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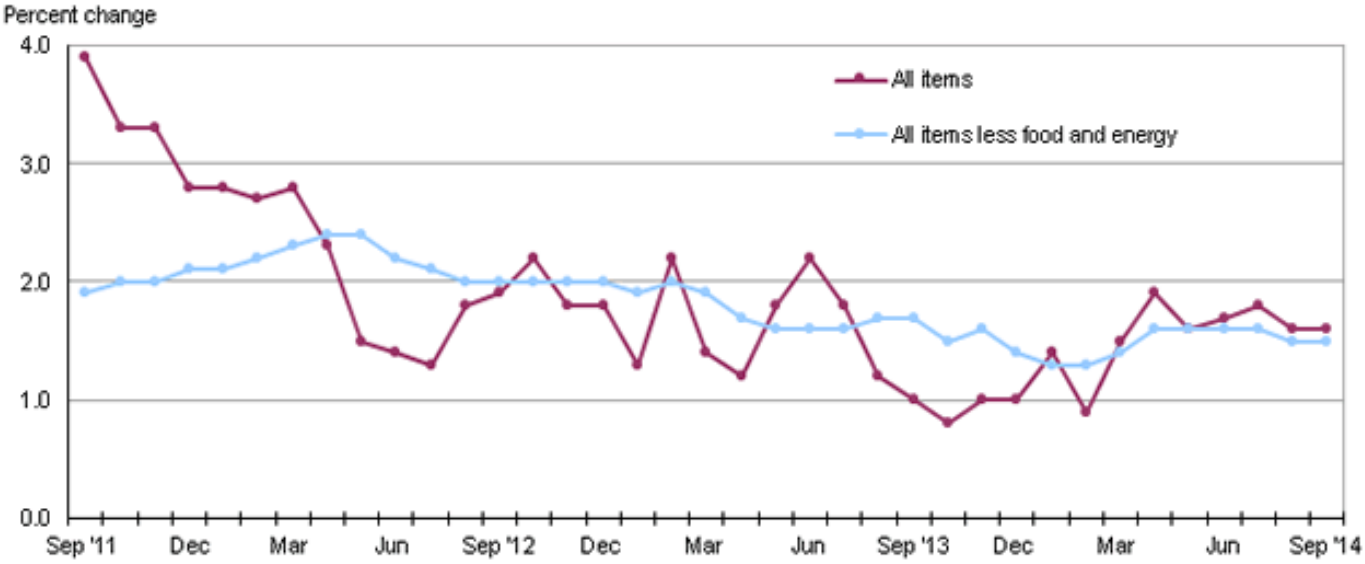
# Consumer Price Index, Midwest Region – September 2014

## Prices in the Midwest little changed in September but 1.6 percent higher over the year

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) in the Midwest registered little movement in September (up 0.1 percent), the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. Higher prices for apparel (3.6 percent) had the largest upward impact on the index. Apparel prices typically rise in September reflecting seasonal trends. Lower costs for electricity (-1.6 percent) and motor fuel (-0.6 percent) registered the largest offsetting movements. Overall, the energy index declined 1.0 percent. The index for food rose 0.5 percent and prices for all items less food and energy were up 0.2 percent.

The CPI-U for the Midwest advanced 1.6 percent from September 2013 to September 2014. Food prices increased 3.6 percent and the energy index, which includes motor fuel and household fuels, was up 0.2 percent. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U rose 1.5 percent over the year. (See chart 1.)

**Chart 1. Over-the-year change in consumer price indexes, Midwest region, September 2011–September 2014**




Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

### Food

Food prices in the Midwest increased 0.5 percent in September. The index for food at home rose 0.4 percent and costs for food away from home were 0.6 percent higher.

From September 2013 to September 2014, the index for food advanced 3.6 percent, the largest annual increase since March 2012. Rising costs for food at home (3.9 percent) accounted for nearly two-thirds of the annual gain. A 3.1-percent increase in prices for food away from home also contributed to the yearly advance.

