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Pennsylvania

Inflation Update

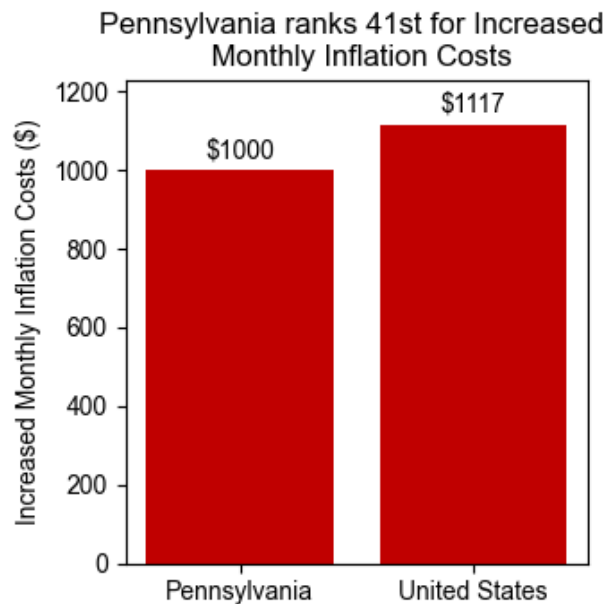
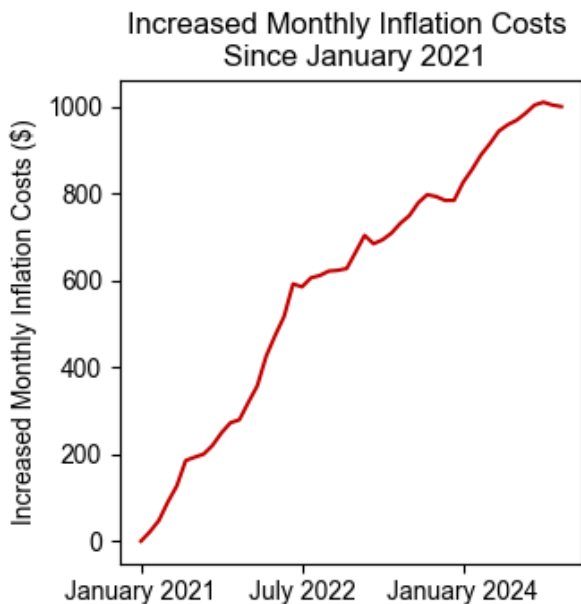


December 2024

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 **Pennsylvania** is paying **\$1,000** more per month to purchase the same basket of goods and services as in January 2021.

Cumulatively, the average **Pennsylvania** household has spent **\$28,460** more due to inflation since January 2021.



Breakdown

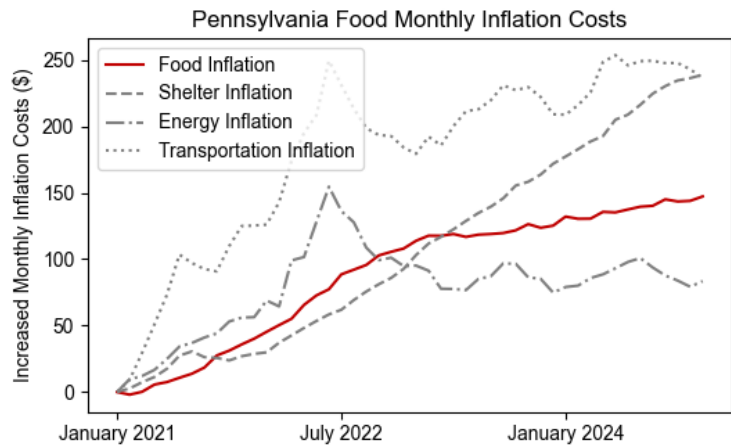
The Census Division where **Pennsylvania** is located has seen cumulative inflation of **19.2 percent** since January 2021. This is **1.5 percentage points lower** than the national cumulative inflation since January 2021 of **20.7 percent**.

Compared to one year earlier, the average **Pennsylvania** households needs to spend **\$216** 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:

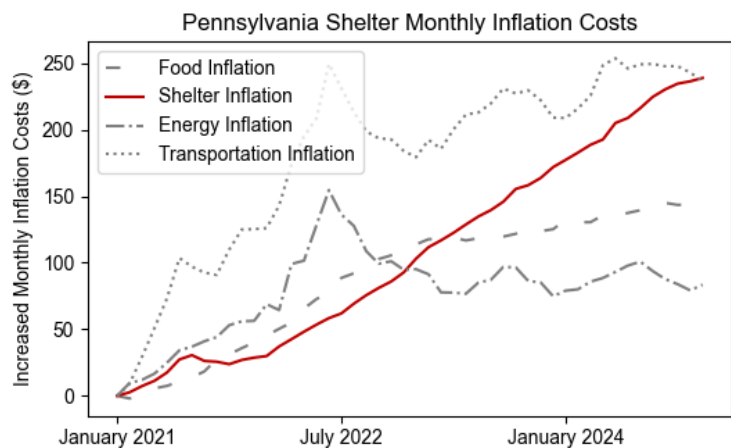
Household Food Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **Pennsylvania** is spending **\$147** more on food per month. This is **\$22 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **Pennsylvania** has spent **\$4,248** more on food due to inflation since January 2021.



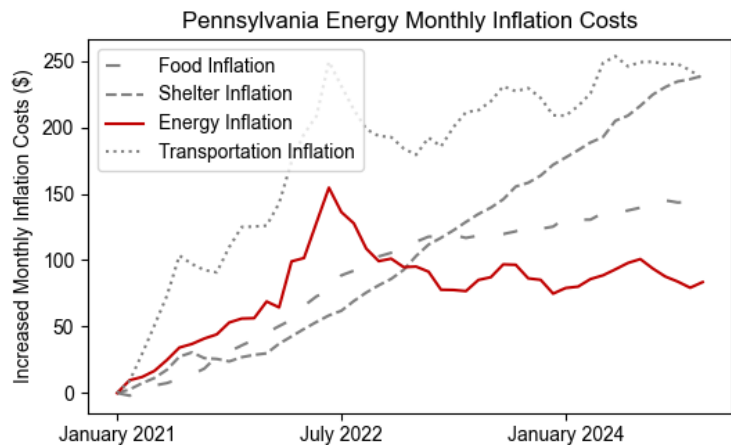
Household Shelter Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **Pennsylvania** is spending **\$239** more on shelter per month. This is **\$67 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **Pennsylvania** has spent **\$5,153** more on shelter due to inflation since January 2021.



Household Energy Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **Pennsylvania** is spending **\$84** more on energy per month. This is **\$9 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **Pennsylvania** has spent **\$3,754** more on energy due to inflation since January 2021.



Household Transportation Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **Pennsylvania** is spending **\$237** more on transportation per month. This is **\$27 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **Pennsylvania** has spent **\$8,610** more on transportation due to inflation since January 2021.

