

**Table 14.13-- COST OF LIVING ANALYSES FOR HONOLULU
AND THE UNITED STATES AVERAGE: JANUARY 1, 2000**

[At the U.S. National Average assumed consumption patterns vary according to income level. The Reference profiles for cost-of-living model rental (approximates the rental equivalent of owner-occupied housing) situations only. The Institute model may be considered as an evolution of the U.S. Department of Labor's "Urban Family of Four" model which the Bureau of Labor Statistics discontinued in 1981]

Category	\$10,712	\$24,000	\$48,000	\$72,000
Honolulu total	20,020	41,437	77,612	111,169
Rent, utilities	10,769	20,498	34,291	44,710
Taxes: federal, state, payroll	2,229	5,798	11,932	20,700
Consumables	5,467	10,014	18,710	24,999
Transportation	819	2,511	5,972	9,911
Health services	736	1,354	2,237	2,545
Miscellaneous	...	1,262	4,470	8,304
U.S. National Average	10,712	24,000	48,000	72,000
Rent, utilities	4,102	8,083	14,310	19,072
Taxes: federal, state, payroll	1,843	4,934	10,444	18,324
Consumables	3,531	6,672	12,393	16,639
Transportation	620	1,906	4,506	7,514
Health services	616	1,143	1,877	2,147
Miscellaneous	...	1,262	4,470	8,304
Honolulu indexed to U.S. average	186.9	172.7	161.7	154.4
Rent, utilities	262.5	253.6	239.6	234.4
Taxes: federal, state, payroll	120.9	117.5	114.2	113.0
Consumables	154.8	150.1	151.0	150.2
Transportation	132.1	131.7	132.5	131.9
Health services	119.5	118.5	119.2	118.5
Miscellaneous	...	100.0	100.0	100.0

\$10,712 assumes a single, minimum wage earner living with friends or parents, contributing partial rent (assume 23.4 percent or less of income spent on housing costs) and no automobile. \$24,000 assumes a single parent of one child in a rented apartment (900 square foot), holding one or more jobs, and automobile. \$48,000 assumes two adults (filing as married), ages 32, two jobs, one child, two automobiles, and renting a three-bedroom home (1,560 square foot). \$72,000 assumes two adults (filing as married), age 37, two jobs, two children, two automobiles, and renting a three-bedroom home (2,200 square foot) with two-car garage.

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