

AUTO INSURANCE

Why Your Costs May Be Going Up

You still drive the same car. So why might your auto insurance premiums go up?

4% Annual rate of inflation



Inflation Hikes

Inflation sent the price of goods and services soaring higher in 2022 than in any year since the early 1980s — hitting 8.3% in August 2021 to August 2022. The rate has come down, but remains well above the annual rate of 0.1% to 2.4% from 2012 to 2020.

Insurance premiums may increase in connection with the rising cost to repair, replace or rebuild insured items that are lost, stolen or damaged.

Car Tech Meets Supply Chain Woes

Production and supply chain delays have added to the cost of building and repairing today's more technologically complex cars.

The cost of car parts increased by more than 4.6% between May 2022 and May 2023. Even if your car isn't expensive to repair, there's always a chance you could be in an accident with a car that is.

4.6%
Increase
in price of
new cars



10.5% Increase in fatalities



More Accidents and Injuries

Distracted driving and speeding contributed to a record-breaking number of car crash fatalities and injuries from 2020 to 2022.

From 2020 to 2022, traffic fatalities increased by nearly 30% compared to previous years — with 38,824 fatalities in 2020 (an 18.5% increase from 2019) and 42,939 fatalities in 2021 (a 10.5% increase from 2020).

^{**}Source: National Highway Traffic Safety Ac ***Source: National Insurance Crime Bureau