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# **Total Homeowner Improvement Expenditures: 2011**

	Homeowners Reporting Projects (000s)	Average Expenditure (\$)	Total Expenditures (Millions of \$)
Kitchen Remodels			
Minor	1,087	3,278	3,564
Major	730	19,121	13,959
Bath Remodels			
Minor	1,420	1,521	2,160
Major	1,004	9,139	9,177
Room Additions & Alterations	20	20.240	1.000
Kitchen	33	30,219	1,000
Bath	317 125	7,373 5,541	2,334 694
Created finished bathroom from unfinished space Added bathroom onto home	73	11,801	862
	157	4,968	778
Bathroom created through structural changes	490		
Bedroom		9,314	4,561
Created finished bedroom from unfinished space	205	6,760	1,386
Added bedroom onto home	98	23,147	2,271
Bedroom created through structural changes	256	3,531	904
Other	1,074	9,130	9,802
Created finished recreation room from unfinished space	237	7,233	1,716
Created other finished inside room from unfinished space	361	5,365	1,939
Added other inside room onto home	202	19,398	3,920
Other room created through structural changes	417	5,339	2,226
Dutside Attachments Porch/Deck	662	5,113	3,385
Added porch onto home	250	5,732	1,433
Added deck onto home	428	4,555	1,952
Garage/Carport	152	10,260	1,556
Added attached garage onto home	80	16,999	1,364
Added carport onto home	74	2,585	192
Systems and Equipment Additions & Replacements			
Internal water pipes	1,451	1,049	1,522
Plumbing fixtures	3,997	785	3,137
Electrical wiring, fuse boxes or breaker switches	2,194	1,115	2,446
HVAC	3,665	4,558	16,706
Central air conditioning	2,431	3,789	9,210
Built-in heating equipment	2,364	3,171	7,496
Appliances/Major Equipment	7,369	691	5,089
Water heater	3,489	774	2,702
Built-in dishwasher	2,632	536	1,411
Garbage disposal Security system	1,610 1,260	181 543	292 684
exterior Additions & Replacements	1,200	010	001
Roofing	3,672	5,888	21,617
Siding	1,073	4,713	5,059
Windows or doors	4,335	2,730	11,833
nterior Additions & Replacements			
Insulation	2,032	1,049	2,132
Flooring/Paneling/Ceiling	6,895	2,357	16,250
Wall-to-wall carpeting	2,440	1,890	4,612
Other flooring such as wood, tile, marble, or vinyl	4,770	1,967	9,382
Paneling or ceiling tiles	1,912	1,180	2,256
Other major improvements inside home	665	3,090	2,056
Disaster Repairs	942	12,658	11,919
Other Property Additions & Replacements	5,637	4,444	25,047
Other outside structure	237	7,431	1,759
Septic tank	177	4,195	744
Driveways or walkways	1,830	2,620	4,794
Fencing or walls	1,972	1,905	3,756
Patio, terrace, or detached deck	1,294	3,592	4,649
Swimming pool, tennis court, or other recreational structure	355	10,460	3,714
Shed, detached garage, or other building	1,036	4,141	4,288
Other major improvements or repairs to lot or yard	384	3,496	1,343
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Notes: Homeowner numbers do not add to total because respondents may report projects in more than one category. Household totals were estimated using American Housing Survey and American Community Survey data. Major remodels are defined as professional home improvements of more than \$10,000 for kitchen projects and more than \$5,000 for bath projects, and DIY improvements of more than \$4,000 for kitchen projects and \$2,000 for bath projects.

Source: JCHS tabulations of the 2011 American Housing Survey (AHS).