**Energy**

The energy index registered its third consecutive monthly decline and had the greatest downward impact on the all items index in September, falling 1.0 percent. The decrease in energy costs was led by a 1.6-percent drop in electricity prices. Costs for motor fuel were 0.6 percent lower, and utility (piped) gas service prices decreased 1.5 percent over the month.

Despite the monthly decline, the energy index advanced 0.2 percent from September 2013 to September 2014. Costs for electricity and utility (piped) gas service increased 4.5 and 9.1 percent, respectively, while prices for motor fuel decreased 4.0 percent over the year.

**All items less food and energy**

The index for all items less food and energy for the Midwest rose 0.2 percent September. Components registering higher prices over the month included apparel (3.6 percent) and shelter (0.2 percent). In contrast, among the expenditure categories posting lower prices over the month was used cars and trucks (-1.6 percent).

The index for all items less food and energy was up 1.5 percent from September 2013 to September 2014. Higher costs for shelter (2.1 percent) and medical care (2.6 percent) led the advance.

The Midwest Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) stood at 226.913 in September 2014. A typical market basket of goods and services that cost $100.00 in the 1982-84 base period cost $226.91 in September 2014. Because regional CPI data are not adjusted for seasonal price variation, consumers and businesses should be cautious in drawing conclusions about long-term retail price trends from short-term changes in the regional indexes.

**CPI-W**

In September, the Midwest Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) was 223.054, up 0.1 percent over the month. The CPI-W increased 1.6 percent over the year.

**Table A. Midwest Region CPI-U monthly and annual percent changes (not seasonally adjusted)**

| Month | 2009 | | 2010 | | 2011 | | 2012 | | 2013 | | 2014 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Monthly | Annual | Monthly | Annual | Monthly | Annual | Monthly | Annual | Monthly | Annual | Monthly | Annual |
| January | 0.6 | -0.3 | 0.5 | 2.9 | 0.5 | 1.9 | 0.6 | 2.8 | 0.1 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 1.4 |
| February | 0.3 | -0.2 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 0.3 | 2.2 | 0.2 | 2.7 | 1.1 | 2.2 | 0.6 | 0.9 |
| March | 0.3 | -0.8 | 0.4 | 2.6 | 0.9 | 2.7 | 1.0 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 1.4 | 0.9 | 1.5 |
| April | 0.2 | -1.5 | 0.2 | 2.7 | 0.7 | 3.3 | 0.2 | 2.3 | -0.1 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 1.9 |
| May | 0.4 | -1.9 | 0.1 | 2.4 | 0.6 | 3.8 | -0.1 | 1.5 | 0.5 | 1.8 | 0.2 | 1.6 |
| June | 1.1 | -1.7 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 3.9 | -0.1 | 1.4 | 0.3 | 2.2 | 0.5 | 1.7 |
| July | -0.3 | -2.5 | 0.2 | 1.7 | 0.1 | 3.8 | 0.0 | 1.3 | -0.4 | 1.8 | -0.3 | 1.8 |
| August | 0.4 | -1.8 | 0.2 | 1.5 | 0.2 | 3.8 | 0.7 | 1.8 | 0.1 | 1.2 | -0.2 | 1.6 |
| September | 0.0 | -1.7 | 0.1 | 1.6 | 0.2 | 3.9 | 0.3 | 1.9 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 1.6 |
| October | 0.1 | -0.2 | 0.0 | 1.5 | -0.6 | 3.3 | -0.3 | 2.2 | -0.5 | 0.8 | | |
| November | 0.3 | 2.2 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 3.3 | -0.4 | 1.8 | -0.2 | 1.0 | | |
| December | -0.3 | 3.0 | 0.2 | 1.8 | -0.2 | 2.8 | -0.2 | 1.8 | -0.2 | 1.0 | | |

**The October 2014 Consumer Price Index for the Midwest region is scheduled to be released on Thursday, November 20, 2014.**

## Technical Note

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. The Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes CPIs for two population groups: (1) a CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) which covers approximately 88 percent of the total population and (2) a CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) which covers approximately 29 percent of the total population. The CPI-U includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups such as professional, managerial, and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force.

