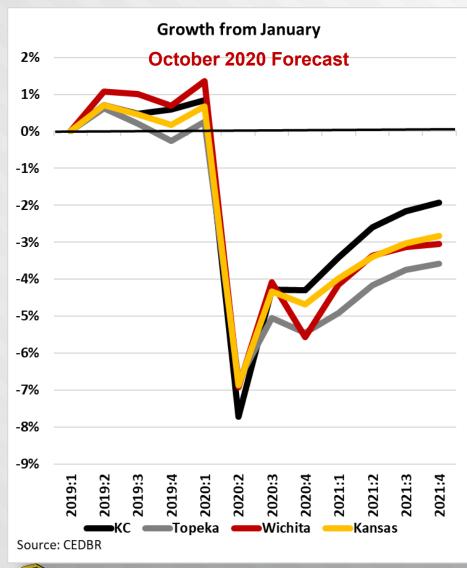
# Kansas Economic Outlook

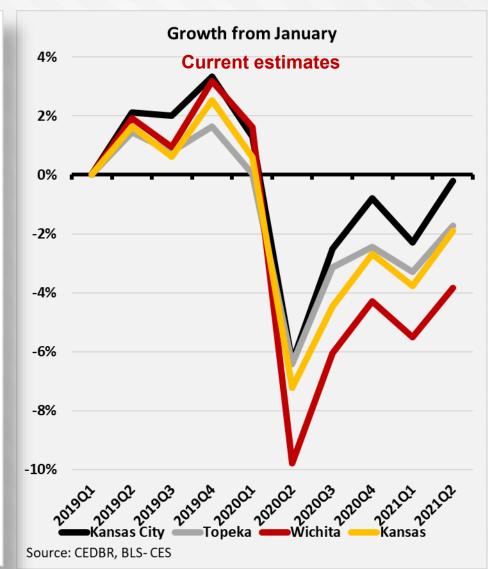






#### **Employment Forecast - Review**





#### Review

- Kansas is 1.9% below its Q1 2019 level
- Wichita had the largest decline
- Kansas City is almost back to its Q1 2019 level





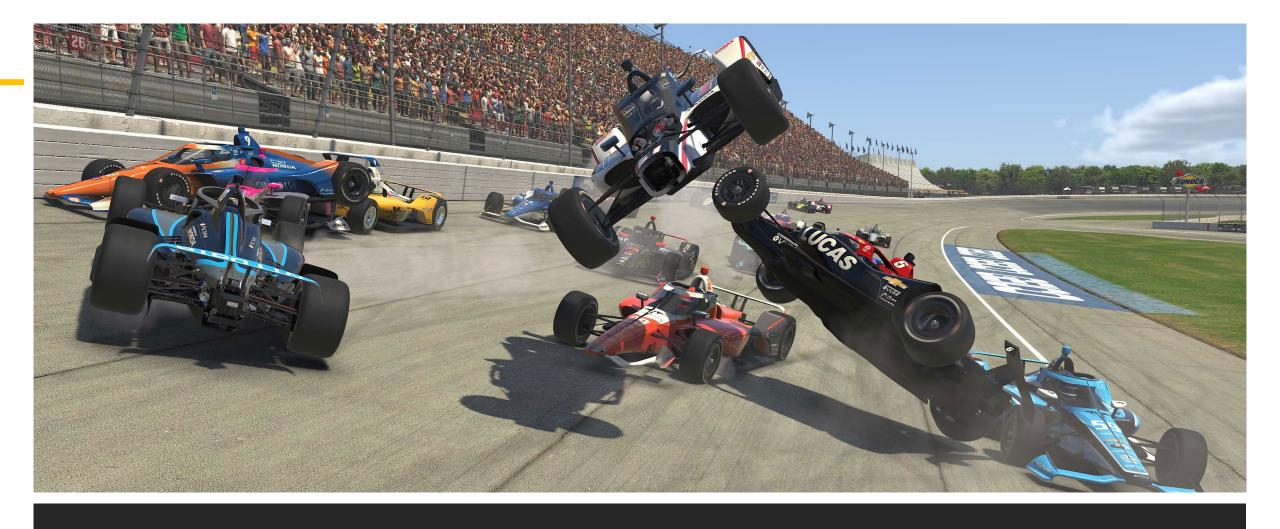
### Discussion - INDY 500

- COVID and the economy
  - Loss and road to recovery
- Labor market conditions
  - Are there hazardous track conditions?
- Industry update
  - A check-in on the leaderboard
- Households
  - Pit crew
- Forecast
  - How many more to 200 laps?





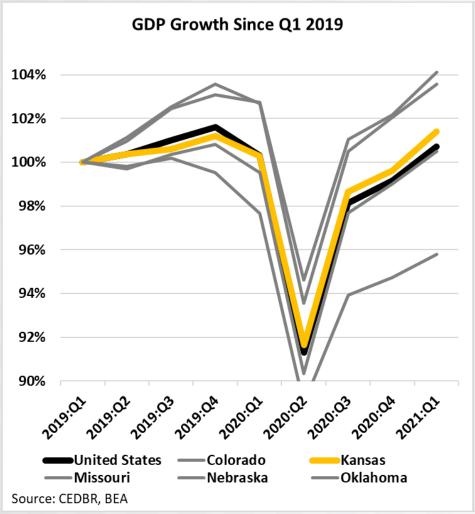


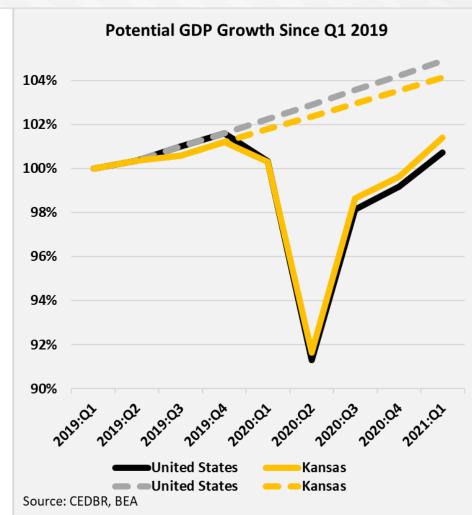


# COVID and the Economy

The red flag stopped the race.