# **Professional and Do-lt-Yourself Home Improvement Expenditures: 2011**

		Professional				
	Homeowners Reporting Projects (000s)	Average Expenditure (\$)	Total Expenditures (Millions of \$)	Homeowners Reporting Projects (000s)	Average Expenditure (\$)	Total Expenditures (Millions of \$)
Kitchen Remodels				· · · · · ·		
Minor	639	4,532	2,896	448	1,490	668
Major	428	24,974	10,684	302	10,837	3,275
Bath Remodels						
Minor	745	2,160	1,609	674	816	550
Major	522	12,801	6,680	482	5,177	2,497
Room Additions & Alterations						
Kitchen	27	33,940	919	6	13,477	81
Bath	169	10,609	1,798	148	3,611	536
Bedroom	216	14,998	3,245	275	4,779	1,316
Other	531	14,434	7,668	561	3,801	2,134
Outside Attachments	:			:		
Porch/Deck	337	7,645	2,575	325	2,490	810
Garage/Carport	82	15,191	1,249	70	4,429	308
Systems and Equipment Additions & Replacem	nents					
Internal Water Pipes	888	1,489	1,323	563	354	199
Plumbing Fixtures	1,934	1,110	2,147	2,063	480	990
Electrical System	1,433	1,456	2,086	761	473	360
HVAC	3,212	4,783	15,365	514	2,607	1,341
Appliances/Major Equipment	4,802	789	3,786	2,883	452	1,302
Exterior Additions & Replacements						
Roofing	3,018	6,540	19,742	653	2,870	1,875
Siding	720	6,101	4,392	354	1,888	667
Windows/Doors	2,825	3,554	10,039	1,510	1,188	1,794
Interior Additions & Replacements						
Insulation	1,059	1,502	1,590	973	557	542
Flooring/Paneling/Ceiling	4,308	2,974	12,809	2,989	1,151	3,441
Other Interior	467	3,692	1,725	227	1,455	331
Disaster Repairs	775	13,989	10,842	167	6,464	1,077
Other Property Additions & Replacements	3,449	5,835	20,127	2,521	1,952	4,920
	16,033	9,062	145,297	10,039	3,089	31,013

Notes: Homeowner numbers do not add to total because respondents may report projects in more than one category. Household totals were estimated using American Housing Survey and American Community Survey data. Major remodels are defined as professional home improvements of more than \$10,000 for kitchen projects and more than \$5,000 for bath projects, and DIY improvements of more than \$4,000 for kitchen projects and \$2,000 for bath projects. Job categories are aggregations of the detailed projects reported in Table A-1.

Source: JCHS tabulations of the 2011 AHS.

# **Total Improvement Expenditures by Homeowner Characteristics: 2011**

	Number of Homeowners (000s)	Homeowners Reporting Projects (000s)	Average Expenditure (\$)	Total Expenditures (Millions of \$)
Income				
Under \$40,000	24,916	6,268	5,224	32,744
\$40-79,999	22,562	6,592	6,820	44,958
\$80-119,999	13,160	4,104	8,801	36,119
\$120,000 and Over	12,927	4,220	14,571	61,489
Home Value				
Under \$100,000	19,403	5,301	4,405	23,351
\$100-149,999	13,157	3,806	5,714	21,748
\$150–199,999	11,342	3,359	7,536	25,312
\$200-249,999	7,602	2,274	8,077	18,366
\$250-399,999	12,663	3,721	10,183	37,890
\$400,000 and Over	10,209	2,881	17,233	49,643
Age of Household Head				
Under 35	7,670	2,343	7,206	16,884
35–44	12,704	3,748	9,141	34,258
45–54	17,249	5,022	8,955	44,969
55–64	16,797	4,920	8,828	43,434
65 and Over	19,957	5,308	6,926	36,766
Generation				
Echo Boom (Born 1985 and later)	1,371	422	5,313	2,244
Trailing Baby Bust (Born 1975–84)	8,425	2,531	7,616	19,278
Leading Baby Bust (Born 1965–74)	13,667	4,006	9,375	37,553
Trailing Baby Boom (Born 1955–64)	17,682	5,175	8,637	44,694
Leading Baby Boom (Born 1945-54)	15,755	4,623	8,985	41,539
Matures (Born 1935–44)	10,149	2,774	7,517	20,852
Seniors (Born before 1935)	7,328	1,809	5,610	10,151
Race/Ethnicity				
White	58,101	17,031	8,729	148,662
Black	5,967	1,596	5,872	9,372
Hispanic	6,351	1,724	6,155	10,609
Asian	2,800	653	8,263	5,399
Other/Mix	1,157	337	6,723	2,268
Spending Level				
Under \$2,500	9,259	9,259	884	8,185
\$2,500-4,999	3,600	3,600	3,560	12,813
\$5,000-9,999	3,832	3,832	6,974	26,726
\$10,000—19,999	2,607	2,607	13,566	35,370
\$20,000–34,999	1,166	1,166	25,794	30,083
\$35,000-49,999	402	402	41,242	16,594
\$50,000 and Over	474	474	98,201	46,540
No Projects	53,035			
	74,376	21,341	8,262	176,311

