

# BUDGET AND ECONOMIC FORECAST

#### November 2020

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### Forecast Significantly Improved; COVID-19 Impacts Remain

- Current year projected deficit eliminated; \$641 million surplus now projected.
- This forecast adds back about half of the current biennium revenue taken out in the May projection.
- Improved budget outlook continues into the next biennium, but a \$1.3 billion shortfall remains for FY 2022-23.
- Pandemic economic downturn has affected all Minnesotans, but unemployment has disproportionately impacted lowerwage workers.

### **Current Biennium Significantly Improved**

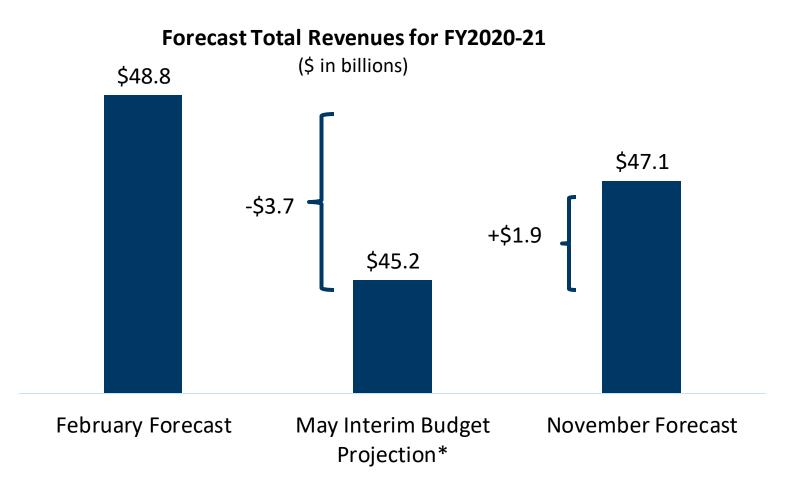
(\$ in millions)	FY 2020-21 End of October Special Session	FY 2020-21 Nov. Forecast	Forecast Change
Beginning Balance	\$3,971	\$3,971	\$ -
Revenues	45,189	47,100	1,912
Spending	48,680	47,623	(1,058)
Budget Reserve	2,377	2,377	-
Cash Flow Account	350	350	-
Stadium Reserve	66	81	15
<b>Budgetary Balance</b>	\$(2,314)	\$641	\$2,95 <b>5</b>

### Shortfall in Next Biennium Remains in Forecast

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(\$ in millions)	FY 2020-21	FY 2022-23	\$ Change
Beginning Balance	\$3,971	\$3,449	
Revenues	47,100	49,494	
Spending	47,623	51,110	
Budget Reserve	2,377	1,866	(491)
Cash Flow Account	350	350	-
Stadium Reserve	81	230	149
Budgetary Balance	\$641	\$(633)	
Shortfall (Excluding FY 2020-21)		\$(1,273)	4

#### Economic Volatility Drives Revenue Forecast Changes



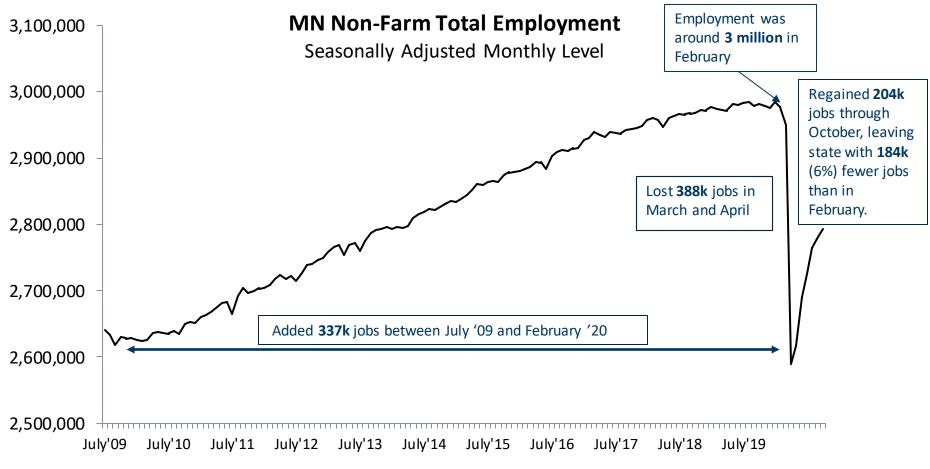
## **U.S. Outlook Improved Since April**

