

White House shamed into deleting Social Security boast after Twitter fact-check

The Biden administration was forced to delete a Twitter post taking credit for a boost in retirees' Social Security checks Wednesday after social media users pointed out the increase was tied to decades-high inflation.

"Seniors are getting the biggest increase in their Social Security checks in 10 years through President Biden's leadership," read the tweet from the official White House account Tuesday afternoon.

Twitter, which was purchased last week by billionaire Elon Musk, appended a note to the claim that said: "Readers added context they thought people might want to know."

"Seniors will receive a large Social Security benefit increase due to the annual cost of living adjustment, which is based on the inflation rate," the note said, linking to the Social Security Administration's website for an explanation on the Nixon-era legislation behind the increase - known as COLA.

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