

Table 9.8
Average household expenditure, selected metropolitan areas, 2005

	Calgary, Alberta	Edmonton, Alberta	Halifax, Nova Scotia	Montreal, Quebec	Ottawa, Ontario ¹	Quebec, Quebec	Regina, Saskatchewan	St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador
Estimated number of households	381,220	373,360	147,410	1,505,850	309,160	297,710	74,870	71,550
Household size	2.68	2.61	2.42	2.29	2.71	2.30	2.54	2.45
Household income before tax (dollars)	93,282	76,477	69,049	60,307	96,242	58,417	65,384	64,628
	dollars							
Average household expenditure								
Food	8,097	7,575	6,917	6,988	7,732	7,017	6,428	6,577
Shelter	15,270	12,662	12,661	10,605	16,081	9,567	11,865	10,876
Household operation	3,763	3,390	3,367	2,459	3,909	2,082	3,039	2,994
Household furnishings and equipment	3,063	2,040	1,833	1,683	2,775	1,639	2,031	2,256
Clothing	3,471	2,888	2,492	2,330	3,005	2,127	2,568	2,684
Transportation	10,090	9,813	8,394	6,651	11,494	7,571	8,995	7,798
Health care	2,260	1,932	1,894	1,829	2,076	1,920	1,559	1,676
Personal care	1,393	1,187	1,087	1,061	1,279	1,039	1,198	1,144
Recreation	5,359	4,561	3,866	3,108	5,091	3,844	3,883	3,466
Reading materials and other printed matter	338	317	331	239	422	255	288	294
Education	1,746	1,471	1,310	801	2,447	736	1,023	1,178
Tobacco products and alcoholic beverages	1,887	1,534	1,506	1,257	1,533	1,259	1,433	1,515
Miscellaneous	1,326	1,023	1,083	884	1,775	734	796	748
Games of chance (net)	283	278	418	241	194	125	264	249
Total current consumption	58,345	50,672	47,161	40,138	59,813	39,916	45,371	43,455
Personal taxes	20,344	15,587	14,891	13,123	18,396	11,718	12,174	13,722
Personal insurance payments and pension contributions	4,517	4,236	4,160	3,557	5,788	4,092	4,447	4,101
Gifts of money and contributions	2,347	1,720	1,678	842	2,791	1,063	1,533	1,195
Total expenditure	85,553	72,215	67,891	57,659	86,788	56,789	63,525	62,474
	percent							
Percentage of total expenditure								
Food	9.5	10.5	10.2	12.1	8.9	12.4	10.1	10.5
Shelter	17.8	17.5	18.6	18.4	18.5	16.8	18.7	17.4
Household operation	4.4	4.7	5	4.3	4.5	3.7	4.8	4.8
Household furnishings and equipment	3.6	2.8	2.7	2.9	3.2	2.9	3.2	3.6
Clothing	4.1	4	3.7	4	3.5	3.7	4	4.3
Transportation	11.8	13.6	12.4	11.5	13.2	13.3	14.2	12.5
Health care	2.6	2.7	2.8	3.2	2.4	3.4	2.5	2.7
Personal care	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.8	1.5	1.8	1.9	1.8
Recreation	6.3	6.3	5.7	5.4	5.9	6.8	6.1	5.5
Reading materials and other printed matter	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5
Education	2	2	1.9	1.4	2.8	1.3	1.6	1.9
Tobacco products and alcoholic beverages	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.2	1.8	2.2	2.3	2.4
Miscellaneous	1.5	1.4	1.6	1.5	2	1.3	1.3	1.2
Games of chance (net)	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.4
Total current consumption	68.2	70.2	69.5	69.6	68.9	70.3	71.4	69.6
Personal taxes	23.8	21.6	21.9	22.8	21.2	20.6	19.2	22
Personal insurance payments and pension contributions	5.3	5.9	6.1	6.2	6.7	7.2	7	6.6
Gifts of money and contributions	2.7	2.4	2.5	1.5	3.2	1.9	2.4	1.9
Total expenditure	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Table 9.8 – continued

