2020 Economic Outlook?

Thoughts and Observations

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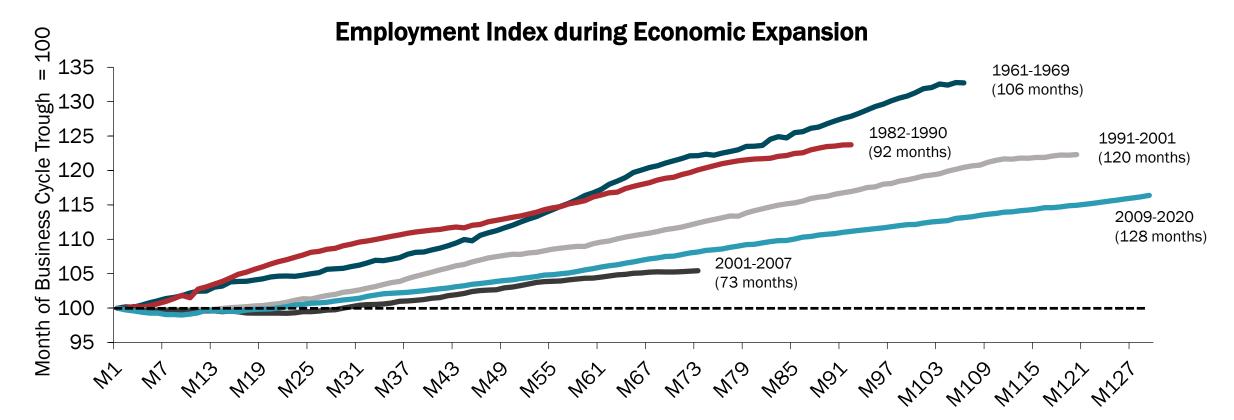
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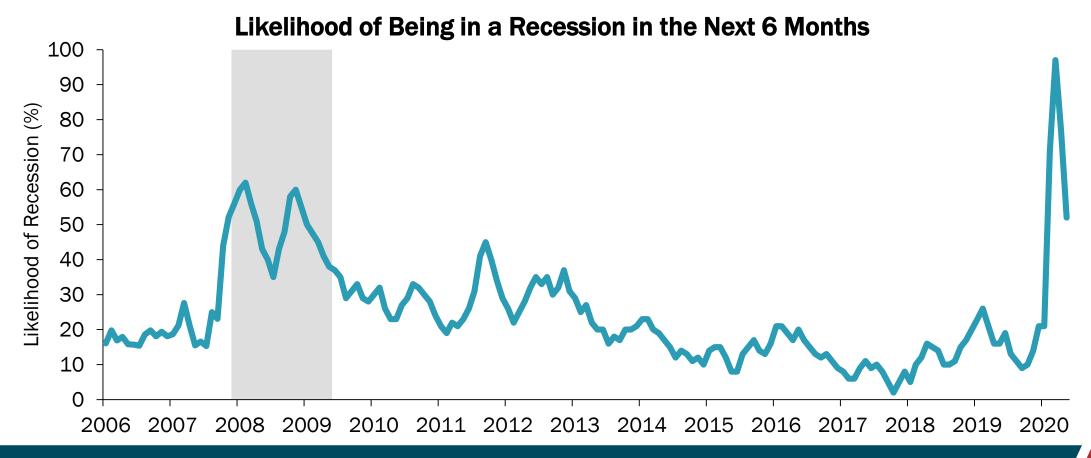
We are at the end of the longest economic expansion since WWII





