
Sugar and sweets .....	.305	163.5	162.8	.0	-.4	-.1	.3	-.3
Fats and oils .....	.251	169.4	171.3	9.5	1.1	-.1	1.7	1.8
Other foods	1.210	180.1	180.5	.3	.2	.1	.2	-.6
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2} .....	.308	110.8	110.9	-.5	.1	-1.1	.3	.1
Food away from home ¹	6.127	186.7	187.0	2.8	.2	.2	.3	.2
Other food away from home ² .....	.332	124.8	124.8	3.0	.0	.6	.2	.0
Alcoholic beverages ¹	1.001	191.7	192.4	2.8	.4	.5	-.1	.4
Housing	42.089	188.9	190.3	2.7	.7	.4	.4	.3
Shelter	32.878	218.7	219.2	2.9	.2	.5	.2	.1
Rent of primary residence ³	6.157	210.2	210.7	2.7	.2	.3	.3	.2
Lodging away from home ²	2.954	128.2	129.1	5.5	.7	1.6	.2	-.9
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	23.383	224.3	224.7	2.6	.2	.4	.2	.2
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.385	116.1	116.2	.9	.1	.5	.3	.1
Fuels and utilities	4.741	158.1	165.5	4.0	4.7	.5	1.1	1.9
Fuels	3.830	140.4	148.5	3.6	5.8	.5	1.1	2.3
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	.231	150.4	150.7	14.0	.2	-.1	3.1	3.2
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	3.599	146.8	155.8	3.0	6.1	.5	1.1	2.1
Water and sewer and trash collection services ² .....	.910	123.3	123.6	6.2	.2	.3	.8	.5
Household furnishings and operations	4.470	125.4	125.6	-.5	.2	-.2	.2	.1
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.704	124.0	124.7	2.4	.6	.2	.2	.6
Apparel	3.975	123.4	120.1	.5	-2.7	.0	.3	.2
Men's and boys' apparel	1.024	120.3	117.7	1.3	-2.2	-.2	.3	.3
Women's and girls' apparel	1.704	116.9	112.3	.9	-3.9	.1	.6	.2
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.195	118.1	116.2	-3.7	-1.6	-.8	-1.6	.3
Footwear .....	.778	120.3	118.4	-.4	-1.6	-.2	-.3	.0
Transportation	16.881	165.2	165.7	5.7	.3	.1	1.7	.8
Private transportation	15.817	161.5	161.9	6.1	.2	.0	2.0	.8
New and used motor vehicles ²	7.912	94.0	93.6	-3.5	-.4	.0	.0	-.1
New vehicles	4.817	137.4	137.2	-.1	-.1	-.1	.1	.2
Used cars and trucks ¹	2.007	131.8	130.6	-11.4	-.9	-.1	.4	-.9
Motor fuel	3.249	170.5	173.3	33.2	1.6	-.3	8.0	3.0
Gasoline (all types)	3.222	169.8	172.7	33.4	1.7	-.3	8.1	3.1
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹ .....	.369	107.9	108.2	.5	.3	.1	.0	.3
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	1.349	199.0	199.7	2.4	.4	.2	.2	.5
Public transportation	1.064	210.7	212.3	-1.0	.8	.4	-1.3	.0
Medical care	6.074	309.0	310.0	4.6	.3	.4	.3	.3
Medical care commodities	1.499	269.1	269.6	2.9	.2	.4	.2	.1
Medical care services	4.575	319.8	321.0	5.2	.4	.3	.3	.4
Professional services	2.749	270.9	271.6	3.9	.3	.3	.2	.3
Hospital and related services ³	1.489	414.6	416.9	6.4	.6	.3	.5	.6

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 2005	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to June 2006 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		May 2006	June 2006	June 2005	May 2006	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May	May to June
All items	100.000	202.5	202.9 607.8	4.3	0.2	0.6	0.4	0.2
All items (1967=100)	-	606.5		-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	15.051	194.7	195.1	2.2	.2	.0	.2	.3
Food	13.942	194.2	194.5	2.2	.2	.0	.1	.3
Food at home	7.988	191.9	192.2	1.5	.2	-.2	-.1	.4
Cereals and bakery products	1.098	211.9	212.8	1.6	.4	-.2	.4	.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	2.133	184.7	186.0	.4	.7	.2	-.5	.4
Dairy and related products .....	.852	181.0	179.6	-.8	-.8	-.7	-.5	.1
Fruits and vegetables	1.219	248.0	248.0	4.0	.0	-.1	-.9	1.3
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	.910	146.6	146.6	1.8	.0	-.7	.5	.1
