The Economic Outlook for Washtenaw County, 2021–2023



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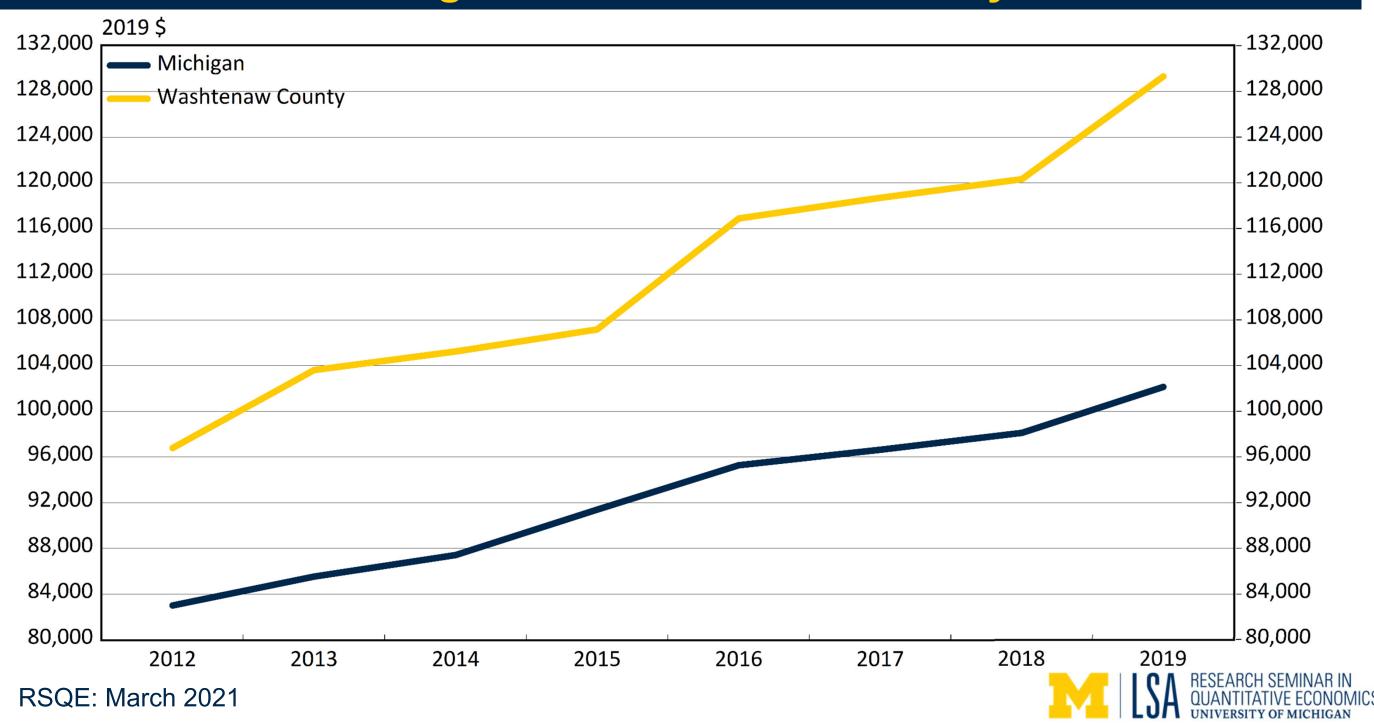






The Distribution of Prosperity in Washtenaw County before COVID-19

Average Adjusted Three-Person Equivalent Household Income, Michigan and Washtenaw County

