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Consumer Price Index of United States Cities by Region

Pages five and six of this section give two different measures of consumer pricing information. This page, the Consumer Price Index, is not actually meant as a comparative measure of prices in different cities/regions. Instead, it is meant to show relative increases in prices for certain categories of goods over a period of years. For a tool to compare prices in individual cities, please see page six for the ACCRA Cost of Living Index.

Annual CPI of Class B/C Cities, All Items

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Midwest	102.0	104.0	107.6	110.3	110.9	113.2	116.2	120.1	123.1	126.5	131.5
Northeast	102.1	104.1	107.8	110.5	111.9	114.5	118.5	112.5	126.9	130.1	129.0
South	102.3	104.2	107.4	109.6	110.8	113.1	116.2	120.0	123.9	127.4	132.6
West	102.6	104.8	107.8	111.1	112.8	115.0	118.1	121.5	125.0	128.8	133.3

Annual CPI of Class B/C Cities, Housing

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Midwest	101.4	103.0	105.9	108.9	109.6	112.1	114.7	117.8	119.7	122.2	125.5
Northeast	101.3	102.9	106.5	110.0	111.4	114.4	118.7	123.3	128.3	132.4	137.7
South	101.6	103.2	105.9	108.9	109.8	112.8	115.7	119.0	123.8	127.6	131.8
West	100.9	102.6	105.0	109.4	111.7	113.4	116.2	119.7	123.9	130.0	131.9

Annual CPI of Class B/C Cities, Transportation

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Midwest	99.6	101.8	109.7	111.1	109.2	112.7	116.7	125.1	131.2	135.4	144.2
Northeast	97.7	99.7	105.7	105.4	105.2	108.5	113.0	120.1	125.9	128.1	136.1
South	98.9	100.7	107.1	106.7	105.7	108.3	112.6	121.0	125.5	128.3	136.5
West	99.0	101.4	107.5	108.8	107.4	111.1	115.0	122.7	128.1	131.5	138.1

Annual CPI of Class B/C Cities, Medical Care

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Midwest	101.8	104.9	109.7	115.2	121.0	126.4	134.5	140.7	146.4	152.8	157.6
Northeast	101.6	105.4	110.1	115.4	122.5	127.7	135.1	140.1	146.2	152.6	158.7
South	98.9	100.7	107.1	106.7	105.7	108.3	112.6	121.0	125.5	143.6	149.8
West	99.0	101.4	107.5	108.8	107.4	111.1	115.0	122.7	128.1	149.1	154.6

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Note: "Class B/C Cities" are cities with populations of 50,000 - 1,500,000 as defined by the BLS

Note: Baseline 100 = 1997 Prices