1905 FAMILY PROFILE

The Stella family of nine Italian Catholics lives in a tenement house in one of the most over-crowded and poverty-ridden sections of New York City. The man, a first-generation American, is an oyster selector, working long hours on the docks. The woman works as a "washerwoman." Three of the seven children work with their father on the docks.

Annual Income

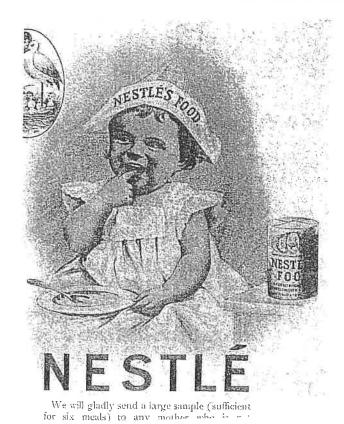
Husband	744.00
Wife	10.00
Three Children\$3	
Total	00.00

Annual Budget

Clothing
Food\$520.00
Insurance, Dues\$56.60
Light and Fuel
Rent\$168.00
Sundries\$169.40
Total

Life at Home

- Rent is \$14.00 a month for four rooms for nine people. The Stella family has no bath, and only one family in 10 has a toilet in their apartment.
- They do have a window and access to outer air; the apartments in the back of the building have no windows.
- The children older than 14 are considered boarders; it is the custom for older children to pay approximately \$5.00 a week board to their mother, according to their ability to work, clothe themselves, and save toward getting married.
- Breakfast consists of rolls and coffee, occasionally eggs or oatmeal.



Card Game\$0.50 The Convert Automobile\$750.00 Fancy Percale Cloth for
Dresses, per Yard\$0.10
Jell-O, Four Kinds \$0.25/Two Pkgs.
Masury's Railroad Lead Paint,
White, per Gallon\$0.98
Men's French Tan Blucher Oxfords\$3.50
Palmolive Soap, per Bar\$0.05
Popular Mechanics Magazine, per
Year\$1.00
S.R. & Co. Handmade Baseball\$0.90
Sears and Roebuck Alarm Clock,
Oxidized\$2.50
Tailor-Made Suit for Women\$35.00
Utility Pompadour Comb\$0.25
Vudor Porch Shades\$2.00
Women's American Lady Shoes\$3.00



1905 Economic Profile

Income, Standard Jobs

Selected Prices

Aercel Washcloth, Cleans Itself\$0.05
Bishop's Hat\$3.00
Bissell Carpet Sweeper\$4.00
Blondine Hair Bleach, Large Bottle \$0.70
Boy's Shoes
Cabbage Plants

