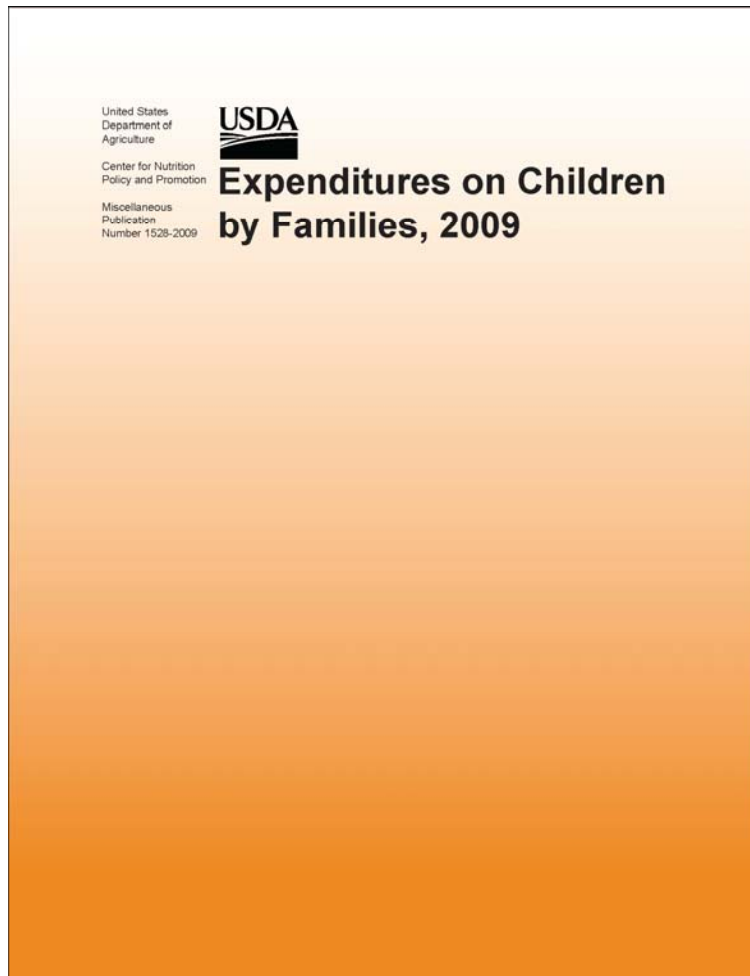


Expenditures on Children By Families



*Published
annually
since 1960*

Uses of Report

- Educational
- Child support guidelines
- Foster care payments
- Other

Age of child	Total	Housing	Food	Transportation	Clothing	Health care	Child care & education	Miscellaneous
Income: Less than \$56,670 (Average = \$36,250)								
0 - 2								
3 - 5								
6 - 8								
9 - 11								
12 - 14								
15 - 17								
Total								
Income: \$56,670 to \$98,120 (Average = \$76,250)								
Income: More than \$98,120 (Average = \$171,710)								

Consumer Expenditure Survey

- ❑ 2005-06 survey
- ❑ Quarterly data, annualized
- ❑ 15,150 households with children
(weighted data)
- ❑ Expenditures updated each year with
Consumer Price Index

Expenditure Data

- ❑ **Child-specific**—clothing, child care, and education
- ❑ **Household level**—housing, food,* transportation, health care,* and miscellaneous goods

*Other studies show family member shares.

To Determine Family Member Food and Health Care Shares

□ 2008 USDA Food Plans

□ 2005 Medical Expenditure
Panel Survey

To Determine Housing Expenditures

- ❑ Allocated to a child based on housing expenses associated with an additional bedroom in a home
- ❑ Includes additional costs due to utilities and furniture