## GDP has recovered, but still below potential





#### Regional

- CO and NE net growth was ~4%
- OK lost 4.2%
- MO net gain0.5%

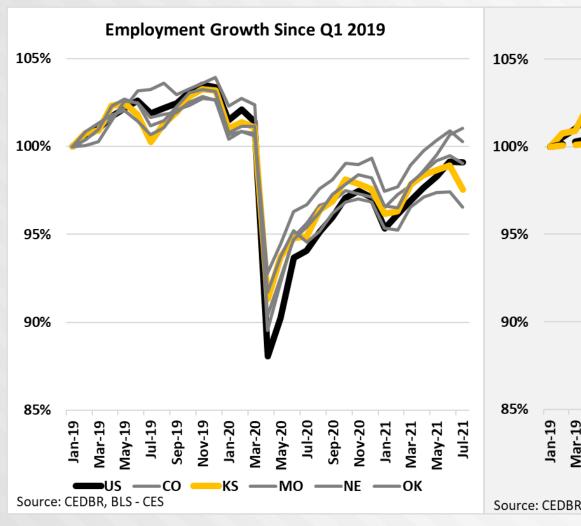
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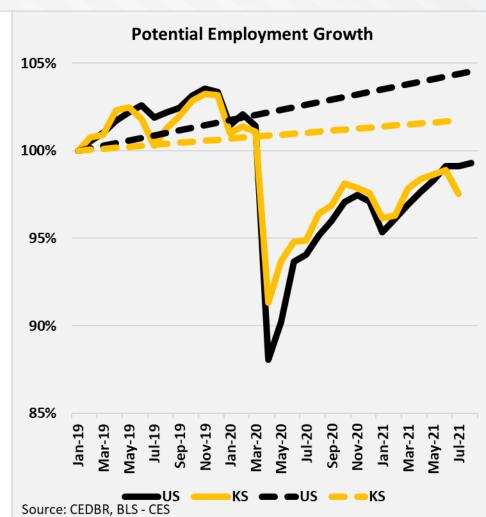
- KS net growth was 1.4%
- Agriculture and manufacturing explains most of the growth





## Employment is nearing previous peak





#### Regional

- CO and NE were the only two to exceed its 2019 level
- MO has a net loss of 1%

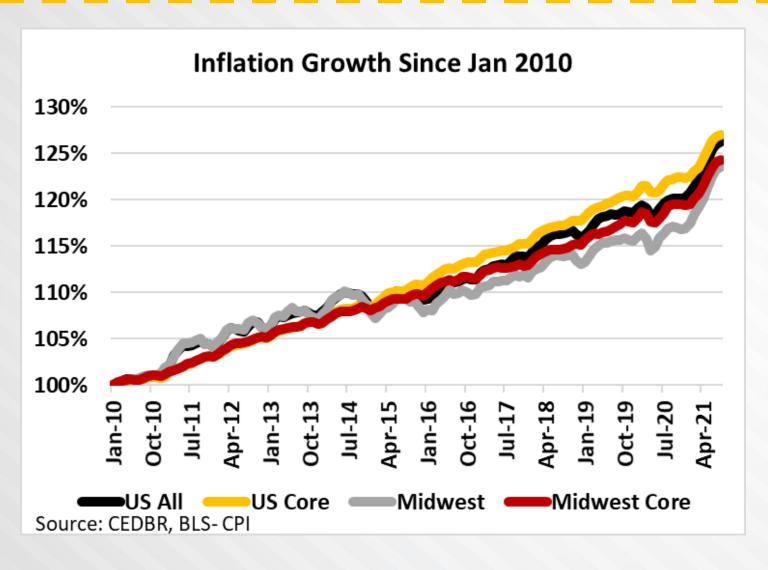
#### Kansas

- KS net loss was 2.3%
- Net loss of 34,600





## Inflation remains transitory



#### Causes

- Supply chain disruptions
- Mismatches between supply and demand
- Reopening of the market

#### • US

 August core inflation was up 5.3% YR/YR, which is higher than the 2.4% historic growth.

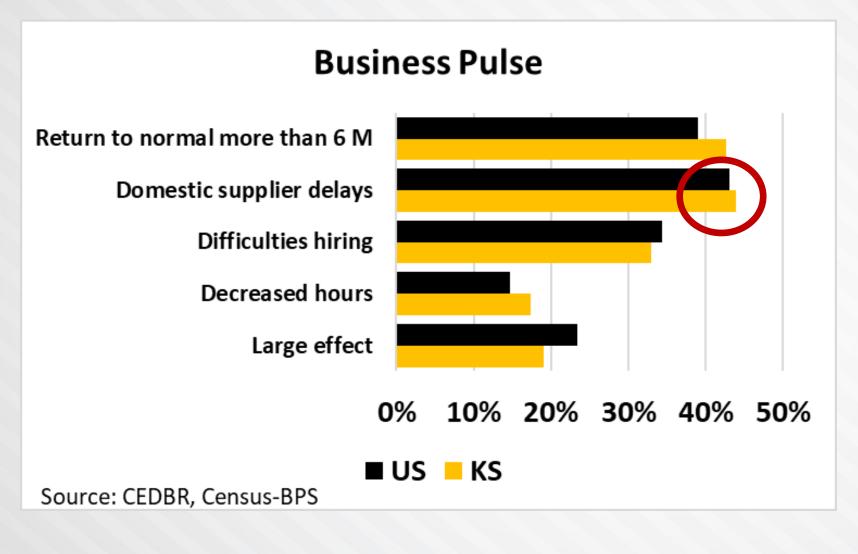
#### Midwest

- August core inflation was up 5.7% YR/YR.
- Increases in energy are weighing on the Midwest





## KS BIZ cruising along



#### Supplier issues

 KS BIZ continue to struggle with suppliers and find alternates

#### Labor issues

- 33% of KS BIZ are struggling to hire labor
- 17% of KS BIZ have decreased hours