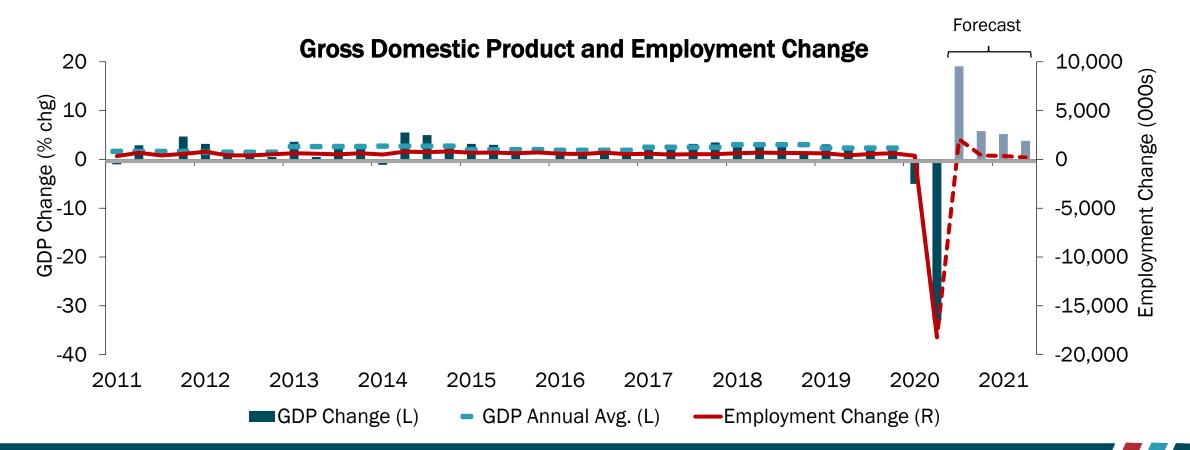
Survey

Moody's predictions of a recession are trending downward: 52% in June





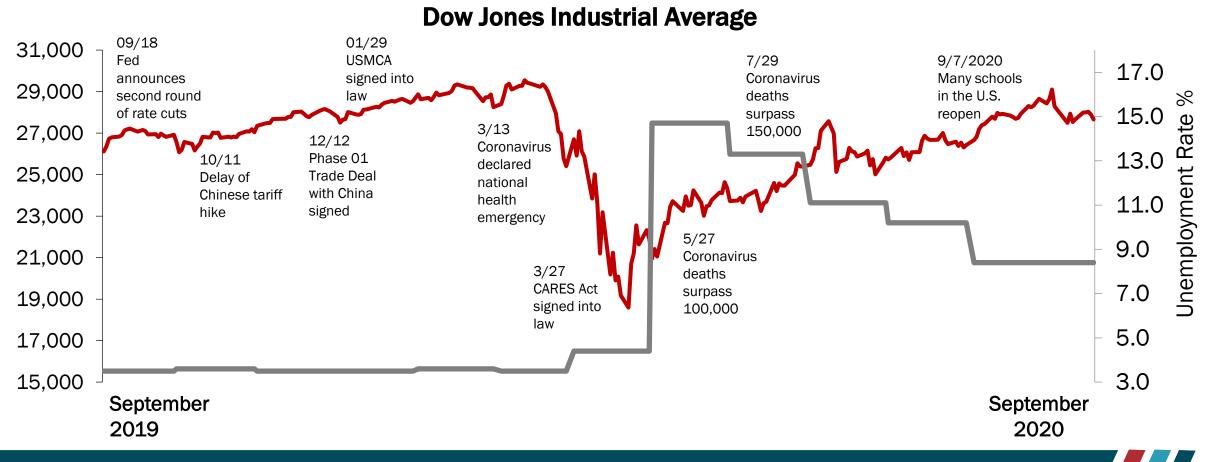
GDP growth was initially projected to remain solid, although employment growth is slowing





Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics Current Employment Survey, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia – Survey of Professional Forecasters

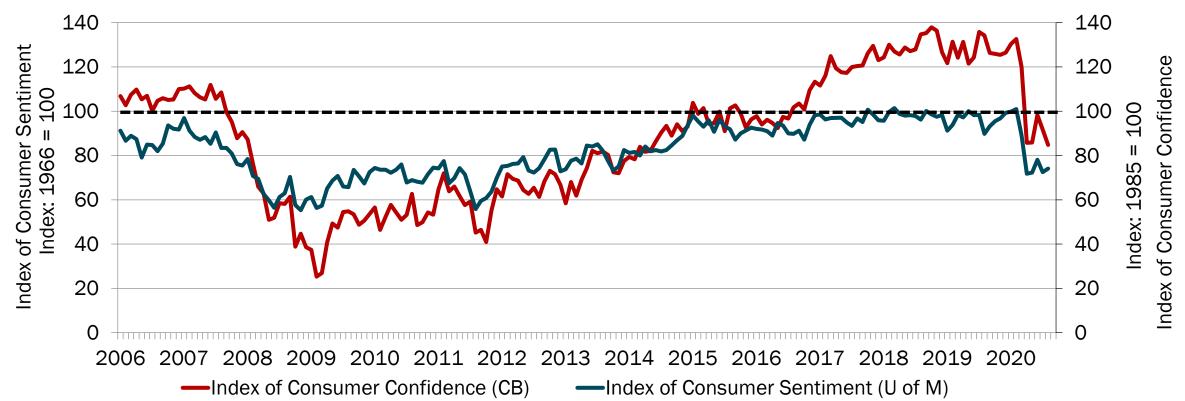
The stock market has reacted to various events this year, and the recent ride has been surprisingly good





