Fiscal Research Center

The Shape of Georgia's Economic Recovery from the COVID Recession

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About the Fiscal Research Center (FRC)

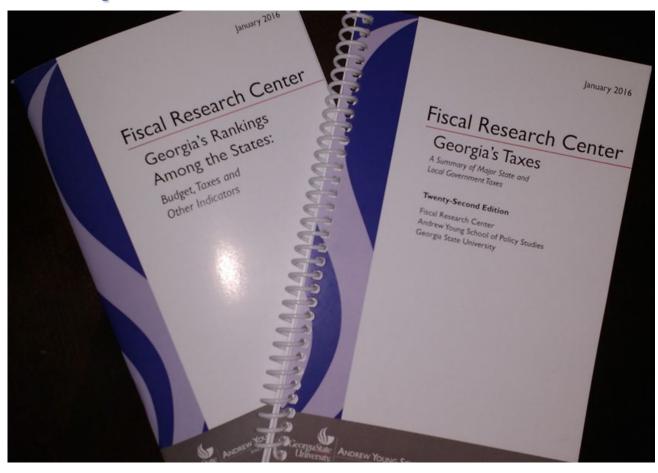
Non-partisan academic think tank that leverages the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies' public finance expertise to assist Georgia's state and local policy-makers on questions of tax and economic policy.

- Technical assistance to state government:
 - "Fiscal notes"
 - Georgia Tax Expenditure Report http://opb.georgia.gov/tax-expenditure-reports
 - Tax Incentive Evaluations
 - Study committee support and other
- Technical assistance to local governments:
 - Incorporation studies
 - Revenue analysis and forecasting
- Technical assistance projects outside Georgia
- Academic research





Annual publications

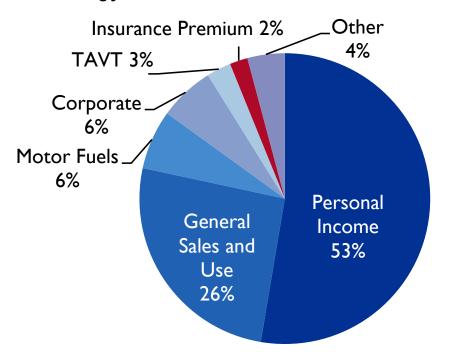




Annual publications: Georgia's Taxes

State General Fund Tax Collections

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021





Annual publications: Georgia's Taxes

For each state and local tax:

- Tax Base and Rate Structure
- Major Exemptions and Special Provisions (if any)
- Administrative Responsibilities and Payment Dates
- History of Major Changes
- Revenue Production (5 years)
- Comparisons with Other States
- Georgia Code References



Annual publications: Georgia's Rankings Among the States

Per Capita State & Local Taxes, FY 2019

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25	New Hampshire	5,191
26	Alaska	5,115
27	New Mexico	5,073
28	Nevada	4,850
29	Utah	4,841

17	Colorado	5,617
18	Wyoming	5,564
19	Nebraska	5,563
•	50-State Average	5,418
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41	Kentucky	4,203
42	Georgia	4,125
43	Arizona	4,099
44	Missouri	4,079
45	Florida	3,987



Fiscal Notes

- Analysis of impact of proposed legislation on the state budget.
- Responsibility of the Office of Planning and Budget (OPB) and the State Auditor (Audits).
- For revenue related fiscal notes, the state contracts with the FRC for the analysis and estimates necessary.
- The FRC has been preparing such revenue fiscal notes since 2005.

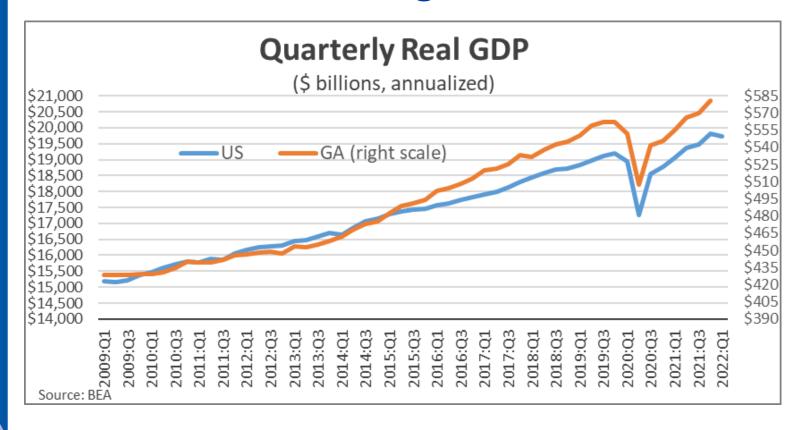
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Overview:

