Economic Outlook Current & Coming Conditions

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- Overview of Pandemic / Lockdowns & Reopening
- Inflation Levels and Causes
- Consumer Confidence
- Arizona Economy
 - Employment
 - Forecast
 - Construction Outlook
- Pertinent Observations



Economic Outlook US Employment "Half Back Analysis" Time to Recover ½ Lost Jobs

2001 Recession :
2009 Financial Crisis:
2020 Lockdown:

8 months 29 months 4 months

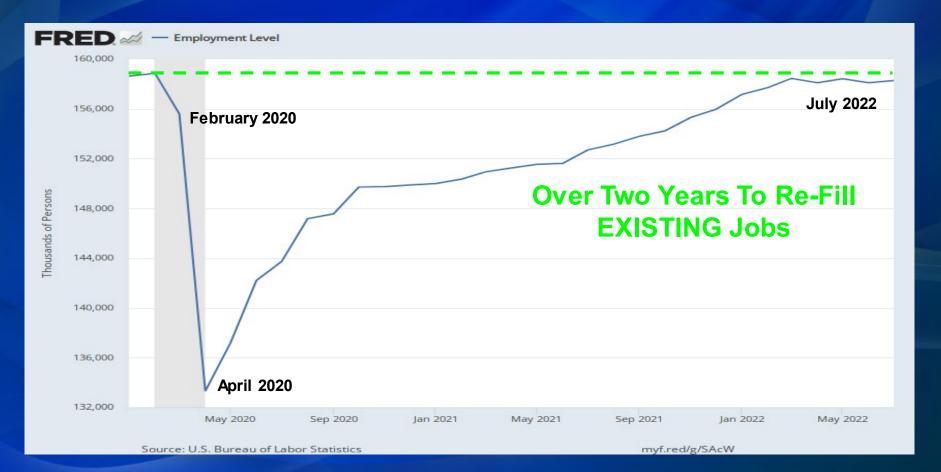
This was NOT a "Recession" "A Temporary Suspension of Business Activity" -- A Lockout

Why?



Economic Outlook Total US Employment 2020 – 2022

Peak to Trough to Now



Economic Outlook US Inflation *July 13 Report*

- 12 Months through June 2022:
- Gasoline:
- Utility Gas (NG):
- Fuel Oil:
- Food at Home:
- Meat, Poultry, Fish, Eggs:
- Used Cars:

9.14

59.9%

38.7%

98.5%

12.2%

11.7%

7.1%

INFLATION IS HERE!

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Cause Policy Policy Policy

Commodities

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Supply Chain Improving!!

US Economic Outlook US Inflation

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Construction Costs

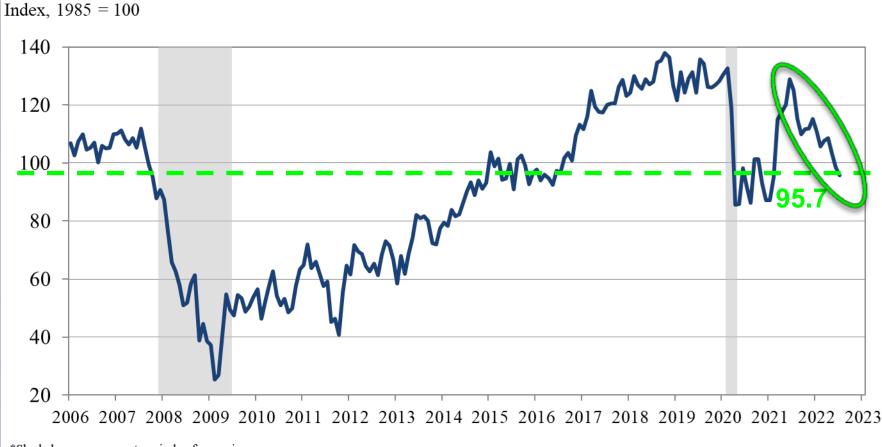
Inputs to Construction Industries -- Up 19% 5/21 to 5/22

Price Changes April 2020 to May 2022

Steel Mill Products	128%	
Copper & Brass	71%	
Aluminum	61%	
Lumber / Plywood	90% (drop from earlier!)	

Economic Outlook US Consumer Confidence 2006 – July 26 2022

Consumer Confidence Index®



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Present Situation and Expectations Index



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Economic Outlook AZ Employment				
February 2020 – June 2022 2/20 6/22				
• Total Employment:	2,996	3,063		
• Manufacturing:	180	190		
• Construction:	176	182		
• Leisure & Hospitality	341	418		
Government:	427	416		

Economic Outlook What should AZ Employment Be? June 2022 Adjusted Based on Average Monthly Growth Rate in 2019

	6/22 <u>Adjusted</u>	6/22 Actual
otal Employment:	3,189	3,063

Still 100,000 plus Short



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Econom "Where a		
Blue Chip Ed	conomic	Forecast
4	Arizona	
	2022	2023
Personal Income(current)	4.1%	5.6%
Retail Sales	6.6%	5.1%
• Wage & Salary Employ.	3.3%	3.3%
• Population Growth	1.6%	1.5%
• Single Family Permits	5.2%	0.9%

The **Bad** News

- Extreme (Excessive) Federal Stimulus is Wearing Off
- Inflation is Here to Stay
 - Much is (Bad) Policy Driven Excess Regulation + Spending
- Federal Reserve was Wayyyyy Behind the Curve
 - Catching Up, But Expect Continuing Rate Hikes!
- Probability of a Recession Rising
- STOP SPENDING FEDERAL MONEY!!!



The **Bad** News – US Stock Market



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The Good News

- Extremely Strong Coming into Pandemic
- Job Creation Continues (bubble layoffs)
 - July Report Added 528,000 jobs (over double expected); 629,000 Private
- Moving Toward Federal Gridlock YEA!!!
- Fed Chair Powell Seems Determined



The Less Bad News

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Takeaways

- Inflation Creates Uncertainty
- Calendar 2022 should remain Strong
- Calendar 2023 will Weaken
- Europe and Asia Drag on US Economy
- US Economy Drag on Arizona
- But, Continuing Demand But Slowing



The Good News – We are in Arizona

- Continuing Job Creation
- Generally Constructive Policy Environment
- More Challenges than Historically Risk!!
- Growth Brings Opportunity for Improvement
- Right to Work State
- AND, We are NOT California!



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