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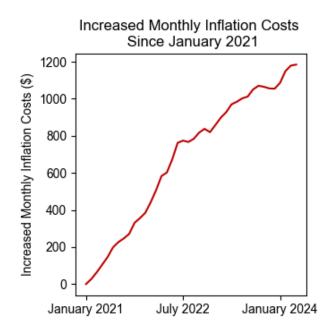


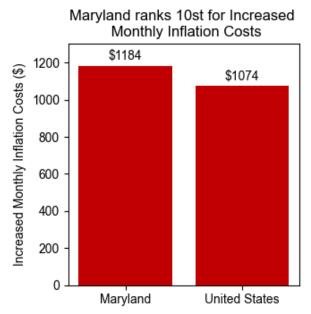
April 2024

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 **Maryland** is paying **\$1,184** more per month to purchase the same basket of goods and services as in January 2021.

Cumulatively, the average **Maryland** household has spent **\$27,265** more due to inflation since January 2021.





Breakdown

The Census Division where **Maryland** 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**.

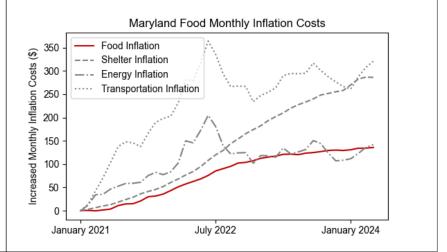
Compared to one year earlier, the average **Maryland** households needs to spend **\$214** more per month to maintain the same standard of living.

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

Household Food Expenses

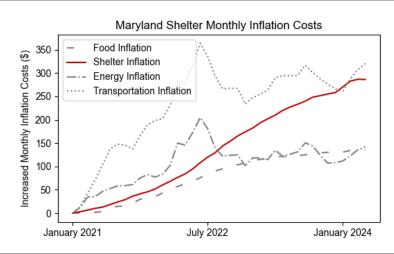
Compared to January 2021, the average household in **Maryland** is spending \$135 more on food per month. This is \$14 more each month than one year ago.

Cumulatively, the average household in **Maryland** has spent \$3,115 more on food due to inflation since January 2021.



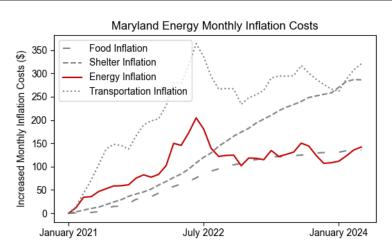
Household Shelter Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **Maryland** is spending **\$286** more on shelter per month. This is **\$76 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **Maryland** has spent **\$5,508** more on shelter due to inflation since January 2021.



Household Energy Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **Maryland** is spending **\$142** more on energy per month. This is **\$7 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **Maryland** has spent **\$4,258** more on energy due to inflation since January 2021.



Household Transportation Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **Maryland** is spending **\$320** more on transportation per month. This is **\$30 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **Maryland** has spent **\$9,260** more on transportation due to inflation since January 2021.