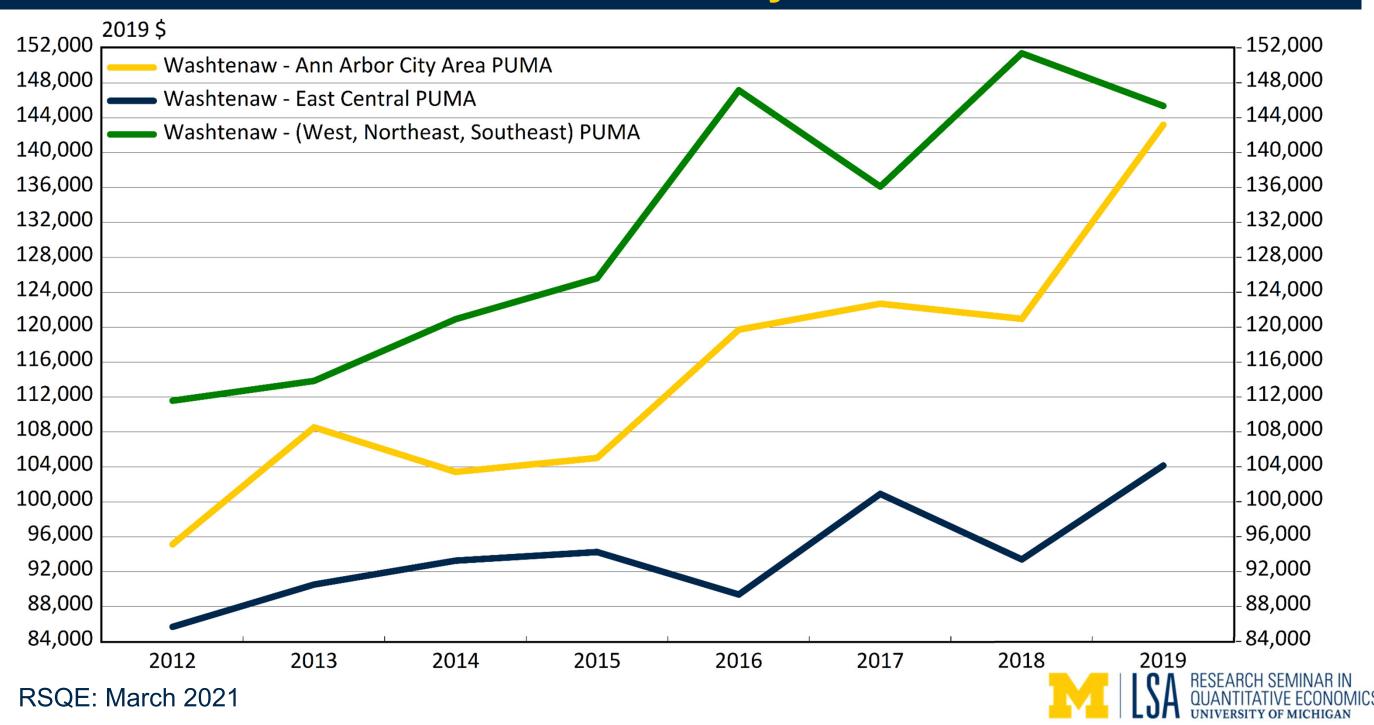


Washtenaw County PUMA Regions





Average Three-Person Equivalent Household Income, Washtenaw County PUMAs



Population in Lower-, Middle-, and Upper Income Households by Race and Ethnicity, Washtenaw County, 2019

| | Lower Income Population | Middle Income Population | Upper Income Population |
|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| All Race/Ethnicity | 24% | 45% | 32% |
| Hispanic | 35% | 44% | 21% |
| Non-Hispanic Asian | 25% | 37% | 39% |
| Non-Hispanic Black | 35% | 47% | 18% |
| Non-Hispanic White | 20% | 46% | 35% |

Note: some totals do not sum to 100 percent because of rounding.



