## **WORKING DRAFT**

## COVID-19 ECONOMIC IMPACT AND RECOVERY



**Downtown Charlottesville** 

June 2020

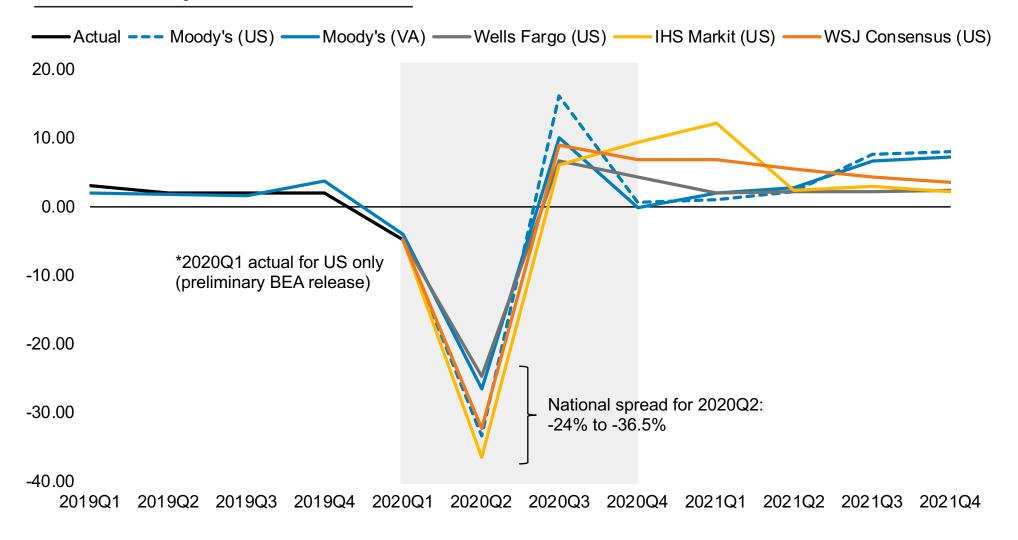
## MANY STATE AGENCIES HAVE CONTRIBUTED INSIGHTS AND/OR DATA THAT HAVE INFORMED THIS IMPACT ANALYSIS\*

- VEC
- DHCD
- VDACS
- Virginia Department of Forestry
- Virginia Marine Products Board
- SBSD/VSBFA
- SCHEV
- VCCS
- TAX
- VDOT
- VHDA
- VTC

### UNPRECEDENTED ECONOMIC SHOCK: FORECASTERS PREDICT SHARP DOWNTURN IN 2020 (ESPECIALLY CURRENT QUARTER)

#### **Quarterly real GDP growth**

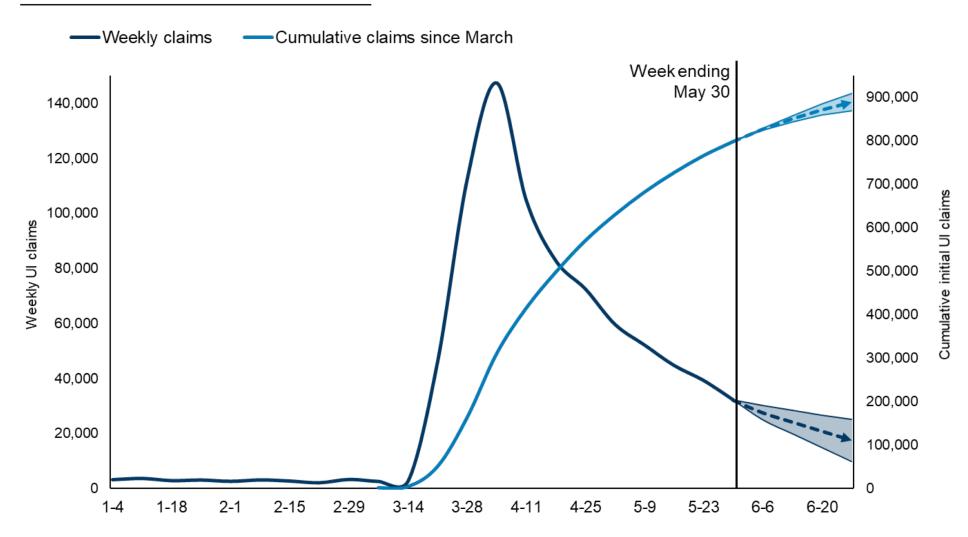
Annualized % change, billions of chained 2012 \$