Other food at home	1.777	170.0	170.0	1.9	.0	-.2	.7	.1
Sugar and sweets .....	.302	171.3	171.9	3.7	.4	.9	.0	.2
Fats and oils .....	.231	168.6	167.3	1.7	-.8	-.7	2.4	-.2
Other foods ¹	1.244	185.4	185.6	1.5	.1	-.1	.6	.1
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1,2} .....	.328	114.3	114.4	3.8	.1	.2	1.0	.1
Food away from home ¹	5.953	198.7	199.2	3.1	.3	.2	.4	.3
Other food away from home ² .....	.277	136.0	136.3	3.6	.2	.5	.2	.1
Alcoholic beverages ¹	1.109	200.8	201.6	2.9	.4	.0	.3	.4
Housing	42.380	202.2	203.7	4.2	.7	-.1	.3	.2
Shelter	32.280	231.2	232.2	3.4	.4	.3	-.4	.4
Rent of primary residence ³	5.832	223.6	224.4	3.5	.4	.3	.3	.4
Lodging away from home ²	2.611	137.9	139.1	4.7	.9	.0	.1	.3
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3,4}	23.442	236.9	237.9	3.6	.4	.4	.6	.4
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1,2} .....	.375	116.3	116.4	-.1	.1	.0	.1	-.1
Fuels and utilities	5.371	192.0	197.6	11.4	2.9	-.9	-.3	-.7
Fuels	4.494	174.4	180.4	12.8	3.4	-.1	-.3	-.9
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	.339	239.8	239.1	22.6	-.3	4.0	3.0	1.4
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	4.155	178.8	185.6	12.1	3.8	-.1	-.6	-.1
Water and sewer and trash collection services ² .....	.877	135.7	136.2	4.8	.4	.4	.3	.5
Household furnishings and operations	4.749	127.2	127.3	1.0	.1	.0	.5	.0
Household operations ^{1,2} .....	.779	135.7	136.3	4.8	.4	.2	.4	.4
Apparel	3.786	122.4	118.9	-.5	-2.9	.6	.2	.0
Men's and boys' apparel .....	.915	116.5	113.0	-2.0	-3.0	.9	-1.0	-.4
Women's and girls' apparel	1.612	114.4	110.3	1.1	-3.6	.5	.2	.4
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.183	118.3	115.0	-1.2	-2.8	-.6	.8	-.5
Footwear .....	.759	125.8	123.0	1.1	-2.2	-.1	.4	-.8
Transportation	17.415	187.6	187.3	9.0	-.2	2.4	1.5	-.2
Private transportation	16.329	183.9	183.2	9.2	-.4	2.6	1.5	-.3
New and used motor vehicles ²	7.858	95.8	95.7	.1	-.1	.1	.0	.1
New vehicles	5.155	137.7	137.2	-.7	-.4	-.1	-.3	-.1
Used cars and trucks ¹	1.799	140.9	141.5	1.1	.4	.3	.4	.4
Motor fuel	4.191	250.9	248.4	33.9	-1.0	8.8	5.0	-1.0
Gasoline (all types)	4.148	249.8	247.3	34.0	-1.0	8.8	4.9	-1.0
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹ .....	.362	117.0	117.0	5.2	.0	.3	1.0	.0
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair	1.131	214.9	215.5	4.6	.3	.3	.5	.2
Public transportation	1.087	229.2	234.3	5.4	2.2	.2	1.0	1.2
Medical care	6.220	335.6	336.0	4.1	.1	.4	.3	.3
Medical care commodities	1.457	286.3	286.3	3.9	.0	.4	.4	-.1
Medical care services	4.764	349.7	350.3	4.2	.2	.3	.3	.4
Professional services	2.815	289.0	289.2	2.6	.1	.1	.3	.2
Hospital and related services ³	1.576	466.1	467.6	6.8	.3	.8	.6	.3

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U Expenditure category	Relative Importance, December 2008	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to June 2009 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		May 2009	June 2009	June 2008	May 2009	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May	May to June
All items	100.000	213.856	215.693	-1.4	0.9	0.0	0.1	0.7
All items (1967=100)		640.616	646.121	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	15.757	218.076	218.030	2.2	.0	-.2	-.2	.1
Food	14.629	217.826	217.740	2.1	.0	-.2	-.2	.0
Food at home	8.156	215.088	214.824	.8	-.1	-.6	-.5	.0
Cereals and bakery products	1.150	252.714	253.008	3.0	.1	-.7	-.2	.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	1.898	203.789	204.031	.6	.1	.0	-.9	-.2
