

2.3.14 2005 Average Household Expenditures as Percent of Annual Income, by Census Region (\$2010)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Northeast</u>	<u>Midwest</u>	<u>South</u>	<u>West</u>	<u>United States</u>
Energy (1)	3.7%	3.2%	3.3%	2.3%	3.1%
Shelter (2)	16.0%	13.9%	13.4%	17.2%	15.0%
Food	10.3%	10.2%	10.3%	9.6%	10.1%
Telephone, water and other public services	2.1%	2.4%	2.8%	2.3%	2.4%
Household supplies, furnishings and equipment (3)	3.5%	4.1%	4.2%	4.3%	4.1%
Transportation (4)	12.3%	13.7%	15.0%	15.3%	14.2%
Healthcare	4.1%	5.0%	4.9%	4.0%	4.5%
Education	2.2%	1.8%	1.3%	1.4%	1.6%
Personal taxes (5)	3.4%	4.1%	4.2%	4.5%	4.1%
Average Annual Expenditures	76.0%	79.5%	79.7%	80.2%	79.0%
Average Annual Income	69,230	62,136	58,519	72,380	64,448

Note(s): 1) Average household energy expenditures are calculated from the Residential Energy Consumption Survey (RECS), while average expenditures for other categories are calculated from the Consumer Expenditure Survey (CE). RECS assumed total US households to be 111,090,617 in 2005, while the CE data is based on 117,356,000 "consumer units," which the Bureau of Labor Statistics defines to be financially independent persons or groups of people that use their incomes to make joint expenditure decisions, including all members of a particular household who are related by blood, marriage, or other legal arrangements. CE calculated average annual energy expenditures for the United States to be \$1,943 while RECS calculated it to be \$1,987. 2) Shelter includes both owned and rented dwellings, including any expenses for mortgage interest, property taxes, maintenance, repairs, insurance, and other expenses. 3) Household supplies, furnishings and equipments includes the following: laundry and cleaning supplies, postage and stationary, household textiles, furniture, floor coverings, appliances, and other household equipment. 4) Transportation expenditures include public transportation as well as the following vehicle-related expenses: net outlay of vehical purchases, gasoline and motor oil, vehicle finance, maintenance and repairs, insurance, licenses, rental fees, and other charges. CE estimated public transportation to comprise 5.4% of total transportation spending. 5) Personal taxes include federal, state and local income taxes, as well as \$177 per year for "other taxes."

Source(s): EIA, 2005 Residential Energy Consumption Survey, Oct. 2008, Tables US-1 part 1 for energy expenditures; Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Expenditure Survey 2005, Table 8; and EIA, Annual Energy Review 2010, Oct. 2011, Appendix D, p. 353 for price inflators.