#### ALMOST 800,000 VIRGINIANS HAVE FILED INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS SINCE THE BEGINNING OF MARCH

#### Weekly UI initial claims<sup>1</sup> in Virginia

YTD weekly claims (through May, 30 2020), NSA



₁For Virginia UI numbers, Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) claims are included in total claims reported Source: Virginia Employment Commission; VEDP analysis

# CLAIMS BY INDUSTRY: THREE INDUSTRIES ACCOUNT FOR THE MAJORITY OF INITIAL UI CLAIMS TIED TO SPECIFIC INDUSTRIES

<b>UI initial claims<sup>1</sup> by industry</b> March 4 to May 30, 2020, NSA		Percent of total
Accommodation and food services	148,115	19%
Retail trade	96,403	12%
Health care and social assistance	86,284	11%
Administrative and waste services	58,506	7%
Other services	43,482	5%
Manufacturing	41,361	5%
Professional and technical services	28,878	4%
Educational services	24,644	3%
Transportation and warehousing	21,601	3%
Construction	21,164	3%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	20,828	3%
Wholesale trade	12,010	2%
Real estate and rental and leasing	8,415	1%
Information	7,511	1%
Public administration	6,477	1%
Finance and insurance	6,471	1%
Management of companies	3,146	<1%
Mining	1,105	<1%
Ag, forestry, fishing and hunting	968	<1%
Utilities	164	<1%
Unknown	158,242	20%

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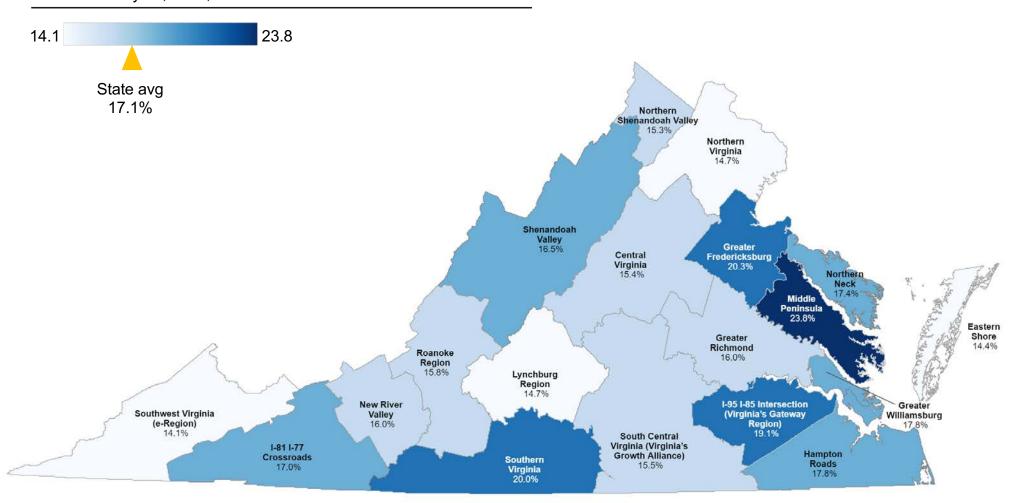
## CLAIMS BY OCCUPATION: UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS HAVE BEEN CONCENTRATED IN A HALF DOZEN OCCUPATIONS

