

Mid-Atlantic Regional Office CPI Announcement

Table 1. Consumer Price Indexes, U.S. city average and selected areas, April 2018 (1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted) (not seasonally adjusted)

Item	All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)											Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)												
	U.S. city average		Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington		Washington-Arlington-Alexandria (1)		Baltimore-Columbia-Towson (1)		Northeast region		South region		U.S. city average		Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington		Washington-Arlington-Alexandria (1)		Baltimore-Columbia-Towson (1)		Northeast region		South region	
	Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from	
	Apr 2018	Apr 2017	Apr 2018	Apr 2017	Apr 2018	Apr 2017	Apr 2018	Apr 2017	Apr 2018	Apr 2017	Apr 2018	Apr 2017	Apr 2018	Apr 2017	Apr 2018	Apr 2017	Apr 2018	Apr 2017	Apr 2018	Apr 2017	Apr 2018	Apr 2017	Apr 2018	Apr 2017
All items	250.546	2.5	251.850	1.4	-	-	252.185	-	264.669	2.1	242.486	2.4	244.607	2.6	252.417	1.1	-	-	250.811	-	261.033	2.2	238.380	2.5
All items (1967 = 100) (2)	750.524	-	727.581	-	-	-	754.265	-	416.772	-	393.346	-	728.609	-	733.188	-	-	-	747.676	-	407.719	-	386.083	-
Food and beverages	252.999	1.4	233.325	-0.3	-	-	257.268	-	259.235	1.6	249.847	1.1	251.984	1.4	238.352	-0.2	-	-	253.781	-	258.129	1.7	248.776	1.1
Food	253.209	1.4	233.291	-0.2	-	-	257.229	-	259.625	1.7	251.061	1.1	251.888	1.4	237.703	-0.1	-	-	254.202	-	258.400	1.8	249.514	1.1
Food at home	240.129	0.5	237.926	-1.4	241.256	0.4	234.002	0.4	249.436	1.1	237.670	0.4	239.262	0.7	242.175	-1.1	240.541	0.8	235.777	0.3	248.320	1.2	236.498	0.5
Cereals and bakery products	271.766	0.0	299.387	-	-	-	292.166	-	293.366	-	275.534	-	272.975	0.0	301.076	-	-	-	281.420	-	293.977	-	274.740	-
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	251.922	3.5	263.470	-	-	-	229.572	-	255.219	-	245.420	-	252.436	3.7	269.554	-	-	-	237.015	-	254.873	-	245.119	-
Dairy and related products	216.906	-0.4	195.646	-	-	-	229.659	-	225.197	-	219.597	-	215.278	-0.4	194.869	-	-	-	217.090	-	224.017	-	216.959	-
Fruits and vegetables	296.863	-0.4	273.365	-	-	-	279.226	-	311.887	-	283.841	-	293.896	-0.4	270.373	-	-	-	291.794	-	311.496	-	284.250	-
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials (3)	167.041	-0.8	155.636	-	-	-	176.790	-	172.571	-	164.696	-	166.842	-0.6	161.529	-	-	-	175.876	-	173.828	-	163.349	-
Other food at home	210.632	0.0	219.170	-	-	-	209.108	-	223.498	-	209.267	-	209.242	0.0	220.688	-	-	-	200.618	-	222.153	-	207.810	-
Food away from home	274.393	2.5	221.480	1.4	-	-	291.236	-	278.327	2.6	273.864	2.0	274.587	2.5	223.740	1.5	-	-	285.600	-	279.549	2.7	272.734	2.0
Alcoholic beverages	248.818	1.4	231.353	-0.4	-	-	255.730	-	253.071	0.5	232.539	1.0	252.583	1.4	237.527	-1.8	-	-	251.855	-	251.840	0.3	238.386	1.5
Housing	256.969	3.0	259.140	1.5	-	-	255.465	-	281.574	2.6	236.578	2.8	253.015	3.0	260.703	1.5	-	-	262.183	-	279.331	2.7	236.691	2.8
Shelter	305.716	3.4	322.141	1.5	327.843	2.2	300.204	1.2	348.276	2.5	272.593	3.4	298.548	3.5	328.860	1.7	328.027	2.3	311.156	1.1	344.324	2.5	272.979	3.5
Rent of primary residence (4)	316.763	3.7	301.497	2.5	357.225	2.7	347.452	1.6	349.889	2.6	283.436	3.7	313.501	3.7	301.497	2.5	357.225	2.7	347.452	1.6	345.218	2.6	282.044	3.8
Owners' equivalent rent of residences (4) (5)	312.935	3.4	330.546	1.4	334.144	2.0	313.137	0.8	359.918	2.5	273.932	3.2	282.568	3.4	293.961	1.4	304.538	2.0	284.045	0.8	316.815	2.5	254.610	3.2
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence (4) (5)	312.945	3.4	330.546	1.4	334.144	2.0	313.137	0.8	359.669	2.5	273.930	3.2	282.592	3.4	293.961	1.4	304.538	2.0	284.045	0.8	316.852	2.5	254.582	3.2
Fuels and utilities	238.857	2.2	206.598	2.0	-	-	233.659	-	229.335	6.2	233.867	0.9	236.762	2.0	204.897	1.4	-	-	223.950	-	229.688	5.7	233.810	0.9