Note: Income data exclude households that did not respond to the question.

Source: JCHS tabulations of the 2011 AHS.

# **Professional and Do-It-Yourself Improvement Expenditures by Homeowner Characteristics: 2011**

		Profes	sional		Do-It-Yourself				
	Number of Homeowners (000s)	Homeowners Reporting Projects (000s)	Average Expenditure (\$)	Total Expenditures (Millions of \$)	Number of Homeowners (000s)	Homeowners Reporting Projects (000s)	Average Expenditure (\$)	Total Expenditure (Millions of \$)	
Income									
Under \$40,000	24,916	4,584	5,796	26,568	24,916	2,791	2,212	6,176	
\$40-79,999	22,562	4,744	7,454	35,361	22,562	3,350	2,865	9,597	
\$80-119,999	13,160	3,103	9,416	29,216	13,160	2,052	3,364	6,903	
\$120,000 and Over	12,927	3,497	15,283	53,446	12,927	1,764	4,560	8,043	
Home Value									
Under \$100,000	19,403	3,504	4,957	17,369	19,403	2,894	2,067	5,982	
\$100-149,999	13,157	2,755	6,000	16,527	13,157	1,930	2,704	5,221	
\$150-199,999	11,342	2,554	8,050	20,557	11,342	1,670	2,847	4,755	
\$200-249,999	7,602	1,759	8,664	15,238	7,602	1,042	3,004	3,129	
\$250-399,999	12,663	3,003	10,650	31,976	12,663	1,539	3,843	5,914	
\$400,000 and Over	10,209	2,460	17,738	43,630	10,209	964	6,241	6,013	
Age of Household Head									
Under 35	7,670	1,579	7,611	12,019	7,670	1,464	3,324	4,865	
35–44	12,704	2,640	10,135	26,756	12,704	2,105	3,563	7,502	
45–54	17,249	3,591	10,234	36,750	17,249	2,678	3,069	8,219	
55–64	16,797	3,785	9,799	37,084	16,797	2,182	2,910	6,350	
65 and Over	19,957	4,438	7,365	32,688	19,957	1,610	2,532	4,077	
Generation									
Echo Boom (Born 1985 and later)	1,371	257	5,343	1,372	1,371	285	3,057	872	
Trailing Baby Bust (Born 1975–84)	8,425	1,742	8,135	14,168	8,245	1,543	3,311	5,110	
Leading Baby Bust (Born 1965–74)	13,667	2,834	10,477	29,694	13,667	2,210	3,556	7,859	
Trailing Baby Boom (Born 1955-64)	17,682	3,725	9,782	36,440	17,682	2,719	3,036	8,254	
Leading Baby Boom (Born 1945-54)	15,755	3,639	9,892	36,001	15,755	1,930	2,869	5,538	
Matures (Born 1935–44)	10,149	2,304	8,005	18,441	10,149	905	2,664	2,411	
Seniors (Born before 1935)	7,328	1,532	5,993	9,182	7,328	446	2,170	969	
Race/Ethnicity									
White	58,101	12,787	9,643	123,304	58,101	8,107	3,128	25,358	
Black	5,967	1,331	5,982	7,965	5,967	564	2,496	1,407	
Hispanic	6,351	1,119	6,795	7,601	6,351	979	3,073	3,008	
Asian	2,800	534	8,612	4,600	2,800	233	3,434	799	
Other/Mix	1,157	261	6,991	1,828	1,157	156	2,814	440	
Spending Level			c						
Under \$2,500	5,407	5,407	910	4,919	4,901	4,901	666	3,266	
\$2,500-4,999	2,905	2,905	3,195	9,279	1,585	1,585	2,230	3,534	
\$5,000-9,999	3,392	3,392	6,247	21,188	1,620	1,620	3,418	5,537	
\$10,000-19,999	2,394	2,394	12,053	28,857	1,130	1,130	5,765	6,513	
\$20,000–34,999	1,099	1,099	23,265	25,556	464	464	9,754	4,527	
\$35,000-49,999	378	378	36,895	13,955	168	168	15,721	2,639	
\$50,000 and Over	459	459	90,536	41,543	172	172	29,120	4,997	
No Projects	58,343				64,337				
Total	74,376	16,033	9,062	145,297	74,376	10,039	3,089	31,013	

