

Southwest Information Office
Southwest Consumer Price Index Indicators

 CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. City Average, Dallas-Fort Worth, and Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, March 2013
 (1982-84=100 unless otherwise noted) ([PDF format](#) : not updated until mid-morning on release day)

Item and group	U.S. City Average				Dallas-Fort Worth				Houston-Galveston-Brazoria			
	Index	Percent change			Index	Percent change			Index	Percent change		
	Mar 2013	12-month	1-month	2-month	Mar 2013	12-month	1-month	2-month	Mar 2013	12-month	1-month	2-month
All items	232.773	1.5	0.3	1.1	216.465	1.8		1.3				
Food and beverages	236.267	1.5	0.0	0.0	241.362	2.4		0.7				
Food	236.332	1.5	0.0	0.0	235.765	2.3		0.6				
Food at home	233.777	1.0	-0.1	-0.2	215.202	2.1	0.6	0.6	214.605	-0.1	-0.3	0.5
Food away from home	241.409	2.3	0.2	0.3	267.830	2.6		0.8				
Alcoholic beverages	234.015	1.7	0.1	0.6	317.822	4.0		1.0				
Housing	225.643	1.9	0.1	0.4	188.472	3.2		0.0				
Shelter	261.330	2.2	0.2	0.5	198.999	3.6	0.2	0.3	217.889	4.3	0.6	1.0
Rent of primary residence (1)	265.821	2.8	0.2	0.4	204.423	3.8	0.2	0.3	206.647	4.2	0.3	0.4
Owners' equivalent rent of residences (1) (2)	268.802	2.1	0.1	0.3	214.722	4.0	0.1	0.1	203.215	3.9	0.8	0.9
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence (1) (2)	268.778	2.1	0.1	0.3	214.722	4.0	0.1	0.1	203.215	3.9	0.8	0.9
Fuels and utilities	220.251	1.7	-0.3	0.0	216.403	4.4		0.9				
Household energy	188.810	0.6	-0.5	-0.2	203.325	4.6	1.2	0.8	146.867	-21.2	1.6	1.3
Energy services (1) (3)	188.856	1.1	-0.4	-0.3	199.304	4.7	1.2	0.8	143.897	-21.5	1.6	1.3
Electricity (1)	193.856	0.9	-0.5	-0.3	195.780	5.3	1.5	1.5	139.557	-27.4	2.0	0.8
Utility (piped) gas service (1)	171.248	1.8	-0.4	-0.2	162.498	-0.3	-1.4	-4.8	153.507	24.4	0.0	3.4
Household furnishings & operations	125.330	-0.6	-0.2	-0.1	133.156	-0.5		-3.0				
Apparel	128.279	0.8	1.6	2.9	118.715	-3.0		9.8				
Transportation	221.080	0.1	0.7	4.1	229.883	0.1		4.8				
Private transportation	216.167	-0.2	0.6	4.3	232.727	0.4		5.1				
Motor fuel	320.739	-3.1	1.3	11.3	333.266	-3.0	1.9	12.6	314.423	-3.0	2.6	12.4
Gasoline (all types)	319.523	-3.1	1.4	11.6	331.277	-3.0	1.9	12.8	314.396	-3.0	2.7	12.8
Medical care	424.154	3.1	0.2	0.8	387.301	2.8		0.2				
Recreation (4)	115.386	0.6	0.0	0.5	109.518	-2.0		-1.0				
Education and communication (4)	135.625	1.8	0.1	0.3	141.409	2.3		0.5				
Other goods and services	399.265	1.8	0.2	0.4	372.363	1.5		0.2				
SPECIAL INDEXES (CPI-U)												
Energy	249.565	-1.6	0.6	6.4	268.784	-0.3	1.6	7.9	225.837	-10.1	2.3	8.3
All items less shelter	224.241	1.1	0.3	1.4	225.191	1.1		1.7				
All items less food and energy	233.052	1.9	0.3	0.6	211.768	2.0		0.5				
All items (1967 = 100)	697.284				679.040							
CPI FOR URBAN WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)												
All items	229.323	1.3	0.3	1.2	222.859	1.9		1.7				
All items (1967 = 100)	683.084				687.222							

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 on a December 1982=100 base.

(3) This index series was formerly titled Gas (piped) and electricity.

(4) Index on a December 1997=100 base.

Note: The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures changes in prices of all goods and services purchased for consumption by urban households. The indexes for food at home, energy, and shelter are compiled monthly for Dallas-Fort Worth and Houston. Full surveys, which produce the All Items Indexes and major components, are compiled every two months. These full surveys are published for the odd-numbered months for Dallas-Fort Worth and for the even-numbered months for Houston.

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