The CPI is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and the other goods and services that people buy for day-to-day living. Each month, prices are collected in 87 urban areas across the country from about 4,000 housing units and approximately 26,000 retail establishments--department stores, supermarkets, hospitals, filling stations, and other types of stores and service establishments. All taxes directly associated with the purchase and use of items are included in the index.

The index measures price changes from a designated reference date (1982-84) that equals 100.0. An increase of 16.5 percent, for example, is shown as 116.5. This change can also be expressed in dollars as follows: the price of a base period "market basket" of goods and services in the CPI has risen from $10 in 1982-84 to $11.65. For further details see the CPI home page on the Internet at www.bls.gov/cpi and the BLS Handbook of Methods, Chapter 17, The Consumer Price Index, available on the Internet at www.bls.gov/opub/hom/homch17_a.htm.

In calculating the index, price changes for the various items in each location are averaged together with weights that represent their importance in the spending of the appropriate population group. Local data are then combined to obtain a U.S. city average. Because the sample size of a local area is smaller, the local area index is subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error than the national index. In addition, local indexes are not adjusted for seasonal influences. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are quite similar. NOTE: **Area indexes do not measure differences in the level of prices between areas; they only measure the average change in prices for each area since the base period.**

The Midwest region is comprised of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

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**Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Indexes and percent changes for selected periods Midwest (1982-84=100 unless otherwise noted)**

| Item and Group | Indexes | | | Percent change from- | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Jul. 2014 | Aug. 2014 | Sep. 2014 | Sep. 2013 | Jul. 2014 | Aug. 2014 |
| **Expenditure category** | | | | | | |
| All Items | 226.997 | 226.587 | 226.913 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| All items (December 1977=100) | 369.336 | 368.670 | 369.199 | | | |
| Food and beverages | 236.312 | 237.128 | 238.161 | 3.5 | 0.8 | 0.4 |
| Food | 235.880 | 236.682 | 237.774 | 3.6 | 0.8 | 0.5 |
| Food at home | 229.216 | 230.152 | 230.965 | 3.9 | 0.8 | 0.4 |
| Food away from home | 246.886 | 247.459 | 249.027 | 3.1 | 0.9 | 0.6 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 240.179 | 241.190 | 241.296 | 1.8 | 0.5 | 0.0 |
| Housing | 211.842 | 211.589 | 211.459 | 2.2 | -0.2 | -0.1 |
| Shelter | 244.121 | 244.437 | 244.808 | 2.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Rent of primary residence [1] | 240.720 | 241.446 | 242.739 | 2.5 | 0.8 | 0.5 |
| Owners' equiv. rent of residences [1] [2] | 247.455 | 247.963 | 248.646 | 1.7 | 0.5 | 0.3 |
| Owners' equiv. rent of primary residence [1] [2] | 247.452 | 247.958 | 248.639 | 1.7 | 0.5 | 0.3 |
| Fuels and utilities | 231.825 | 229.864 | 227.181 | 5.7 | -2.0 | -1.2 |
| Household energy | 198.726 | 196.373 | 193.517 | 5.9 | -2.6 | -1.5 |
| Energy services [1] | 206.269 | 203.644 | 200.471 | 6.1 | -2.8 | -1.6 |
| Electricity [1] | 212.430 | 212.579 | 209.176 | 4.5 | -1.5 | -1.6 |
| Utility (piped) gas service [1] | 186.149 | 178.616 | 175.999 | 9.1 | -5.5 | -1.5 |
| Household furnishings and operations | 117.293 | 116.257 | 116.185 | -1.1 | -0.9 | -0.1 |
| Apparel | 119.556 | 121.165 | 125.586 | 0.8 | 5.0 | 3.6 |
| Transportation | 220.327 | 216.940 | 216.227 | -0.9 | -1.9 | -0.3 |
| Private transportation | 214.792 | 211.809 | 211.342 | -0.8 | -1.6 | -0.2 |
| New and used motor vehicles [3] | 100.385 | 100.303 | 99.717 | -0.5 | -0.7 | -0.6 |
| New vehicles | 139.057 | 138.519 | 138.868 | 0.4 | -0.1 | 0.3 |
| New cars and trucks [3] [4] | 98.351 | 97.965 | 98.199 | 0.4 | -0.2 | 0.2 |
| New cars [4] | 135.518 | 134.999 | 135.202 | -0.4 | -0.2 | 0.2 |
| Used cars and trucks | 154.114 | 154.462 | 151.997 | -0.7 | -1.4 | -1.6 |
| Motor fuel | 320.439 | 308.239 | 306.255 | -4.0 | -4.4 | -0.6 |
| Gasoline (all types) | 318.493 | 306.282 | 304.333 | -4.2 | -4.4 | -0.6 |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular [4] | 315.668 | 303.351 | 301.447 | -4.5 | -4.5 | -0.6 |
| Gasoline, Unleaded midgrade [4] [5] | 354.570 | 341.351 | 337.524 | -3.4 | -4.8 | -1.1 |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium [4] | 316.518 | 305.573 | 304.077 | -3.2 | -3.9 | -0.5 |
| Medical Care | 441.813 | 441.918 | 442.786 | 2.6 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Medical care commodities | 355.845 | 356.242 | 358.257 | 4.9 | 0.7 | 0.6 |
| Medical care services | 470.687 | 470.676 | 471.083 | 2.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Professional services | 387.211 | 387.173 | 387.271 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Recreation [3] | 117.721 | 117.438 | 117.317 | -0.1 | -0.3 | -0.1 |
| Education and communication [3] | 139.782 | 140.510 | 140.792 | 2.0 | 0.7 | 0.2 |
| Other goods and services | 394.249 | 394.396 | 394.583 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| **Commodity and Service Group** | | | | | | |
| All Items | 226.997 | 226.587 | 226.913 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Commodities | 186.374 | 185.678 | 186.331 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.4 |
| Commodities less food & beverages | 161.103 | 159.786 | 160.264 | -0.8 | -0.5 | 0.3 |
| Nondurables less food & beverages | 214.569 | 212.311 | 213.706 | -0.7 | -0.4 | 0.7 |
| Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel | 276.635 | 271.896 | 271.369 | -1.0 | -1.9 | -0.2 |
| Durables | 108.941 | 108.487 | 108.154 | -1.0 | -0.7 | -0.3 |
| Services | 269.273 | 269.145 | 269.148 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Rent of shelter [2] | 250.774 | 251.089 | 251.457 | 2.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 |