Current State of Washtenaw's Economy

New Cases of COVID-19 in Washtenaw County

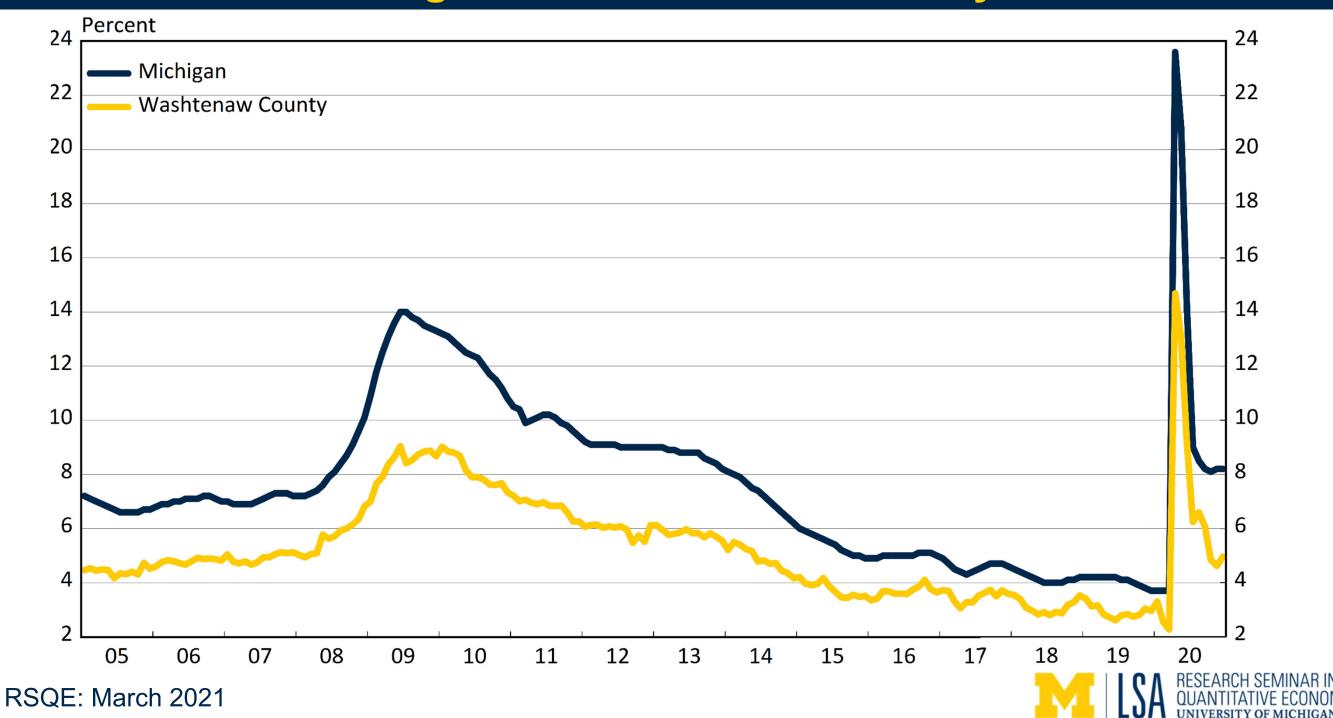


Source: MDHHS as of 03/08/2021

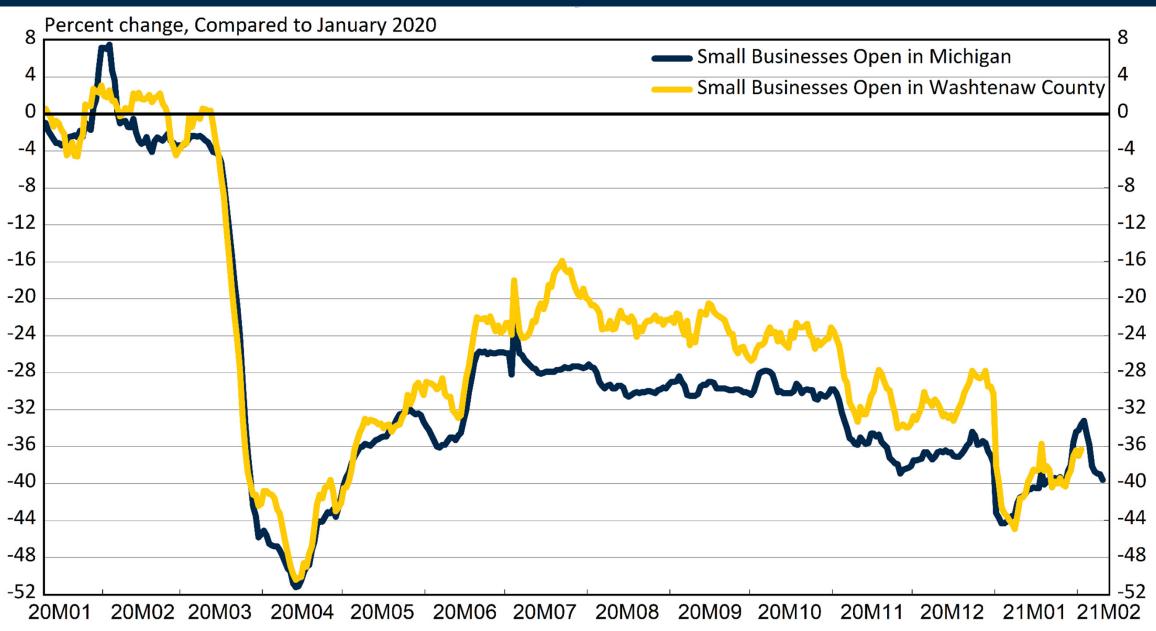
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Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rate, Michigan and Washtenaw County