Average household expenditure, selected metropolitan areas, 2005

	Saint John, New Brunswick	Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	Toronto, Ontario	Vancouver, British Columbia	Victoria, British Columbia	Winnipeg, Manitoba ²	Whitehorse, Yukon	Yellowknife, N.W.T.
Estimated number of households	47,270	87,810	1,872,920	816,450	132,620	269,010	7,410	7,030
Household size	2.62	2.45	2.75	2.60	2.29	2.48	2.48	2.74
Household income before tax (dollars)	65,717	68,616	87,324	71,708	57,039	64,864	76,321	115,294
	dollars							
Average household expenditure								
Food	6,553	6,109	8,035	8,004	6,746	6,608	7,616	10,162
Shelter	10,481	11,847	17,771	15,250	13,463	10,882	12,990	22,312
Household operation	3,265	3,214	3,586	3,303	3,317	2,797	3,075	4,405
Household furnishings and equipment	1,674	1,961	2,160	1,947	2,235	1,759	1,698	2,113
Clothing	2,562	2,513	3,420	2,950	2,368	2,390	2,112	3,864
Transportation	9,016	8,275	10,842	9,414	8,230	8,349	9,791	10,273
Health care	1,735	1,737	1,688	2,311	1,742	1,560	1,008	1,634
Personal care	1,055	1,145	1,308	1,152	1,052	1,052	886	1,353
Recreation	3,485	4,190	3,982	4,169	4,111	3,858	4,945	6,466
Reading materials and other printed matter	276	318	316	312	282	307	374	392
Education	1,120	1,261	1,924	2,027	1,132	1,237	583	657
Tobacco products and alcoholic beverages	1,459	1,234	1,177	1,764	1,383	1,273	1,876	2,819
Miscellaneous	691	1,110	1,185	1,216	940	1,025	710	1,351
Games of chance (net)	223	182	299	326	164	380	297	390
Total current consumption	43,596	45,097	57,693	54,145	47,162	43,479	47,961	68,191
Personal taxes	13,769	13,894	20,105	13,487	10,002	14,569	14,098	25,527
Personal insurance payments and pension contributions	3,460	4,354	4,476	3,695	3,357	4,061	3,804	6,251
Gifts of money and contributions	1,487	1,859	2,849	1,454	1,375	2,141	1,356	1,369
Total expenditure	62,313	65,203	85,123	72,782	61,896	64,250	67,219	101,339
	percent							
Percentage of total expenditure								
Food	10.5	9.4	9.4	11	10.9	10.3	11.3	10
Shelter	16.8	18.2	20.9	21	21.8	16.9	19.3	22
Household operation	5.2	4.9	4.2	4.5	5.4	4.4	4.6	4.3
Household furnishings and equipment	2.7	3	2.5	2.7	3.6	2.7	2.5	2.1
Clothing	4.1	3.9	4	4.1	3.8	3.7	3.1	3.8
Transportation	14.5	12.7	12.7	12.9	13.3	13	14.6	10.1
Health care	2.8	2.7	2	3.2	2.8	2.4	1.5	1.6
Personal care	1.7	1.8	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.6	1.3	1.3
Recreation	5.6	6.4	4.7	5.7	6.6	6	7.4	6.4
Reading materials and other printed matter	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.4
Education	1.8	1.9	2.3	2.8	1.8	1.9	0.9	0.6
Tobacco products and alcoholic beverages	2.3	1.9	1.4	2.4	2.2	2	2.8	2.8
Miscellaneous	1.1	1.7	1.4	1.7	1.5	1.6	1.1	1.3
Games of chance (net)	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.4
Total current consumption	70	69.2	67.8	74.4	76.2	67.7	71.4	67.3
Personal taxes	22.1	21.3	23.6	18.5	16.2	22.7	21	25.2
Personal insurance payments and pension contributions	5.6	6.7	5.3	5.1	5.4	6.3	5.7	6.2
Gifts of money and contributions	2.4	2.9	3.3	2	2.2	3.3	2	1.4
Total expenditure	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Note(s): See "Data quality, concepts and methodology — Explanatory notes for the tables" section.

Source(s): Income Statistics Division, Survey of Household Spending (survey 3508).