## 2020 Economic Outlook: Wyandot County

A presentation to WYANDOT COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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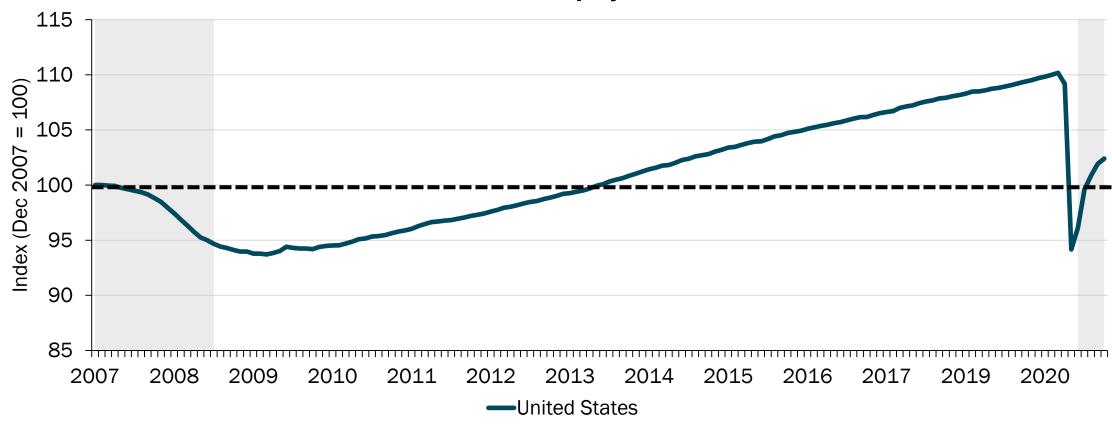
# We're at the end of the longest business cycle (contraction and expansion) and the longest expansion, while experiencing the longest recession since measurement began

Length of:				1958- 1960		1970- 1973	1975- 1980		1982- 1990	1991- 2001	2002- 2007	2007- 2020	2020- ?
Contraction	8	11	10	8	10	11	16	6	16	8	8	18	?
Expansion	37	45	39	24	106	36	58	12	92	120	73	128	
Business													
Cycle	45	56	49	32	116	47	74	18	108	128	81	146	



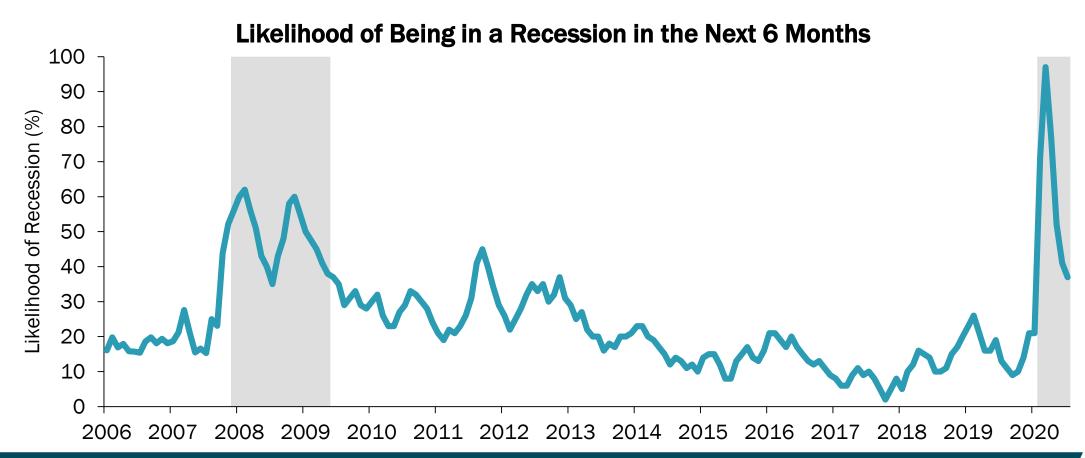
## **Employment is just only slightly higher than December 2007**

