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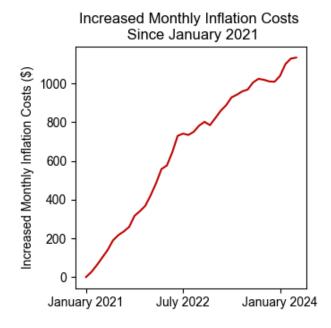


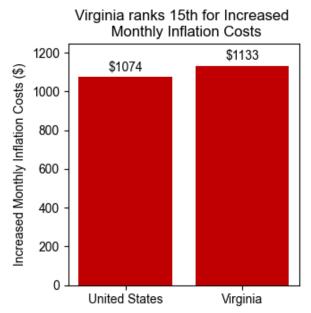
# **April 2024**

### **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 **Virginia** is paying **\$1,133** more per month to purchase the same basket of goods and services as in January 2021.

Cumulatively, the average **Virginia** household has spent **\$26,095** more due to inflation since January 2021.





#### Breakdown

The Census Division where **Virginia** 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**.

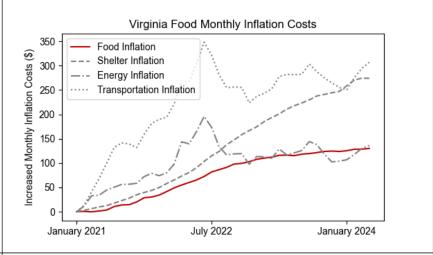
Compared to one year earlier, the average **Virginia** households needs to spend **\$205** more per month to maintain the same standard of living.

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

#### **Household Food Expenses**

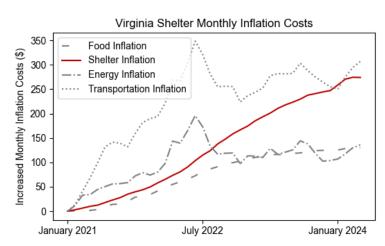
Compared to January 2021, the average household in **Virginia** is spending **\$130** more on food per month. This is **\$14 more** each month than one year ago.

Cumulatively, the average household in **Virginia** has spent **\$2,982** more on food due to inflation since January 2021.



# **Household Shelter Expenses**

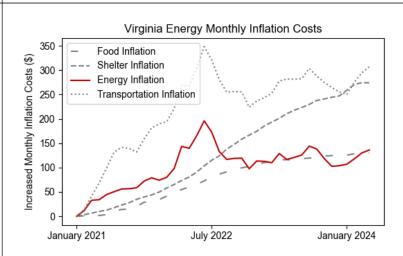
Compared to January 2021, the average household in **Virginia** is spending **\$274** more on shelter per month. This is **\$72 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **Virginia** has spent **\$5,272** more on shelter due to inflation since January 2021.



## **Household Energy Expenses**

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **Virginia** is spending **\$136** more on energy per month. This is **\$7 more** each month than one year ago.

Cumulatively, the average household in **Virginia** has spent **\$4,075** more on energy due to inflation since January 2021.



# Household Transportation Expenses

Compared to January 2021, the average household in **Virginia** is spending **\$307** more on transportation per month. This is **\$29 more** each month than one year ago. Cumulatively, the average household in **Virginia** has spent **\$8,862** more on transportation due to inflation since January 2021.