Small Business Closures, Michigan and Washtenaw County

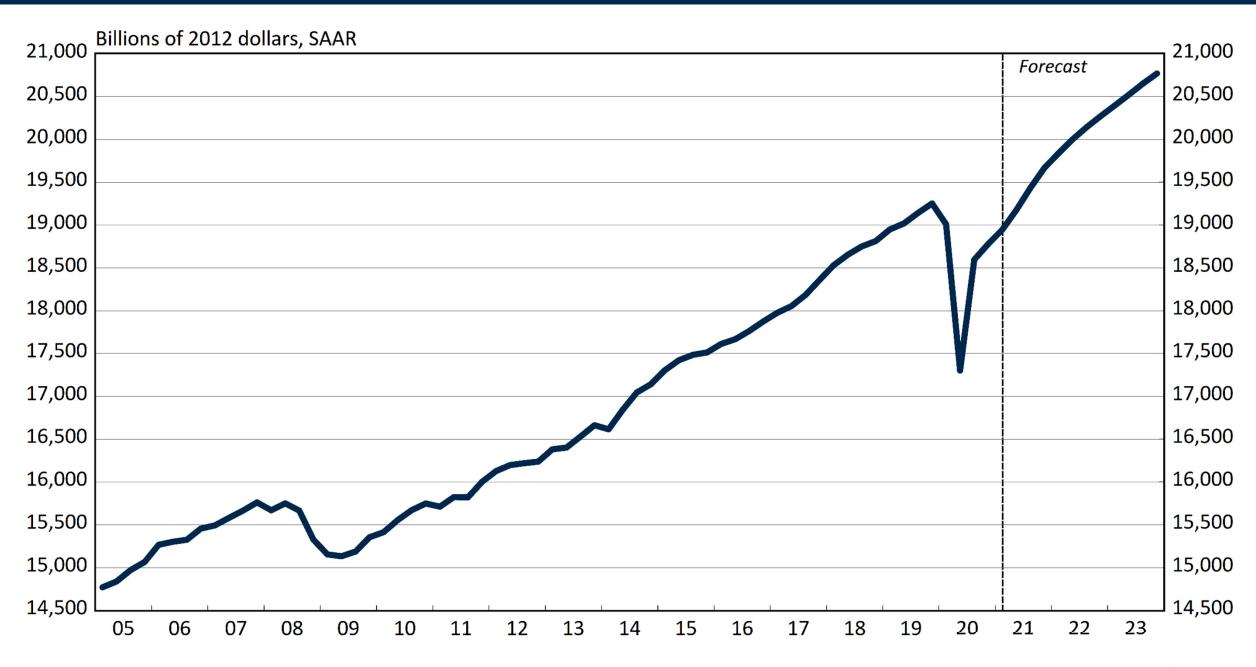


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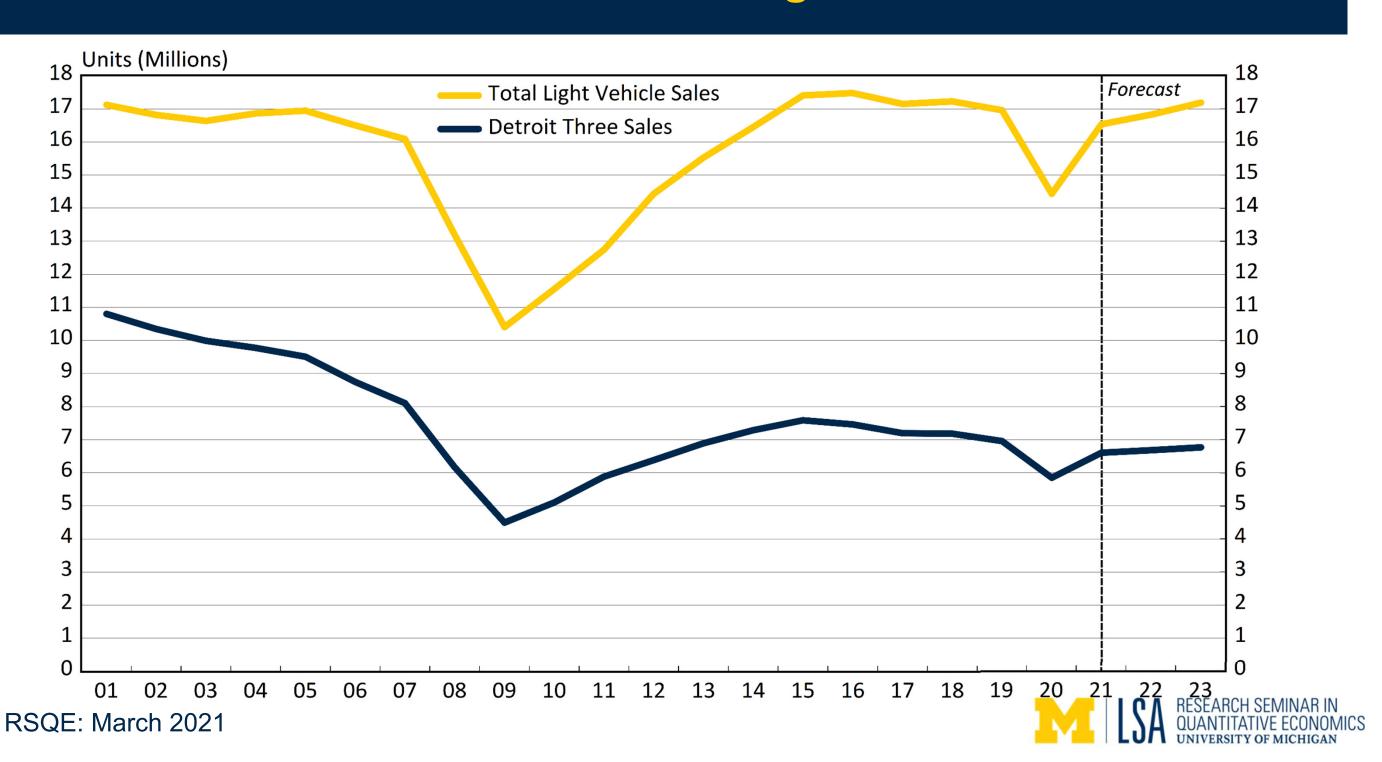
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Real U.S. Gross Domestic Product





Total U.S. vs. Detroit Three Light Vehicle Sales



Forecast Review

Review of Last Year's Forecast

| | Forecast | Actual |
|---------------------------|----------|--------|
| | 2020 | 2020 |
| Payroll employment growth | -6.5% | -7.4% |
| Unemployment rate | 8.4% | 6.5% |
| Consumer inflation rate | 0.5% | 1.0% |