### Expectations

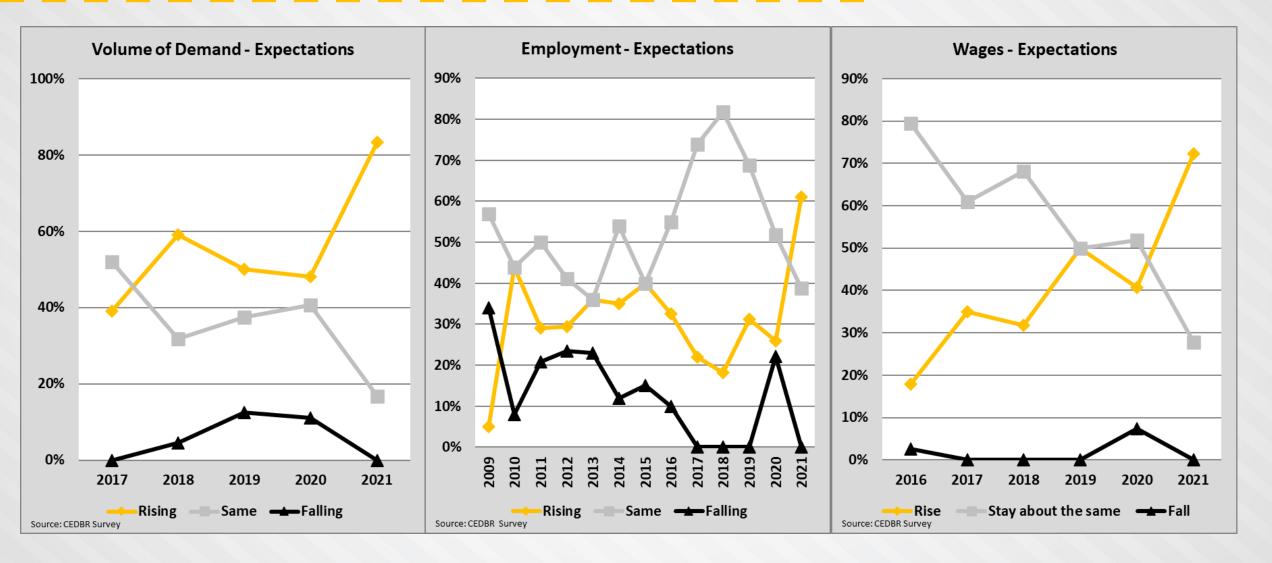
 47% of KS BIZ expect it will take more than 6M

Source: Census-BPS 09-12-21





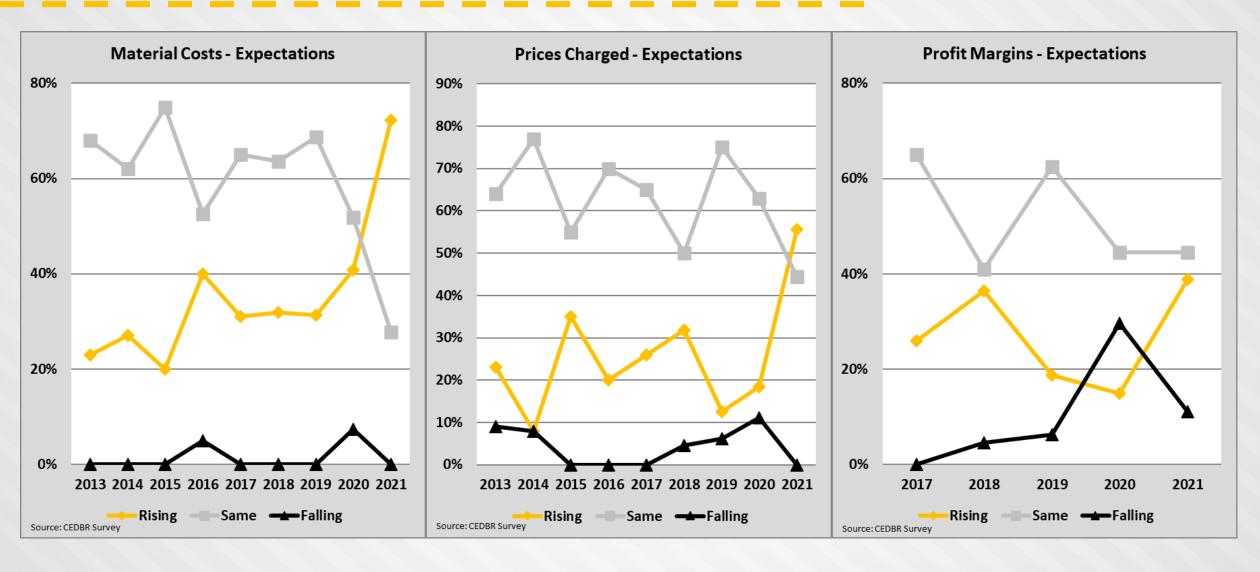
## Increased demand leads to growth in EMP and wages







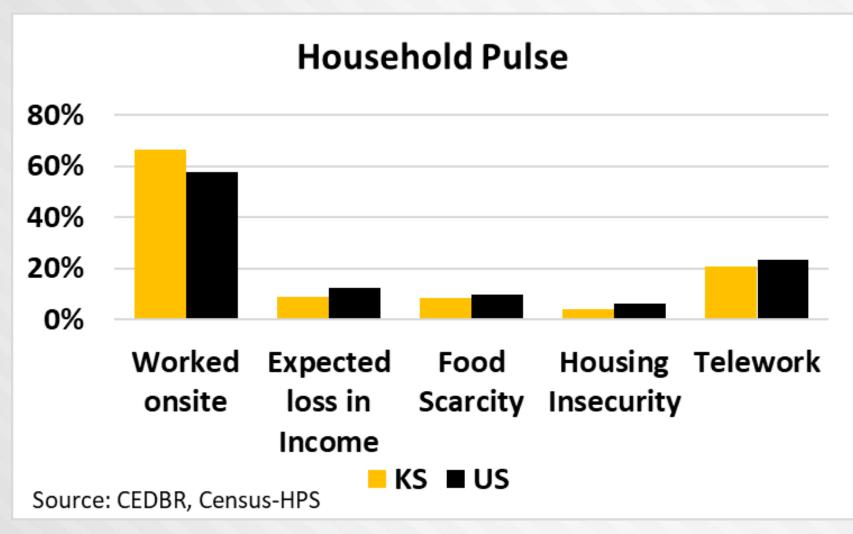
## Increasing costs will be passed onto customers







## KS households are fairing better



#### Employment

- 8.9% of KS expect loss in income in the next 4 weeks
- 21% teleworked because of COVID

#### Insecurity

- 8.6% of KS are dealing with food scarcity
- 4.1% of KS are worried about missing a payment

Source: Census-HPS Week33





## **COVID – Impact Review**

- Output has returned to pre-COVID levels
- Employment improved, but labor matching remains an issue
- Although KS Businesses are struggling with suppliers and remain cautious, they are highly focused in a growth mode.

