

BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS, DEPARTMENT STORE
INVENTORY PRICE INDEXES BY DEPARTMENT GROUPS
(January 1941 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Groups	May 2005	May 2006	Percent Change from May 2005 to May 2006 ¹
18. Housewares.....	716.6	695.9	-2.9
19. Major Appliances.....	204.5	204.5	0.0
20. Radio and Television.....	39.5	36.6	-7.3
21. Recreation and Education ²	78.5	76.9	-2.0
22. Home Improvements ²	136.5	139.6	2.3
23. Automotive Accessories ²	114.6	119.8	4.5
Groups 1–15: Soft Goods	568.3	563.0	-0.9
Groups 16–20: Durable Goods.....	382.3	373.9	-2.2
Groups 21–23: Misc. Goods ²	93.2	93.6	0.4
Store Total ³	501.5	496.3	-1.0

¹Absence of a minus sign before the percentage change in this column signifies a price increase.

²Indexes on a January 1986 = 100 base.

³The store total index covers all departments, including some not listed separately, except for the following: candy, food, liquor, tobacco and contract departments.

DRAFTING INFORMATION

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Section 482.—Allocation of Income and Deductions Among Taxpayers

Federal short-term, mid-term, and long-term rates are set forth for the month of August 2006. See Rev. Rul. 2006-39, page 137.

Section 483.—Interest on Certain Deferred Payments

The adjusted applicable federal short-term, mid-term, and long-term rates are set forth for the month of August 2006. See Rev. Rul. 2006-39, page 137.

Section 642.—Special Rules for Credits and Deductions

Federal short-term, mid-term, and long-term rates are set forth for the month of August 2006. See Rev. Rul. 2006-39, page 137.

Section 807.—Rules for Certain Reserves

The adjusted applicable federal short-term, mid-term, and long-term rates are set forth for the month of August 2006. See Rev. Rul. 2006-39, page 137.

Section 846.—Discounted Unpaid Losses Defined

The adjusted applicable federal short-term, mid-term, and long-term rates are set forth for the month of August 2006. See Rev. Rul. 2006-39, page 137.

Section 1274.—Determination of Issue Price in the Case of Certain Debt Instruments Issued for Property

(Also Sections 42, 280G, 382, 412, 467, 468, 482, 483, 642, 807, 846, 1288, 7520, 7872.)

Federal rates; adjusted federal rates; adjusted federal long-term rate and the long-term exempt rate. For purposes of sections 382, 642, 1274, 1288, and other sections of the Code, tables set forth the rates for August 2006.

Rev. Rul. 2006-39

This revenue ruling provides various prescribed rates for federal income tax purposes for August 2006 (the current

month). Table 1 contains the short-term, mid-term, and long-term applicable federal rates (AFR) for the current month for purposes of section 1274(d) of the Internal Revenue Code. Table 2 contains the short-term, mid-term, and long-term adjusted applicable federal rates (adjusted AFR) for the current month for purposes of section 1288(b). Table 3 sets forth the adjusted federal long-term rate and the long-term tax-exempt rate described in section 382(f). Table 4 contains the appropriate percentages for determining the low-income housing credit described in section 42(b)(2) for buildings placed in service during the current month. Finally, Table 5 contains the federal rate for determining the present value of an annuity, an interest for life or for a term of years, or a remainder or a reversionary interest for purposes of section 7520.

REV. RUL. 2006-39 TABLE 1
Applicable Federal Rates (AFR) for August 2006

	<i>Period for Compounding</i>			
	<i>Annual</i>	<i>Semiannual</i>	<i>Quarterly</i>	<i>Monthly</i>
<i>Short-term</i>				
AFR	5.26%	5.19%	5.16%	5.13%
110% AFR	5.79%	5.71%	5.67%	5.64%
120% AFR	6.33%	6.23%	6.18%	6.15%
130% AFR	6.86%	6.75%	6.69%	6.66%
<i>Mid-term</i>				
AFR	5.21%	5.14%	5.11%	5.09%
110% AFR	5.73%	5.65%	5.61%	5.58%
120% AFR	6.27%	6.17%	6.12%	6.09%
130% AFR	6.79%	6.68%	6.63%	6.59%
150% AFR	7.86%	7.71%	7.64%	7.59%
175% AFR	9.20%	9.00%	8.90%	8.84%
<i>Long-term</i>				
AFR	5.36%	5.29%	5.26%	5.23%
110% AFR	5.90%	5.82%	5.78%	5.75%
120% AFR	6.45%	6.35%	6.30%	6.27%
130% AFR	7.00%	6.88%	6.82%	6.78%

REV. RUL. 2006-39 TABLE 2
Adjusted AFR for August 2006

	<i>Period for Compounding</i>			
	<i>Annual</i>	<i>Semiannual</i>	<i>Quarterly</i>	<i>Monthly</i>
Short-term adjusted AFR	3.71%	3.68%	3.66%	3.65%
Mid-term adjusted AFR	3.95%	3.91%	3.89%	3.88%
Long-term adjusted AFR	4.52%	4.47%	4.45%	4.43%

REV. RUL. 2006-39 TABLE 3
Rates Under Section 382 for August 2006

Adjusted federal long-term rate for the current month	4.52%
Long-term tax-exempt rate for ownership changes during the current month (the highest of the adjusted federal long-term rates for the current month and the prior two months.)	4.52%

REV. RUL. 2006-39 TABLE 4
Appropriate Percentages Under Section 42(b)(2) for August 2006

Appropriate percentage for the 70% present value low-income housing credit	8.23%
Appropriate percentage for the 30% present value low-income housing credit	3.53%

REV. RUL. 2006-39 TABLE 5

Rate Under Section 7520 for August 2006

Applicable federal rate for determining the present value of an annuity, an interest for life or a term of years,
or a remainder or reversionary interest

6.2%

**Section 1288.—Treatment
of Original Issue Discount
on Tax-Exempt Obligations**

The adjusted applicable federal short-term, mid-term, and long-term rates are set forth for the month of August 2006. See Rev. Rul. 2006-39, page 137.

**Section 7520.—Valuation
Tables**

The adjusted applicable federal short-term, mid-term, and long-term rates are set forth for the month of August 2006. See Rev. Rul. 2006-39, page 137.

**Section 7872.—Treatment
of Loans With Below-Market
Interest Rates**

The adjusted applicable federal short-term, mid-term, and long-term rates are set forth for the month of August 2006. See Rev. Rul. 2006-39, page 137.