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Consumer Price Index

The **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** is a measure of the average change over time in the prices paid by urban consumers for a market basket of consumer goods and services. Indexes are available for the U.S. and various geographic areas. Average price data for select utility, automotive fuel, and food items are also available.

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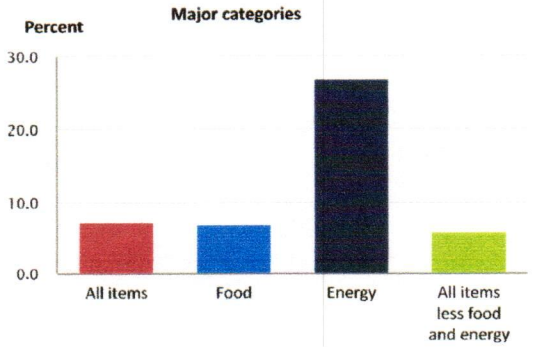
12-month percentage change, Consumer Price Index, selected categories, January 2022, not seasonally adjusted



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CPI for all items rises 0.6% in January; food, electricity, and shelter indexes increase

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In January, the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers rose 0.6 percent, seasonally adjusted, and rose 7.5 percent over the last 12 months, not seasonally adjusted. The index for all items less food and energy increased 0.6 percent in January (SA); up 6.0 percent over the year (NSA).

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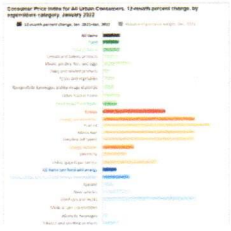
Consumer prices up 7.5 percent over year ended January 2022



Over the 12 months from January 2021 to January 2022, the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) rose 7.5 percent, not seasonally adjusted. This is the largest 12-month increase since the 12-month period ending February 1982. Food prices increased 7.0 percent over the past

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United States - monthly inflation rate in January 2022

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In January 2022, prices had increased by 7.5 percent compared to January 2021 according to the 12-month percentage of change in the consumer price index, respectively the monthly inflation rate for goods and services in the United States. The data represents U.S. city averages. In economics, the inflation rate is a measure of inflation, the rate of increase of a price index (in the below case: consumer price index). It is the percentage rate of change in price level over time. The rate of decrease in the purchasing power of money is approximately equal.

A projection of the annual U.S. inflation rate can be accessed here and the actual annual inflation rate since 1990 can be accessed here.

Inflation

One of the most important economic indicators is the development of the Consumer Price Index in a country. The change in this price level of goods and services is defined as the rate of inflation.

The annual inflation rate in the United States has increased from 3.2 percent in 2011 to 4.7 percent in 2021. This means that the purchasing power of the U.S. dollar has weakened in recent years. The purchasing power is the extent to which a person has available funds to make purchases.

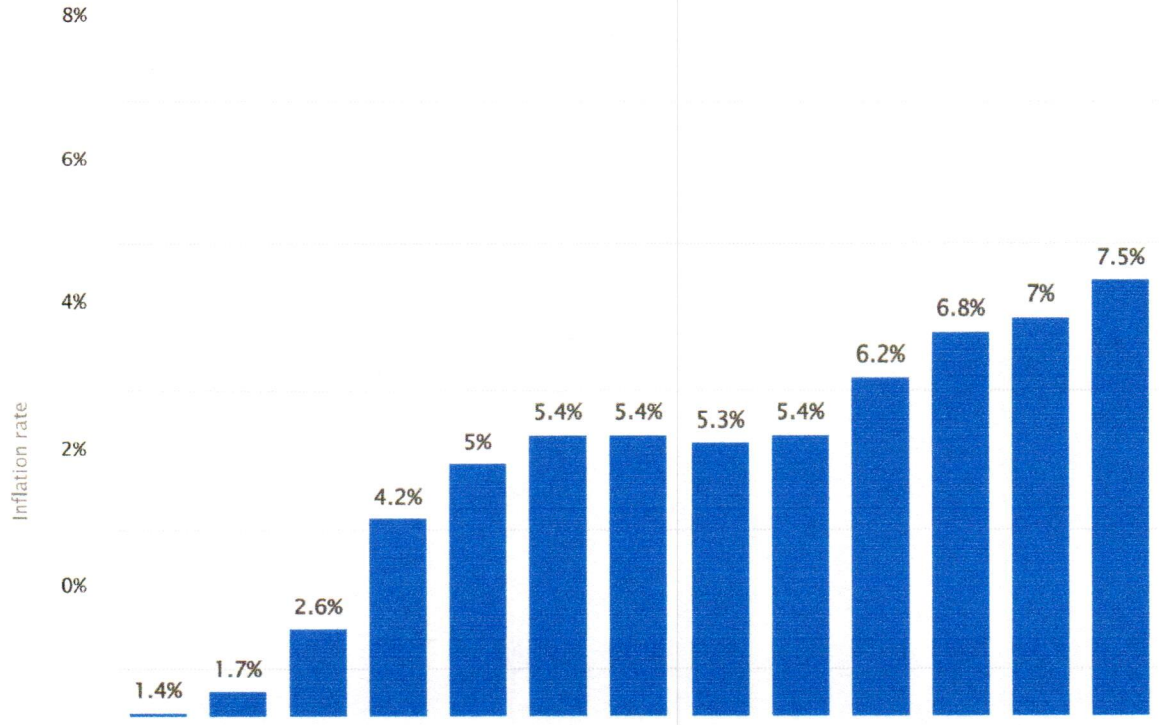
According to the data published by the International Monetary Fund, the U.S. Consumer Price Index (CPI) was about 258.84 in 2020 and is forecasted to grow up to 298.06 in 2026, compared to the base period from 1982 to 1984.