 KS households have returned to onsite work activity and are fairing slightly better than the nation, on average.







# Labor market conditions

The yellow flag is slowing growth.

## **Unemployment rates**

# US 5.3 Aug

Kansas 4.0 Aug

Wichita 5.2

Topeka 3.8

Kansas City 3.8





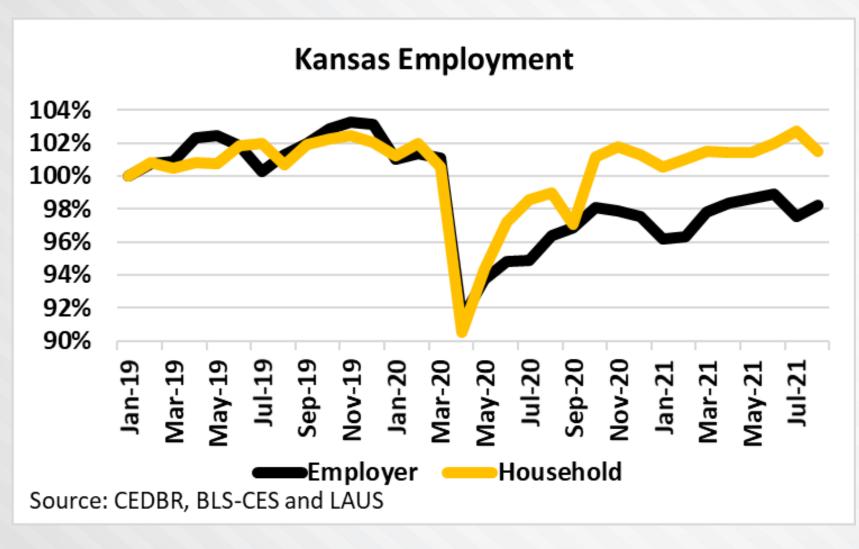
## Tight labor market

- "Ghosting coasting"
  - Coasting through an interview that you are not really interested in and then not responding to an offer
- Unemployed per job openings are at record lows
  - There are 0.8 people for each job opening
- Employer incentives
  - Down payments on housing as a bonus
- Shortened hours of operations





## Has employment recovered?



#### Data

 Employers haven't reached the previous peak, whereas households have exceeded their peak.

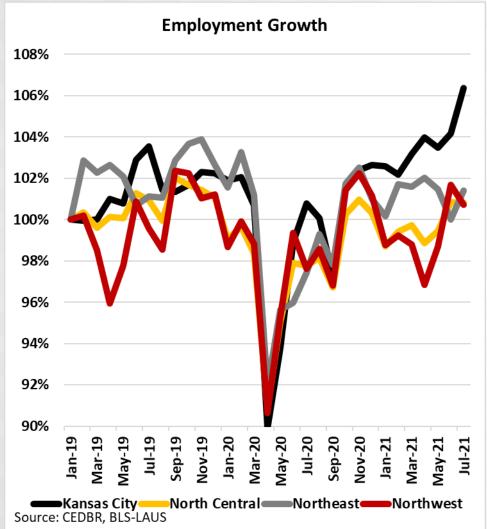
#### **Trends**

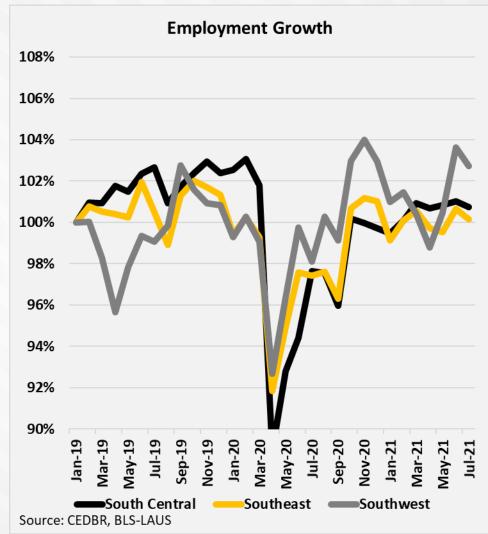
- Multiple jobs (-16%)
- Part-time workers (-10%)
- Self employed (-7%)





## KC and SW Employment have expanded



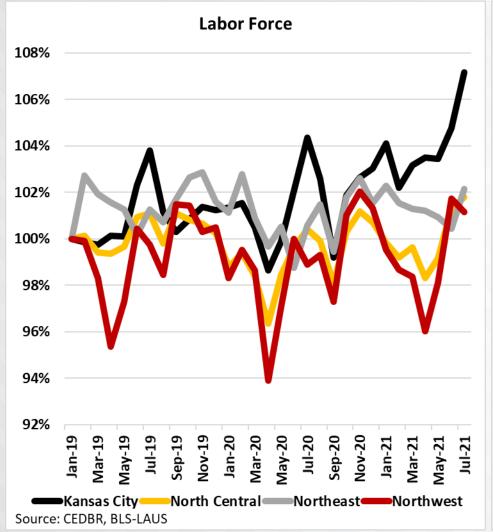


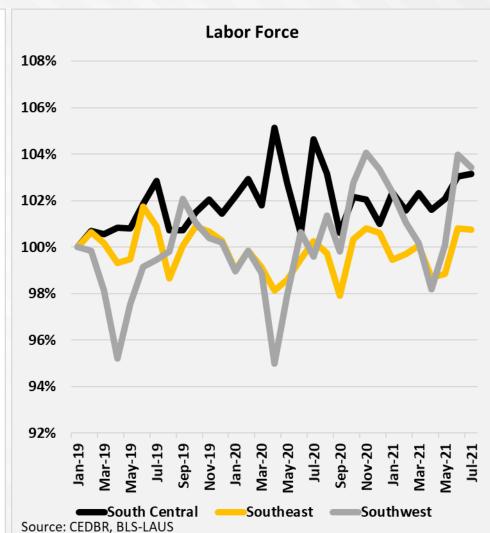
- KC region employment is over four percent larger
- South Central
   area is the only
   region that is
   below its Jan level
- All other areas are at or above their Jan levels





