

Economic Outlook for the State of Mississippi

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Model

Regional Economic Models, Inc. (REMI) was founded in 1980 on a transformative idea: government decision-makers should test the economic effects of their policies before they're implemented. We are the nation's leader in dynamic local, state and national policy modeling. Our clients use REMI models to perform rigorous economic analysis that critically influences local, state and national policies.

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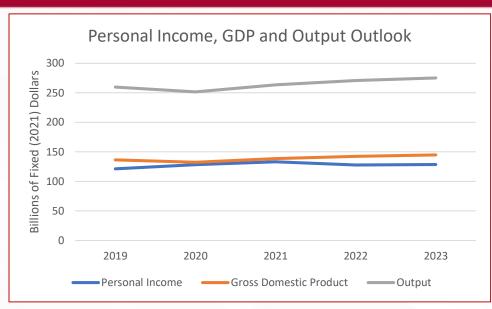
Mississippi State Economy

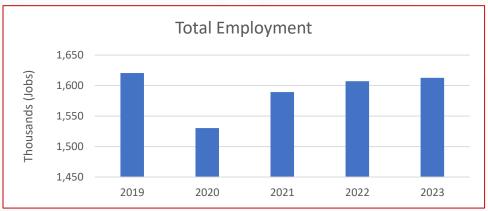
- Cotton was king, but as the agriculture sector declined over the late 20th century, the crop dwindled. Today, catfish, livestock, sweet potatoes, soybeans, & broiler chickens are all produced at the same rate as cotton.
- Mississippi's lumber & wood products industries are integral to the entire nation.
- The state also manufactures furniture, car parts, and processed seafood products.
- Drilling petroleum & natural gas is commonplace.
- Welfare & public medicine provide much-needed aid to the state's poorest (& have for over a century)





- Years 2019-2023
- Growth 2020-2021
 - Personal income: 4.0%
 - GDP: 4.7%
 - Output: 4.8%
 - Employment: 59 thousand jobs
- Uncertainty







Data Sources

- Baseline (Standard National Control)
 - BLS Forecast Data
- Economic Forecast Update March 2021
 - 2019-2020 historical data from BEA
 - The U.S. Economic Outlook for 2020-2022 from the University of Michigan's Research Seminar in Quantitative Economics (RSQE)
 - An update to the Economics Outlook from CBO
 - Includes \$1.6 trillion stimulus, additional vaccination, and additional consumer spending¹

REMI Regional Growth Matrix: Economic & Demographic Factors



Economic Factors

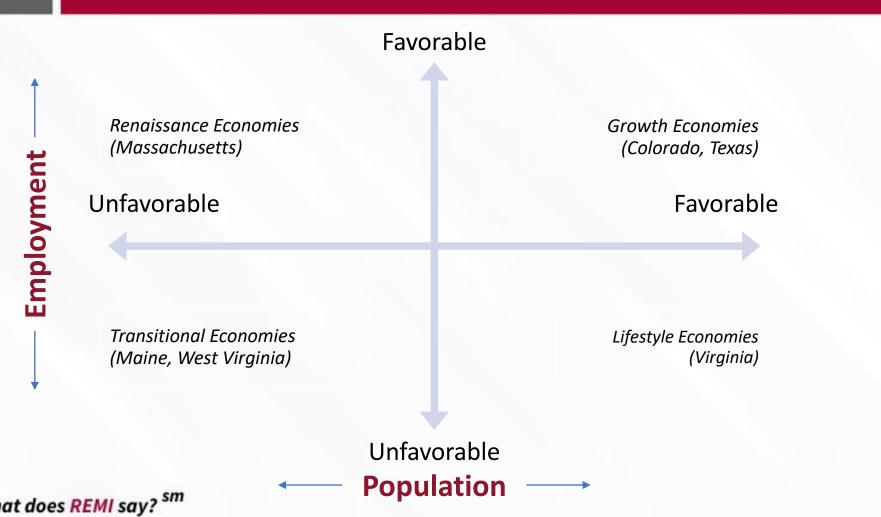
	Industry Growth	Industry Clusters	Pay	Productivity	Business Cost
Favorable	Growing	Strong	High-paid industries	High	Low
Unfavorable	Declining	Weak	Low-paid industries	Low	High