Household energy	198.418	1.9	171.442	1.7	179.821	-1.8	207.193	-9.0	203.994	6.8	187.920	0.2	196.254	1.7	170.202	1.1	184.604	-1.9	197.017	-8.7	204.210	6.2	186.366	0.2
Energy services (4)	201.245	1.2	177.739	-0.9	184.196	-2.1	221.579	-10.2	200.253	4.7	187.826	0.0	199.893	1.1	179.758	-0.9	188.771	-1.9	218.572	-10.4	201.288	4.6	187.403	0.0
Electricity (4)	209.215	1.2	178.420	-3.8	209.058	0.4	209.379	-10.6	201.559	2.4	185.473	0.2	206.406	1.2	178.419	-3.8	209.058	0.4	209.378	-10.6	202.519	2.3	183.129	0.2
Utility (piped) gas service (4)	174.318	1.0	165.512	4.8	128.006	-9.5	184.307	-6.6	182.562	10.0	187.999	-1.8	173.759	0.9	165.508	4.8	128.007	-9.5	184.307	-6.6	183.020	9.6	192.483	-1.7
Household furnishings and operations	122.031	0.6	115.069	0.8	-	-	119.218	-	120.108	-0.9	121.904	0.6	116.562	0.3	107.896	0.2	-	-	105.854	-	112.116	-0.9	115.342	0.0
Apparel	129.365	0.8	116.450	2.9	-	-	134.113	-	133.247	-0.1	140.976	2.7	128.972	1.1	120.431	0.5	-	-	136.313	-	132.983	0.5	138.583	1.7
Transportation	210.734	4.1	214.780	3.2	-	-	206.963	-	207.639	3.3	211.814	4.1	210.477	4.8	226.844	3.0	-	-	208.392	-	210.141	3.8	209.861	4.7
Private transportation	206.149	4.7	213.750	3.6	-	-	205.065	-	199.980	4.2	210.348	4.4	206.892	5.1	225.254	3.0	-	-	206.989	-	203.554	4.5	208.276	4.9
New and used motor vehicles (6)	99.117	-0.8	95.990	-	-	-	100.026	-	96.514	0.4	101.593	-1.5	97.744	-0.9	99.700	-	-	-	97.621	-	97.639	-0.3	99.396	-1.5
New vehicles (3)	146.069	-1.6	176.660	-	-	-	202.608	-	145.056	-0.2	152.427	-2.1	147.176	-1.6	183.828	-	-	-	197.609	-	145.018	-0.5	152.134	-2.0
Used cars and trucks (3)	139.368	-0.9	257.007	-	-	-	240.576	-	145.294	-0.9	140.400	-0.7	140.364	-0.9	256.996	-	-	-	240.589	-	145.193	-1.0	141.624	-0.6
Motor fuel	242.056	13.5	262.566	15.5	250.085	12.0	239.639	13.7	237.081	13.3	230.326	12.3	242.856	13.4	262.527	15.5	250.315	12.0	239.780	13.7	236.107	13.1	230.137	12.3
Gasoline	240.962	13.4	259.110	15.6	247.399	12.0	234.712	13.4	236.049	13.3	229.172	12.3	241.900	13.4	259.109	15.6	247.400	12.0	234.723	13.4	235.214	13.0	229.047	12.2
Motor vehicle insurance (3)	562.749	9.0	752.183	-	-	-	824.197	-	620.681	-	939.811	-	568.569	9.3	752.191	-	-	-	824.208	-	615.920	-	956.704	-
Medical care	484.034	2.2	517.504	1.9	-	-	420.152	-	504.859	2.7	465.488	2.2	487.927	2.0	502.292	1.8	-	-	419.439	-	505.211	2.8	473.007	2.1
Recreation (6)	118.966	0.3	119.380	-3.0	-	-	122.559	-	124.184	-0.1	117.716	0.0	114.255	0.1	114.372	-5.0	-	-	110.995	-	125.291	-0.1	113.210	-2.2
Education and communication (6)	135.943	0.1	130.102	0.9	-	-	144.043	-	139.679	-0.3	131.891	0.1	124.888	-0.2	119.692	0.8	-	-	131.291	-	126.799	-0.8	119.274	-0.1
Tuition, other school fees, and child care (3)	731.689	1.9	1,028.033	-	-	-	1,154.208	-	1,210.467	-	1,295.353	-	703.881	1.9	994.690	-	-	-	1,122.129	-	1,198.494	-	1,206.584	-
Other goods and services	442.553	2.4	547.626	3.4	-	-	415.237	-	488.167	2.8	426.734	1.8	482.221	2.3	599.545	3.6	-	-	506.102	-	561.486	2.8	459.811	1.8
Energy	218.830	7.9	204.613	7.9	214.692	4.8	227.880	1.7	217.608	9.7	203.877	6.5	218.573	8.2	202.118	7.6	222.568	5.5	216.780	2.1	217.217	9.4	203.664	6.9

Footnotes:

- (1) 1998-2017 indexes based on a substantially smaller sample.
- (2) For the Northeast and the South, Dec. 1977=100
- (3) For Washington, Nov. 1977=100. For Baltimore, March 1978=100. For Philadelphia, December 1977=100.
- (4) This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series converted to a geometric means estimator in January 1999.
- (5) For the U.S., Philadelphia, Northeast, & South, Dec. 1982=100. For Washington & Baltimore, Nov. 1982=100
- (6) December 1997=100

Area definitions:

The Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE-MD, CBSA includes Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia Counties in Pennsylvania; Burlington, Camden, Gloucester, and Salem Counties in New Jersey; New Castle County in Delaware; and Cecil County in Maryland.

The Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-MD-VA-WV, CBSA includes the District of Columbia; Calvert, Charles, Frederick, Montgomery, Prince George's Counties in Maryland; Arlington, Clarke, Culpeper, Fairfax, Fauquier, Loudoun, Prince William, Rappahannock, Spotsylvania, Stafford, and Warren Counties, and Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Fredericksburg, Manassas, and Manassas Park Cities in Virginia; and Jefferson County in West Virginia.

The Baltimore-Columbia-Towson, MD, CBSA includes Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Baltimore City, Carroll, Harford, Howard, Queen Anne's Counties in Maryland.

The Northeast region includes the states of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

The South region includes the District of Columbia and the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia.

May indexes are scheduled for release at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 12, 2018

Table 2. Consumer Price Index and percent change, all items, U.S. city average and selected areas 1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted (not seasonally adjusted)

Area	All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)					Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)				
	Index		Percent change to Apr 2018 from--			Index		Percent change to Apr 2018 from--		
	Mar 2018	Apr 2018	Apr 2017	Feb 2018	Mar 2018	Mar 2018	Apr 2018	Apr 2017	Feb 2018	Mar 2018
U.S. city average	249.554	250.546	2.5	0.6	0.4	243.463	244.607	2.6	0.7	0.5
Chicago-Naperville-Elgin, IL-IN-WI	236.388	237.940	2.1	0.7	0.7	227.716	229.533	2.1	0.8	0.8
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim, CA	264.158	265.095	4.0	0.8	0.4	254.451	255.379	4.1	0.8	0.4
New York-Newark-New Jersey, NY-NJ-PA	272.196	272.950	1.9	0.3	0.3	267.077	267.945	2.1	0.3	0.3
Boston-Cambridge-Newton, MA-NH	274.591	-	-	-	-	273.619	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX	230.272	-	-	-	-	235.098	-	-	-	-
Denver-Aurora-Lakewood, CO	260.595	-	-	-	-	250.808	-	-	-	-
Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington, MN-WI	243.112	-	-	-	-	237.217	-	-	-	-
Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA (1)	101.897	-	-	-	-	101.909	-	-	-	-
San Diego-Carlsbad, CA	290.810	-	-	-	-	272.813	-	-	-	-
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL (2)	223.157	-	-	-	-	222.174	-	-	-	-
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV (3)	260.026	-	-	-	-	256.019	-	-	-	-
Urban Hawaii	275.408	-	-	-	-	272.021	-	-	-	-
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Roswell, GA	-	237.417	2.8	0.2	-	-	234.717	3.3	0.1	-
Baltimore-Columbia-Towson, MD (3)	-	252.185	-	-0.1	-	-	250.811	-	-0.2	-
Detroit-Warren-Dearborn, MI	-	231.784	2.3	0.9	-	-	226.221	2.3	0.9	-
Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, TX	-	225.116	2.4	0.2	-	-	221.383	2.8	0.2	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach, FL	-	264.696	3.5	-0.1	-	-	261.287	4.0	0.3	-
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE-MD	-	251.850	1.4	0.9	-	-	252.417	1.1	0.8	-
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ (4)	-	138.406	-	1.2	-	-	136.443	-	1.5	-
San Francisco-Oakland-Hayward, CA	-	283.422	3.2	0.8	-	-	278.039	3.4	0.8	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA	-	270.309	3.3	0.8	-	-	266.720	3.5	0.8	-
St. Louis, MO-IL	-	228.689	-	0.7	-	-	226.955	-	0.9	-
Urban Alaska	-	222.485	-	0.4	-	-	220.624	-	0.4	-

(1) December 2017=100.

(2) 1987=100.

(3) 1998-2017 indexes based on a substantially smaller sample.

(4) December 2001=100.

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Note to CPI users:

This announcement details Consumer Price Indexes for two population groups: All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W). Both indexes reflect 1982-84 spending patterns. Monthly percent changes are shown for the U.S. and five large areas; bimonthly data are presented for the remaining areas. Area indexes do not measure differences in the levels of prices among cities; they only measure the average change in prices for each area since the base period.

Local area CPI indexes are by-products of the national CPI program. Because each local index is a small subset of the national index, it has a smaller sample size and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error than the national index. As a result, area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are quite similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in escalator clauses.

This announcement is primarily intended for those users requiring the current indexes on a regular basis. More detailed information may be obtained by writing this office, calling (215) 597-3282, or faxing (215) 861-5720.

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