#### Labor force increased in all markets



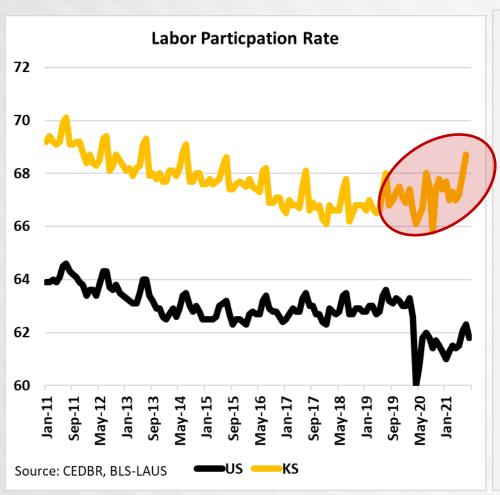


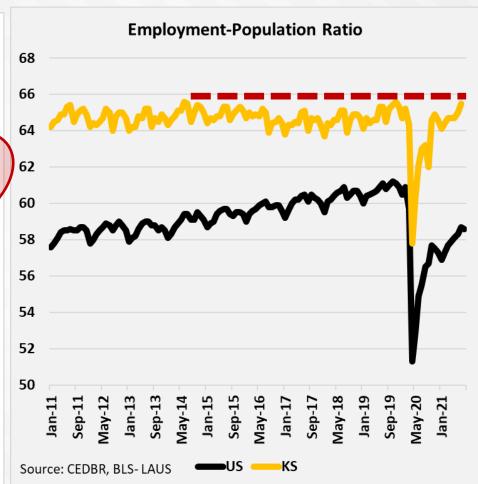
- Labor force is larger in all markets
- KC region had the largest increase
- Northeast and South central had the smallest increases





## KS – Labor supply is back or above pre-COVID levels



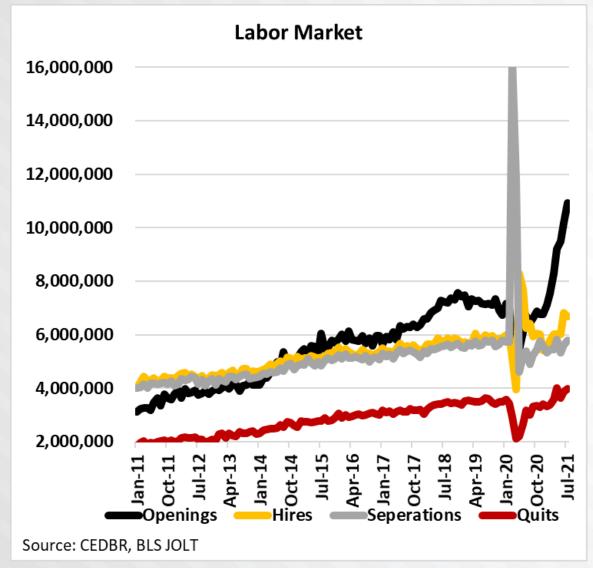


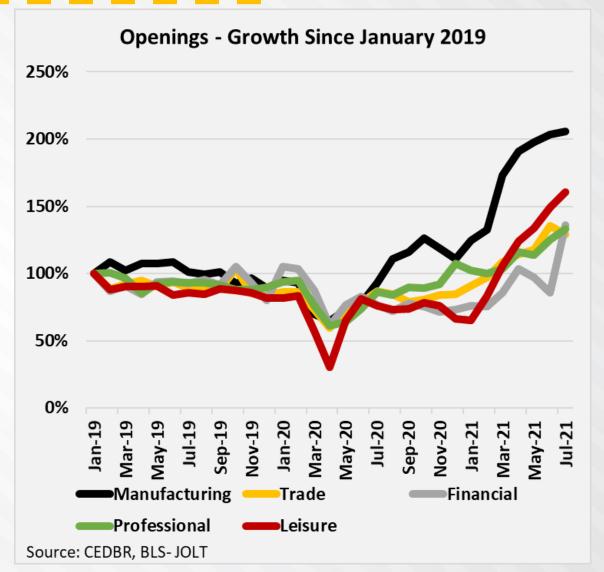
- Kansas has
   exceeded it pre pandemic labor
   force participation
   rate
- Kansas is now back inline with its employment to population ratio
- Kansas labor market looks different than the nation





## US - It is a labor demand issue, not supply









## Mystery about jobs in 2021

#### Friction within the labor market

New jobs require training and moving

#### **COVID** fear

 Some have left the labor market to take care of family members

Baby boomers - Exit strategy lines up with historic high stock markets

- Upward mobility labor is exiting retail and food service for other higher paying service jobs
- Competitive wages wages are not inline with the industry or region





### **Labor Market Conditions - Review**

- Households are engaged in the labor market at or above prepandemic levels
- Tightness in the labor market can be explained by several factors: friction, fear, and a shrinking labor force.

• Business job openings are at record levels, indicating that the tightness is driven by demand and not a supply issue.