**U.S. Real Gross Domestic Product** 



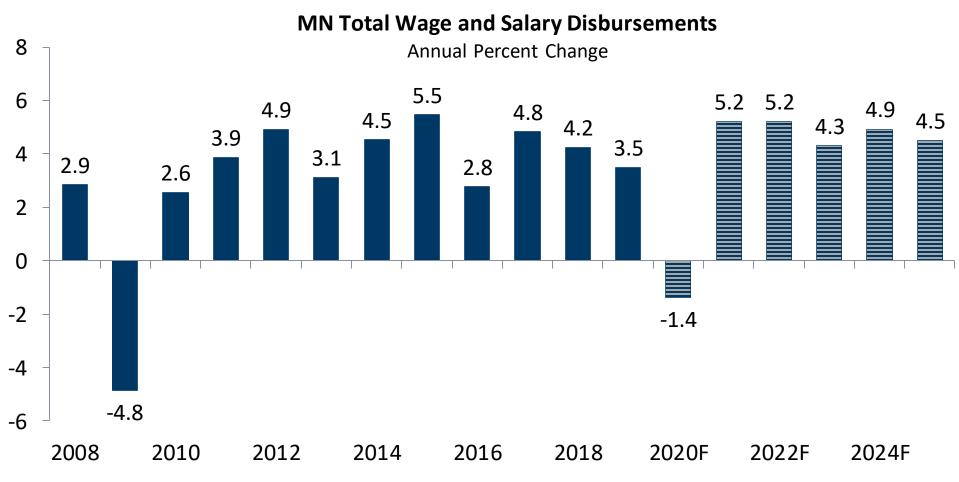
Annual Percent Change

#### **State Employment Lower than February**



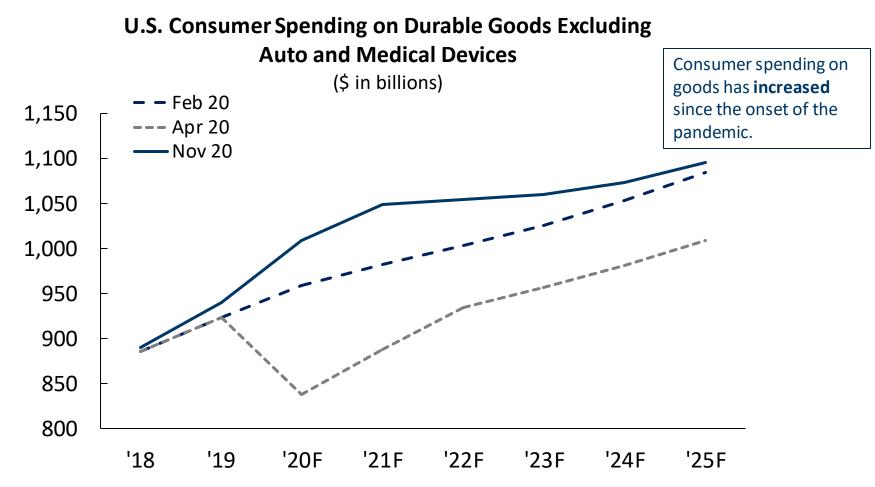
Source: MN Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED), Current Employment Statistics (CES)

#### Minnesota Total Wage and Salary Income Expected to Decline this Year



Source: MN Management and Budget (MMB), U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA)

#### Consumers Spending More than Expected on Taxable Goods



#### Revenue Forecast Improved from May Projection in FY 2020-21 and FY 2022-23

(\$ in millions)	FY 2020-21		FY 2022-23	
	Nov. 2020 Forecast	Forecast Change	Nov. 2020 Forecast	Forecast Change
Individual Income Tax	\$24,764	\$500	\$26,571	\$1,466
General Sales Tax	11,501	808	12,477	1,079
Corporate Franchise Tax	3,074	390	2,945	82
All Other Revenue	7,761	214	7,501	344
Total Revenues	\$47,100	\$1,912	\$49,494	\$2,970

#### **Pandemic Adds to Forecast Risks**

#### COVID-19

- Path of pandemic
- Timing of vaccine
- Pace of lifting restriction

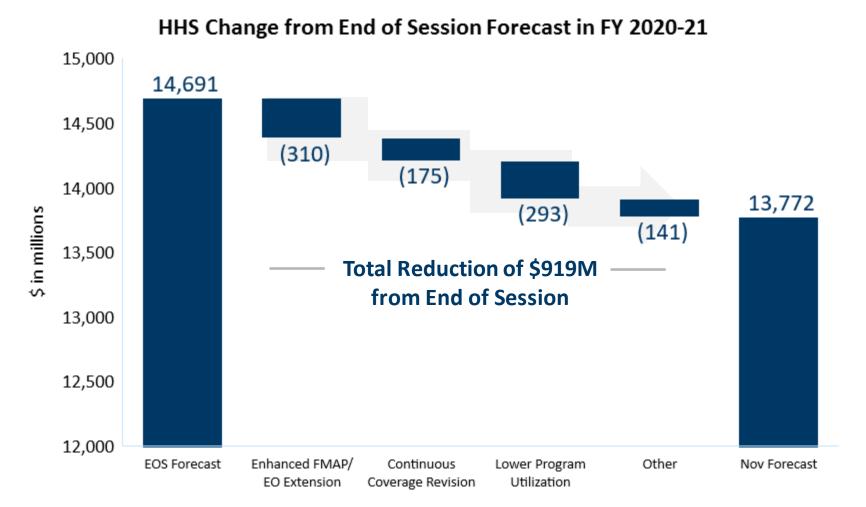
#### **Economic Uncertainty**

- Consumer & business confidence
- Business survival
- Federal fiscal policy
- 30 months until end of FY22-23

#### **Spending Forecast Reduced**

(\$ in millions)	FY 2020-21		FY 2022-23	
_	Nov. 2020 Forecast	Forecast Change	Nov. 2020 Forecast	Forecast Change
E-12 Education	\$19,881	\$(118)	\$20,591	\$(154)
Health and Human Services	13,772	(919)	16,507	(250)
All Other	13,970	(21)	14,012	(6)
Total Spending	\$47,623	\$(1,058)	\$51,110	\$(409)

## Health and Human Services Spending Significantly Reduced



#### Long Term Budget Outlook

(\$ in millions)	FY 2022-23	FY 2024-25	Biennial Growth	Annualized % Growth
Forecast Revenues	\$49,494	\$53,085	\$3,591	3.6%
Projected Spending	51,110	53,637	2,527	2.4%
Structural Balance	\$(1,616)	\$(552)		

Estimated Inflation

\$1,303

\$2,915



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