Demographic Factors

	Population Age	Retirees	Immigration	Amenities	Housing Cost
Favorable	Younger	Gains retirees	Immigration gateway	High	Low
Unfavorable	Older	Loses retirees	Low internat'l immigration	Low	High



Regional Growth Matrix

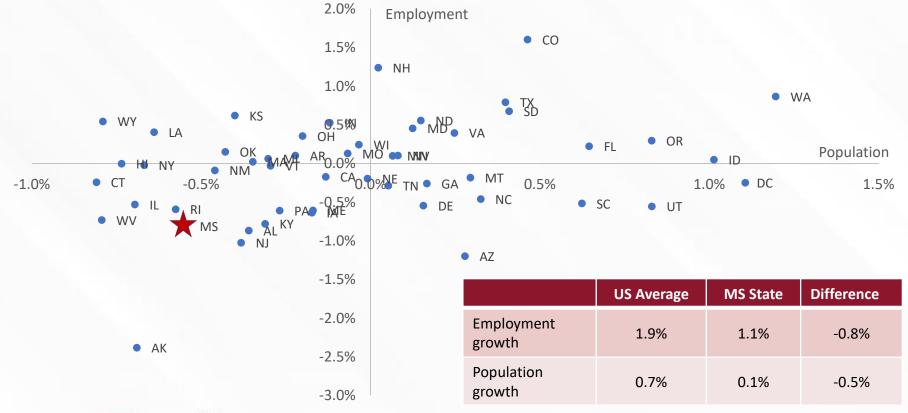


what does REMI say?



Growth Matrix

Difference in Growth from US Average (2021-2022)



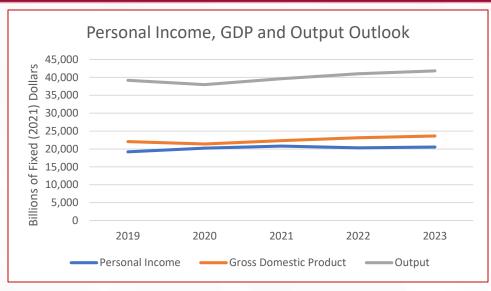


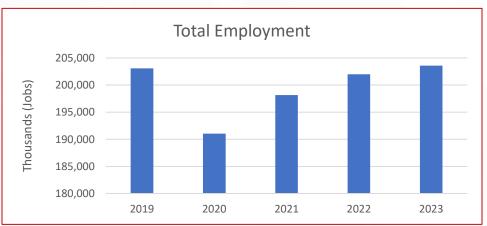
National Outlook



Short-Term Outlook: the U.S.

- Years 2019-2023
- Growth 2020-2021
 - Personal income: 2.9%
 - GDP: 4.4%
 - Output: 4.4%
 - Employment: +7 million jobs

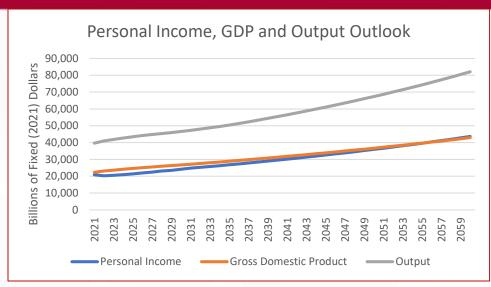


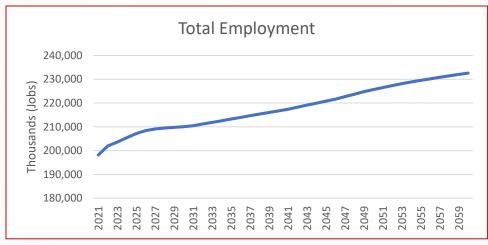




Long-Term Outlook: The U.S.