The monthly percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for urban consumers in the United States increased by 0.6 percent in January 2022 compared to the previous month.

Compared to other countries the U.S. inflation rate is relatively low. In 2020, Brazil for example had an inflation rate of 3.21 percent, compared to the previous year, while the inflation rate in China stood at 2.39 percent.

Monthly 12-month inflation rate in the United States from January 2021 to January 2022

10%



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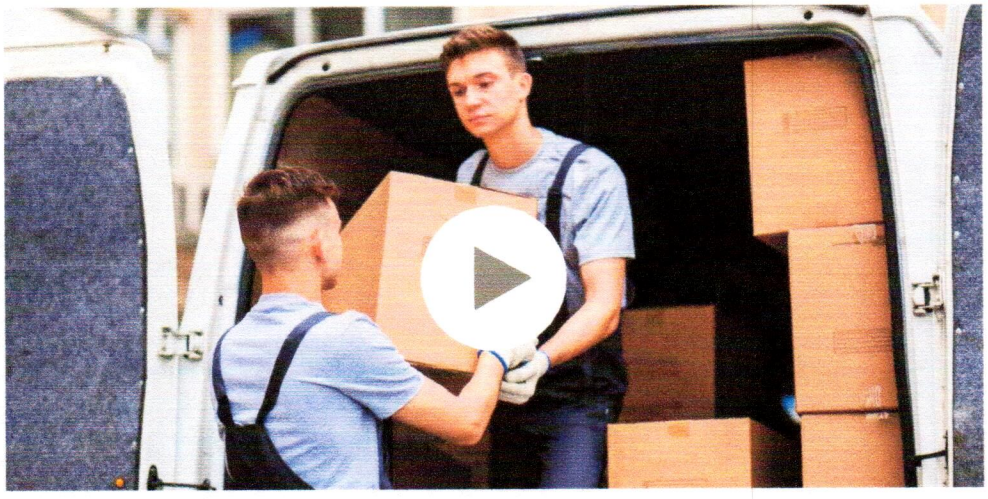
Need a professional mover? Experts say start looking early

One of the many professional moving companies in desperate need of truck drivers is offering extensive benefits plus a $100,000 salary for long-distance drivers.



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INDIANAPOLIS — Like so many others, the professional moving industry is feeling the effects of a truck driver shortage.

"One of the biggest challenges we're seeing is driver recruiting and driver retention," said Chuck Kuhn, President and CEO of JK Moving and Storage Services, the nation's largest independent moving and storage company.

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And it's hitting at a time when they've never been busier.

"We're seeing business volumes I've never seen in forty years," he told 13News.

Kuhn said he believes lower mortgage rates and the ability to work remotely have motivated people to pack up and move "all over the nation at a pace we've never seen before."

How badly do they need drivers?

"On top of our benefits packages, profit sharing, 401(k) and paid vacation, we're guaranteeing our long-distance drivers a minimum $100,000 a year salary," said Kuhn. "We have an immediate need to add 100 drivers, today. Literally, with the business volumes and growth we're seeing, we could add 100 drivers to our fleet and keep them busy today."

If you're planning to hire a moving company, experts suggest doing your research early.

Compare moving companies, get referrals, make sure your mover is licensed and insured, and it's always a good idea to check with the Better Business Bureau.

What's behind Indiana's labor shortage?

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