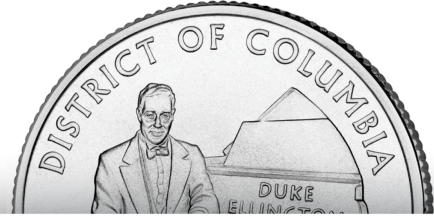




# District of Columbia

## Inflation Report



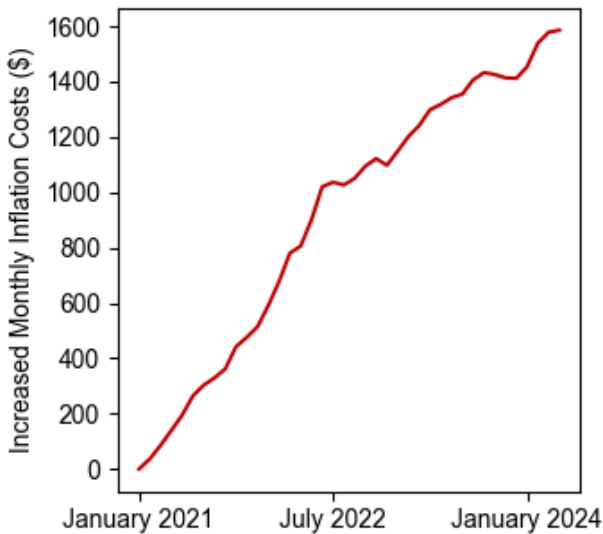
### April 2024

### Summary

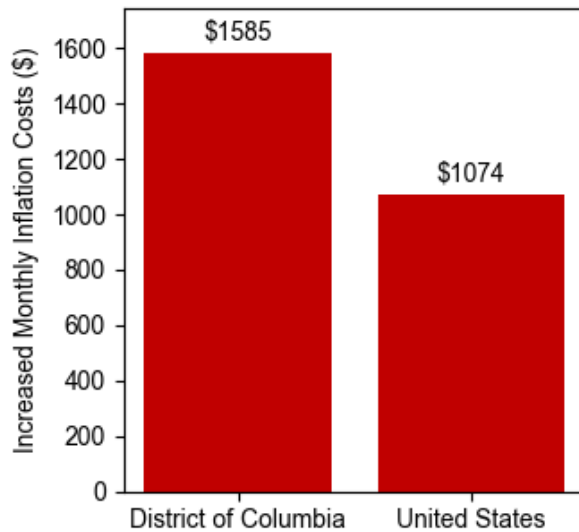
Using the **April 2024 [Consumer Price Index](#)** data release by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Joint Economic Committee (JEC) [State Inflation Tracker](#) estimates that the average household in **District of Columbia** is paying **\$1,585** more per month to purchase the same basket of goods and services as in January 2021.

Cumulatively, the average **District of Columbia** household has spent **\$36,506** more due to inflation since January 2021.

Increased Monthly Inflation Costs Since January 2021



District of Columbia ranks 1st for Increased Monthly Inflation Costs



### Breakdown

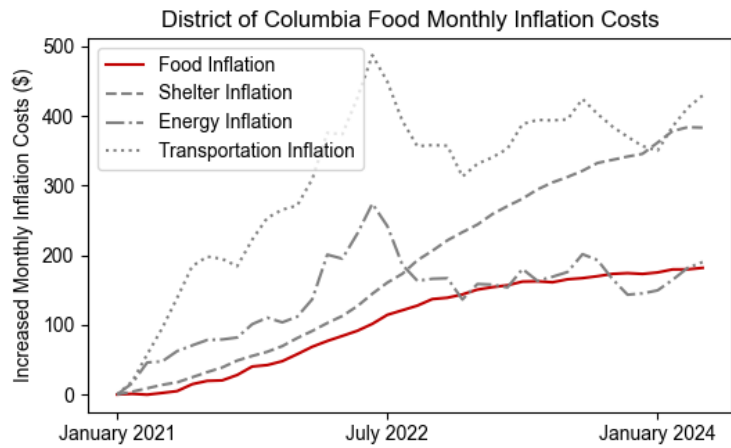
The Census Division where **District of Columbia** is located has seen cumulative inflation of **21.3 percent** since January 2021. This is **1.4 percentage points higher** than the national cumulative inflation since January 2021 of **19.9 percent**.

Compared to one year earlier, the average **District of Columbia** households needs to spend **\$287** more per month to maintain the same standard of living.

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

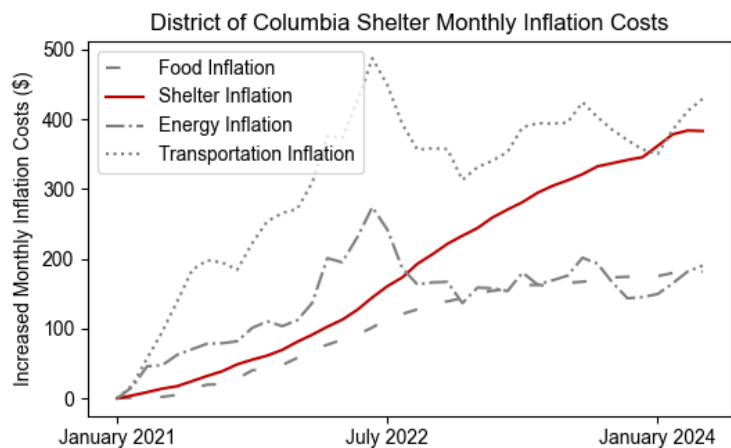
### Household Food Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **District of Columbia** is spending **\$181** more on food per month. This is **\$19 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **District of Columbia** has spent **\$4,171** more on food due to inflation since January 2021.



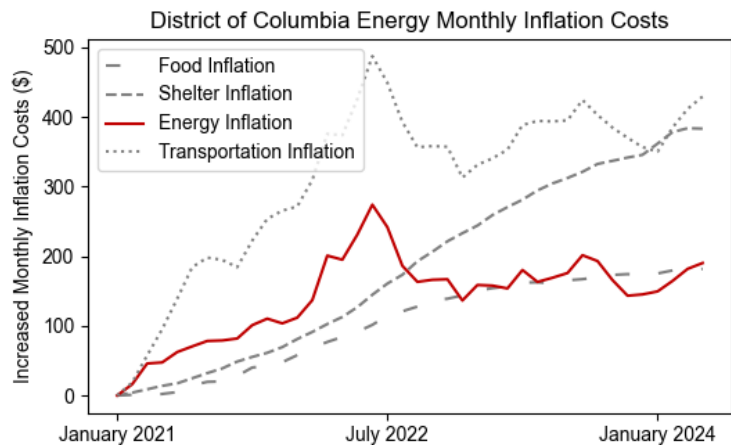
### Household Shelter Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **District of Columbia** is spending **\$383** more on shelter per month. This is **\$102 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **District of Columbia** has spent **\$7,375** more on shelter due to inflation since January 2021.



### Household Energy Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **District of Columbia** is spending **\$190** more on energy per month. This is **\$10 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **District of Columbia** has spent **\$5,702** more on energy due to inflation since January 2021.



### Household Transportation Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **District of Columbia** is spending **\$429** more on transportation per month. This is **\$40 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **District of Columbia** has spent **\$12,399** more on transportation due to inflation since January 2021.