- Years 2021-2060
- Average growth / year
 - Personal income: 1.9%
 - GDP: 1.8%
 - Output: 1.9%
 - Total employment:
 +1,038 thousand jobs





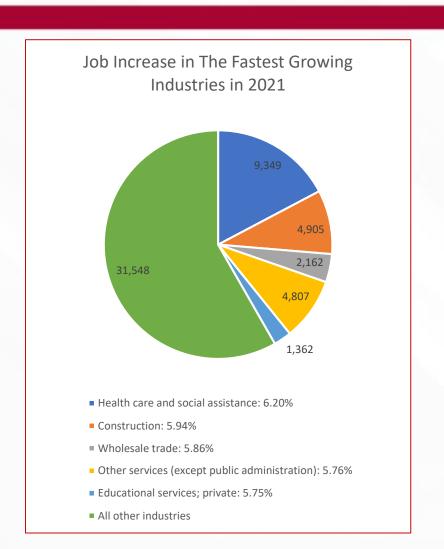


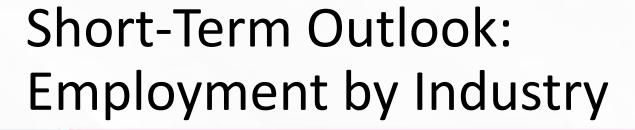
Regional Outlook: Mississippi

Short-Term Outlook: Employment by Industry



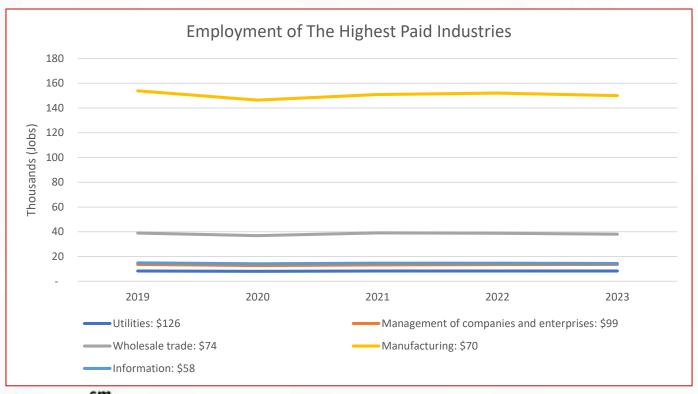
- Industries with largest employment growth rates in 2021
- 2020 2021: 22,585
 jobs increasing in the
 top 5 fast growing
 industries







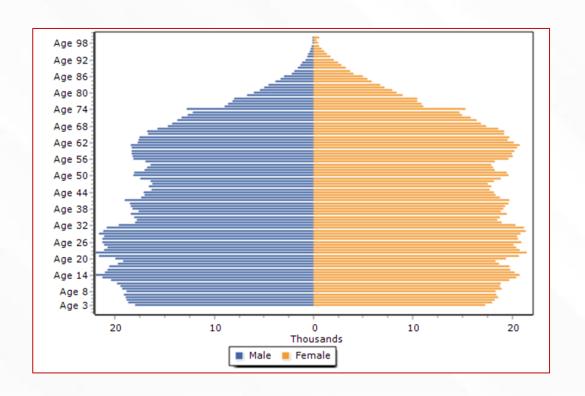
 Industries with highest average annual compensation rates in 2021