Q&A for Session I

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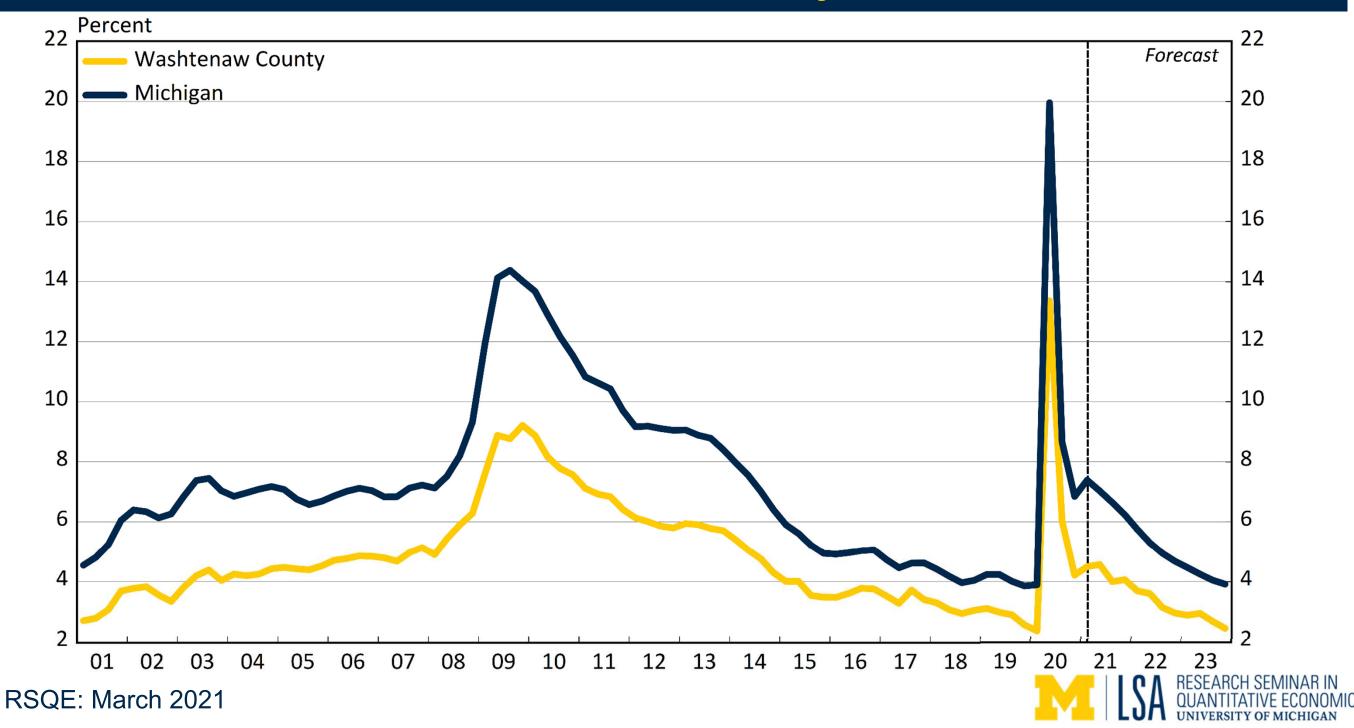
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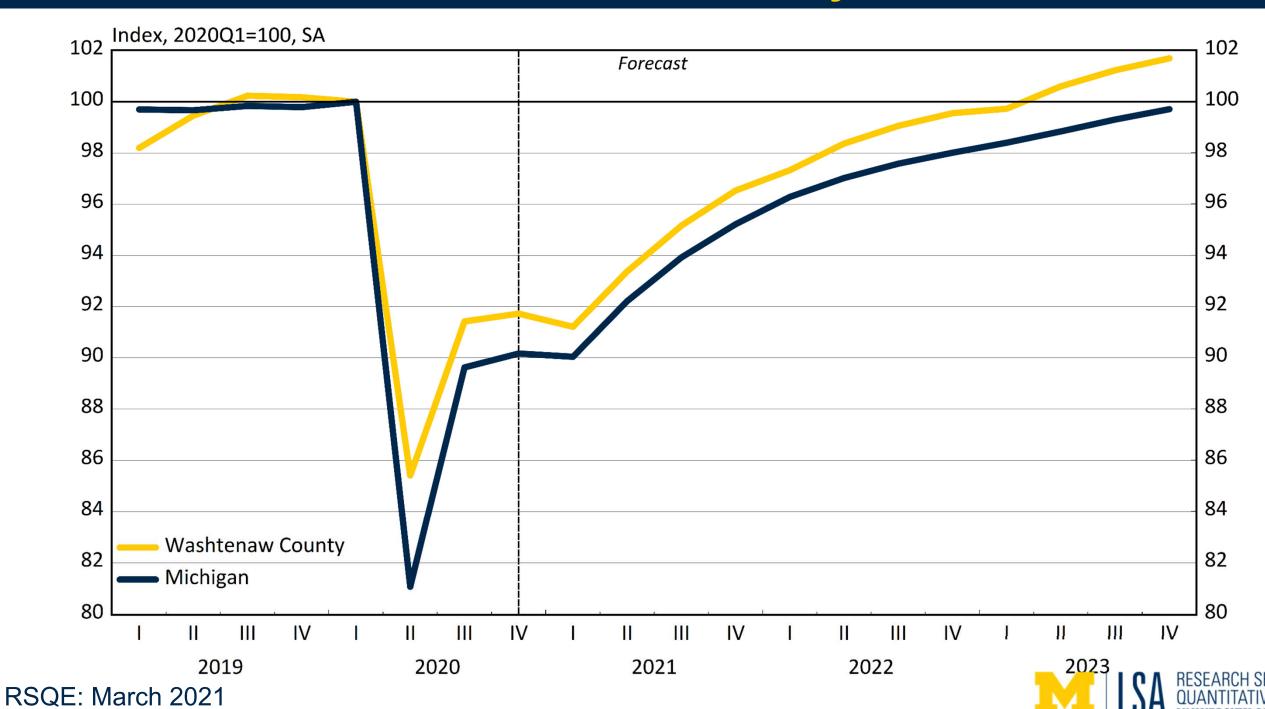