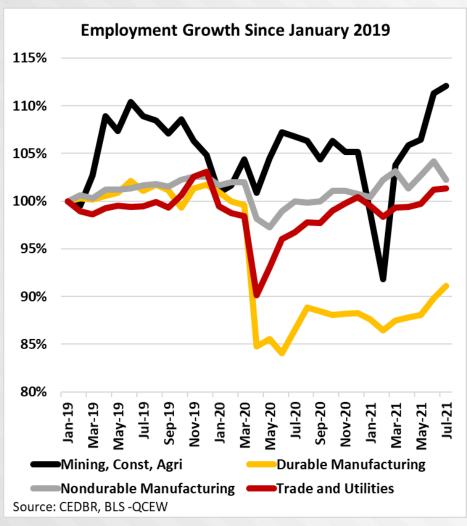


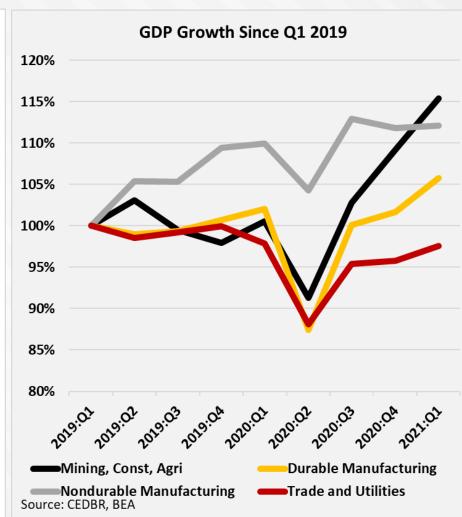


# Industry Update

Some industries have received the black flag.

### Agriculture and Non-durable Manu stabilized the KS economy



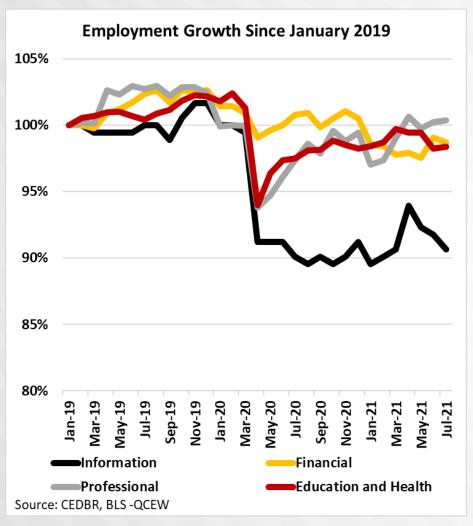


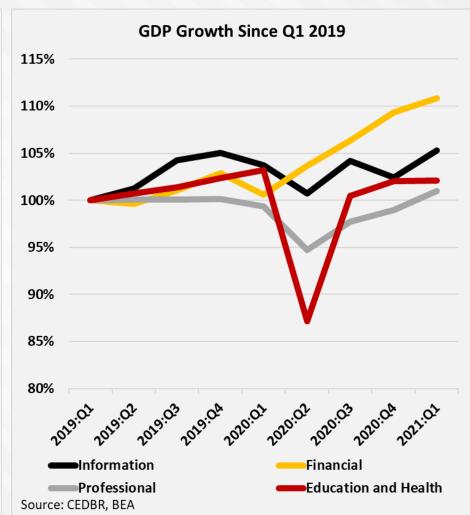
- Agriculture added
  538 jobs and grew by
  5%
- Construction added
   1,629 jobs and grew
   by 3%
- Manufacturing productivity explains recent growth
- Retail employment is down 2%





## Employment hasn't recovered as much as output



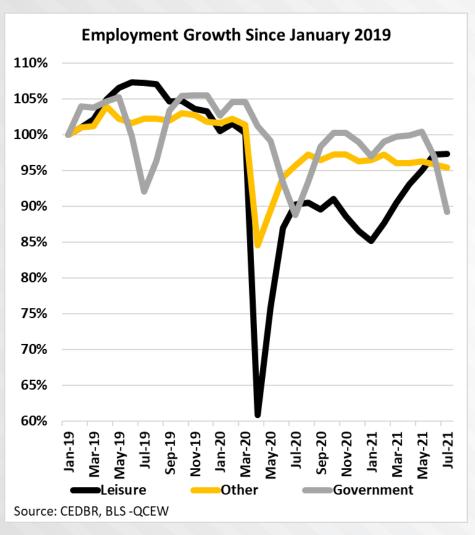


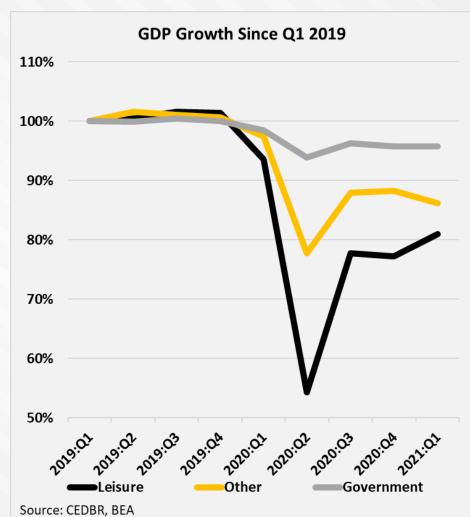
- Professional was the only market to add jobs
- Information had the largest net decline of 9%
- Financial services is down in jobs, but had the largest growth in output





## KS leisure sector continues to struggle post COVID





- Arts and Entertainment lost 2,324 jobs with a decline of 16%
- Food had the largest total decline of 9,386 jobs
- Other lost 2,073 with a decline of 6%
- Government recent declines in employment reflects seasonality





## Industry Update - Review

 Agriculture and manufacturing helped stabilize the Kansas economy in late 2020 and early 2021

 Financial services experienced the largest output growth among the other business and professional services sectors

 Leisure and hospitality output remains almost 20% below its per-COVID levels.