Source: Yahoo Finance; Bureau of Labor Statistics

Consumer confidence is trending downward after rebounding slightly



Consumer Confidence



Source: Conference Board and University of Michigan

University of Michigan RSQE interim national forecast: note that these estimates are annualized

	2019	2020 (Forecast)	2021 (Forecast)
GDP	2.3%	-4.9%	3.6%
Employment	1.3%	-5.8%	2.1%
Light Vehicle Sales (Millions)	16.9	13.8	15.0
Unemployment Rate	3.7%	9.2%	8.1%
Housing Starts (Millions)	1.30	1.18	1.08
CPI/Inflation	1.8%	0.68%	1.16%

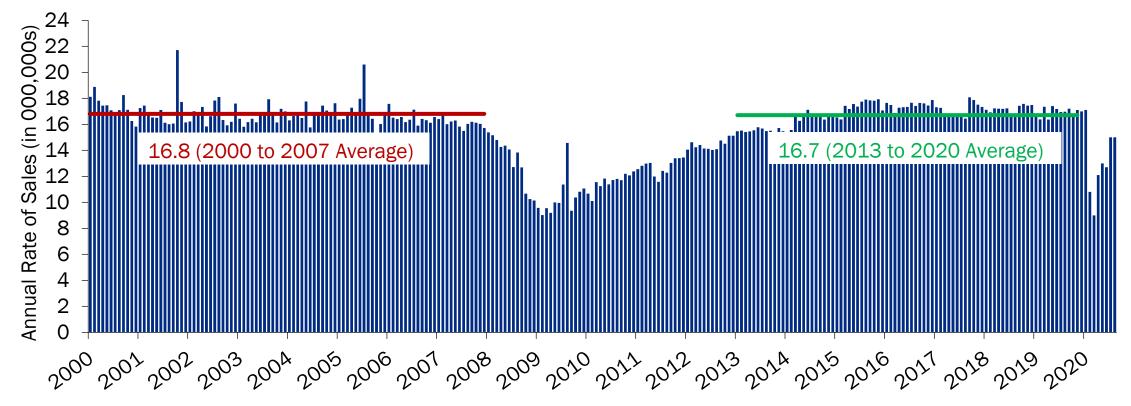






Light vehicle sales are starting to rise; will work from home change consumption patterns?

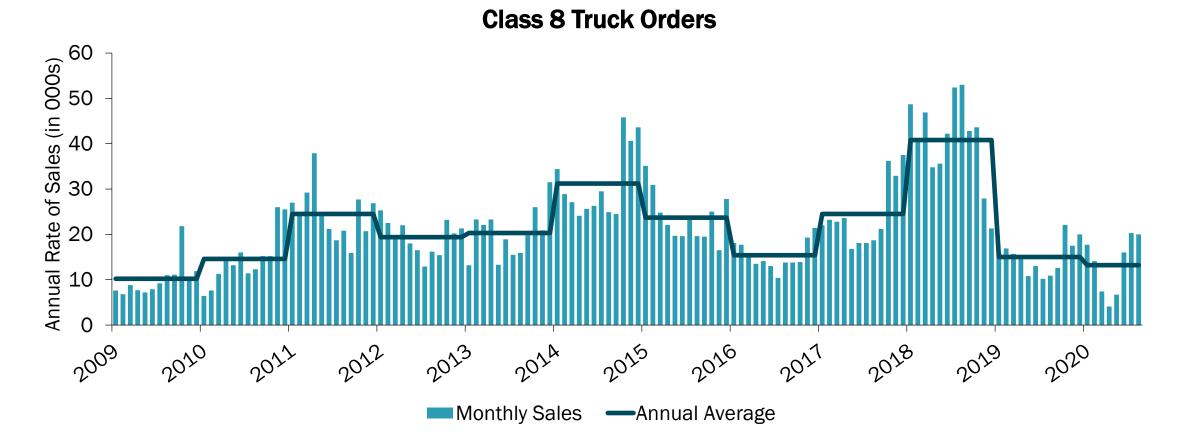
Annualized Rate of U.S. Light Vehicle Sales (in millions)