Note: See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Indexes and percent changes for selected periods Midwest (1982-84=100 unless otherwise noted) - Continued**

| Item and Group | Indexes | | | Percent change from- | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Jul. 2014 | Aug. 2014 | Sep. 2014 | Sep. 2013 | Jul. 2014 | Aug. 2014 |
| Transportation services | 286.862 | 284.998 | 285.100 | 1.6 | -0.6 | 0.0 |
| Other services | 324.675 | 325.197 | 325.659 | 1.6 | 0.3 | 0.1 |
| **Special aggregate indexes:** | | | | | | |
| All items less medical care | 216.831 | 216.398 | 216.697 | 1.6 | -0.1 | 0.1 |
| All items less food | 225.454 | 224.848 | 225.048 | 1.3 | -0.2 | 0.1 |
| All items less shelter | 223.243 | 222.556 | 222.868 | 1.4 | -0.2 | 0.1 |
| Commodities less food | 163.781 | 162.517 | 162.988 | -0.7 | -0.5 | 0.3 |
| Nondurables | 226.049 | 225.233 | 226.464 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 0.5 |
| Nondurables less food | 216.030 | 213.939 | 215.269 | -0.5 | -0.4 | 0.6 |
| Nondurables less food and apparel | 272.245 | 267.997 | 267.524 | -0.9 | -1.7 | -0.2 |
| Services less rent of shelter [2] | 305.331 | 304.688 | 304.273 | 2.4 | -0.3 | -0.1 |
| Services less medical care services | 254.210 | 254.074 | 254.049 | 2.3 | -0.1 | 0.0 |
| Energy | 252.339 | 245.707 | 243.217 | 0.2 | -3.6 | -1.0 |
| All items less energy | 226.922 | 227.154 | 227.775 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| All items less food and energy | 225.987 | 226.114 | 226.650 | 1.5 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Commodities less food and energy commodities | 147.033 | 147.131 | 147.917 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.5 |
| Energy commodities | 317.374 | 305.748 | 303.953 | -3.8 | -4.2 | -0.6 |
| Services less energy services | 277.849 | 277.995 | 278.347 | 2.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 |

