

## **RCONND -- Real Personal Consumption Expenditures, Nondurable Goods**

1. Expressed in billions of real dollars, seasonally adjusted, annual rate.
2. First Vintage: 1965:Q4
3. First Observation: 1947:Q1
4. High-Frequency Source: BEA's *Survey of Current Business*
5. Deep-History Source: BEA's *Survey of Current Business* or Special Supplements to *Survey of Current Business* or *National Income & Product Accounts*
6. Vintage Names: RCONNDyyQq, where yy is the year of the vintage (two digits), Q represents the word quarter, and q is the quarter of the vintage (one digit).
7. Vintage Dates: Quarterly vintages reflect the data available in the middle of the quarter. This corresponds to the advance report of the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.

### *Special Notes*

1. This series is real, fixed-weight personal consumption expenditures on nondurable goods in all vintages prior to that of 1996:Q1 and real, chain-weight personal consumption expenditures on nondurable goods thereafter.
2. **RCONND65Q2 to RCONND69Q4 – Missing Observations.** Because of delays in BEA reporting, vintages for Q2, Q3, and Q4 over the years 1965 to 1969 do not include the last observation.
3. **RCONND82Q3 – BEA Corrections.** The 1982:Q3 vintage incorporates BEA corrections (published in the 7/82 *Survey of Current Business*) to originally published data for RCONND for observations 1973:Q1 to 1976:Q4. These corrections are not incorporated into vintages prior to that of 1982:Q3.
4. **RCONND92Q1 to RCONND92Q4 – Short Time Series History.** In vintages from 1992:Q1 to 1992:Q4, RCONND is only available starting from 1959:Q1 because data prior to 1959 were not reported in our deep-history source.
5. **RCONND96Q1 – Missing Observation.** Because of a delay in the release of statistical data caused by the federal government shutdown, the 1995:Q4 observation for RCONND is missing in the 1996:Q1 vintage.
6. **RCONND96Q1 to RCONND97Q2 – Short Time Series History.** In vintages from 1996:Q1 to 1997:Q2, RCONND is only available starting from 1959:Q3 because data prior to 1959:Q3 were not reported in our deep-history source. (We note that the May 1997 *Survey of Current Business* contains (on page 19) observations starting from 1950:Q1. However, the observations are in the form of chain-type quantity indexes. In the future, we will convert these

indexes into chained 1992 dollars for use in the 1997:Q2 vintage.)

7. **RCONND99Q4 to RCONND00Q1 – Short Time Series History.** On October 28, 1999, the BEA released a comprehensive revision to the NIPA. However, not all revised observations were released. In the 1999:Q4 vintage, observations for RCONND are available starting in 1987:Q1. In the 2000:Q1 vintage, observations for RCONND are available starting in 1959:Q1. In the 2000:Q2 vintage, the observations begin in 1947:Q1.