Source: Moody's Analytics

Class 8 Truck Orders continue to rebound as freight volumes recover



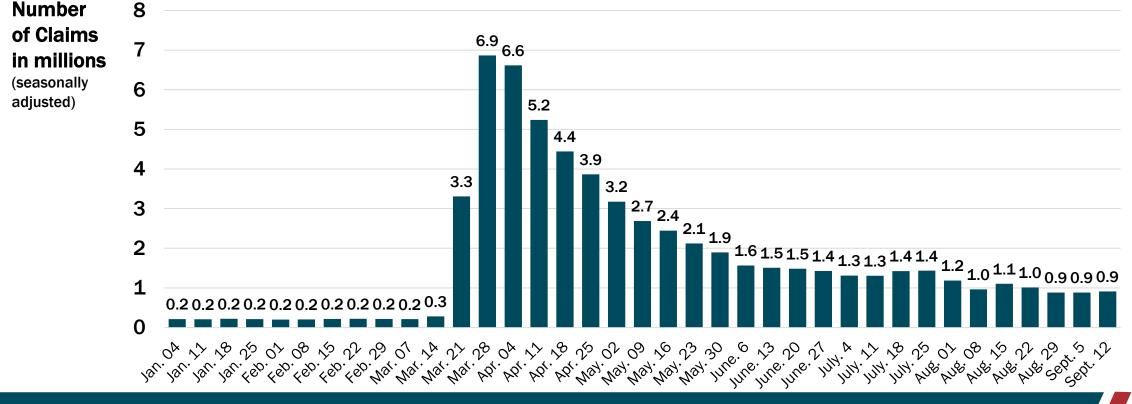


Source: ACT Research

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The number of UI filings have stabilized after trending downward

Weekly initial claim filings for unemployment insurance are slowing, but remain at historically high levels

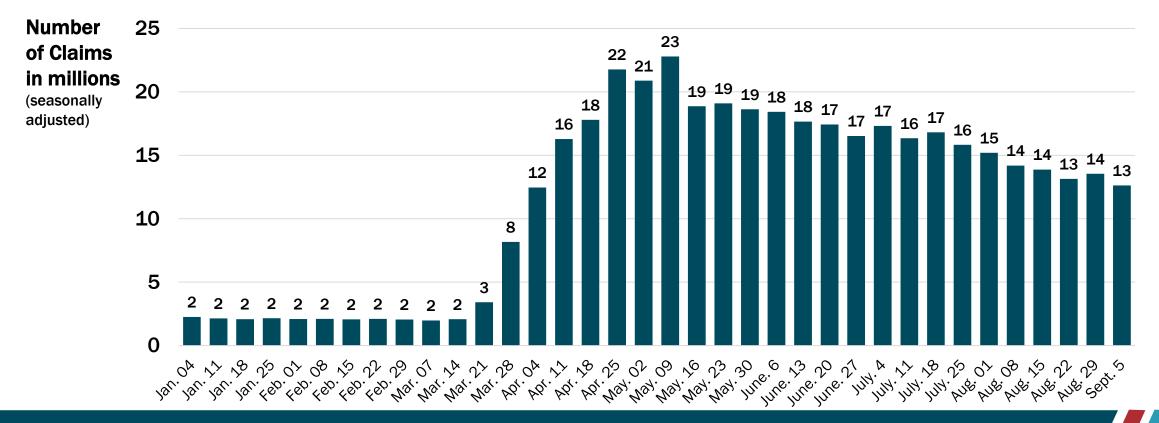




Source: Unemployment Insurance Weekly Claims Data, U.S. Department of Labor & Upjohn Institute