Footnotes
(1) This index series was calculated using a Laspeyres estimator. All other item stratum index series were calculated using a geometric means estimator.
(2) Index is on a December 1982=100 base.
(3) Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.
(4) Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.
(5) Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.
Regions defined as the four Census regions. Midwest includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date. Data not seasonally adjusted.

**Table 2. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Indexes and percent changes for selected periods Midwest (1982-84=100 unless otherwise noted)**

| Item and Group | Indexes | | | Percent change from- | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Jul. 2014 | Aug. 2014 | Sep. 2014 | Sep. 2013 | Jul. 2014 | Aug. 2014 |
| **Expenditure category** | | | | | | |
| All Items | 223.180 | 222.737 | 223.054 | 1.6 | -0.1 | 0.1 |
| All items (December 1977=100) | 360.932 | 360.215 | 360.728 | | | |
| Food and beverages | 236.690 | 237.718 | 238.713 | 3.6 | 0.9 | 0.4 |
| Food | 236.373 | 237.393 | 238.448 | 3.7 | 0.9 | 0.4 |
| Food at home | 230.042 | 231.270 | 232.009 | 4.0 | 0.9 | 0.3 |
| Food away from home | 247.555 | 248.167 | 249.832 | 3.1 | 0.9 | 0.7 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 240.128 | 241.276 | 241.302 | 1.7 | 0.5 | 0.0 |
| Housing | 207.115 | 206.907 | 206.871 | 2.4 | -0.1 | 0.0 |
| Shelter | 233.274 | 233.683 | 234.261 | 2.1 | 0.4 | 0.2 |
| Rent of primary residence [1] | 241.310 | 242.061 | 243.368 | 2.5 | 0.9 | 0.5 |
| Owners' equiv. rent of residences [1] [2] | 230.553 | 231.032 | 231.702 | 1.7 | 0.5 | 0.3 |
| Owners' equiv. rent of primary residence [1] [2] | 230.558 | 231.036 | 231.707 | 1.7 | 0.5 | 0.3 |
| Fuels and utilities | 232.587 | 230.605 | 227.793 | 5.5 | -2.1 | -1.2 |
| Household energy | 198.998 | 196.686 | 193.721 | 5.6 | -2.7 | -1.5 |
| Energy services [1] | 204.991 | 202.406 | 199.100 | 5.9 | -2.9 | -1.6 |
| Electricity [1] | 210.466 | 210.594 | 207.027 | 4.2 | -1.6 | -1.7 |
| Utility (piped) gas service [1] | 187.815 | 179.936 | 177.251 | 9.2 | -5.6 | -1.5 |
| Household furnishings and operations | 115.797 | 114.745 | 114.808 | -1.0 | -0.9 | 0.1 |
| Apparel | 117.403 | 118.807 | 123.444 | 1.3 | 5.1 | 3.9 |
| Transportation | 221.865 | 218.498 | 217.673 | -1.1 | -1.9 | -0.4 |
| Private transportation | 218.409 | 215.176 | 214.516 | -1.0 | -1.8 | -0.3 |
| New and used motor vehicles [3] | 101.214 | 101.150 | 100.458 | -0.4 | -0.7 | -0.7 |
| New vehicles | 142.359 | 141.890 | 142.328 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 |
| Used cars and trucks | 154.795 | 155.142 | 152.663 | -0.7 | -1.4 | -1.6 |
| Motor fuel | 321.278 | 309.143 | 307.094 | -3.9 | -4.4 | -0.7 |
| Gasoline (all types) | 319.195 | 307.064 | 305.044 | -4.2 | -4.4 | -0.7 |
| Gasoline, unleaded regular [4] | 316.120 | 303.906 | 301.938 | -4.4 | -4.5 | -0.6 |
| Gasoline, unleaded midgrade [4] [5] | 354.448 | 341.232 | 337.264 | -3.4 | -4.8 | -1.2 |
| Gasoline, unleaded premium [4] | 316.451 | 305.568 | 304.029 | -3.2 | -3.9 | -0.5 |
| Medical Care | 447.063 | 447.132 | 448.038 | 2.6 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Medical care commodities | 349.839 | 350.174 | 352.317 | 4.9 | 0.7 | 0.6 |
| Medical care services | 477.243 | 477.201 | 477.582 | 1.9 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Professional services | 388.404 | 388.458 | 388.563 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Recreation [3] | 114.284 | 114.061 | 113.932 | 0.1 | -0.3 | -0.1 |
| Education and communication [3] | 132.718 | 133.152 | 133.263 | 1.5 | 0.4 | 0.1 |
| Other goods and services | 436.336 | 436.661 | 436.797 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| **Commodity and Service Group** | | | | | | |
| All Items | 223.180 | 222.737 | 223.054 | 1.6 | -0.1 | 0.1 |
| Commodities | 190.622 | 189.825 | 190.362 | 0.6 | -0.1 | 0.3 |
| Commodities less food & beverages | 167.553 | 165.968 | 166.295 | -1.0 | -0.8 | 0.2 |
| Nondurables less food & beverages | 227.226 | 224.236 | 225.455 | -1.1 | -0.8 | 0.5 |
| Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel | 294.595 | 288.995 | 288.232 | -1.7 | -2.2 | -0.3 |
| Durables | 111.479 | 111.141 | 110.698 | -0.6 | -0.7 | -0.4 |
| Services | 262.271 | 262.224 | 262.295 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Rent of shelter [2] | 231.700 | 232.100 | 232.661 | 2.1 | 0.4 | 0.2 |
| Transportation services | 283.683 | 282.949 | 283.871 | 2.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 |
| Other services | 302.401 | 302.733 | 302.918 | 1.4 | 0.2 | 0.1 |

