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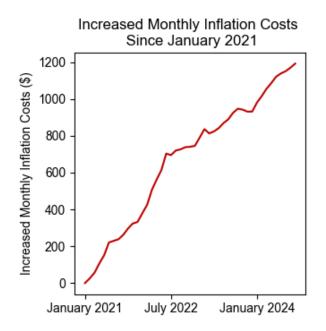
Inflation Update

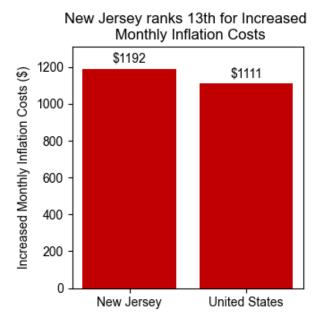
September 2024

Summary

Using the **September 2024** Consumer Price Index data release by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Joint Economic Committee (JEC) State Inflation Tracker estimates that the average household in **New Jersey** is paying **\$1,192** more per month to purchase the same basket of goods and services as in January 2021.

Cumulatively, the average **New Jersey** household has spent **\$30,238** more due to inflation since January 2021.





Breakdown

The Census Division where **New Jersey** is located has seen cumulative inflation of **19.2 percent** since January 2021. This is **1.3 percentage points lower** than the national cumulative inflation since January 2021 of **20.5 percent**.

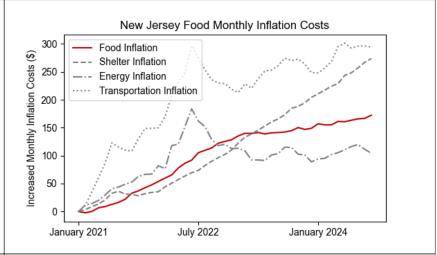
Compared to one year earlier, the average **New Jersey** households needs to spend **\$245** more per month to maintain the same standard of living.

The JEC Inflation Tracker breaks down the increased cost to the average household in **New Jersey** relative to January 2021 into four essential spending categories below:

Household Food Expenses

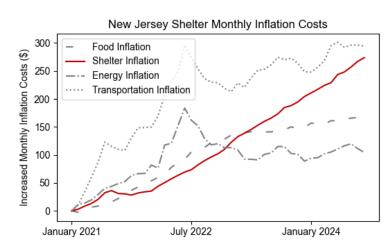
Compared to January 2021, the average household in **New Jersey** is spending **\$172** more on food per month. This is **\$28 more** each month than one year ago.

Cumulatively, the average household in **New Jersey** has spent **\$4,531** more on food due to inflation since January 2021.



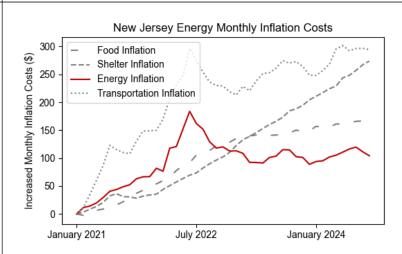
Household Shelter Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **New Jersey** is spending **\$274** more on shelter per month. This is **\$89 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **New Jersey** has spent **\$5,280** more on shelter due to inflation since January 2021.



Household Energy Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **New Jersey** is spending **\$104** more on energy per month. This is **\$10 less** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **New Jersey** has spent **\$4,167** more on energy due to inflation since January 2021.



Household Transportation Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **New Jersey** is spending **\$294** more on transportation per month. This is **\$24 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **New Jersey** has spent **\$9,366** more on transportation due to inflation since January 2021.