### **Non-Farm Employment Index**



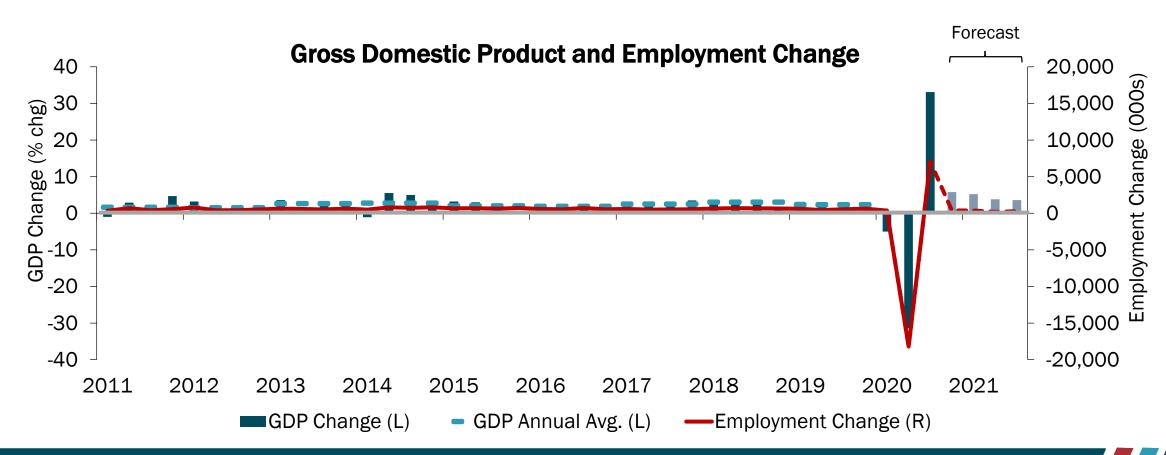


## Moody's predictions of a recession are trending downward: 37% in August



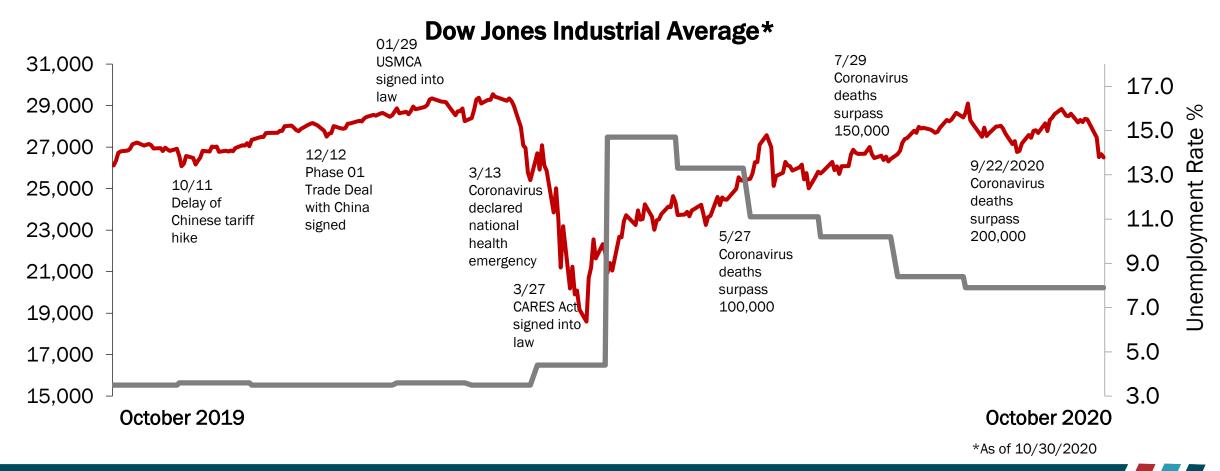


## GDP growth is projected to remain solid, although employment growth is slowing



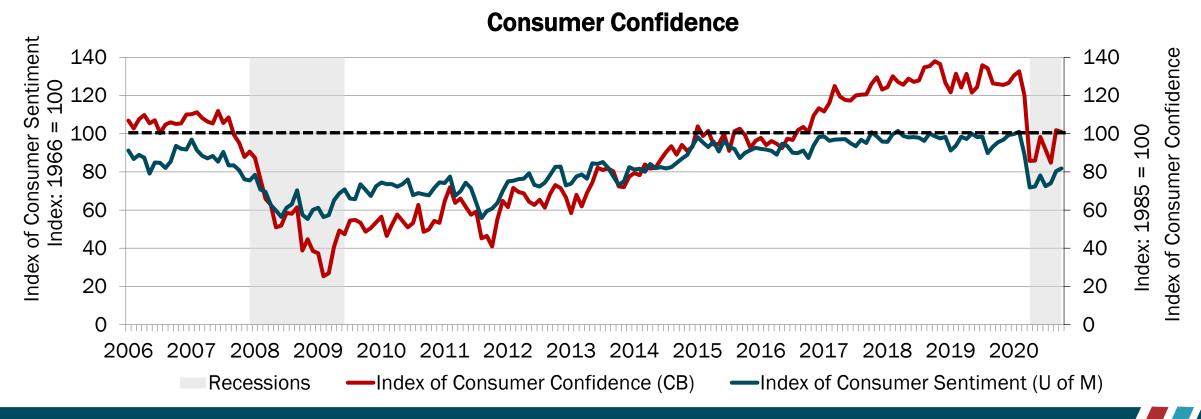


## The stock market has reacted to various events this year, and the recent ride has been surprisingly good





## Consumer confidence and sentiment are bouncing around, after falling precipitously between February and April



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

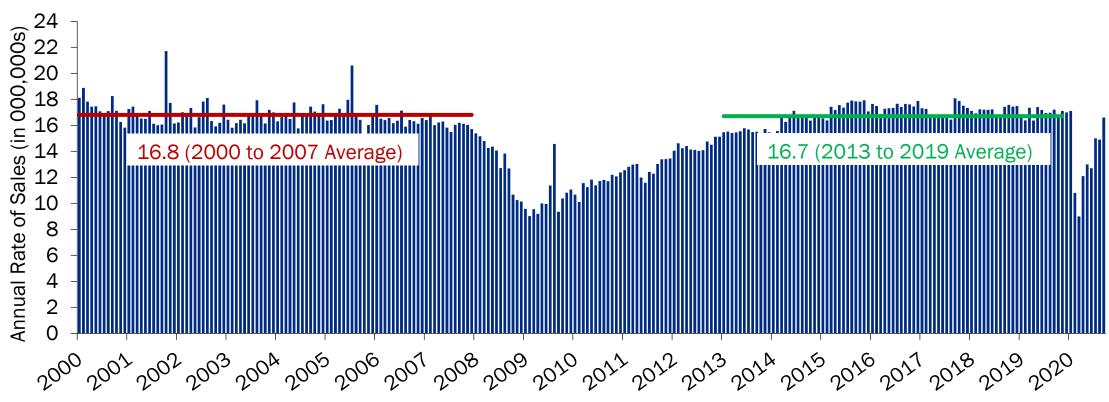
	2019	2020 (Forecast)	2021 (Forecast)	
GDP	2.3%	-4.9%	3.6%	
Employment	1.3%	-5.8%	2.1%	
Light Vehicle Sales (Millions)	16.9	13.8	15.0	
Unemployment Rate	3.7%	9.2%	8.1%	
Housing Starts (Millions)	1.30	1.18	1.08	
CPI/Inflation	1.8%	0.7%	1.2%	





