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Pennsylvania

Inflation Update

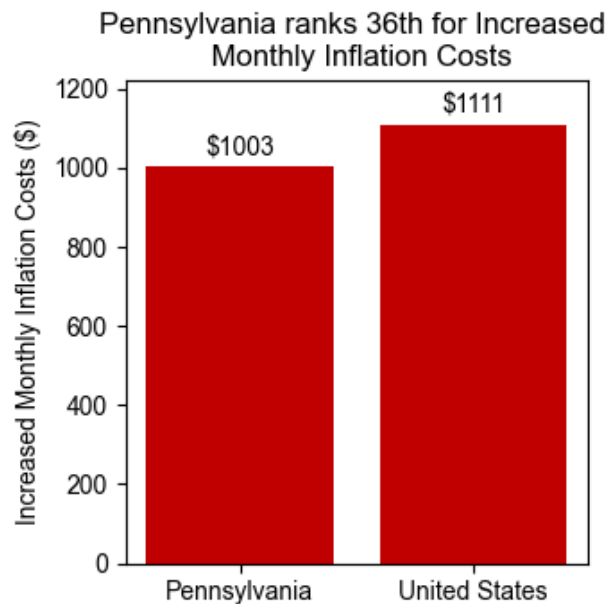
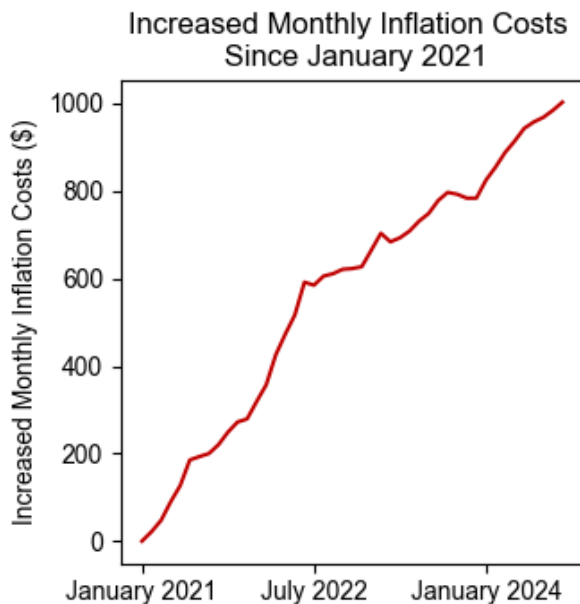


September 2024

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 **Pennsylvania** is paying **\$1,003** more per month to purchase the same basket of goods and services as in January 2021.

Cumulatively, the average **Pennsylvania** household has spent **\$25,448** more due to inflation since January 2021.



Breakdown

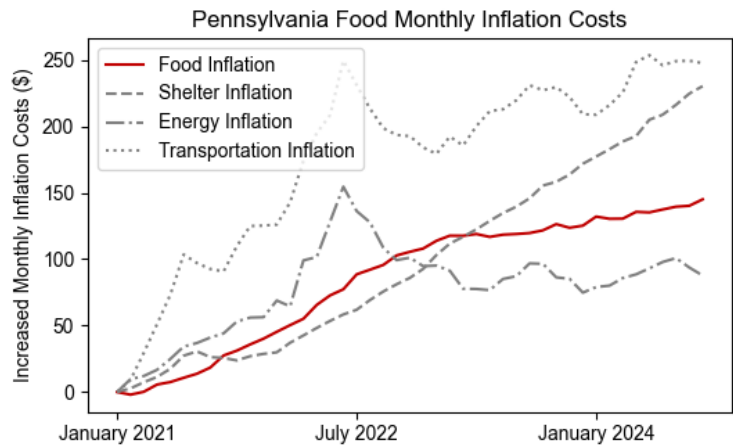
The Census Division where **Pennsylvania** is located has seen cumulative inflation of **19.2 percent** since January 2021. This is **1.3 percentage points lower** than the national cumulative inflation since January 2021 of **20.5 percent**.

Compared to one year earlier, the average **Pennsylvania** households needs to spend **\$206** more per month to maintain the same standard of living.

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

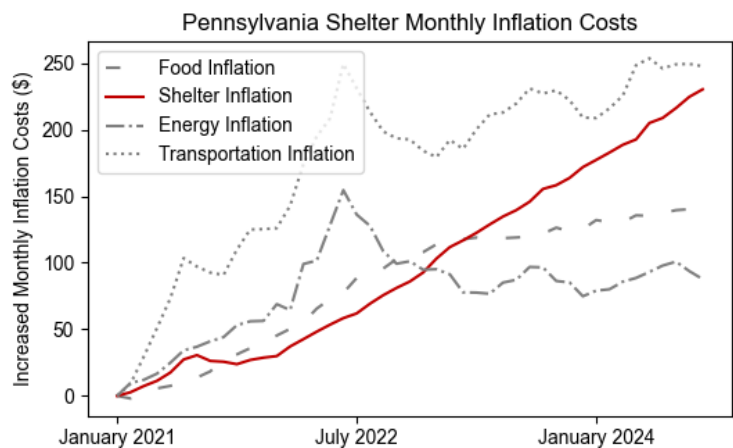
Household Food Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **Pennsylvania** is spending **\$145** more on food per month. This is **\$23 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **Pennsylvania** has spent **\$3,813** more on food due to inflation since January 2021.



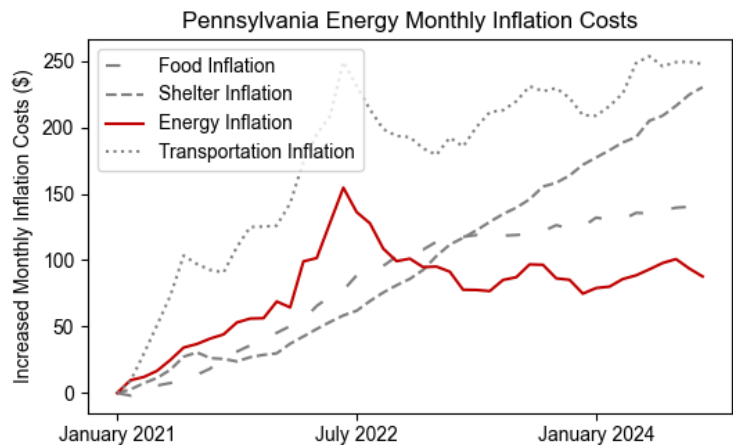
Household Shelter Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **Pennsylvania** is spending **\$230** more on shelter per month. This is **\$75 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **Pennsylvania** has spent **\$4,444** more on shelter due to inflation since January 2021.



Household Energy Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **Pennsylvania** is spending **\$88** more on energy per month. This is **\$9 less** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **Pennsylvania** has spent **\$3,507** more on energy due to inflation since January 2021.



Household Transportation Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **Pennsylvania** is spending **\$248** more on transportation per month. This is **\$20 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **Pennsylvania** has spent **\$7,882** more on transportation due to inflation since January 2021.