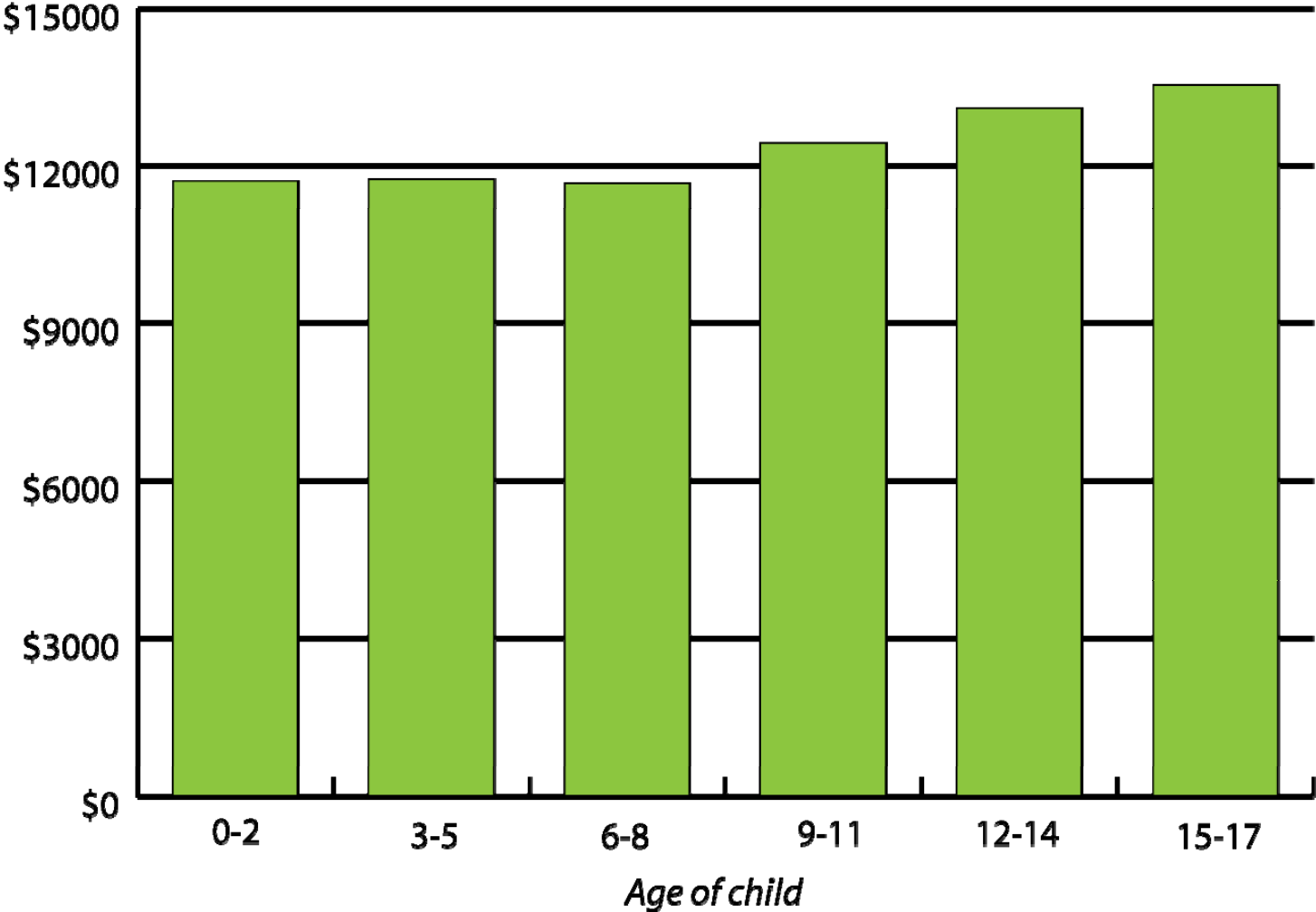
To Determine Transportation and Miscellaneous Expenditures

- ❑ Only examine family-related transportation, which accounts for 59% of total transportation (2001 National Household Travel Survey)
- ❑ Per Capita Method