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Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates for Michigan and Washtenaw County



Seasonally Adjusted Employment Indices for Michigan and Washtenaw County



Industry Detail

The Recovery of Payroll Jobs in Washtenaw County

| | | Forecast Employment Change | | | | | | |
|---|------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------|--------------------------------|--|
| | Estimate 2020 | '19–'20 | '20–'21 | '21–'22 | '22–'23 | '20–'23 | Average Annual Wage 2019 | |
| Total Jobs (Number of Jobs) (Annual percent change) | 202,269 | -16,207 (-7.4%) | 4,266 (2.1%) | 9,882 (4.8%) | 4,907 (2.3%) | 19,056 | \$61,276 | |
| Private Sector | 122,409 | -13,694 | 4,434 | 7,100 | 3,320 | 14,853 | \$58,795 | |
| Total Government | 79,861 | -2,512 | -168 | 2,783 | 1,588 | 4,203 | \$65,375 | |
| State Government | 64,574 | -1,960 | -10 | 2,279 | 1,362 | 3,631 | \$66,408 | |

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Industries that Gained Jobs in 2020

| | | Forecast Employment Change | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------------------------------|--|--|
| | Estimate 2020 | '19–'20 | '20–'21 | '21–'22 | '22–'23 | '20–'23 | Average Annual Wage 2019 | | |
| Management of Companies & Enterprises | 1,397 | 67 | 22 | 101 | 46 | 169 | \$166,914 | | |
| Utilities | 428 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 9 | \$155,132 | | |
| Information | 5,033 | 247 | 35 | 77 | 49 | 162 | \$105,829 | | |
| Transportation & Warehousing | 3,683 | 159 | 297 | 211 | 200 | 709 | \$67,704 | | |

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Full-Recovery Industries with Higher-Paying Jobs

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| | Estimate 2020 | '19–'20 | '20–'21 | '21–'22 | '22–'23 | '20–'23 | Average Annual Wage 2019 |
| Professional & Technical services | 17,226 | -415 | 595 | 694 | 510 | 1,799 | \$99,532 |
| Finance & Insurance | 3,632 | -62 | 24 | 31 | 24 | 79 | \$92,911 |
| Wholesale Trade | 5,685 | -191 | 220 | 158 | 121 | 499 | \$79,257 |
| Construction | 4,382 | -294 | 345 | 491 | 191 | 1,026 | \$65,965 |

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Full-Recovery Industries with Lower-Paying Jobs

| | | Forecast Employment Change | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------------------------------|--|
| | Estimate 2020 | '19–'20 | '20–'21 | '21–'22 | '22–'23 | '20–'23 | Average Annual Wage 2019 | |
| Private Health & Social services | 23,593 | -1,251 | 664 | 1,118 | 467 | 2,248 | \$56,997 | |
| Real Estate & Rental | 2,327 | -185 | 65 | 133 | 75 | 272 | \$52,246 | |
| Natural Resources & Mining | 255 | -29 | 12 | 14 | 6 | 32 | \$32,078 | |
| Arts & Recreation | 1,682 | -833 | 312 | 595 | 296 | 1,203 | \$23,021 | |

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Incomplete-Recovery Industries