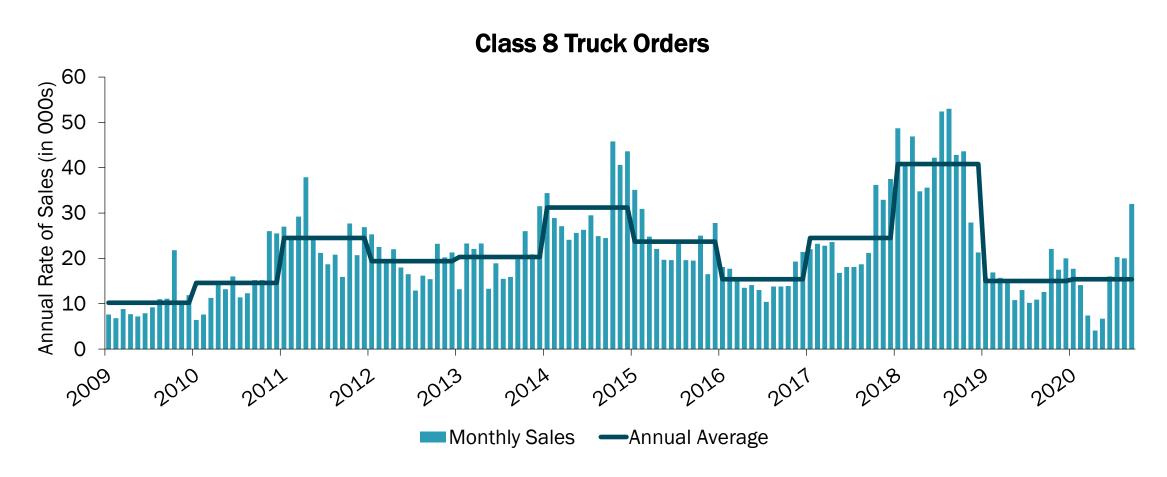
## Light vehicle sales are starting to rebound; will work from home change consumption patterns?

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





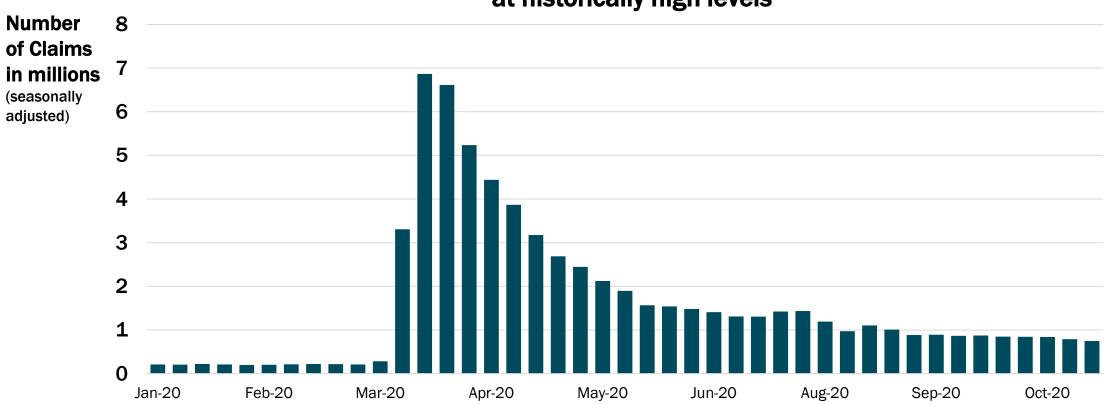
### Class 8 Truck Orders reach highest level since 2019





## The number of UI filings have stabilized after trending downward

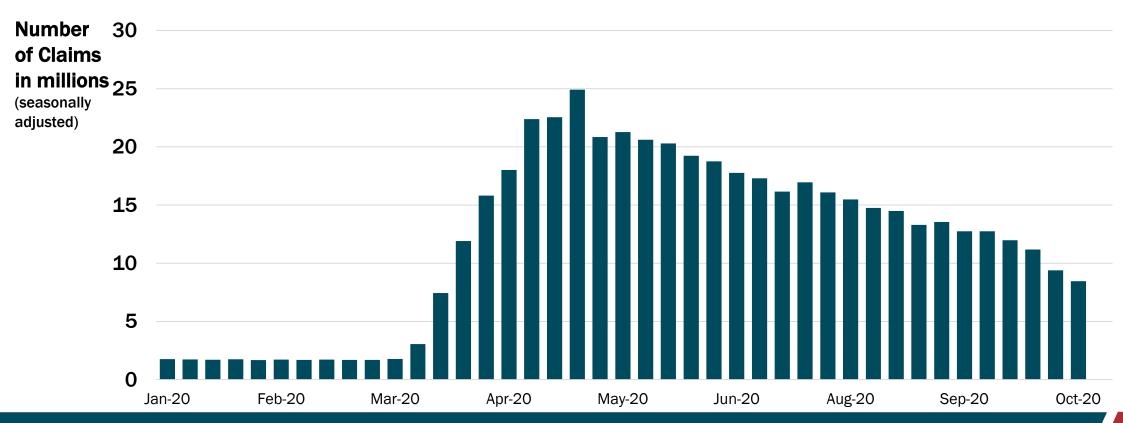
Weekly initial claim filings for unemployment insurance are slowing, but remain at historically high levels