Note: Income data exclude households that did not respond to the question.

Source: JCHS tabulations of the 2011 AHS.

### **Metropolitan Market Trends in Home Improvement Spending: 2011**

Metropolitan Area	Average Annual Per-Owner Improvement Spending (\$)	Total Improvement Spending (Billions of \$)	Number of Homeowners (000s)	Share of Owners with Income Above \$100K (Percent)	Share of Total Spending by Top 5% of Owners (Percent)	Share of Spending on Upper-End Discretionary Projects (Percent)	Share of Owner- Occupied Units Built Before 1960 (Percent)	Share of Owners That Moved in 2008 or Later (Percent)	Number of Foreclosures Per 1,000 Owners	Share of Mortgaged Homeowners with Negative Equity as of 12/2011 (Percent)	Average Spending per Bank-Owned Property (\$)	Share of Total Improvement Spending on Bank-Owned Properties (Percent)
Atlanta, GA	2,951	3.60	1,220	31	50	17	10	17	37	45	3,064	1.02
Austin, TX	3,393*	1.28	376	38	-	-	10	22	9	11	3,664	0.25
Baltimore, MD	2,813*	1.92	683	41	-	-	35	13	5	21	5,255	0.30
Birmingham, AL	2,317	0.70	303	24	38	14	20	16	3	15	1,546	0.28
Boston, MA	3,296*	3.56	1,081	47	-	-	50	14	5	17	2,962	0.13
Buffalo, NY	2,793	0.86	308	25	42	20	58	13	4	6	3,161	0.02
Charlotte, NC	2,878	1.28	444	29	38	14	13	18	16	21	4,005	0.43
Chicago, IL	1,970	4.39	2,230	34	39	15	38	13	12	29	2,454	0.35
Cincinnati, OH	2,383	1.32	554	29	35	17	33	15	10	27	1,731	0.18
Cleveland, OH	2,445	1.35	553	24	34	20	50	11	13	31	1,421	0.14
Columbus, OH	2,720	1.20	440	32	47	27	27	16	13	26	1,976	0.21
Dallas, TX	2,719	3.82	1,405	35	38	13	15	19	14	13	4,264	0.40
Denver, CO	3,597	2.28	634	37	47	17	19	20	18	25	3,788	0.41
Detroit, MI	1,824	2.09	1,146	26	35	13	42	14	29	44	1,222	0.46
Hartford, CT	2,851*	0.89	313	41	-	-	41	13	3	13	3,493	0.09
Houston, TX	2,954*	3.76	1,273	34	-	-	13	19	14	13	3,480	0.39
Indianapolis, IN	2,598	1.16	447	28	37	16	25	17	10	16	2,756	0.29
Jacksonville, FL	2,480*	0.85	343	25	-	-	15	17	19	47	2,548	0.37
Kansas City, MO	2,989	1.60	534	30	39	13	29	16	17	16	3,095	0.45
Las Vegas, NV	3,463*	1.29	374	26	-	-	3	27	88	68	1,567	1.04
Los Angeles, CA	2,916	6.02	2,064	41	60	32	43	14	17	23	4,215	0.37
Louisville, KY	2,490*	0.85	343	24	-	-	29	16	5	8	2,621	0.20
Memphis, TN	2,255	0.68	300	25	29	10	20	15	18	34	3,221	0.57
Miami, FL	2,166*	2.72	1,255	26	-	-	16	14	25	48	1,608	0.41
Milwaukee, WI	3,104	1.15	372	31	41	18	45	13	11	23	1,018	0.07
Minneapolis, MN	2,914*	2.64	905	36		-	29	16	16	22	3,381	0.59
Nashville, TN	2,665*	1.08	403	26	-	_	15	18	18	18	4,227	0.39