The number of continuing claims are trending downward

Weekly continuing claims for unemployment insurance





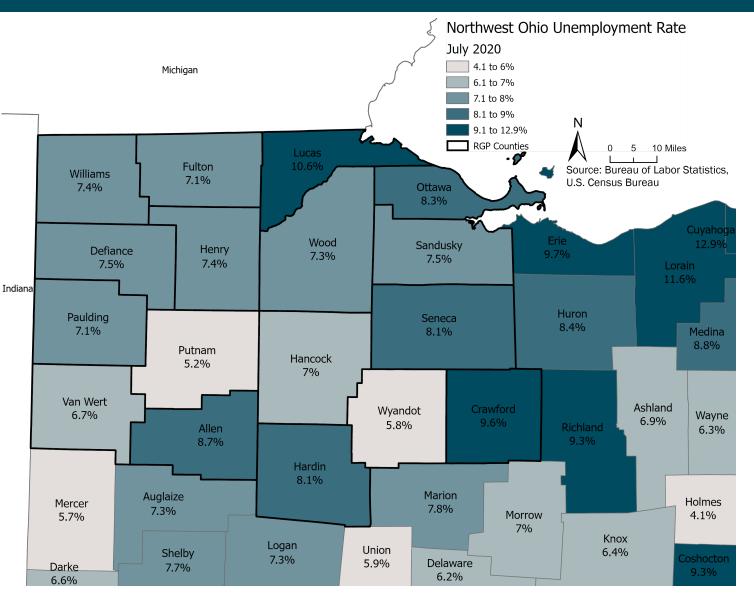
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Regional Conditions

Northwest Ohio

Unemployment rates are between 5% and 10% for most counties in NW Ohio.

Ohio's rate was 8.9%

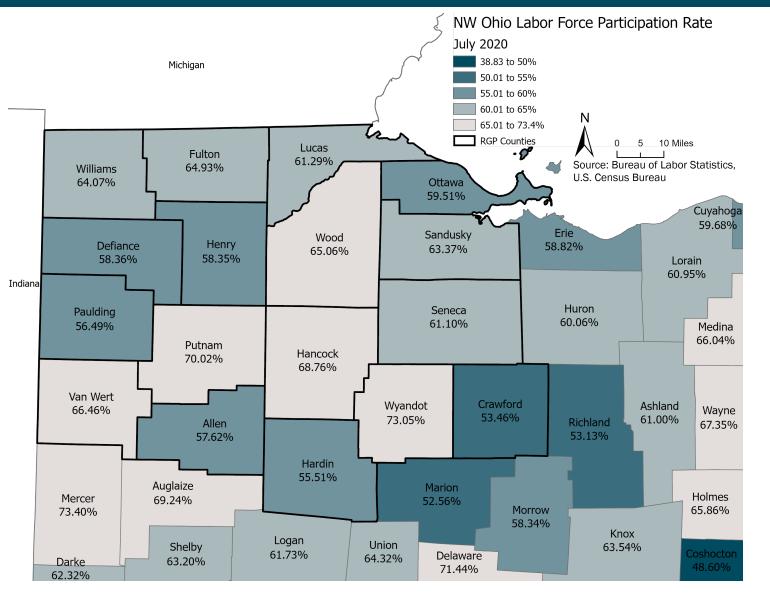




Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Census Bureau

Labor force participation rates are less varied in NW Ohio, remain high relative to the State