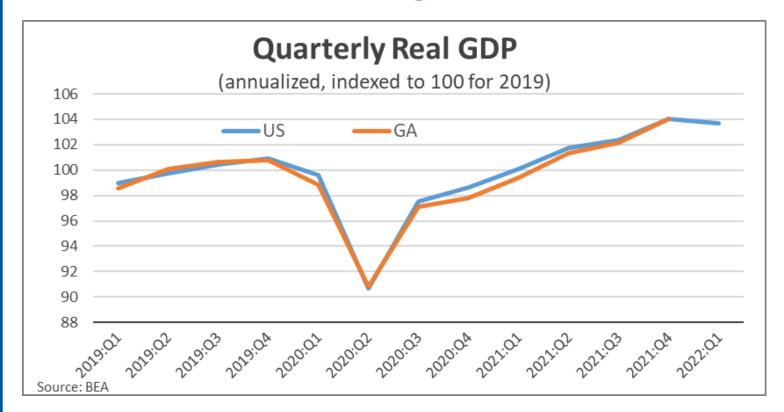
- How has the COVID-19 pandemic impacted Georgia's economy and state revenues, and how is the recovery going?
 - What has been the economic impact?
 - Real GDP
 - Employment
 - Income
 - Consumer spending
 - How has the pandemic impacted state revenues?
 - Sales taxes
 - Income taxes
 - What's the outlook?



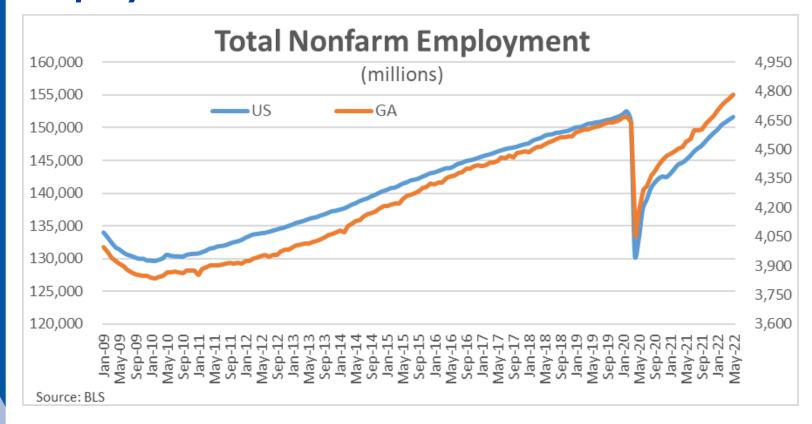
Real GDP: US and Georgia



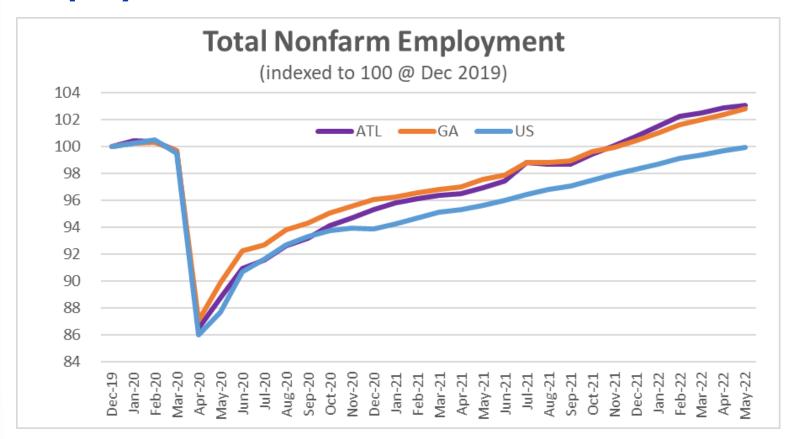
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Employment