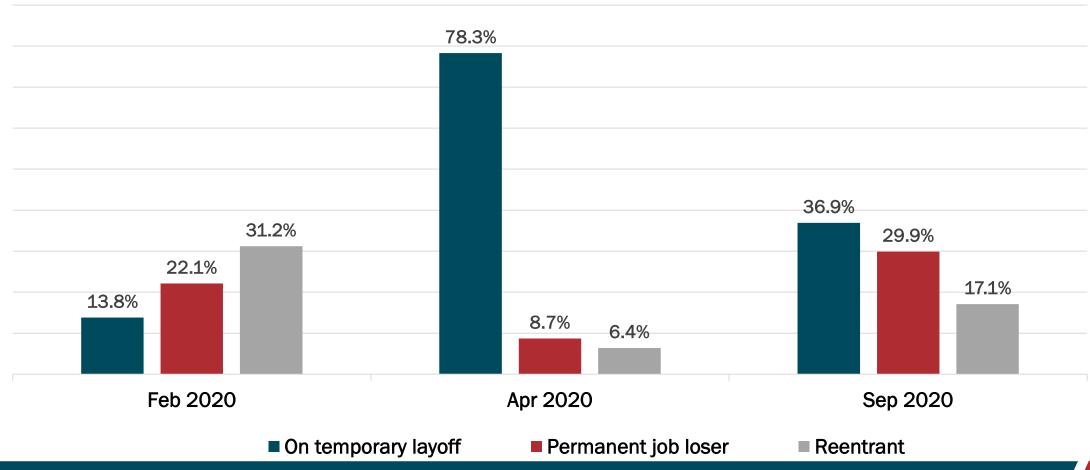
### The number of continuing claims are trending downward

Weekly continuing claims for unemployment insurance





## Distribution of unemployment by selected reason, February to September 2020, seasonally adjusted







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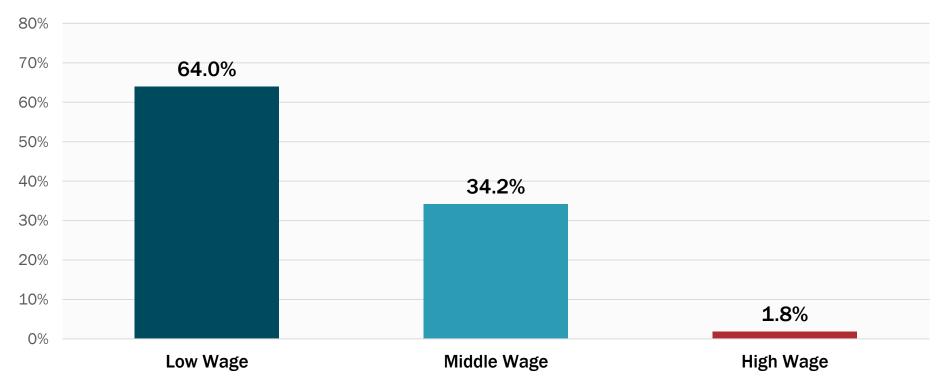
### TRANSMISSION OF MATERIALS IN THIS RELEASE IS EMBARGOED UNTIL 8:30 A.M. (Eastern) Thursday, October 15, 2020

**TECHNICAL NOTE**: In response to recommendations resulting from an internal review of state operations, the state of California has announced a two week pause in its processing of initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits. The state will use this time to reduce its claims processing backlog and implement fraud prevention technology. Recognizing that the pause will likely result in significant week to week swings in initial claims for California and the nation unrelated to any changes in economic conditions, California's initial claims published in the UI Claims News Release will reflect the level reported during the last week prior to the pause. Upon completion of the pause and the post-pause processing, the state will submit revised reports to reflect claims in the week during which they were filed.

For additional information on California's efforts: https://www.edd.ca.gov/About EDD/pdf/news-20-49.pdf

#### UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE WEEKLY CLAIMS

## Worker displacement by low, medium and high wage private industry establishments as a percentage of total employment chnage,\* February to April 2020, seasonally adjusted data



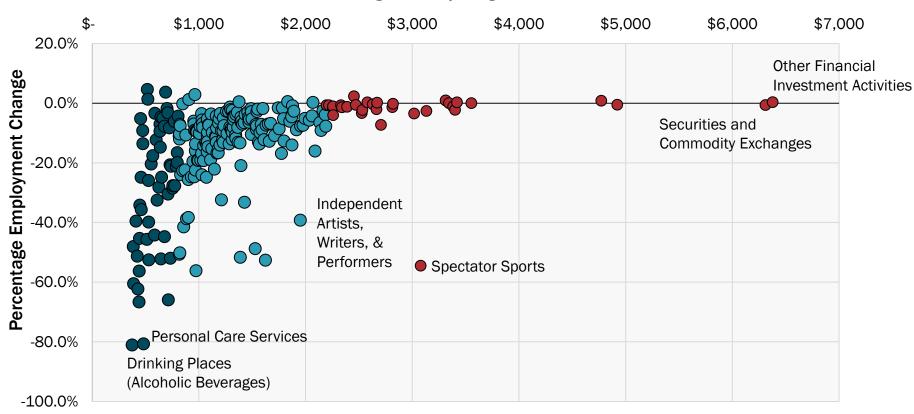
<sup>\*</sup> Derived from 3- and 4-digit NAICS industries with employment losses from Feb – Apr 2020; low, medium and high wage industries based on average weekly wages, 2020 Q1. Thresholds based on percentages of the overall average weekly wage (Low  $\leq$  .67, .67< Medium  $\leq$  1.8, High > 1..8).





