## Status of Covid-19

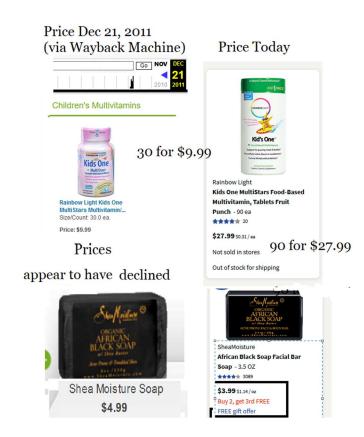
The county's case counts climbed but by fewer than 1,000 cases this month. An anomaly has resulted in the site's Foster City case count DECLINING from September. (Data from <a href="https://www.smchealth.org/coronavirus-county-data-dashboard">https://www.smchealth.org/coronavirus-county-data-dashboard</a>)

	SM	New	County New Case Pct			City New Case Pct
	County	County	Chg	Foster	NewCity	Chg
Month	Total	Cases	Mo/Mo	City Total	Cases	Mo/Mo
20-Aug	8,000			67		
20-Sep	9,785	1,785		122	55	
20-Oct	11,341	1,556	-13%	145	23	-58%
20-Nov	13,707	2,366	52%	174	29	26%
20-Dec	23,681	9,974	322%	436	262	803%
21-Jan	35,235	11,554	16%	646	210	-20%
21-Feb	38,674	3,439	-70%	708	62	-70%
21-Mar	40,105	1,431	-58%	744	36	-42%
21-Apr	41,013	908	-37%	763	19	-47%
21-May	42,069	1,056	16%	783	20	5%
21-Jun	42,386	317	-70%	787	4	-80%
21-Jul	43,676	1,290	307%	807	20	400%
21-Aug	48,631	4,955	284%	938	131	555%
21-Sep	51,908	3,277	-34%	1058	120	-8%
21-Oct	52,852	944	-71%	1003		

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When prices are displayed on them, they are not "hard-coded" as text on the site, but rather are "looked up" from a data source/table that is findable on the web, usually under the same URL. That URL is hard coded as the current version – not the historical version of the table (see **(b)**). So when I'm looking at Wayback's version of a site to find what the old prices were, that's not what I'm actually getting. Instead, I'm getting prices off a CURRENT version of the website. All I'm getting that's actually historically accurate is the site's LAYOUT and the few lines of text that were "hard-coded" into the site.

No doubt there really IS inflation happening – and there may be a benefit in trying to measure it. I thought of another way to do so, using old receipts from Draeger's on March 1<sup>st</sup>. The results – (**c**) on page 4 – show we would need to spend \$6.60 above the \$117.73 we spent in March to purchase the same "basket". **Annualized, that comes to 8.4% inflation.** 



## a: Examples from Walgreens: 2011 vs 2021



The Wayback historical capture will still use links to NON-HISTORICAL (current) versions of the website - so prices I thought were '2011' prices could actually be the 2021 prices.

## b: A possible explanation for why my inflation measurements aren't valid

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that All Souls' Day is related to the Day of the Dead, seeing as they are both centered around souls, and are on the same day, but it is unlikely.

In Utah, most people are Mormons, and because Sunday is a holy day for them, Halloween and Trick-or-Treating is on Saturday, because the 31st this year is a Sunday.