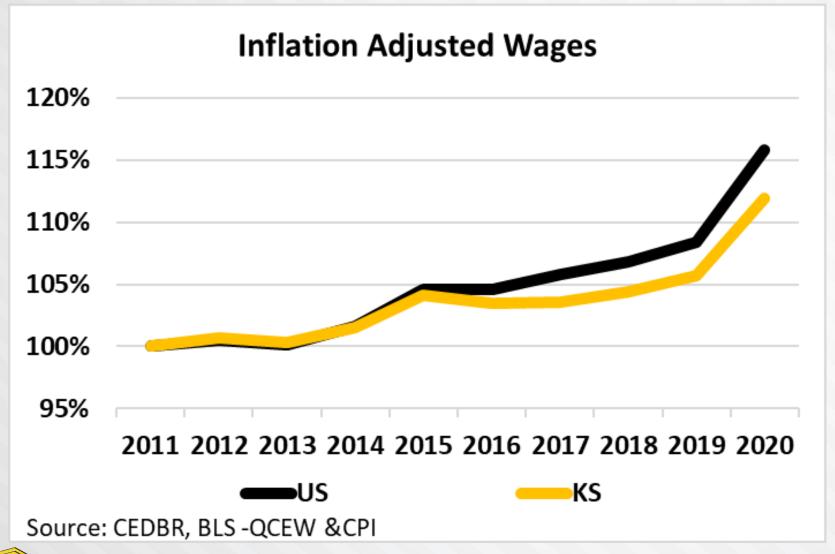




# Household

Most households are back in the race.

Growth in annual wages fell behind the US



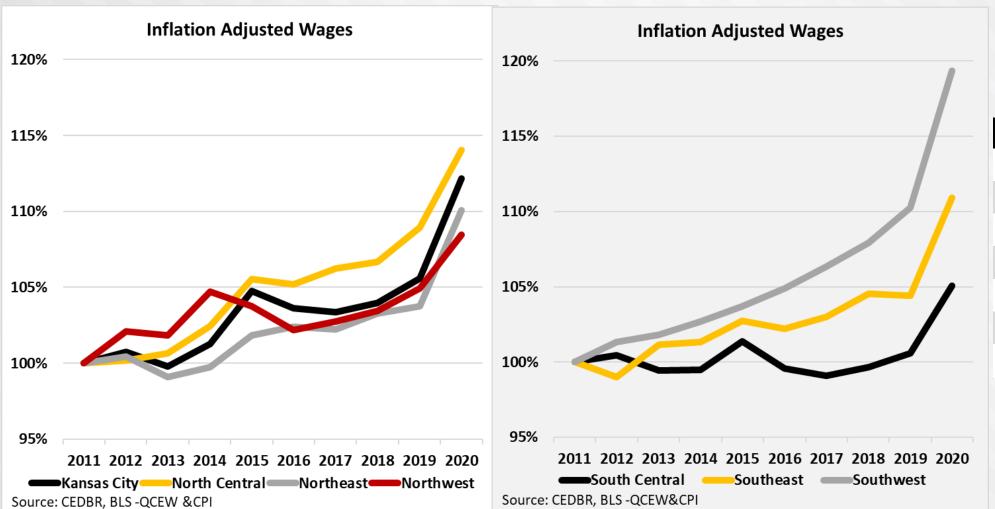
**US** \$64,021

**KS** \$51,490





## Regional growth in wages varied

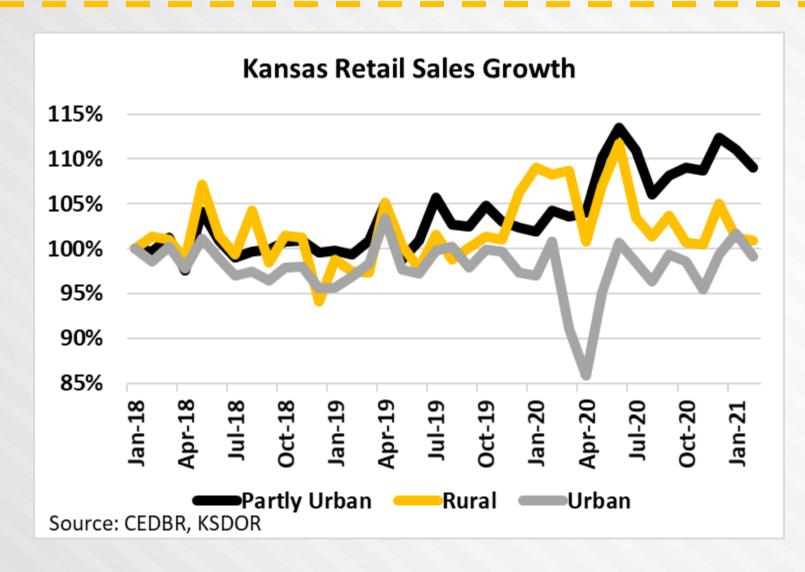


	2020
Kansas City	\$ 61,461
North Central	\$41,782
Northeast	\$ 45,431
Northwest	\$ 39,054
<b>South Central</b>	\$ 49,854
Southeast	\$ 40,363
Southwest	\$ 44,997





## Partly urban areas have benefited the most from COVID



- Partly Urban areas grow by 7%
  - Partly urban includes counties outside of a major metro area
- Urban areas grow by 2%
  - Urban include micropolitan and metropolitan communities
- Rural areas declined by 7%
- NW and SC were the only two regions to have net growth
- NC had the largest decline in taxable retail sales of 4.7%