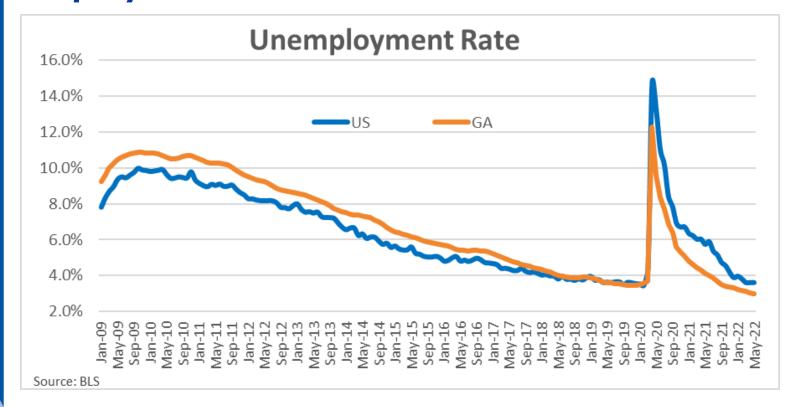


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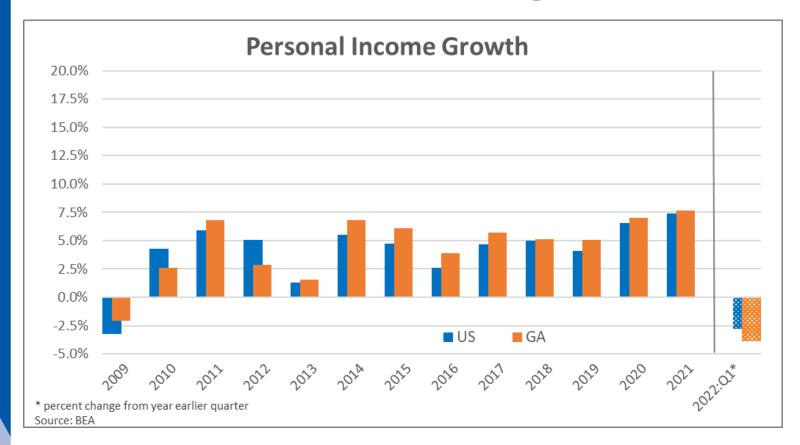




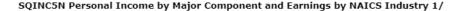
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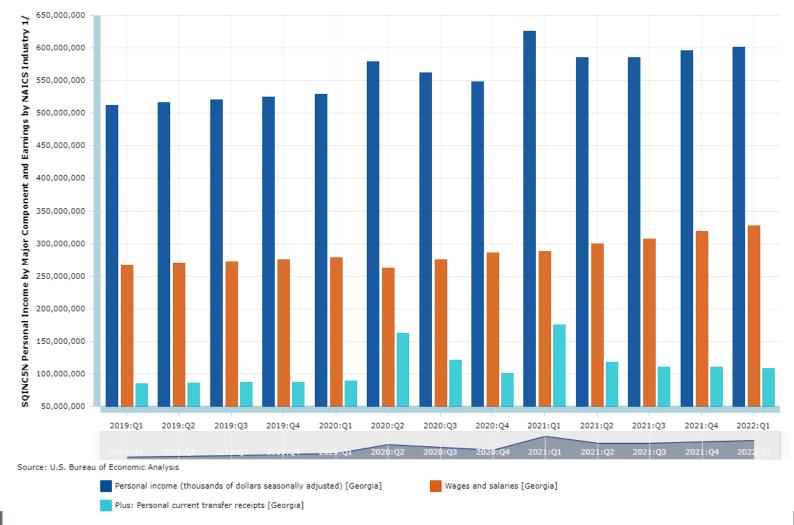


Personal Income: US and Georgia



Personal Income: Select Sources, Georgia

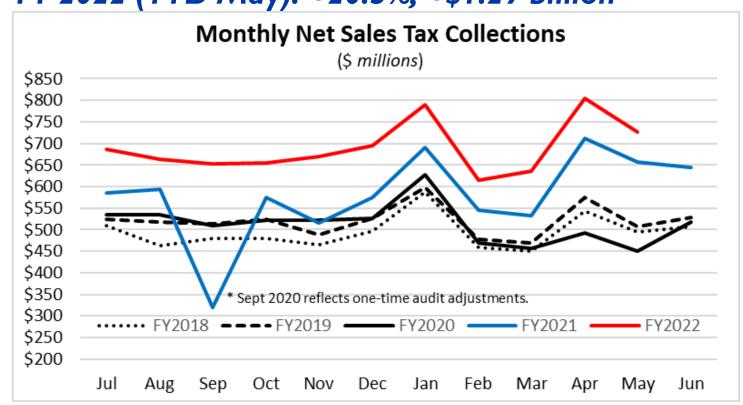






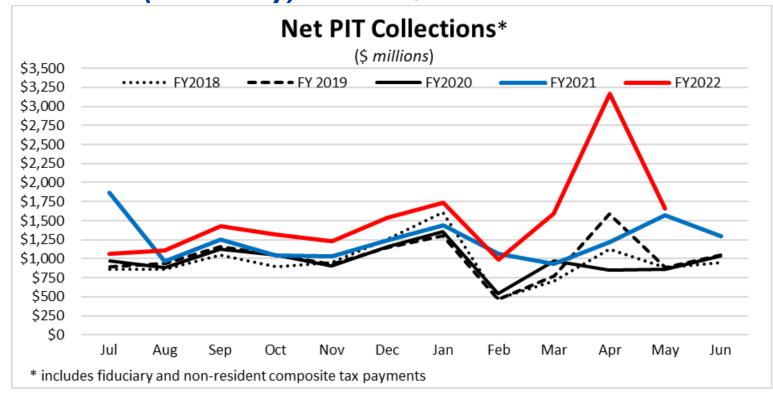
State Sales Tax Collections

- Fiscal Year 2020: -1.4%, -\$89 million
- FY 2021: +12.7%, +\$785 million
- FY 2022 (YTD May): +20.5%, +\$1.29 billion



