

**5.—Annual Consumer Price Index 1950-58, and Monthly Indexes 1957 and 1958
(1949=100)**

Year and Month	Food	Household Operation	Shelter	Clothing	Other Commodities and Services	Composite Index
GROUP WEIGHT AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL						
1950..	31.7	17.3	14.8	11.5	24.7	100.0
1951..	102.6	102.4	106.2	99.7	103.1	102.9
1952..	117.0	113.1	114.4	109.8	111.5	113.7
1953..	116.8	116.2	120.2	111.8	116.0	116.5
1954..	112.6	117.0	123.6	110.1	115.8	115.5
1955..	112.2	117.4	126.5	109.4	117.4	116.2
1956..	112.1	116.4	129.4	108.0	118.1	116.4
1957..	113.4	117.1	132.5	108.6	120.9	118.1
1958..	118.6	119.6	134.9	108.5	126.1	121.9
	122.1	121.0	138.4	109.7	130.9	125.1
1957						
January..	117.1	119.0	133.6	107.6	123.1	120.3
February..	117.2	119.1	133.8	107.4	123.8	120.5
March..	116.4	119.5	134.0	108.2	124.2	120.5
April..	116.7	119.4	134.0	108.5	125.1	120.9
May..	116.7	119.2	134.2	108.5	126.3	121.1
June..	117.7	119.1	134.8	108.4	126.5	121.6
July..	118.2	119.6	135.1	108.4	126.5	121.9
August..	120.2	119.7	135.3	108.2	126.9	122.6
September..	121.9	119.8	135.6	108.3	127.1	123.3
October..	121.7	120.1	135.9	108.7	127.4	123.4
November..	120.2	120.5	136.3	109.8	127.7	123.3
December..	118.8	120.6	136.7	109.9	128.4	123.1
1958						
January..	119.4	120.8	136.6	108.8	129.1	123.4
February..	119.9	120.8	136.9	108.8	129.5	123.7
March..	121.3	121.1	137.1	109.5	129.6	124.3
April..	123.4	121.3	137.6	109.8	130.1	125.2
May..	122.7	120.7	137.9	110.0	130.6	125.1
June..	122.7	120.6	138.3	109.7	130.7	125.1
July..	121.4	120.6	138.4	109.9	130.4	124.7
August..	122.6	120.5	139.1	109.6	130.6	125.2
September..	122.9	120.8	139.4	109.5	131.5	125.6
October..	123.4	121.3	139.6	109.9	131.8	126.0
November..	123.2	121.5	139.8	110.4	133.1	126.3
December..	122.2	122.0	139.9	110.5	133.4	126.2

Table 6 provides single commodity price relatives on the base 1949 = 100 for a number of important foods entering into the food component of the consumer price index. It also provides a record of average prices based on the actual average level of prices prevailing in October 1952 and calculated for the other months on the basis of the price relatives.

6.—Urban Average and Relative Retail Prices of Staple Foods 1950-58, and by Month 1957 and 1958

(1949=100)

Year	Beef, sirloin, per lb.		Pork, rib chops ¹ , per lb.		Lard, pure, per lb.		Eggs, "A", fresh, per doz.		Milk, fresh, per qt.	
	Aver- age Price	Price Rela- tive	Aver- age Price	Price Rela- tive	Aver- age Price	Price Rela- tive	Aver- age Price	Price Rela- tive	Aver- age Price	Price Rela- tive
	cts.		cts.		cts.		cts.		cts.	
1950..	82.8	117.6	63.4	99.3	22.4	95.3	56.5	91.8	18.3	102.9
1951..	101.1	143.5	73.3	114.8	28.4	121.1	71.6	116.5	19.6	110.0
1952..	93.4	132.7	63.2	99.0	17.0	72.5	59.1	96.0	21.1	118.4
1953..	79.6	113.0	72.5	113.7	20.8	88.4	67.6	109.9	21.1	118.5
1954..	77.0	109.4	66.4 ¹	116.8 ¹	26.3	112.2	57.1	92.9	21.1	118.5
1955..	80.0	113.6	61.5	108.2	22.4	95.2	61.5	99.9	21.1	118.5
1956..	81.6	115.9	64.4	113.2	21.8	92.9	63.2	102.7	21.2	119.1
1957..	84.3	119.7	74.6	131.1	25.6	109.0	56.0	91.0	22.5	126.2
1958..	94.4	134.1	72.5	127.4	24.3	103.6	57.9	94.1	23.2	130.4

¹ "Pork, fresh loins" prior to 1954.