#### Household - Review

Incomes increased, but still not as fast as the nation

Southwest and North Central had the fastest growths in income

COVID drove retail sales to the suburbs



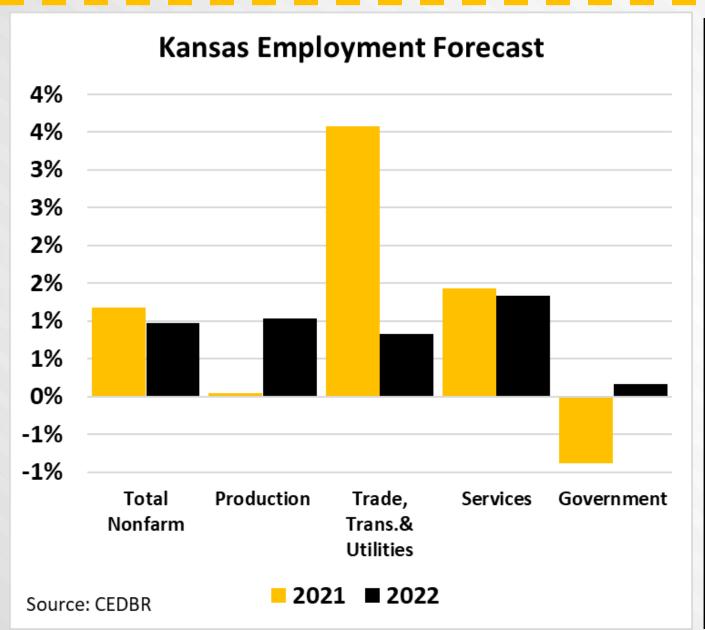




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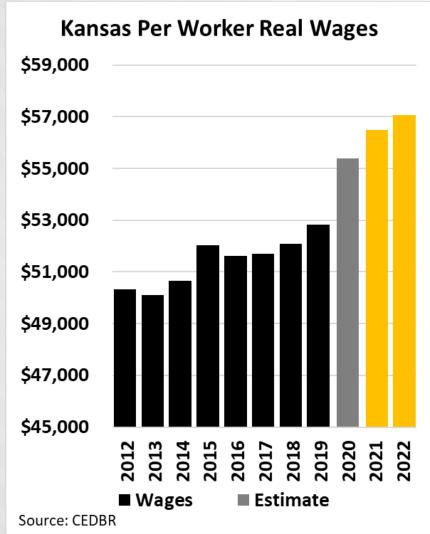
How many more laps?

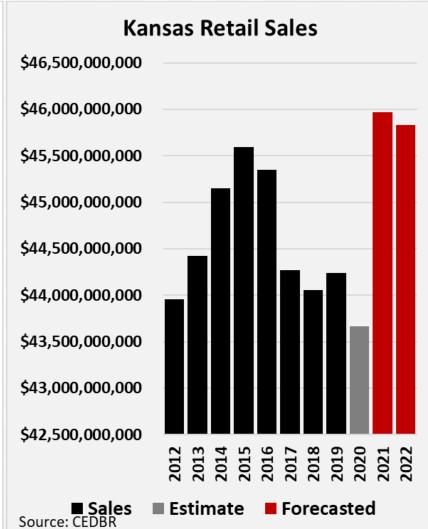
### Leisure & Hospitality is expected to continue its recovery into 2022



	2021-2022 Level Change	
Total Nonfarm	13,401	1.0%
Production Sectors	2,367	1.0%
Natural Resources, Mining & Cons.	1,329	1.9%
Manufacturing	1,038	0.7%
Durable Goods	398	0.4%
Non-Durable Goods	640	0.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,215	0.8%
Wholesale Trade	174	0.3%
Retail Trade	184	0.1%
Transportation & Utilities	1,857	2.6%
Service Sectors	8,413	1.3%
Information	253	1.5%
Financial Activities	559	0.7%
Professional & Business Services	1,018	0.6%
Education & Health Services	2,293	1.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	4,302	3.7%
Other Services	-12	0.0%
Government	407	0.2%
Source CEDBR		

## Wage and retail sales forecast



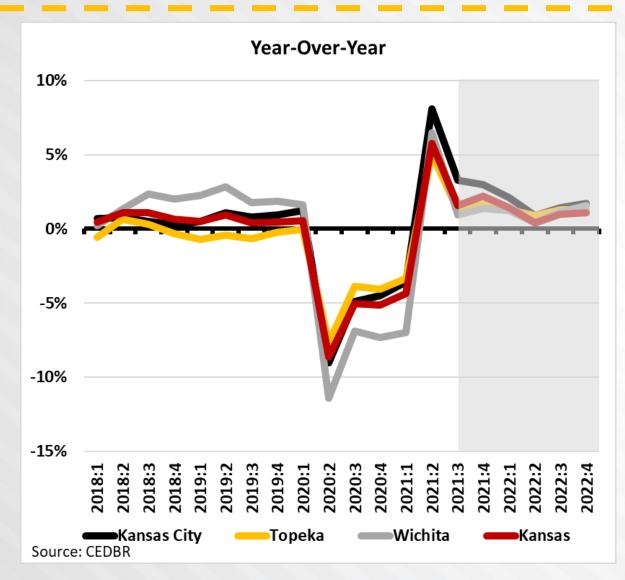


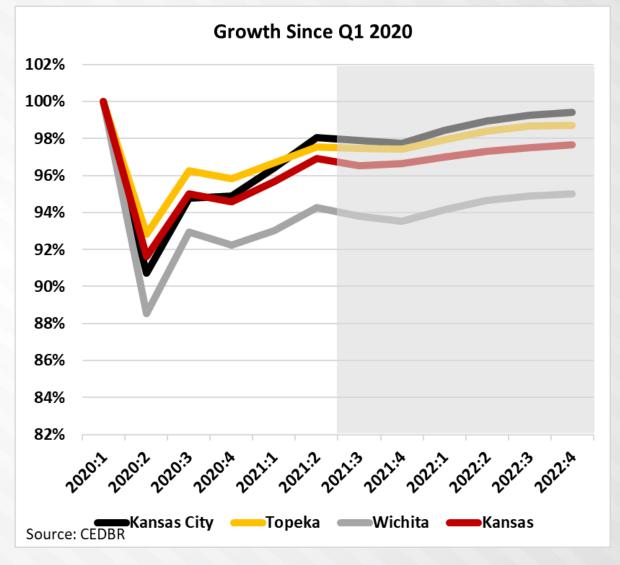
- Wage growth is expected to increase in 2022, as employers race to find talent
- Retail sales are expected to increase by 5.3% next year as demand increases from employment and wage growth





## All markets are expected to expand in 2022









#### 2022 Outlook

- Economic resiliency in Kansas will help position its growth in 2022.
- Tight labor market conditions are here to stay. Companies that invest and implement capital and technology will reap the benefits.
- Durable manufacturing and leisure employment will bounce back in 2022.
- · Households are in the driver seat for both consumption and labor availability.
- Kansas employment is dependent on a vaccine and distribution. The target growth expectation is 1.0% and 13,000 jobs.