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|---|------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------------------------------|
| | Estimate 2020 | '19–'20 | '20–'21 | '21–'22 | '22–'23 | '20–'23 | Average Annual Wage 2019 |
| Accomodation & Food Services | 11,124 | -4,461 | 476 | 2,099 | 735 | 3,309 | \$21,008 |
| Retail Trade | 14,129 | -1,657 | 335 | 225 | 80 | 639 | \$32,476 |
| Other Services | 4,346 | -783 | 242 | 156 | 69 | 467 | \$33,846 |
| Private Education | 2,808 | -458 | 148 | 223 | 48 | 419 | \$36,761 |
| Administrative Support & Waste Management | 8,327 | -946 | 245 | 347 | 112 | 703 | \$38,039 |
| Transportation Equipment Manufacturing | 3,604 | -1,080 | 193 | 206 | 142 | 541 | \$66,126 |
| Other Manufacturing | 8,395 | -1,530 | 201 | 219 | 148 | 568 | \$67,216 |

Private Sector Industries with the Greatest Job Gains in Washtenaw County, Recent History and Forecast

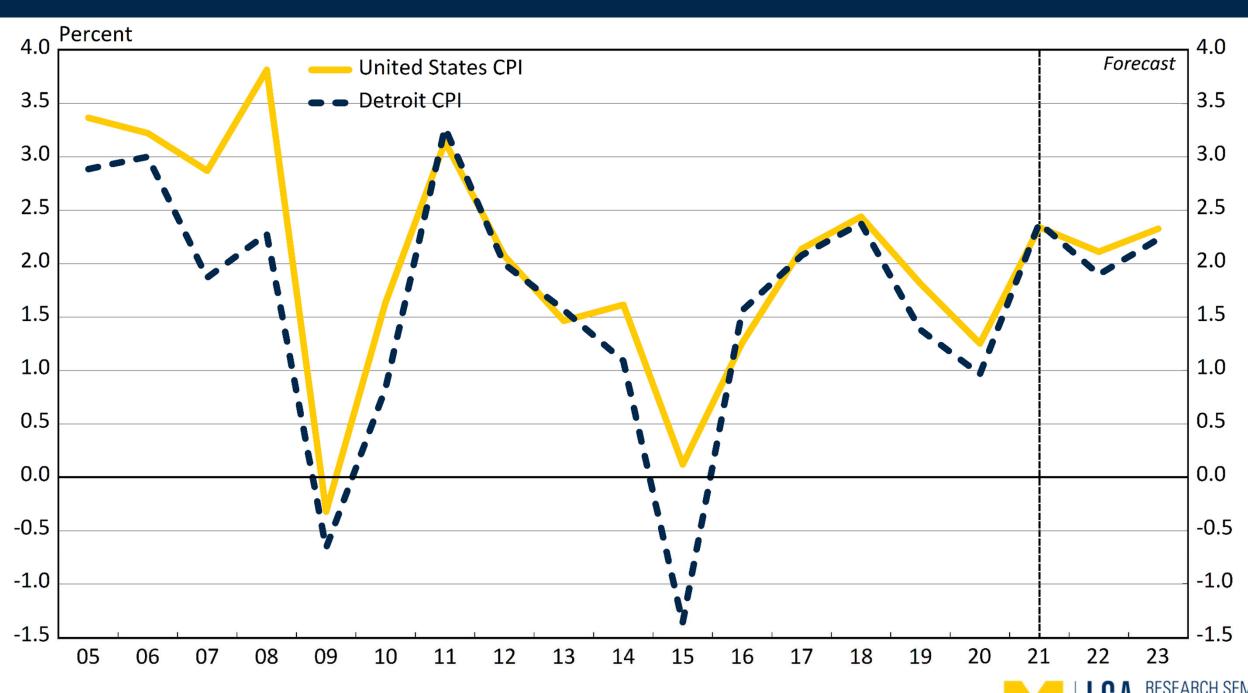
A table is in the full report, which will be posted on RSQE's and WCC's websites this afternoon

➤ Generally, industries that gained the most jobs from 2015 to 2019 are forecast to gain the most jobs during 2021–23 as well