New Orleans, LA	2,138	0.60	281	26	49	17	24	15	8	19	2,484	0.32
New York, NY	3,208	11.14	3,473	46	57	31	52	12	1	13	2,721	0.03
Oklahoma City, OK	2,992*	0.94	314	24	-	-	20	21	10	8	2,606	0.16
Orlando, FL	2,424*	1.16	479	23	_	_	9	18	23	55	2,777	0.79
Philadelphia, PA	2,577	3.89	1,509	36	44	20	45	12	5	14	2,492	0.09
Phoenix, AZ	3,986	3.82	958	27	54	18	8	24	54	55	1,762	0.76
Pittsburgh, PA	2,589	1.76	679	25	40	22	53	12	3	8	1,313	0.04
Portland, OR	2,781	1.47	530	32	41	18	27	17	12	23	3,927	0.49
Providence, RI	3,654	1.39	381	35	60	30	45	13	9	23	1,674	0.43
Raleigh, NC	3,047*	0.88	289	36	-	-	7	20	8	13	4,377	0.70
Richmond, VA	2,452*	0.78	318	30			21	15	11	23	4,443	0.58
Riverside, CA	2,452	2.04	833	28	54	21	14	22	39	46	3,570	1.45
Sacramento, CA	2,466	1.15	468	33	43	15	18	18	34	41	1,824	0.58
Salt Lake City, UT	2,400	0.72	251	29	- 40	-	22	19	15	21	4,267	0.68
San Antonio, TX	2,726*	1.31	481	27	-	-	18	19	11	8	2,810	0.00
San Diego, CA	3,207	1.81	565	39	56	32	20	17	18	30	2,908	0.17
San Francisco, CA	3,399	2.96	871	51	61	37	44	16	16	24	1,462	0.23
San Jose, CA	3,451	1.22	355	55	62	31	29	17	11	19	1,462	0.09
Seattle, WA	3,033*	2.48	818	40	-	-	25	16	Ŷ.	25	3,502	0.04
St. Louis, MO				40 27	35	÷			16	1		7
	2,166	1.69	779	7	- 35	16 -	34	14 16	13	18	1,639	0.25 0.34
Tampa, FL	2,171*	1.60	738	21	1	÷	14		14	50	1,958	
Virginia Beach, VA Washington, DC	2,918	1.15	392	31	49	23	22	15 17	13	28	5,330	0.59
Ů.	3,589*	4.73	1,317	56	-	-	24	17	7	26	6,331	0.42
United States	2,371	176.31	74,376	28	47	20	29	16	12	25	2,379	0.31

Notes: Average annual per-owner improvement spending for 30 metro areas is from the American Housing Survey, supplemented by Joint Center estimates for 20 additional metro areas (indicated by asterisk). The overall list covers the top 50 metro areas ranked by population from the 2010 Decennial Census. Metro-level income, age of owner-occupied housing stock, mobility, and tenure variables are from the 2011 American Community Survey. Upper-end discretionary projects include major kitchen and bath remodels, as well as room additions and alterations with spending over \$25,000 if done professionally and over \$10,000 if DIY. Major kitchen and bath remodels are defined as professional home improvements of more than \$10,000 for kitchen projects and more than \$5,000 for bath projects, and DIY improvements of more than \$4,000 for kitchen projects and seal are from the Fannie Mae real estate owned spending database for 2011 dispositions, which is used as a proxy for all REO properties.