<b>UI initial claims<sup>1</sup> by occupation</b> March 4 to May 30, 2020, NSA		<b>Med. wages</b> 2019, \$
Food Prep & Serving	91,333	22,290
Office & Admin Support	76,358	37,650
Sales & Related	67,581	28,190
Personal Care & Service	62,185	25,040
Management	53,170	126,180
Transport & Material Moving	51,372	31,500
Production	33,803	35,720
Healthcare Pract. & Technical	29,180	66,200
Healthcare Support	28,680	27,490
Installation, Maint, & Repair	24,400	51,400
Construction and Extraction	23,429	43,600
Arts, Design, Ent, Sports, & Media	22,319	55,640
Ed Instruction & Library	21,423	48,650
Building & Grounds Cleaning and Maint	19,742	26,470
Business & Financial Operations	16,210	78,780
Computer & Mathematical	13,187	99,170
Community & Social Service	7,701	47,040
Protective Service	7,505	42,750
Architecture & Engineering	<b>6</b> ,377	85,550
Life, Physical, & Social Science	4,331	75,820
Legal	2,822	89,260
Farming, Fishing, & Forestry	■ 1,452	32,610
Unknown	110,5	20 N/A

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#### INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS HAVE VARIED SIGNIFICANTLY ACROSS VIRGINIA REGIONS

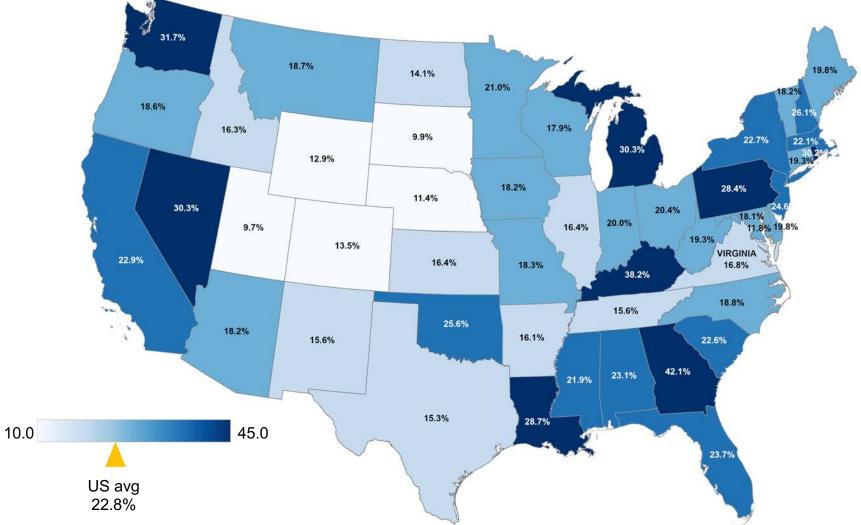
#### **UI initial claims and baseline unemployment as % of baseline jobs** March 4 to May 30, 2020, NSA



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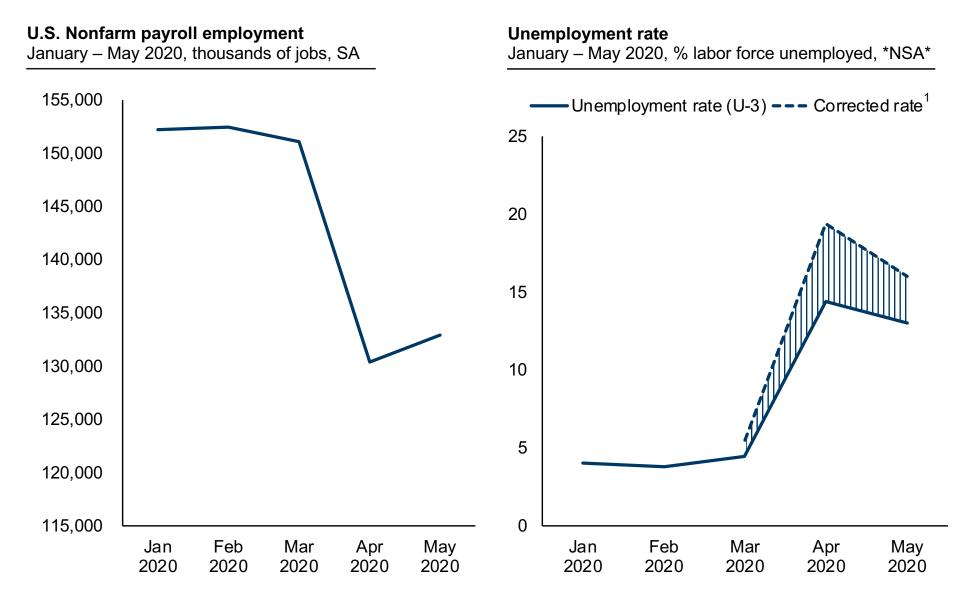
## TO DATE, EMPLOYMENT IN VIRGINIA HAS NOT BEEN HIT AS HARD BY COVID-19 AS MOST OTHER STATES