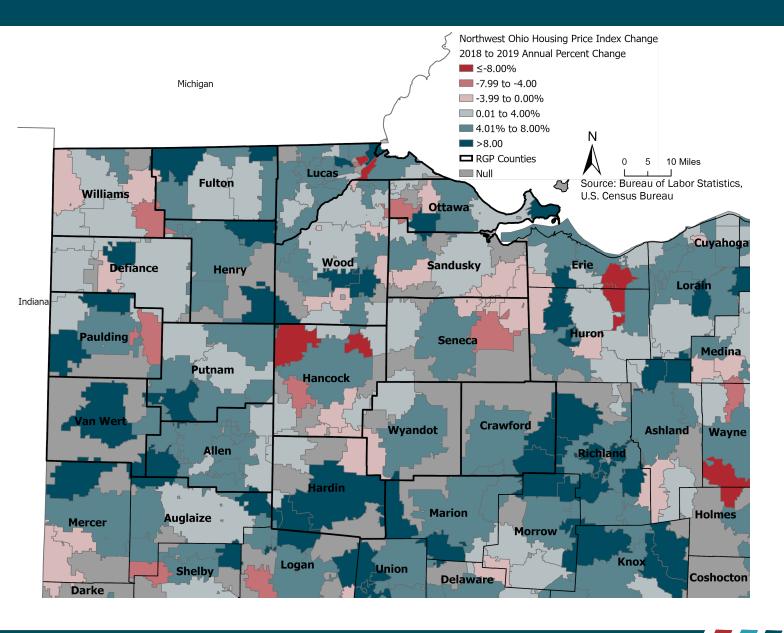
Ohio's rate was 63.2%





Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Census Bureau

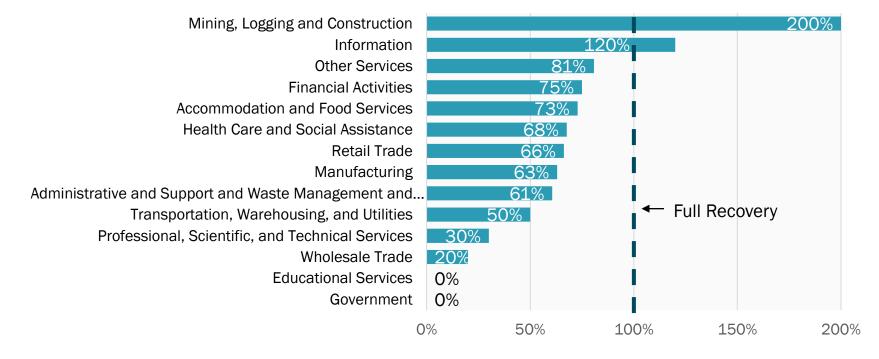
Housing values continue to rise, but the pace continues to decelerate nationally





Many industries have yet to fully recover their employment losses

Percent of jobs regained by July 2020 following employment losses beginning in March in Northwest Ohio by major industry



Percent of jobs regained by July 2020



Forecast Methodology

Methodology

- Upjohn uses a REMI model (<u>www.REMI.com</u>) provided by FirstEnergy
 - To estimate economic impacts from projects and events
 - Forecast national and regional changes in trends
- As new forecasts were produced the latest REMI model was updated
 - National forecast is updated
 - Regional forecasts are updated
 - Forecasts come from:
 - Research Seminar in Quantitative Economics at U of M
 - Congressional Budget Office (CBO)





Northwest Ohio Economy: REMI Forecasts

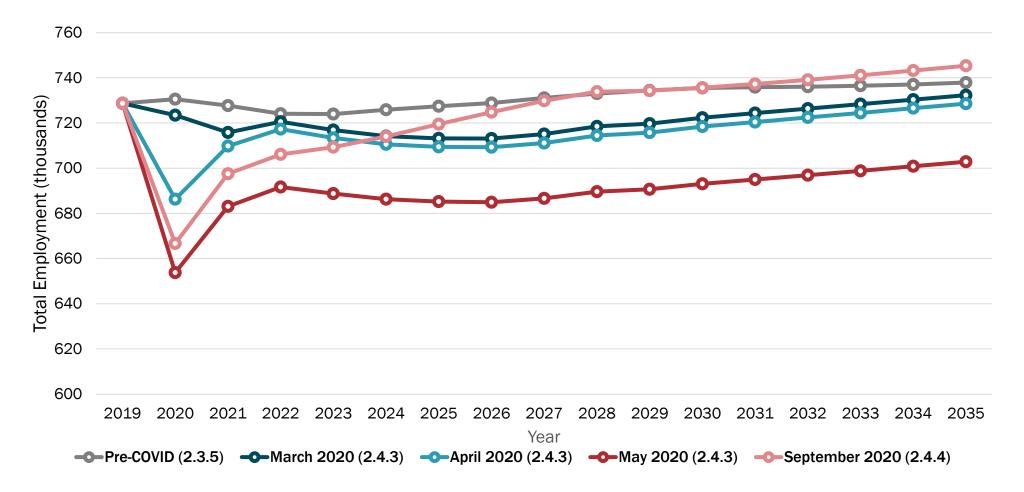
Northwest Ohio

- Summary Pre-COVID-19
 - Jobs: 731K
 - Output: \$156.8 billion
 - GRP: \$76.3 billion
 - Personal Income: \$61.8 billion
- Projected annualized loss of more than 78k (10.7%) positions
- Location Quotients
 - Motor vehicle manufacturing: 12.3
 - Glass product manufacturing: 11.0
 - Other nonmetallic mineral product manufacturing: 10.7
 - Motor vehicle parts manufacturing : 7.7