### Percentage Employment Change February 2020 to April 2020

#### Average Weekly Wage Q1 2020



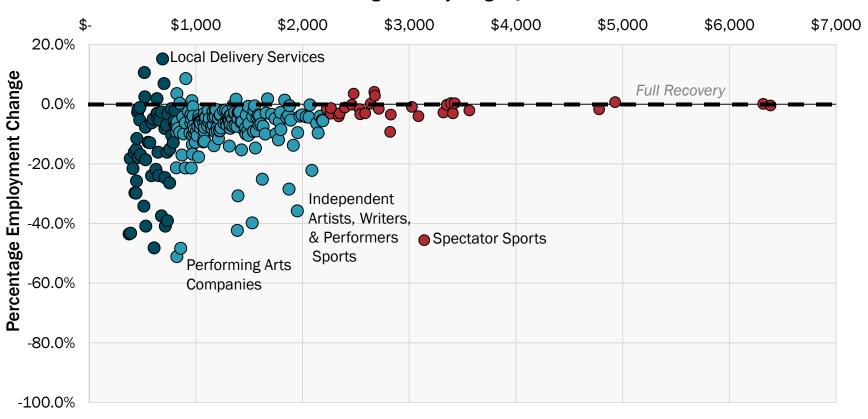
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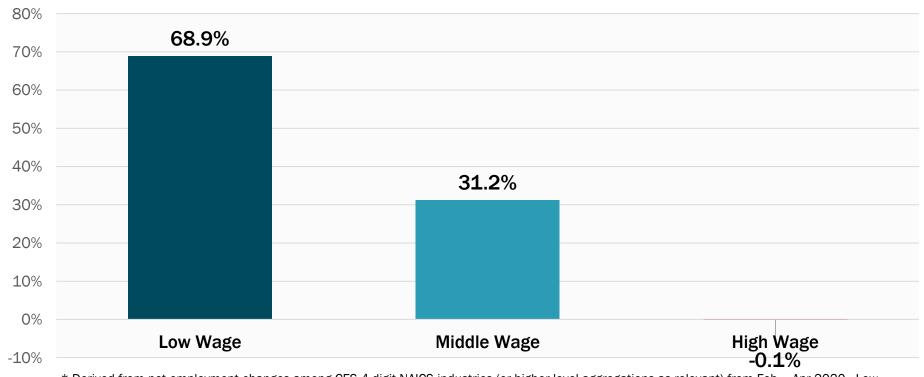


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## Employment gains of low, medium and high wage private industry establishments as a percentage of total employment change\*, April to August/September 2020, seasonally adjusted data



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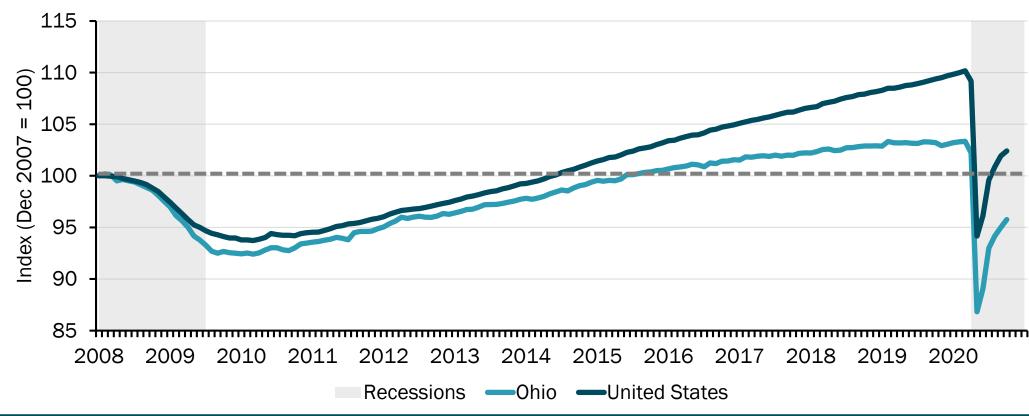