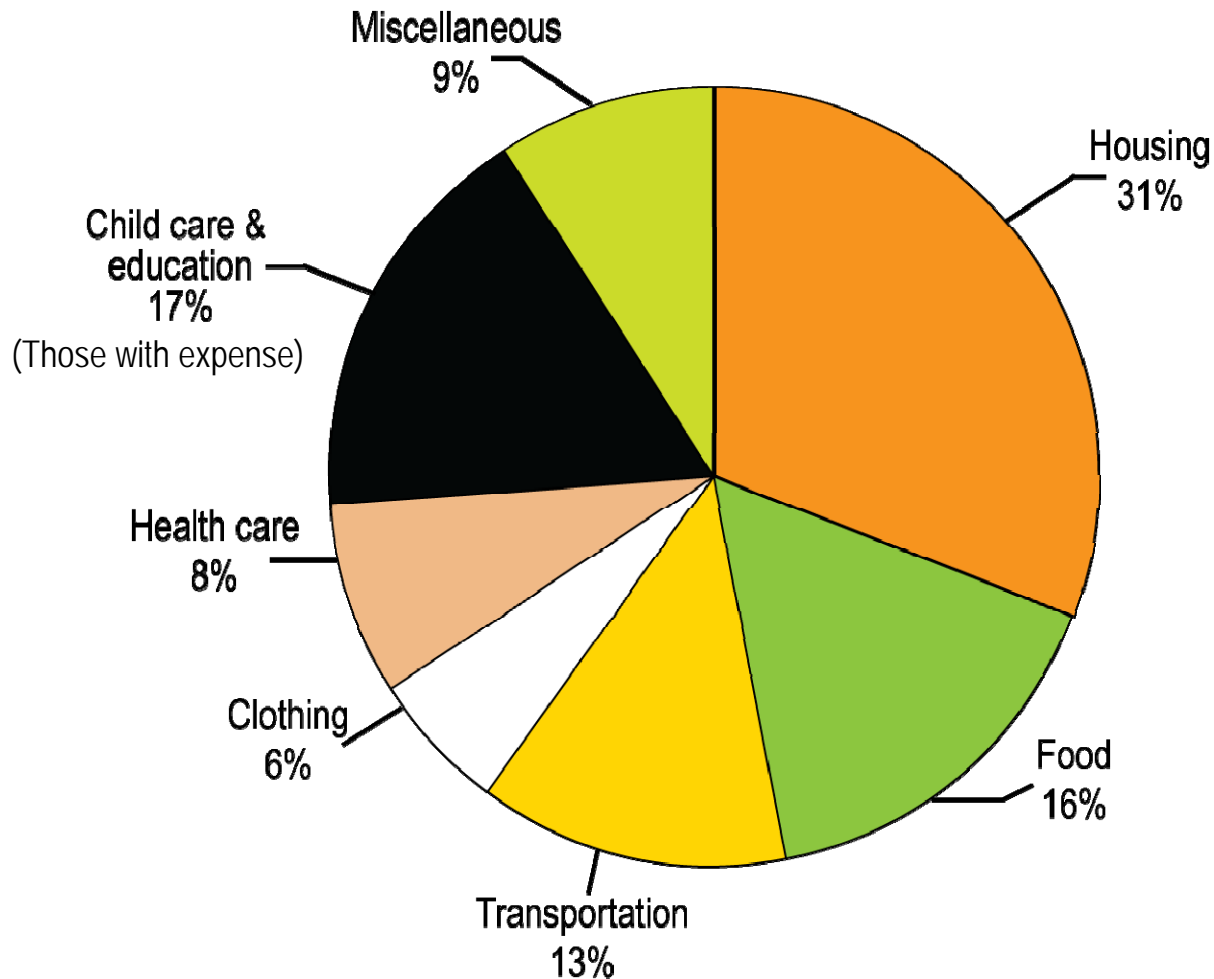
2009 Annual Expenditures on a Child, by Income Level

Lower group ($<$ \$56,670)	\$8,330 - \$9,450
Middle group (\$56,670-\$98,120)	\$11,650 - \$13,530
Higher group ($>$ \$98,120)	\$19,380 - \$23,180

2009 Expenditures on a Child, by Age (Middle-income Families)



2009 Expenditures on a Child up to Age 18, by Budgetary Component



2009 Expenditures on a Child, by Region

\$\$\$\$	Urban Northeast
\$\$\$	Urban West
\$\$	Urban Midwest
\$	Urban South/Rural Areas

Concerns

- ❑ Annualizing quarterly data versus linking data
- ❑ Food and health care expenditures lower than similar expenditures in other data sets
- ❑ Adequacy of state-level data

Recommendations

- ❑ Maintain child-specific expenditure data (clothing, child care, and education)
- ❑ Add more child-specific expenditure data (health care, miscellaneous items)
- ❑ Examine expenditures on children made by non-household members
- ❑ Ask parents percent of housing expenditures going to children