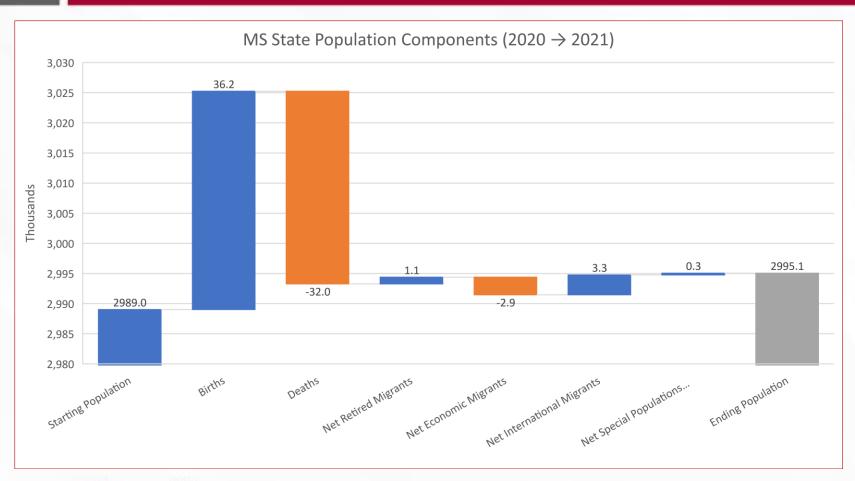


- Year 2021
- Near stationary



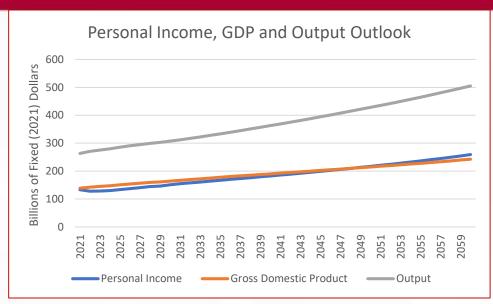


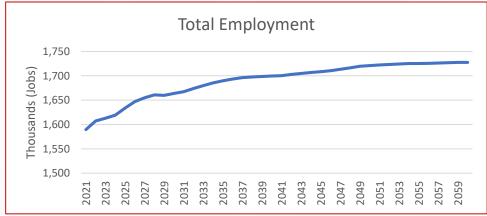




Long-Term Outlook: Mississippi REMI

- Years 2021-2060
- Average growth / year
 - Personal income: 1.8%
 - GDP: 1.5%
 - Output: 1.8%
 - Total employment: 5 thousand jobs

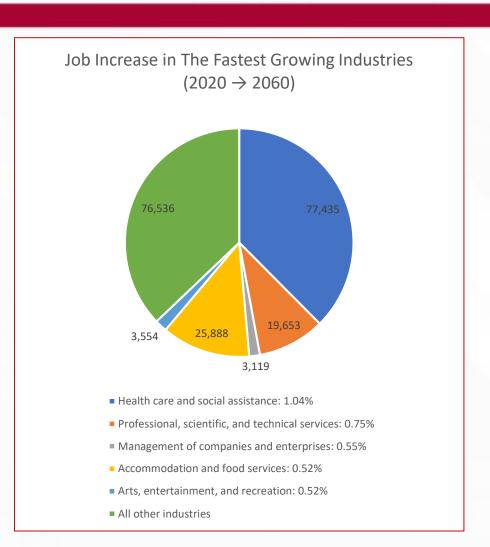


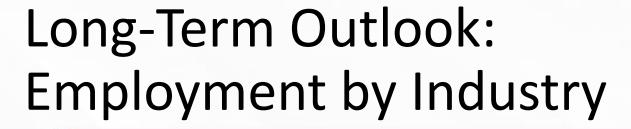






- Industries with fastest employment increasing
- 2020 2060: 129,649 jobs increasing in the top 5 fast growing industries







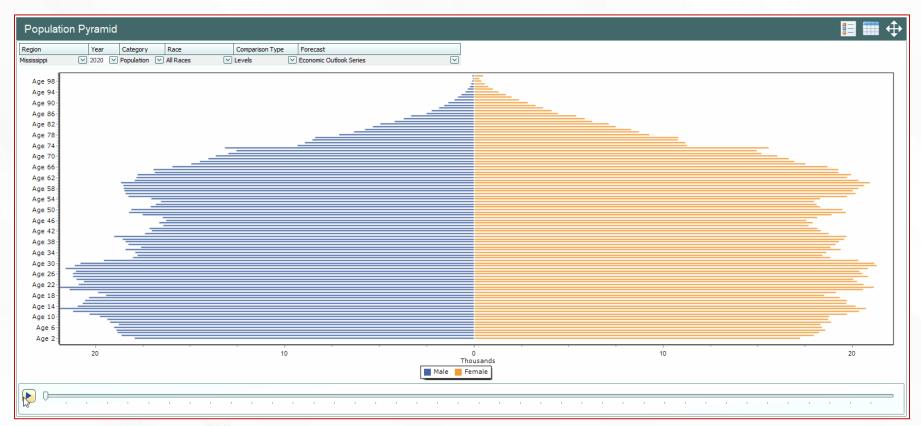
Employment of industries with highest average annual compensation rates in 2060







