

Thinking About Summer Travel Plans

This summer presents travel challenges.

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Summertime rouses our desire to hit the road (or the airport) and travel. Here are a few things you'll want to consider before you take off.

Employment Issues for Airlines: Airlines have canceled hundreds of flights due to staffing issues, part of an industry-wide work shortage. If you intend to fly this summer, plan for delays, cancellations, and other complications.¹

High Gas Prices: The national average for gasoline prices hit \$3.09 per gallon in June. As the summer months continue and hurricane season approaches, even higher prices are expected.²

The Delta Variant: While vaccination events are plentiful, the COVID-19 vaccines are not yet available to children under 12. While the Centers for Disease Control has relaxed mask-wearing guidelines, many Americans still take precautions due to the delta variant, gaining prominence among the COVID-19 cases in the United States. Families with children will likely want to weigh these risks if they plan to travel.^{3,4}

This summer presents new travel challenges, as well as a few returning complications. Some hit the pocketbook, and others hit closer to home. Whether you elect to travel or take a "staycation" this year, relax with the assurance that we're looking after you and your family on the financial front.

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