**UI initial claims<sup>1</sup> and baseline unemployment as % of baseline jobs** March 4 to May 30, 2020, NSA, baseline = January 2020



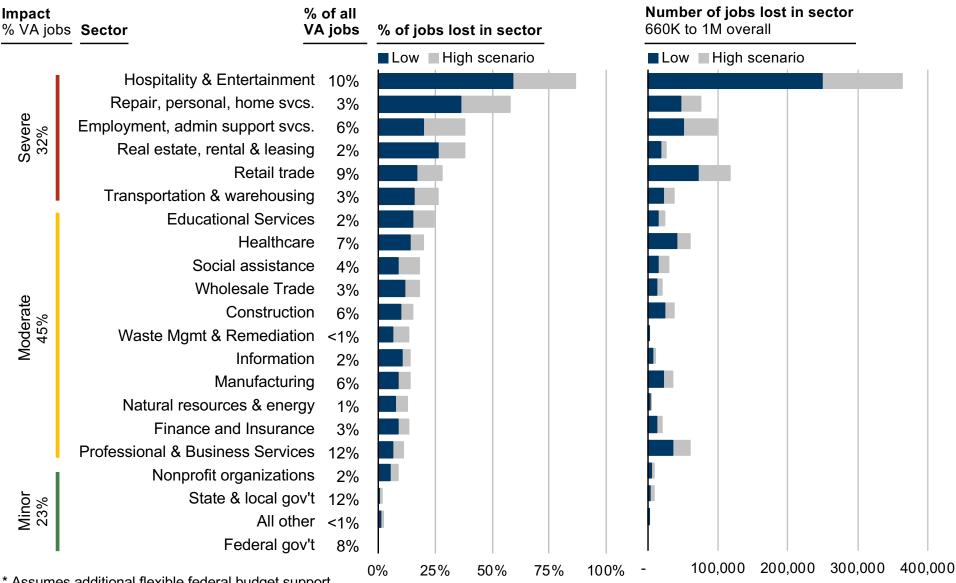
Does not include Pandemic Unemployment Assistance claims due to inconsistent reporting standards Source: U.S. Department of Labor; BLS Current Population Survey; Emsi 2020.1; VEDP analysis

## THE MAY JOBS REPORT SURPRISED MOST FORECASTERS, WITH AN ALMOST 2.5M GAIN IN JOBS AND DROP IN UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



<sup>1</sup> Correction of misclassification error for some respondents absent from work due to 'other reasons' Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics, Current Population Survey, May 2020

### AT OUTSET OF CRISIS, VEDP ESTIMATED ROUGHLY 660K-1M JOBS IN VA COULD BE LOST DUE TO DIRECT, INDIRECT, & INDUCED IMPACT



\* Assumes additional flexible federal budget support

Source: Emsi 2020.1; VEC UI claims; information from Data Compilation workgroup of Virginia Economic Strike Force; interviews with Virginia businesses and stakeholders; review of national economic forecasts, research, and press; VEDP analysis

### SEVERELY IMPACTED INDUSTRIES REPRESENT OVER TWO-THIRDS OF TOTAL FORECASTED EMPLOYMENT LOSSES

#### Estimated employment loss by industry

Range of estimated job losses in thousands, area based on average of high & low scenarios

