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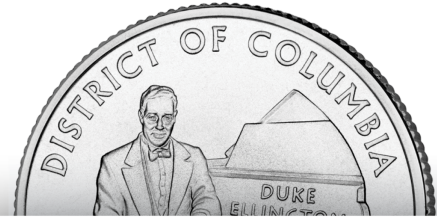
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District of Columbia

Inflation Update

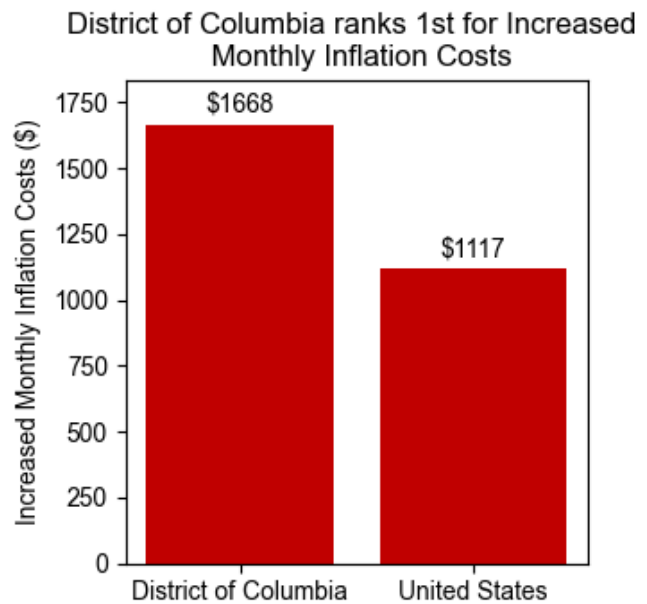
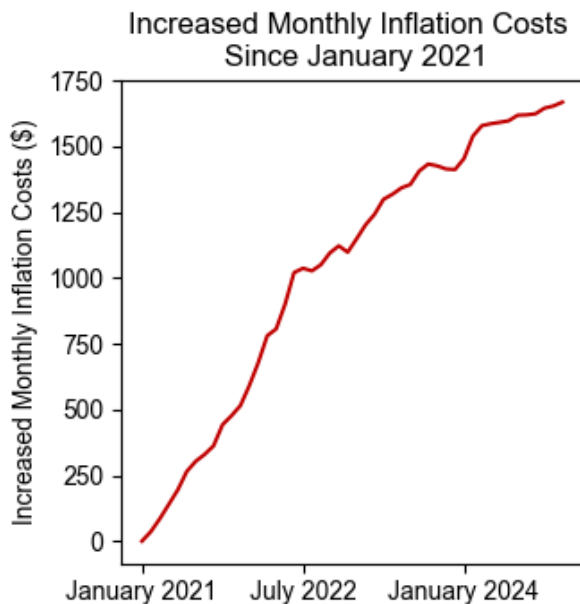


December 2024

Summary

Using the **December 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 **\$1,668** 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 **\$49,522** more due to inflation since January 2021.



Breakdown

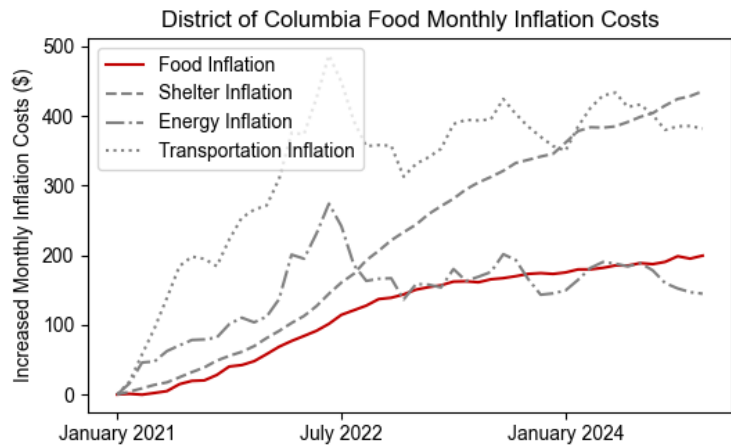
The Census Division where **District of Columbia** is located has seen cumulative inflation of **22.4 percent** since January 2021. This is **1.7 percentage points higher** than the national cumulative inflation since January 2021 of **20.7 percent**.

Compared to one year earlier, the average **District of Columbia** households needs to spend **\$256** 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:

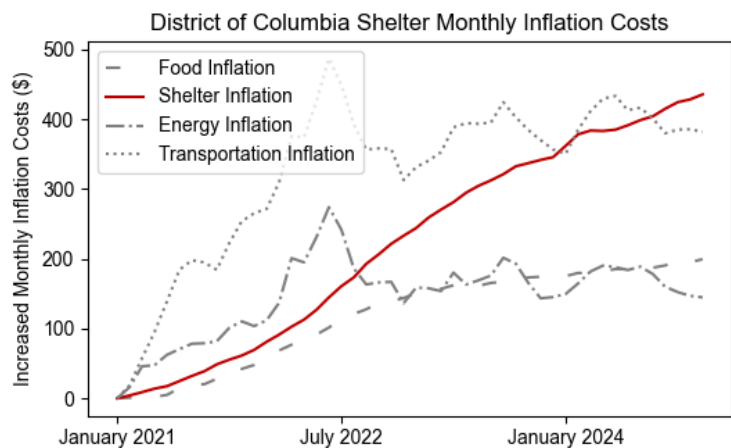
Household Food Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **District of Columbia** is spending **\$199** more on food per month. This is **\$26 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **District of Columbia** has spent **\$5,702** more on food due to inflation since January 2021.



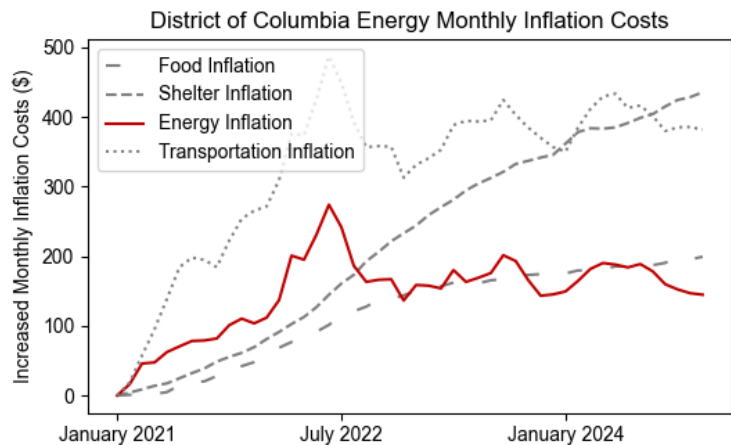
Household Shelter Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **District of Columbia** is spending **\$436** more on shelter per month. This is **\$90 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **District of Columbia** has spent **\$10,659** 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 **\$145** more on energy per month. This is **\$0 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **District of Columbia** has spent **\$7,045** 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 **\$382** more on transportation per month. This is **\$25 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **District of Columbia** has spent **\$15,597** more on transportation due to inflation since January 2021.

