Table 3015. Selected midwestern metropolitan statistical areas: Average annual expenditures and characteristics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, 2018-2019

ltem	All consumer units in the Midwest	Chicago	Detroit	Minneapolis- St. Paul	St. Louis
Number of consumer units (in thousands)	28,222	3,375	1,959	1,687	1,117
Consumer unit characteristics:					
Income before taxes	\$76,134	\$86,575	\$87,214	\$108,799	\$88,772
Age of reference person	51.7	50.3	52.6	49.4	51.3
Average number in consumer unit: People	2.4	2.6	2.5	2.3	2.4
Children under 18	.6	.7	.6	.5	.6
Adults 65 and older	.4	.3	.4	.3	.4
Earners	1.3	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.3
Vehicles	2.1	1.7	1.9	2.3	1.8
Percent homeowner	68	63	74	65	68
Average annual expenditures	\$59,282	\$64,804	\$65,163	\$84,006	\$64,777
Food	7,597	8,891	8,277	9,769	7,798
Food at home	4,368	5,068	4,590	5,497	4.441
Cereals and bakery products	545	653	600	617	514
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Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs Dairy products	442	489	422	567	423
Fruits and vegetables	788	1,071	908	1,059	777
Other food at home	1,666	1,777	1,636	2,126	1.767
Food away from home	3,229	3,822	3,687	4,271	3,357
Alcoholic beverages	591	653	716	1,112	584
Housing	18,263	23,677	19,730	26,654	21,243
Shelter	10,196	15,162	10.866	16,027	11.633
Owned dwellings	6,312	9,342	7,036	9,788	7,720
Rented dwellings	2,978	4,785	2,980	4,335	2,852
Other lodging	906	1,036	850	1,904	1,061
Utilities, fuels, and public services	3,943	4,066	4,112	3,924	4,330
Household operations	1,432	1,511	1,628	2,401	2,488
Housekeeping supplies	752	807	922	951	723
Household furnishings and equipment	1,941	2,131	2,202	3,351	2,069
Apparel and services	1,816	1,873	2,908	2,999	1,706
Transportation	10.102	9.084	11,260	11,049	11.123
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	4,107	3,188	3,507	3,705	5,070
Gasoline, other fuels, and motor oil	2,015	1,882	2,111	2,216	2,097
Other vehicle expenses	3,294	2,955	4,939	3,664	3,262
Public and other transportation	685	1,059	703	1,465	695
Healthcare	5,445	5,504	5,042	6,448	5,700
Entertainment	3,373	2,796	4,227	4,962	2,976
Personal care products and services	728	871	805	950	906
Reading	118	110	99	291	101
Education	1,107	1,711	1,044	2,932	1,110
Tobacco products and smoking supplies	394	258	437	437	376
Miscellaneous	858	609	1,596	1,325	1,590
Cash contributions	1,803	1,246	1,420	5,498	1,973
Personal insurance and pensions	7,088	7,520	7,604	9,581	7,592
Life and other personal insurance	509	480	410	597	703
Pensions and Social Security	6,579	7,040	7,194	8,984	6,889

Source: Consumer Expenditure Survey, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, September, 2020