Total Projected Employment in Northwest Ohio

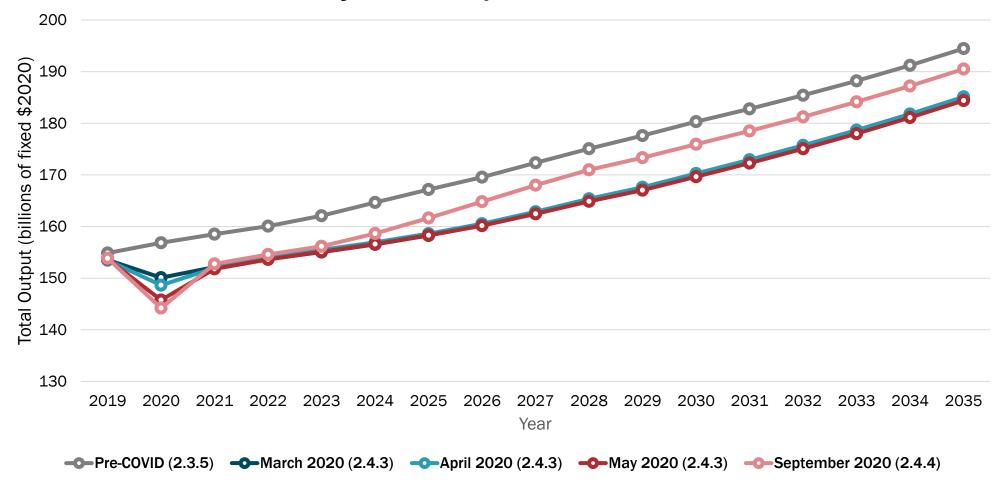




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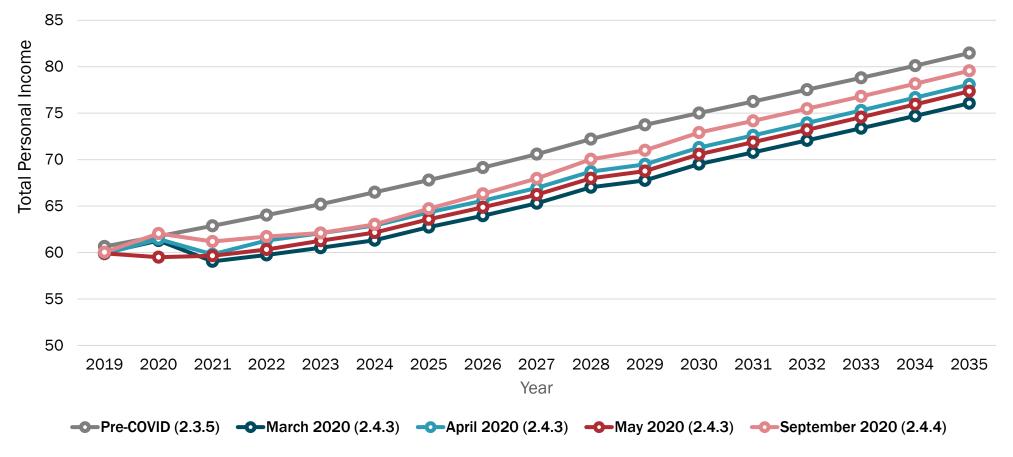
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Total Projected Personal Income in Northwest Ohio





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Moving Forward

Considerations for the Future of the Economy

- The shape of the recovery curve?
- Will temporary become permanent?
 - Trends in MI WARN data
- Supply versus demand?
 - SME's
- What will be the impact of a second wave?
- Is reshoring real?
 - Supply chain issues
- How will technology impact employment?
- Will people go back to work?
 - What will Congress do about expiration of the additional \$600 UI benefit
 - Fear of contracting COVID-19
 - Barriers, notably childcare and school openings, in returning



Questions?

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