Dairy and related products ¹ .....	.910	186.055	194.197	-7.1	-.9	-1.3	-.5	-.9
Fruits and vegetables	1.194	274.006	272.608	-1.9	-.5	.0	-1.0	1.1
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	.982	162.803	162.571	2.7	-.1	-1.0	-.1	.1
Other food at home	2.022	191.144	191.328	4.1	.1	-.8	-.1	.0
Sugar and sweets .....	.300	196.403	197.009	6.2	.3	-.5	.0	.2
Fats and oils .....	.241	200.679	201.127	2.5	.2	-1.4	-.7	.6
Other foods	1.481	205.587	205.654	3.9	.0	-.8	.0	-.2
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2} .....	.433	122.838	122.224	3.2	-.5	.4	.0	-.5
Food away from home ¹	6.474	223.023	223.163	3.8	.1	.3	.1	.1
Other food away from home ^{1 2} .....	.314	155.099	155.841	4.0	.5	.4	.0	.5
Alcoholic beverages	1.127	220.005	220.477	3.1	.2	-.1	.3	.2
Housing	43.421	216.971	218.071	.1	.5	-.1	-.1	.0
Shelter	33.200	249.779	250.243	1.3	.2	.2	.1	.1
Rent of primary residence ³	5.957	249.069	249.092	2.7	.0	.2	.1	.1
Lodging away from home ²	2.478	135.680	138.318	-6.9	1.9	.5	.1	.3
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	24.433	256.875	256.981	1.9	.0	.1	.1	.1
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.333	120.728	121.083	1.7	.3	-.1	.0	.3
Fuels and utilities	5.431	206.358	212.677	-8.1	3.1	-1.7	-1.3	-.8
Household energy	4.460	183.783	190.647	-10.8	3.7	-2.2	-1.8	-1.0
Fuel oil and other fuels .....	.301	225.164	232.638	-40.3	3.3	-2.1	-3.1	2.0
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	4.159	189.619	196.754	-7.8	3.8	-2.2	-1.7	-1.2
Water and sewer and trash collection services ² .....	.971	159.517	159.831	6.2	.2	.6	.6	.4
Household furnishings and operations	4.790	129.644	129.623	1.6	.0	.0	.0	.0
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.781	149.468	149.995	1.3	.4	-.1	-.9	.4
Apparel	3.691	121.751	118.799	1.5	-2.4	-.2	-.2	.7
Men's and boys' apparel .....	.923	117.146	112.849	.7	-3.7	-1.7	.4	-.5
Women's and girls' apparel	1.541	109.460	106.455	2.1	-2.7	.2	-.1	1.6
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.183	114.142	113.915	2.1	-.2	1.3	-1.6	2.2
Footwear .....	.688	127.519	125.515	1.6	-1.6	.4	.1	.2
Transportation	15.314	175.997	183.735	-13.2	4.4	-.4	.8	4.2
Private transportation	14.189	171.757	179.649	-13.3	4.6	-.3	.9	4.5
New and used motor vehicles ²	6.931	92.701	93.020	-.6	.3	.4	.5	.4
New vehicles	4.480	135.162	135.719	.9	.4	.4	.5	.7
Used cars and trucks	1.628	122.650	124.323	-8.6	1.4	-.1	1.0	.9
Motor fuel	3.164	193.609	225.021	-35.2	16.2	-2.6	2.7	17.2
Gasoline (all types)	2.964	193.727	225.526	-34.6	16.4	-2.8	3.1	17.3
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹ .....	.382	134.347	134.270	5.0	-.1	.1	-.2	-.1
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ¹	1.188	242.488	242.683	4.1	.1	.2	-.1	.1
Public transportation	1.125	228.878	232.540	-12.1	1.6	-.8	-1.0	-.5
Medical care	6.390	375.026	375.093	3.2	.0	.4	.3	.2
Medical care commodities	1.625	304.697	304.683	3.2	.0	.3	.4	.1
Medical care services	4.765	396.648	396.750	3.1	.0	.4	.3	.2
Professional services	2.702	319.333	319.652	2.7	.1	.1	.6	.3
Hospital and related services ³	1.545	564.112	564.406	6.2	.1	.9	.1	.4

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Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 2009	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to June 2010 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		May 2010	June 2010	June 2009	May 2010	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May	May to June