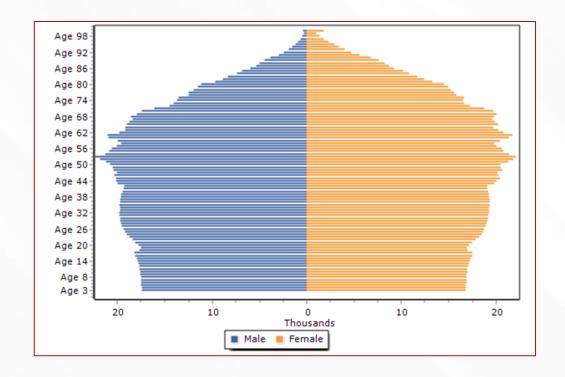
Year 2060





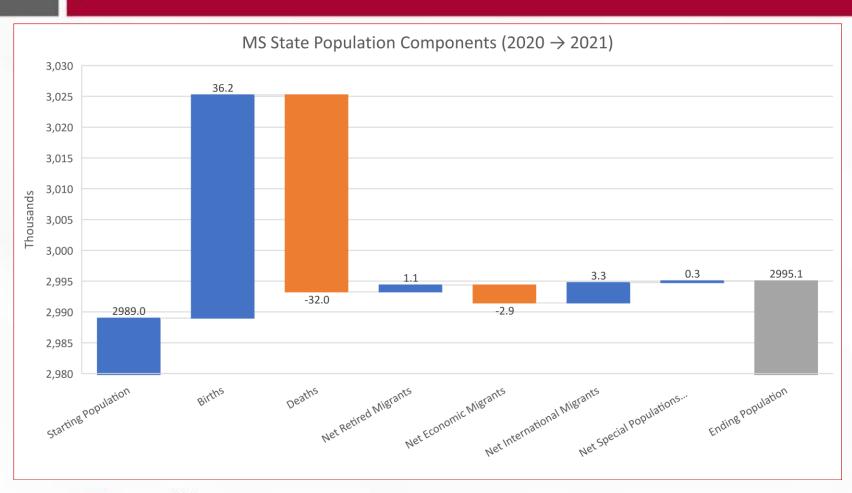


- Year 2060
- Constrictive





Population Components





Model Demonstration



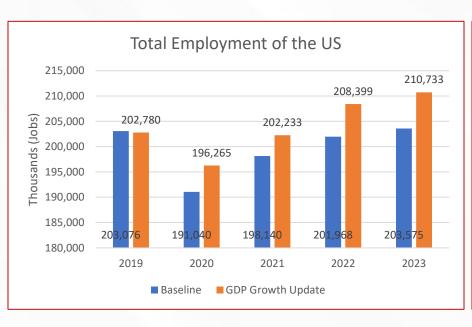
The Scenario

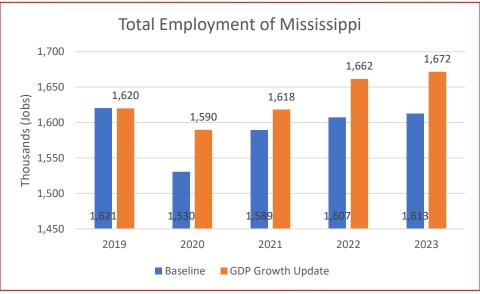
- Optimistic Outlook
 - Baseline Total employment slowly comes back accompanied by steady growth
 - Uncertainty
 - large pent-up consumer demand
 - supports of vaccine
 - stimulus checks
- Macroeconomic update
 - Increase GDP growth rate by 2%
- Total Employment
 - The US vs Mississippi



Optimistic Outlook

Year 2019-2023







Conclusion

- Economic forecasts can be difficult
 - The outbreak of COVID-19
 - The election of a new president
 - General uncertainty about the economy
- REMI can help
 - Forecasts: Macro modeling used to clarify, calculate, and communicate
 - Simulations: What-if scenarios
 - Dynamic results



Q&A

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