

# HAWAII COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE



## LIVING PATTERN SURVEY

- **Who:** Active duty service members living in Hawaii at least 3 months
- **What:**
  - Living Pattern Survey asks where you shop for goods and services
  - It is the first step in letting DoD know how much it costs to live in Hawaii
  - Service members can complete the survey at home if they need to consult with the primary shopper in their family
- **When:** February 1 to March 1, 2019 (earlier the better)
- **Where:** <https://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/site/colaSurvey.cfm?ID=hawaii>
- **Why:**
  - COLA offsets higher cost of non-housing goods and services in Hawaii
  - Help DoD calculate accurate COLA for Hawaii service members
  - Next chance to complete this survey and impact COLA is 2022—do it now
  - COLA affects all service members



**Don't leave money on the table—take the survey!**