All items	100.000	218.178	217.965	1.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1
All items (1967=100)	-	653.564	652.926	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	14.795	219.693	219.562	.7	-1	.2	.0	.0
Food	13.738	219.374	219.218	.7	-1	.2	.0	.0
Food at home	7.801	215.793	215.361	.2	-2	.2	.0	-1
Cereals and bakery products	1.108	251.269	250.260	-1.1	-4	-3	.2	-6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	1.745	205.679	208.171	2.0	1.2	1.4	.4	1.0
Dairy and related products ¹ .....	.820	197.749	197.947	1.9	.1	-8	.2	.1
Fruits and vegetables	1.153	277.887	271.907	-3	-2.2	-2	-1.1	-1.3
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials .....	.952	160.982	160.361	-1.4	-4	.4	-8	-2
Other food at home	2.023	191.461	191.001	-2	-2	.0	.3	-3
Sugar and sweets .....	.295	202.123	199.737	1.4	-1.2	.1	1.2	-1.2
Fats and oils .....	.232	199.510	199.375	-9	-1	.7	.1	.0
Other foods	1.496	205.036	204.874	-4	-1	-2	.1	-2
Other miscellaneous foods ^{1 2} .....	.439	120.607	121.551	-6	.8	.0	-1.4	.8
Food away from home ¹	5.937	225.573	225.797	1.2	.1	.1	.1	.1
Other food away from home ^{1 2} .....	.326	158.529	159.271	2.2	.5	.1	-1	.5
Alcoholic beverages	1.056	222.463	222.680	1.0	.1	.0	.2	.1
Housing	41.960	215.981	216.778	-6	.4	-1	.0	-1
Shelter	32.289	248.100	248.470	-7	.1	.0	.1	.1
Rent of primary residence ³	5.966	248.925	248.999	.0	.0	.0	.0	.1
Lodging away from home ² .....	.769	136.121	140.476	1.6	3.2	1.4	2.5	1.3
Owners' equivalent rent of residences ^{3 4}	25.206	256.163	256.352	-2	.1	.0	.0	.1
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence ^{3 4}	23.593	256.159	256.347	-2	.1	.0	.0	.1
Tenants' and household insurance ^{1 2} .....	.347	125.036	125.289	3.5	.2	.4	.1	.2
Fuels and utilities	5.081	212.773	217.820	2.4	2.4	-2	-4	-1.2
Household energy	4.028	188.017	193.678	1.6	3.0	-4	-6	-1.6
Fuel oil and other fuels ¹ .....	.276	272.606	265.521	14.1	-2.6	.7	-2.0	-2.6
Gas (piped) and electricity ³	3.752	191.628	198.207	.7	3.4	-5	-5	-1.6
Water and sewer and trash collection services ²	1.052	169.825	169.745	6.2	.0	.6	.5	.2
Household furnishings and operations	4.590	128.029	125.589	-3.1	-3	-5	.0	-4
Household operations ^{1 2} .....	.781	150.575	150.560	.4	.0	.0	.3	.0
Apparel	3.695	121.006	118.319	-4	-2.2	-7	.2	.8
Men's and boys' apparel .....	.903	113.885	112.446	-4	-1.3	-6	.5	2.3
Women's and girls' apparel	1.580	108.686	104.746	-1.6	-3.6	-1.5	.3	.2
Infants' and toddlers' apparel .....	.196	114.412	112.930	-9	-1.3	.2	-4	.8
Footwear .....	.721	128.738	127.196	1.3	-1.2	.0	.0	.6
Transportation	16.685	194.761	192.651	4.9	-1.1	-5	-1.2	-1.0
Private transportation	15.497	190.071	187.593	4.4	-1.3	-7	-1.4	-1.0
New and used motor vehicles ²	6.386	96.890	97.176	4.5	.3	-2	.2	.3
New vehicles	3.573	137.750	137.503	1.3	-2	.0	.1	.1
Used cars and trucks	2.012	142.537	144.399	16.1	1.3	.2	.6	.9
Motor fuel	4.525	246.671	234.868	4.4	-4.8	-2.3	-5.0	-4.1
Gasoline (all types)	4.337	246.080	234.214	3.9	-4.8	-2.4	-5.2	-4.5
Motor vehicle parts and equipment ¹ .....	.401	136.135	136.686	1.8	.4	.1	.3	.4
Motor vehicle maintenance and repair ¹	1.167	247.311	247.635	2.0	.1	.3	.0	.1
Public transportation	1.187	253.275	257.825	10.9	1.8	1.7	1.5	-5
Medical care	6.513	387.762	388.199	3.5	.1	.2	.1	.3
Medical care commodities ¹	1.611	314.923	314.888	3.3	.0	.2	.1	.0
Medical care services	4.902	410.173	410.802	3.5	.2	.3	.0	.4
Professional services	2.796	327.121	327.938	2.6	.2	.2	.0	.4

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