Severe Moderate Minor

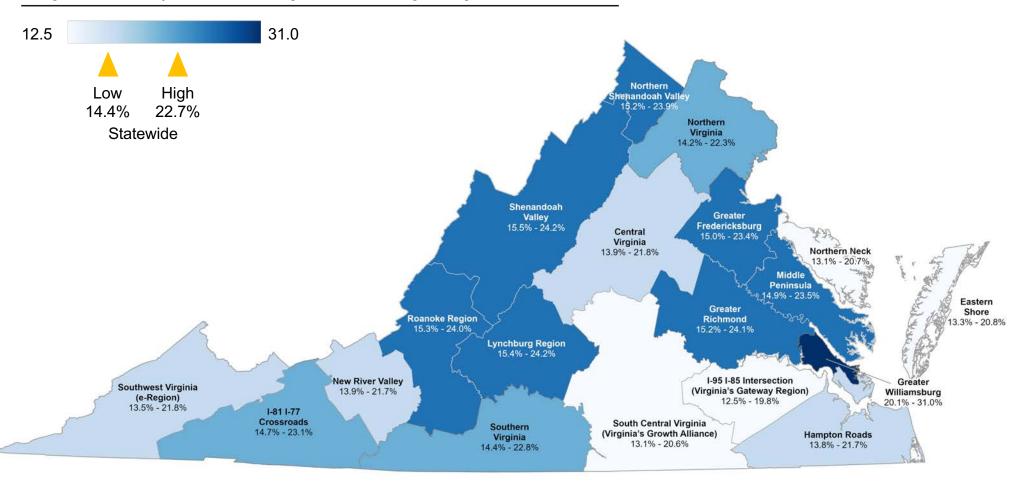
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	Retail trade 70 – 117	Employment, admin support svcs. 51 – 98	Construction	Social a		
		Trans. & ware- housing 22 – 37	24 – 37		Wholesale Trade 13 – 20	
Hospitality & entertainment 250 – 364	Repair, personal, home svcs. 47 – 75	Real estate, rental & leasing 18 – 26	Manufactu- ring 21 – 34 State & local g	Fin. & insur. 13 – 20 ov Noi	Info mai nprofi	tion

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## POTENTIAL JOB LOSSES VARY BY REGION, LARGELY DUE TO DIFFERENCES IN INDUSTRY MIX (E.G., % OF JOBS IN HOSPITALITY)

#### Estimated jobs lost/furloughed as % of baseline jobs

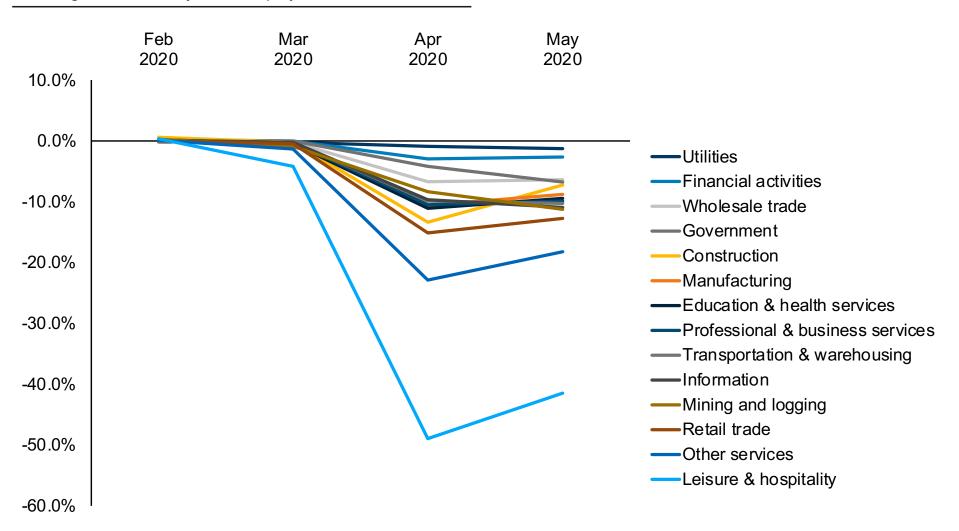
Range of estimated job losses, shading based on average of high and low scenarios



