Table 5-2 Average expenditure per household, Canada and selected metropolitan areas, recent years — St.John's, Newfoundland and Labrador

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
	dollars				
Total expenditure	61,745	66,432	67,276	70,318	71,715
Food	6,470	6,969	6,904	7,087	6,946
Shelter	10,804	11,246	11,732	12,029	13,487
Household operation	2,947	3,397	3,347	3,499	3,663
Household furnishings and equipment	2,280	1,994	2,034	2,318	2,323
Clothing	2,650	3,061	3,054	3,127	2,911
Transportation	7,691	9,468	9,640	10,430	10,870
Health care	1,642	1,668	1,669	1,789	2,004
Personal care	1,127	1,259	1,279	1,247	1,241
Recreation	3,437	3,440	3,828	4,523	3,870
Reading materials and other printed matter	288	286	260	269	221
Education	1,156	1,164	968	1,124	1,023
Tobacco products and alcoholic beverages	1,499	1,903	1.672	1.612	1,834
Games of chance (net)	246	264	292	283	201
Miscellaneous expenditures	736	851	820	919	607
Total current consumption	42,972	46,971	47,499	50,257	51,200
Personal taxes	13,570	14,218	14,660	14,235	14,834
Personal insurance payments and pension contributions	4,033	4,177	4,197	4,742	4,510
Gifts of money and contributions	1,170	1,066	920	1,085	1,171

Note(s): Beginning with 2006, the distinction between full-year and part-year members and households has been removed. Spending data are collected for the reference year for all members of the household at the time of the interview. Since the data for the 1997-2005 were based on full-year members only, to maintain the comparability with prior years, the data for 1997-2005 have been revised to include both full-year and part-year households.