### **State Conditions**

### Ohio

### Ohio has yet to fully recover jobs displaced in the Covid-19 Recession

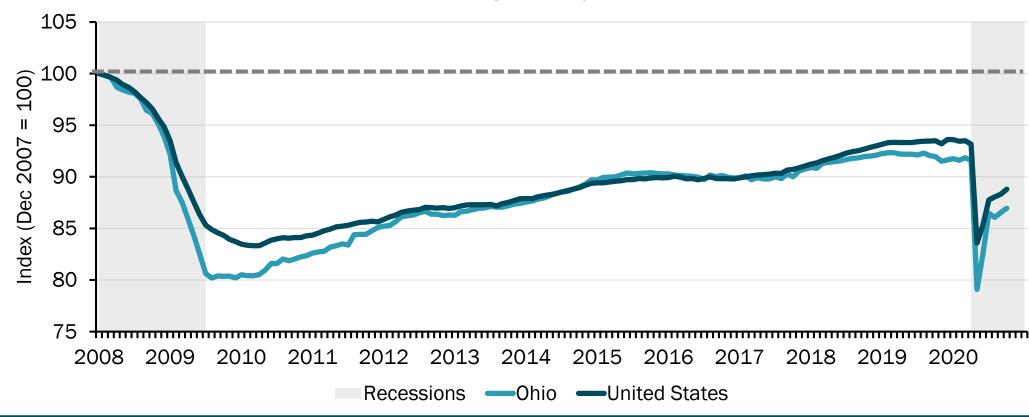






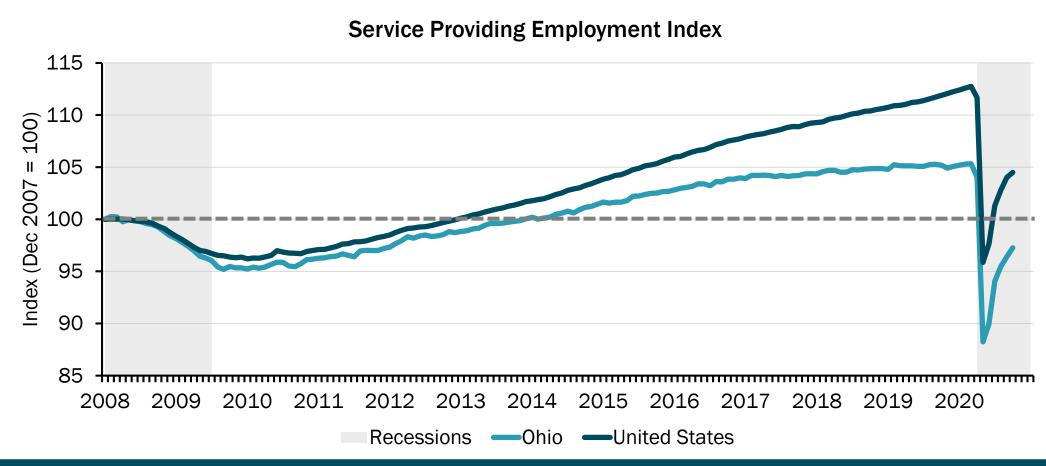
### Manufacturing was hit hard but is starting to rebound

### **Manufacturing Employment Index**





### The service sector in Ohio is rebounding quickly





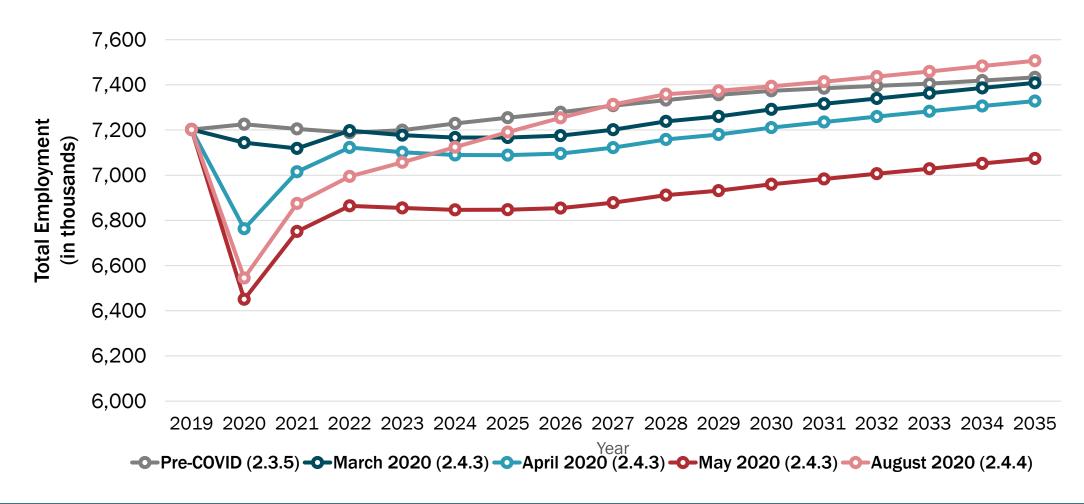
### **Ohio Economy REMI Forecasts**

### **Methodology**

- Upjohn uses a REMI model (www.REMI.com)
  - To estimate economic impacts from projects and events
  - Forecast regional changes in trends
- Pre-COVID-19 baseline using a prior version of REMI (version 2.3.5)
- As new forecasts were produced the latest REMI model was updated (2.4.3)
  - National forecast is updated
  - Regional forecasts are updated
  - Revised forecasts come from:
    - Research Seminar in Quantitative Economics at UofM
    - Congressional Budget Office



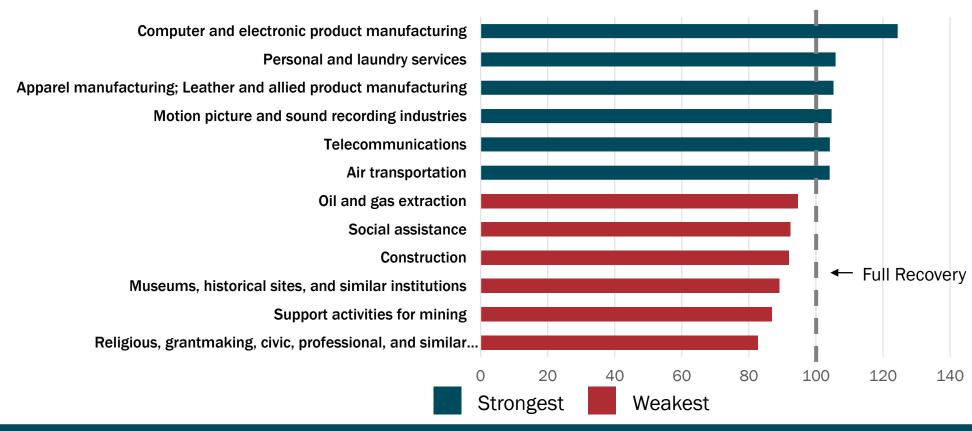
### **Total Projected Employment in Ohio**





