

Table 126. Consumer Price Index and average annual percent change for all items, selected items, and medical care components: United States, selected years 1960-2011

(Data are based on reporting by samples of providers and other retail outlets)

Items and medical care components	1960	1970	1980	1990	2000	2005	2010	2011
Consumer Price Index (CPI)								
All items.....	29.6	38.8	82.4	130.7	172.2	195.3	218.1	224.9
All items less medical care.....	30.2	39.2	82.8	128.8	167.3	188.7	209.7	216.4
Services.....	24.1	35.0	77.9	139.2	195.3	230.1	261.3	265.8
Food.....	30.0	39.2	86.8	132.4	167.8	190.7	219.6	227.8
Apparel.....	45.7	59.2	90.9	124.1	129.6	119.5	119.5	122.1
Housing.....	---	36.4	81.1	128.5	169.6	195.7	216.3	219.1
Energy.....	22.4	25.5	86.0	102.1	124.6	177.1	211.4	243.9
Medical care.....	22.3	34.0	74.9	162.8	260.8	323.2	388.4	400.3
Components of medical care								
Medical care services.....	19.5	32.3	74.8	162.7	266.0	336.7	411.2	423.8
Professional services.....	---	37.0	77.9	156.1	237.7	281.7	328.2	335.7
Physicians' services.....	21.9	34.5	76.5	160.8	244.7	287.5	331.3	340.3
Dental services.....	27.0	39.2	78.9	155.8	258.5	324.0	398.8	408.0
Eyeglasses and eye care ¹	---	---	---	117.3	149.7	163.2	176.7	178.3
Services by other medical professionals ¹	---	---	---	120.2	161.9	186.8	214.4	217.4
Hospital and related services.....	---	---	69.2	178.0	317.3	439.9	607.7	641.5
Hospital services ²	---	---	---	---	115.9	161.6	227.2	241.2
Inpatient hospital services ^{2,3}	---	---	---	---	113.8	156.6	221.5	236.6
Outpatient hospital services ^{1,3}	---	---	---	138.7	263.8	373.0	520.6	546.9
Hospital rooms.....	9.3	23.6	68.0	175.4	---	---	---	---
Other inpatient services ¹	---	---	---	142.7	---	---	---	---
Nursing homes and adult day care ²	---	---	---	---	117.0	145.0	177.0	182.2
Health insurance ⁴	---	---	---	---	---	---	106.6	105.5
Medical care commodities.....	46.9	46.5	75.4	163.4	238.1	276.0	314.7	324.1
Medicinal drugs ⁵	---	---	---	---	---	---	102.3	105.5
Prescription drugs ⁶	54.0	47.4	72.5	181.7	285.4	349.0	407.8	425.0
Nonprescription drugs ⁵	---	---	---	---	---	---	100.0	98.6
Medical equipment and supplies ⁵	---	---	---	---	---	---	99.1	99.3
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies	---	---	---	120.6	149.5	151.7	---	---
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
drugs ⁸	---	42.3	74.9	145.9	176.9	179.7	---	---
Nonprescription medical equipment and	---	---	79.2	138.0	178.1	180.6	---	---
supplies ⁹	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Average annual percent change from previous year shown								
All items.....	...	2.7	7.8	4.7	2.5	2.5	1.6	3.2
All items less medical care.....	...	2.6	7.8	4.5	2.4	2.4	1.5	3.2
Services.....	...	3.8	8.3	6.0	3.0	3.3	0.8	1.7
Food.....	...	2.7	8.3	4.3	2.5	2.6	0.8	3.7
Apparel.....	...	2.6	4.4	3.2	-0.4	-1.6	-0.5	2.2
Housing.....	...	---	8.3	4.7	2.7	2.9	-0.4	1.3
Energy.....	...	1.3	12.9	1.7	3.4	7.3	9.5	15.4
Medical care.....	...	4.3	8.2	8.1	3.4	4.4	3.4	3.0
Components of medical care								
Medical care services.....	...	5.2	8.8	8.1	3.5	4.8	3.5	3.1
Professional services.....	...	---	7.7	7.2	3.4	3.5	2.8	2.3
Physicians' services.....	...	4.6	8.3	7.7	3.2	3.3	3.3	2.7

Dental services.....	...	3.8	7.2	7.0	4.6	4.6	2.7	2.3
Eyeglasses and eye care ¹.....	...	---	---	---	1.8	1.7	0.7	0.9
Services by other medical professionals ¹	...	---	---	---	2.4	2.9	2.2	1.4
Hospital and related services.....	...	---	---	9.9	4.2	6.8	7.0	5.6
Hospital services ².....	...	---	---	---	---	6.9	7.8	6.2
Inpatient hospital services ^{2,3}.....	...	---	---	---	---	6.6	8.8	6.8
Outpatient hospital services ^{1,3}.....	...	---	---	---	5.2	7.2	6.1	5.1
Hospital rooms.....	...	9.8	11.2	9.9	---	---	---	---
Other inpatient services ¹.....	...	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Nursing homes and adult day care ².....	...	---	---	---	---	4.4	3.1	2.9
Health insurance ⁴.....	...	---	---	---	---	---	-3.5	-1.1
Medical care commodities.....	...	-0.1	5.0	8.0	3.1	3.0	3.1	3.0
Medicinal drugs ⁵.....	...	---	---	---	---	---	...	3.1
Prescription drugs ⁶.....	...	-1.3	4.3	9.6	4.0	4.1	4.3	4.2
Nonprescription drugs ⁵.....	...	---	---	---	---	---	...	-1.3
Medical equipment and supplies ⁵.....	...	---	---	---	---	---	...	0.3
Nonprescription drugs and medical supplies	...	---	---	---	1.2	0.3	---	---
Internal and respiratory over-the-counter	...	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
drugs ⁸.....	...	---	5.9	6.9	1.2	0.3	---	---
Nonprescription medical equipment and	...	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
supplies ⁹.....	...	---	---	5.7	1.4	0.3	---	---

---Data not available.

...Category not applicable.

¹December 1986 = 100.

²December 1996 = 100.

³Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.

⁴December 2005 = 100.

⁵December 2009 = 100.

⁶Prior to 2006, this category included medical supplies.

⁷Starting with 2010 updates, this index series will no longer be published.

⁸Starting with 2010 updates, replaced by the series, Nonprescription drugs.

⁹Starting with 2010 updates, replaced by the series, Medical equipment and supplies.

NOTES: CPI for all urban consumers (CPI-U) U.S. city average, detailed expenditure categories. 1982-1984 = 100, except where noted.

Data are not seasonally adjusted.

See Appendix II, Consumer Price Index (CPI).

Data for additional years are available. See Appendix III.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Price Index. Various releases.

2011 data available from Tables 1A and 3A: <http://www.bls.gov/cpi/cpid1lav.pdf>.

See Appendix I, Consumer Price Index (CPI).

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