## EVEN AFTER GAINS IN MAY, EMPLOYMENT IN ALL SUPERSECTORS REMAINS BELOW JANUARY 2020 EMPLOYMENT LEVELS

Employment change from January 2020 by supersector

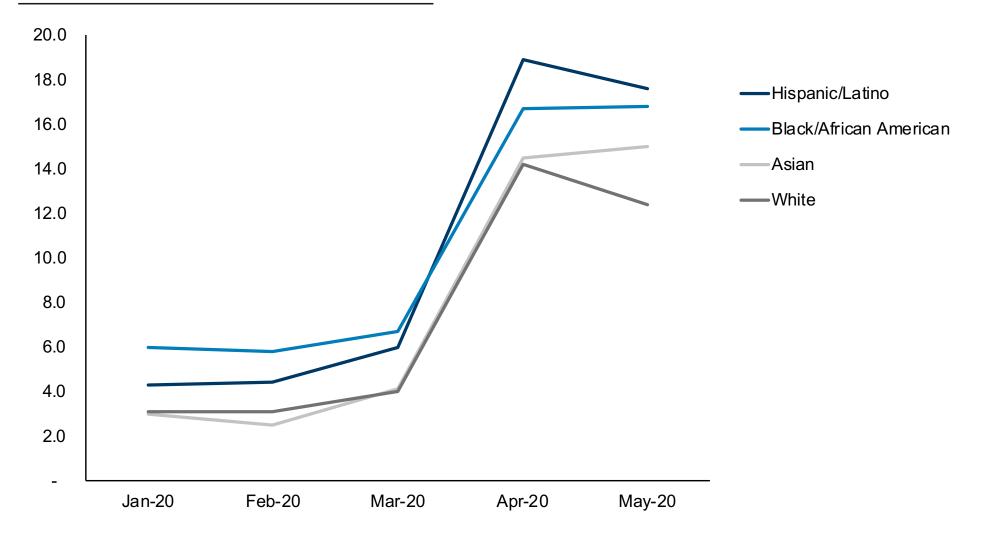
% change from January 2020 employment, SA



### DESPITE OVERALL POSITIVE TRENDS, UNEMPLOYMENT RATES ARE NOT FALLING FOR ALL GROUPS OF WORKERS...

Unemployment rate by race / ethnicity

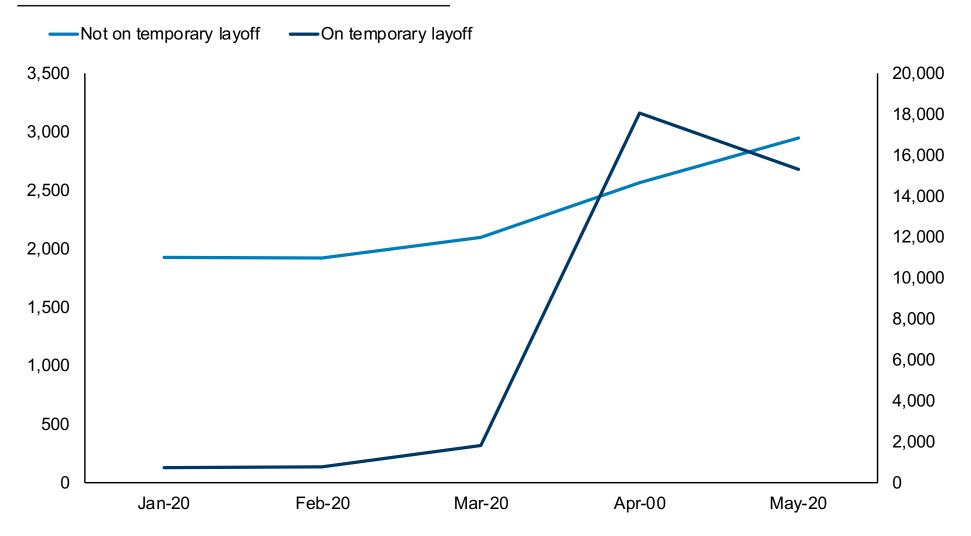
January – May 2020, % labor force unemployed, SA



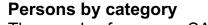
# ...AND MOST JOB GAINS IN MAY LIKELY CAME FROM WORKERS ON TEMPORARY LAYOFF, PERMANENT LAYOFFS CONTINUED TO RISE