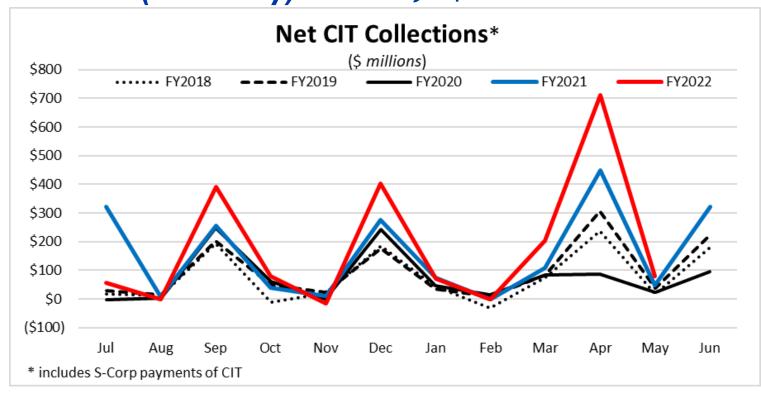
Personal Income Tax Collections

- FY 2020 (adj): +1.9%, +\$231 million
- FY 2021 (adj): +14.6%, +\$1.81 billion
- FY 2022 (YTD May): +30.1%, +\$3.89 billion



Corporate Income Tax Collections

- FY 2020 (adj): -3.0%, -\$38 million
- FY 2021 (adj): +42.0%, +\$518 million
- FY 2022 (YTD May): +42.5%, +\$605 million



Other observations:

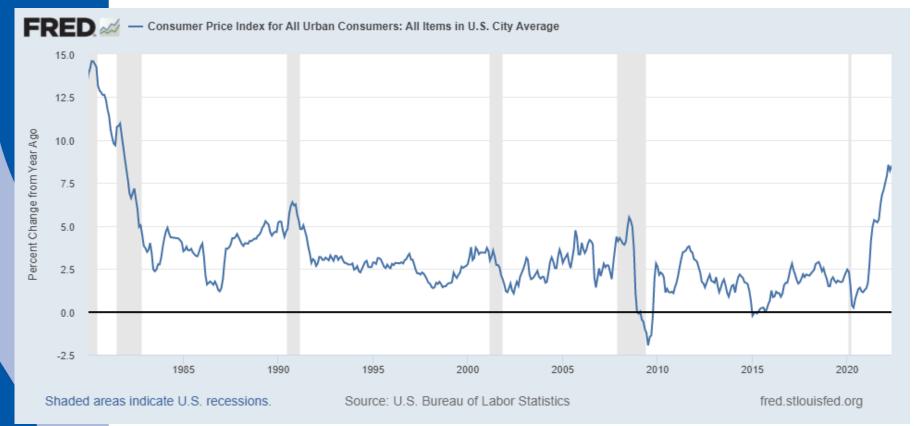
- Motor vehicles TAVT revenues
 - FY 2020: -23.5%, -\$203 million
 - FY 2021: +10.7%, +\$71 million
 - FY 2022 YTD: +9.8%, +\$65 million
 - Pent-up demand, restrained by supply issues
- Total tax collections
 - FY 2020: -0.4%, -\$92 million
 - FY 2021: +13.6%, +\$3.16 billion
 - FY 2022 YTD: +24.0%, +\$5.73 billion

Outlook for FY 2023: cautious

- PIT revenues have benefitted from financial markets ... last year
- Supply problems remain
- Labor shortage, but layoffs starting

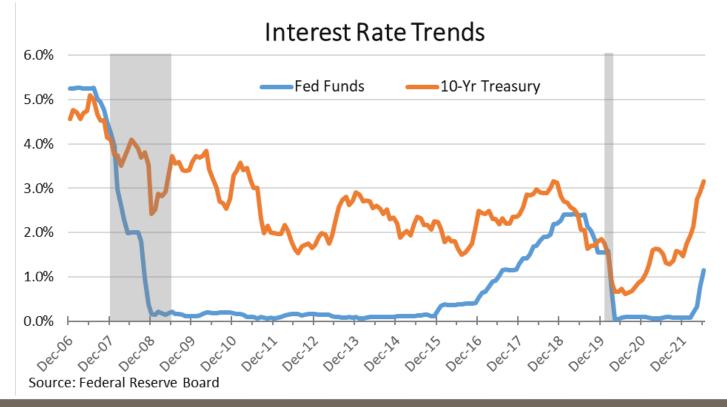
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Inflation setting 40-year records



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■ Fed rate hikes of ¼ pt in March, ½ pt in May, ¾ pt in June and more coming





Questions?

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