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| Item and Group | Indexes | | | Percent change from- | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Jul. 2014 | Aug. 2014 | Sep. 2014 | Sep. 2013 | Jul. 2014 | Aug. 2014 |
| **Special aggregate indexes:** | | | | | | |
| All items less medical care | 214.555 | 214.094 | 214.389 | 1.5 | -0.1 | 0.1 |
| All items less food | 220.541 | 219.833 | 220.016 | 1.2 | -0.2 | 0.1 |
| All items less shelter | 221.994 | 221.243 | 221.472 | 1.3 | -0.2 | 0.1 |
| Commodities less food | 169.897 | 168.376 | 168.697 | -0.9 | -0.7 | 0.2 |
| Nondurables | 232.736 | 231.685 | 232.800 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 |
| Nondurables less food | 227.787 | 225.015 | 226.171 | -1.0 | -0.7 | 0.5 |
| Nondurables less food and apparel | 288.221 | 283.202 | 282.508 | -1.5 | -2.0 | -0.2 |
| Services less rent of shelter [(2)] | 271.421 | 270.877 | 270.390 | 2.5 | -0.4 | -0.2 |
| Services less medical care services | 247.968 | 247.922 | 247.975 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Energy | 255.221 | 248.335 | 245.809 | -0.3 | -3.7 | -1.0 |
| All items less energy | 221.000 | 221.349 | 222.020 | 1.9 | 0.5 | 0.3 |
| All items less food and energy | 218.130 | 218.339 | 218.930 | 1.5 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| Commodities less food and energy commodities | 150.268 | 150.373 | 151.059 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Energy commodities | 319.277 | 307.621 | 305.781 | -3.9 | -4.2 | -0.6 |
| Services less energy services | 269.854 | 270.142 | 270.658 | 2.0 | 0.3 | 0.2 |

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