

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 1950-59, and by Month 1958 to Mid-1960

(1949=100)

Year and Month	Beef, sirloin, per lb.		Pork, rib chops ¹ , per lb.		Lard, pure, per lb.		Eggs, "A", fresh, per doz.		Milk, fresh, per qt.	
	Average Price	Price Relative	Average Price	Price Relative	Average Price	Price Relative	Average Price	Price Relative	Average Price	Price Relative
	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.....	101.0 ^r	143.5	73.2 ^r	114.8	28.4	121.1	71.7 ^r	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
1959.....	101.0	143.5	67.6	118.9	18.8	80.3	54.4	88.4	23.4	131.0
1958										
January.....	87.4	124.1	70.9	124.7	25.1	106.9	54.1	88.0	23.2	130.3
February.....	89.3	126.8	71.9	126.4	24.8	105.7	50.1	81.5	23.2	130.3
March.....	90.4	128.4	71.4	125.5	24.6	104.8	55.0	89.4	23.2	130.3
April.....	93.3	132.5	72.7	127.8	24.7	105.2	56.6	92.0	23.2	130.3
May.....	95.8	136.1	72.8	128.0	24.6	104.8	53.4	86.8	23.2	130.3
June.....	97.7	138.8	77.5	136.2	24.6	104.8	54.9	89.3	23.2	130.3
July.....	96.6	137.2	77.1	135.5	24.5	104.4	62.1	100.9	23.2	130.3
August.....	96.1	136.5	77.6	136.4	24.4	104.0	58.3	94.8	23.2	130.3
September.....	95.5	135.7	70.5	124.0	24.2	103.1	65.9	107.2	23.2	130.3
October.....	96.0	136.4	70.0	123.1	23.8	101.4	63.8	103.7	23.2	130.3
November.....	96.0	136.4	68.9	121.2	23.5	100.1	63.8	103.8	23.3	130.9
December.....	98.7	140.2	68.5	120.5	23.1	98.4	56.5	91.9	23.3	130.9
1959										
January.....	104.9	149.0	68.8	121.0	22.5	95.9	55.0	89.4	23.3	130.9
February.....	102.4	145.5	68.8	121.0	20.6	87.8	51.7	84.1	23.3	130.9
March.....	100.1	142.1	68.0	119.6	20.2	86.1	52.6	85.5	23.3	130.9
April.....	97.6	138.6	67.2	118.2	19.9	84.8	53.3	86.7	23.3	130.9
May.....	96.4	136.9	66.3	116.6	18.7	79.7	51.5	83.8	23.3	130.9
June.....	97.8	138.9	66.6	117.1	18.1	77.1	51.0	82.9	23.3	130.9
July.....	99.4	141.2	67.2	118.2	17.8	75.8	52.3	85.0	23.3	130.9
August.....	103.2	146.5	68.2	119.9	17.7	75.4	54.5	88.6	23.3	130.9
September.....	104.6	148.5	67.7	119.1	17.7	75.4	55.4	90.1	23.3	130.9
October.....	104.4	148.3	67.8	119.2	17.4	74.1	64.3	104.6	23.7	133.1
November.....	100.8	143.2	67.5	118.7	17.4	74.1	62.7	101.9	23.7	133.1
December.....	100.6	142.9	67.3	118.4	18.1	77.1	48.3	78.6	23.7	133.1
1960^a										
January.....	100.4	142.6	66.4	116.8	18.1	77.1	41.9	68.2	23.7	133.1
February.....	95.6	135.8	65.6	115.4	17.9	76.3	41.2	66.9	23.7	133.1
March.....	93.5	132.8	63.5	111.7	18.3	78.0	47.4	77.1	23.7	133.1
April.....	91.9	130.5	63.3	111.4	18.4	78.4	56.1	91.2	23.7	133.1
May.....	94.2	133.8	63.6	111.9	18.9	80.5	50.0	81.3	23.7	133.1
June.....	95.6	135.8	65.1	114.5	19.2	81.8	46.8	76.1	23.7	133.1
July.....	98.3	139.6	74.0	130.1	19.8	84.4	52.1	84.7	23.7	133.1

¹ "Pork, fresh loins" prior to 1954.