Source: JCHS tabulations of AHS, ACS, Fannie Mae, and CoreLogic data.

# **Historical Trends in Metropolitan Area Home Improvement Spending**

Metropolitan Area	Average Annu	nal Per-Owner Improvemo (2011 \$)	ent Spending	Percent Change				
	1990–99	2000–09	2011	1990s-2000s	2000s-2011	1990s-2011		
Atlanta, GA	1,971	2,573	2,951	30.5	14.7	49.7		
Boston, MA	2,673	4,805	3,296*	79.8	-31.4	23.3		
Chicago, IL	2,281	3,409	1,970	49.4	-42.2	-13.6		
Cincinnati, OH	2,079	2,188	2,383	5.3	8.9	14.6		
Cleveland, OH	1,836	2,843	2,445	54.9	-14.0	33.2		
Columbus, OH	2,214	2,379	2,720	7.5	14.3	22.9		
Dallas, TX	1,971	2,278	2,719	15.6	19.3	37.9		
Detroit, MI	2,133	2,836	1,824	33.0	-35.7	-14.5		
Houston, TX	2,133	1,995	2,954*	-6.5	48.0	38.5		
Indianapolis, IN	1,755	2,408	2,598	37.2	7.9	48.0		
Kansas City, MO	1,998	2,192	2,989	9.7	36.3	49.6		
Los Angeles, CA	2,686	4,528	2,916	68.6	-35.6	8.5		
Miami, FL	1,863	2,145	2,166*	15.2	1.0	16.3		
Milwaukee, WI	2,011	3,176	3,104	57.9	-2.3	54.3		
Minneapolis, MN	2,322	4,568	2,914*	96.7	-36.2	25.5		
New Orleans, LA	2,241	3,201	2,138	42.8	-33.2	-4.6		
New York, NY	2,605	3,621	3,208	39.0	-11.4	23.1		
Orlando, FL	2,146	3,092	2,424*	44.1	-21.6	12.9		
Philadelphia, PA	2,605	3,205	2,577	23.0	-19.6	-1.1		
Phoenix, AZ	1,714	2,523	3,986	47.1	58.0	132.5		
Pittsburgh, PA	1,809	1,662	2,589	-8.1	55.8	43.1		
Sacramento, CA	2,187	4,478	2,466	104.8	-44.9	12.8		
Salt Lake City, UT	2,281	2,969	2,876*	30.2	-3.1	26.1		
San Antonio, TX	1,363	1,277	2,726*	-6.3	113.4	99.9		
San Diego, CA	2,146	4,559	3,207	112.4	-29.6	49.4		
San Francisco, CA	3,213	4,176	3,399	30.0	-18.6	5.8		
Seattle, WA	2,349	3,475	3,033*	47.9	-12.7	29.1		
St. Louis, MO	1,566	2,261	2,166	44.4	-4.2	38.3		
Tampa, FL	1,606	1,983	2,171*	23.4	9.5	35.2		
Virginia Beach, VA	1,309	2,128	2,918	62.5	37.1	122.8		
Washington, DC	2,632	3,720	3,589*	41.3	-3.5	36.3		

Notes: Average annual per-owner improvement spending is from the American Housing Survey, supplemented by JCHS estimates of spending for additional metro areas for 2011 (indicated by asterisk). Metro areas are those in the top 50 ranked by population from the 2010 Decennial Census for which current and historical data and/or estimates were available.

Sources: JCHS tabulations of the 1991–2011 AHS; JCHS model estimates.