### **Industry Recovery Forecast**

Selected sectors and subsectors with the strongest and weakest projected recoveries in Ohio by 2025





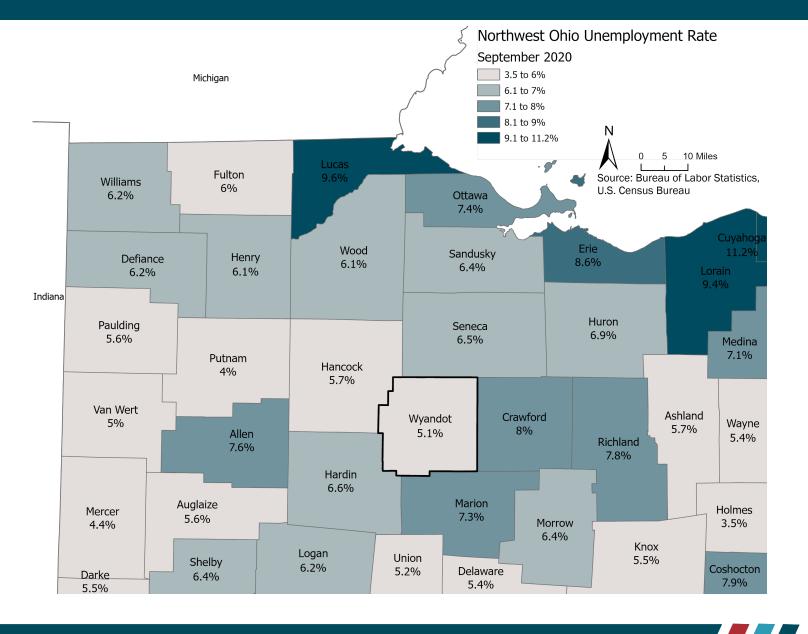
**Regional Conditions** 

### **Northwest Ohio**

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

Ohio's rate was 8.4%.

The national rate was 7.9%.

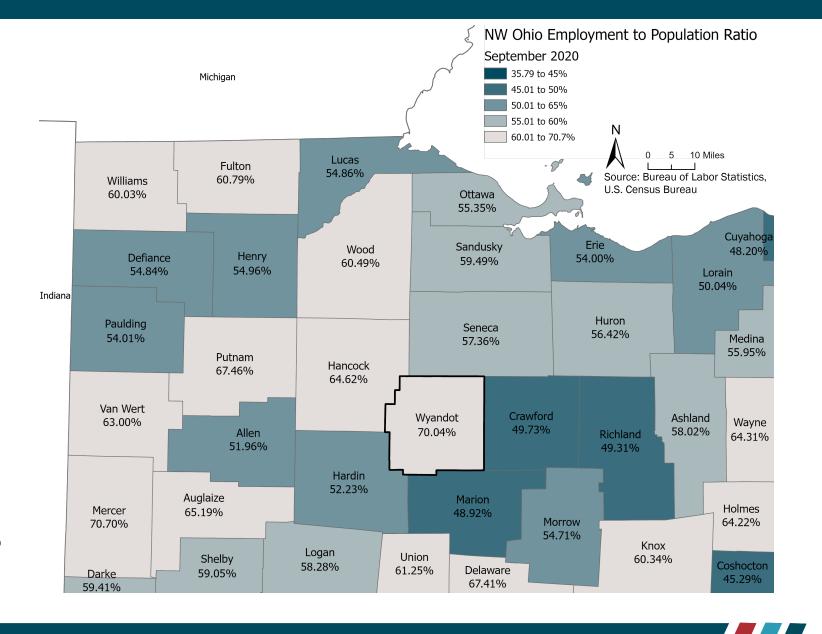




Employment to population ratios are less varied in Northwest Ohio and remain high relative to the State.

Ohio's rate was 53.5%.

