

Table 12.14-- GOODS AND SERVICES INDEXES FOR SELECTED METROPOLITAN AREAS: 1998

(Based on a survey of 150 items. Data include 10 categories: food-at-home, food-away-from-home, tobacco, alcohol, household furnishings and operations, clothing, domestic service, medical care, personal care, and recreation.
Data exclude housing, transportation, and personal income taxes)

Expensive Areas	Index	Inexpensive Areas	Index
New York, NY (Manhattan only)	131.9	Billings, MT	91.0
Honolulu, HI	116.2	Janewville, WI	91.6
Washington, DC	112.5	Fayetteville, NC	92.1
San Francisco, CA	110.0	Manchester, NH	92.9
San Jose, CA	109.8	Greenwood, SC	93.1
Chicago, IL	109.3	Amarillo, TX	93.8
Boston, MA	109.1	Eugene, OR	93.8
Philadelphia, PA	108.0	Erie, PA	94.0
Los Angeles, CA	107.5	Martinsville, VA	94.1
Buffalo, NY	107.5	Hobbs, NM	94.1

Source: State Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism, Website: <http://state.hi.us/dbedt/db97> ; and Runzheimer International Website: <http://runzheimer.com/corpc/news/scripts/101298.asp>