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FOOD CPI AND EXPENDITURES

ERS' research and reporting of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for food contributes to an understanding of which food categories experience substantial price changes, how consumers spend their incomes on food, and how and why consumption patterns change. Food prices are also affected by structural changes in the food production industry, prices farmers receive for their commodities, marketing costs, and consumer demand for food.

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