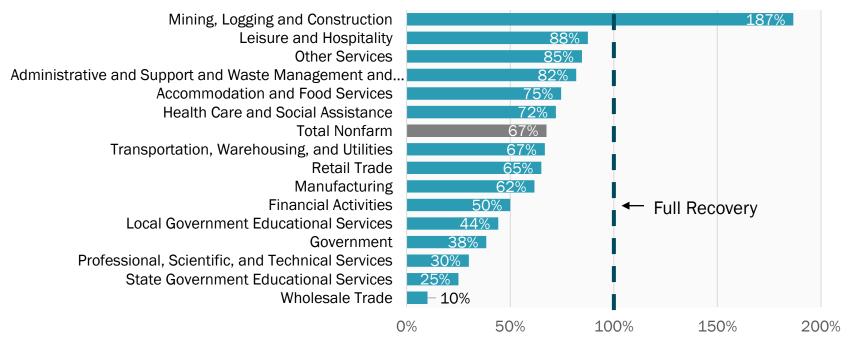
The national rate was 56.6%





## Many industries have yet to fully recover their employment losses

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

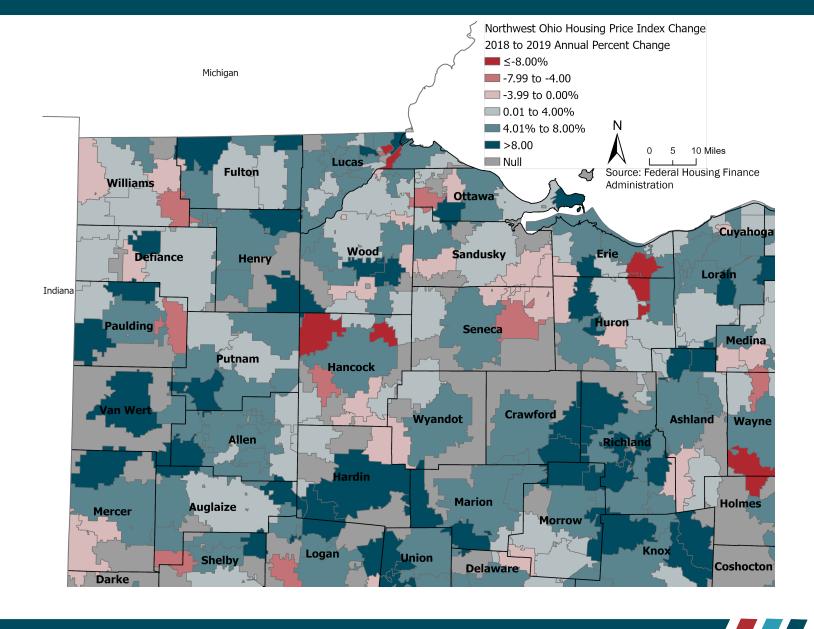


Percent of jobs regained\* by September 2020

\*Data not seasonally adjusted



# Housing values continue to rise, as does the pace nationally.



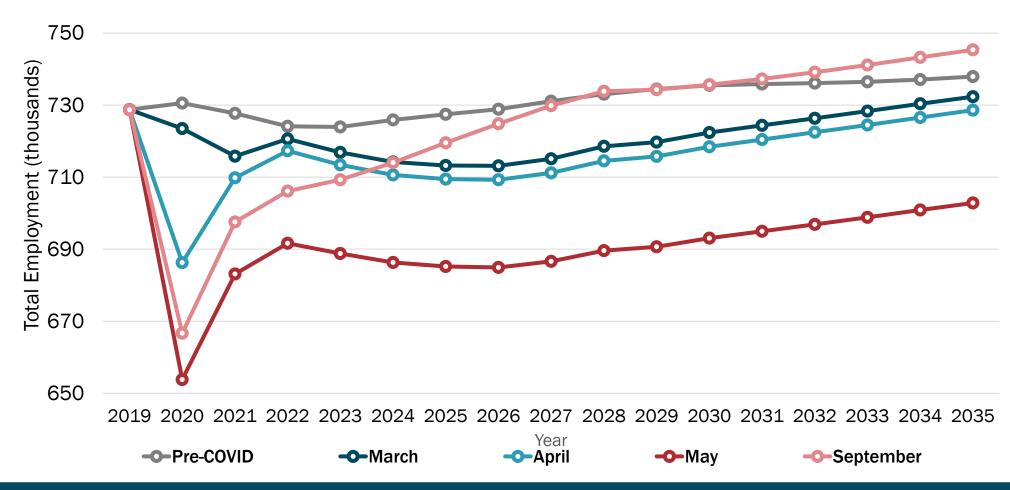


### **Northwest Ohio**

- 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



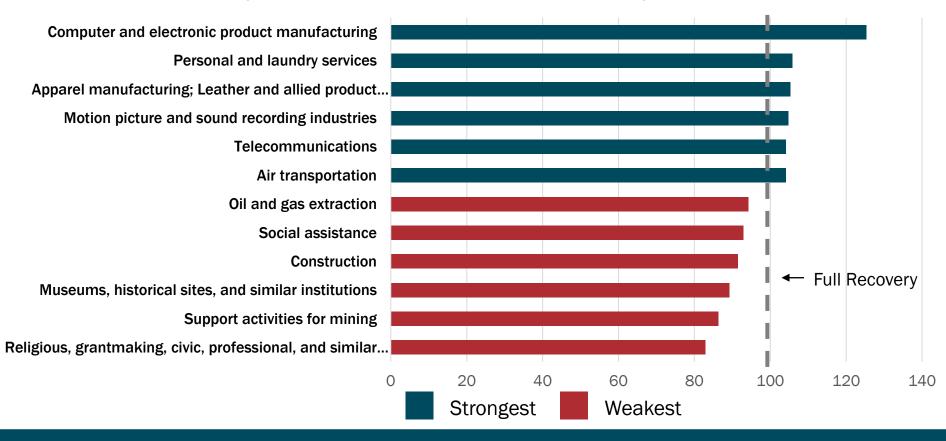
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### **Moving Forward**

### **Considerations for the Economy**

- The shape of the recovery curve?
- Is there another stimulus on way?
  - How large
  - Affected groups, industries, and sectors
- What will be the impact of a second wave?
- Supply versus demand?
  - How have and will SMEs fare?
- Is re-shoring real?
  - Supply chain issues
- How will technology impact employment?
- Will people go back to work?
  - Fear of illness
  - Barriers, notably childcare, in returning
  - Uncertainty around unemployment benefits



### **Questions?**

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