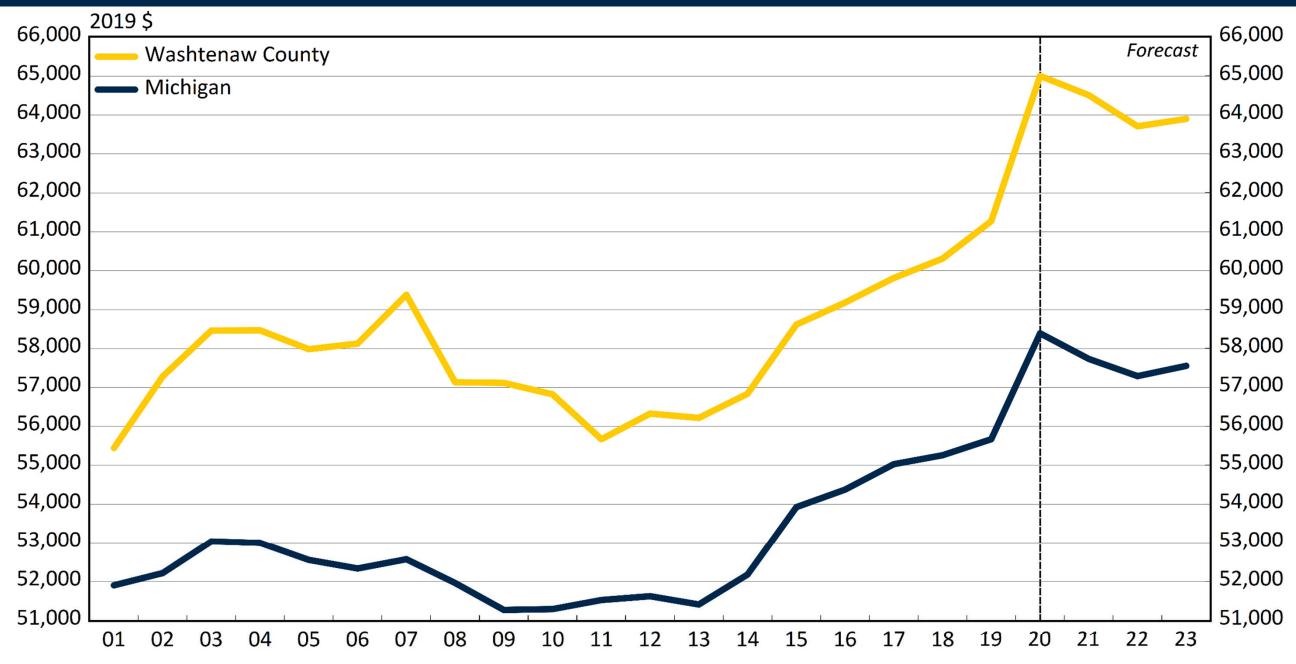
We expect Washtenaw County's pattern of job creation over the next three years to look a lot like it did before the pandemic



Annual Inflation Rate, National and Detroit CPI

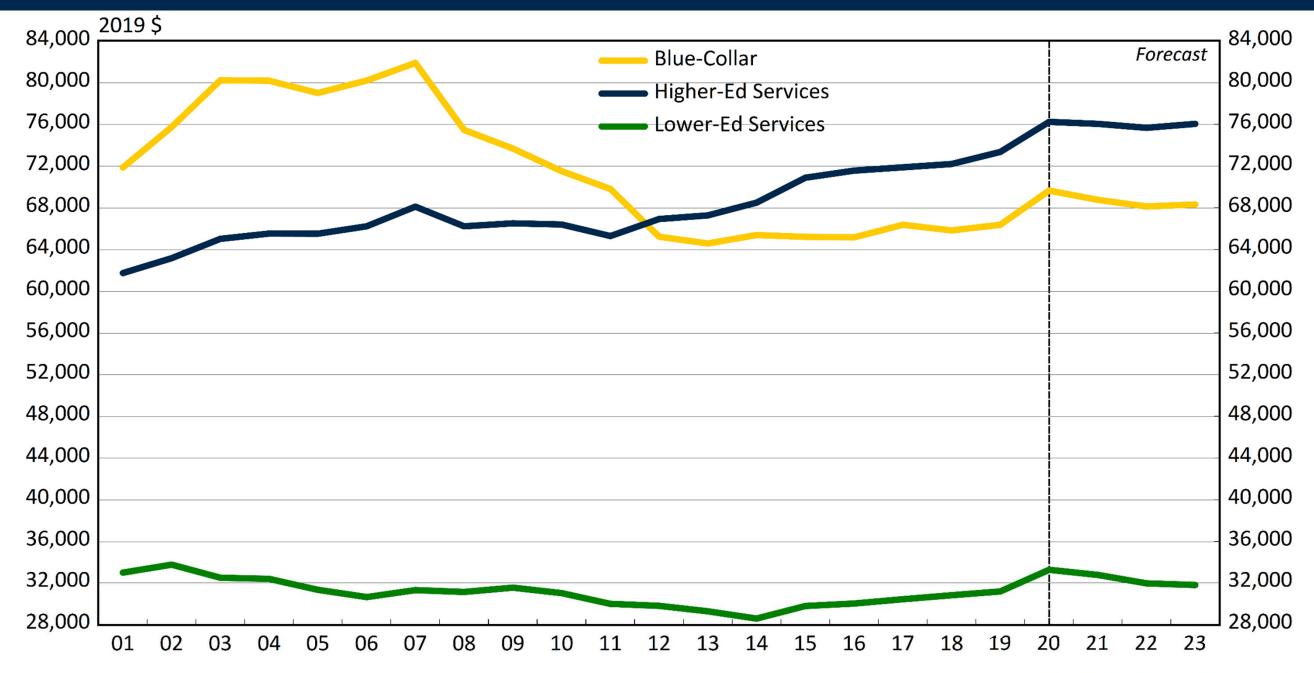


Average Real Wage in Michigan and Washtenaw County





Average Real Wage in Washtenaw County by Industry Groupings





Washtenaw County Employment by Industry Groupings



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