

During the first half of 1960, consumer prices remained relatively steady, the January and July indexes being at the same level. Although some changes occurred at the group level, shelter and other commodities and services were the only group indexes to show any degree of upward movement. The food, clothing and household operation indexes were almost unchanged during the half year.

5.—Annual Consumer Price Index Numbers 1950-59, and Monthly Indexes 1958 to Mid-1960

(1949=100)

Year and Month	Food	Household Operation	Shelter	Clothing	Other Commodities and Services	Composite Index
<b>GROUP WEIGHT AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL.....</b>	<b>31.7</b>	<b>17.3</b>	<b>14.8</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>24.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>
1950.....	102.6	102.4	106.2	99.7	103.1	102.9
1951.....	117.0	113.1	114.4	109.8	111.5	113.7
1952.....	116.8	116.2	120.2	111.8	116.0	116.5
1953.....	112.6	117.0	123.6	110.1	115.8	115.5
1954.....	112.2	117.4	126.5	109.4	117.4	116.2
1955.....	112.1	116.4	129.4	108.0	118.1	116.4
1956.....	113.4	117.1	132.5	108.6	120.9	118.1
1957.....	118.6	119.6	134.9	108.5	126.1	121.9
1958.....	122.1	121.0	138.4	109.7	130.9	125.1
1959.....	121.1	122.7	141.4	109.9	134.9	126.5
<b>1958</b>						
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
<b>1959</b>						
January.....	122.3	121.8	140.2	109.2	133.4	126.1
February.....	121.2	122.0	140.2	108.8	133.4	125.7
March.....	120.0	122.3	140.3	109.4	133.4	125.5
April.....	119.3	122.6	140.5	109.6	133.7	125.4
May.....	118.5	122.5	141.0	109.7	134.9	125.6
June.....	119.1	122.5	141.5	109.2	135.4	125.9
July.....	119.2	122.7	141.7	109.7	134.9	125.9
August.....	120.5	122.6	141.9	109.7	135.3	126.4
September.....	122.4	123.1	142.0	109.8	135.2	127.1
October.....	124.2	123.4	142.4	110.5	135.5	128.0
November.....	123.8	123.5	142.6	111.4	136.9	128.3
December.....	122.4	123.7	142.7	111.4	136.9	127.9
<b>1960<sup>a</sup></b>						
January.....	121.6	123.3	142.8	110.2	136.9	127.5
February.....	120.8	123.2	142.9	109.8	137.0	127.2
March.....	119.4	123.4	142.9	110.4	137.0	126.9
April.....	120.9	123.5	143.3	110.8	137.1	127.5
May.....	120.2	123.1	143.5	110.8	137.6	127.4
June.....	120.8	123.0	143.8	110.9	137.7	127.6
July.....	120.5	123.0	143.9	110.8	137.6	127.5