#### Temporary and permanent job losers

Unemployed by category, thousands of unemployed, SA



# BEYOND THE ~20M STILL UNEMPLOYED, TENS OF MILLIONS MORE HAVE BEEN NEGATIVELY IMPACTED BY THE PANDEMIC

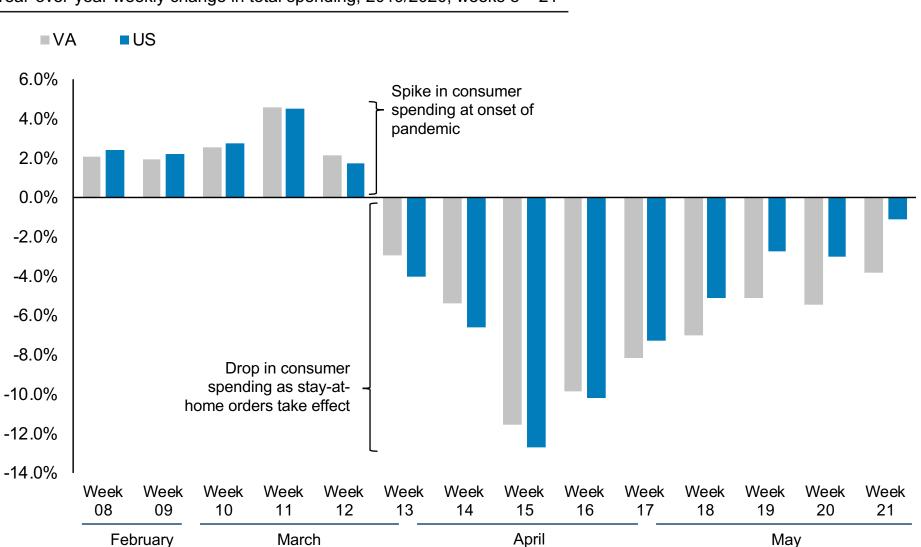


Thousands of persons, SA, May 2020



<sup>1</sup> Change in multiple job-holders between January and May 2020 Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey; VEDP analysis

### AFTER SPIKING IN EARLY MARCH, CONSUMER SPEND IN VA HAS BEEN BELOW 2019 LEVELS FOR THE PAST TWO MONTHS



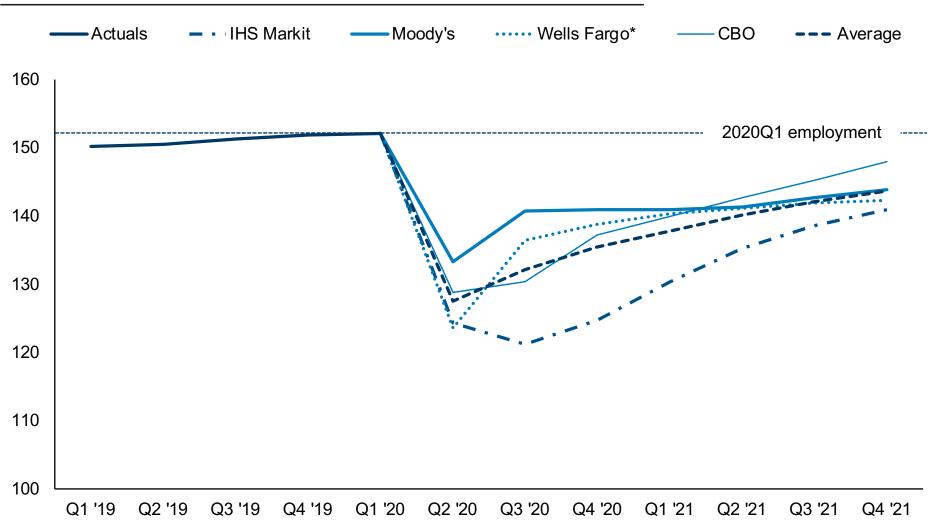
Virginia and national consumer spending trends by week

Year-over-year weekly change in total spending, 2019/2020, weeks 8 – 21

Source: Earnest Research (longitudinal panel of 6 million de-identified U.S. consumers)

#### CURRENT FORECASTS DIFFER ON EXTENT OF DAMAGE AND RECOVERY TRAJECTORY, BUT ALIGN BY END OF 2021

**Quarterly U.S. employment estimates from select macroeconomic forecasters** Total nonfarm payroll employment, 2019 – 2021, Millions of jobs

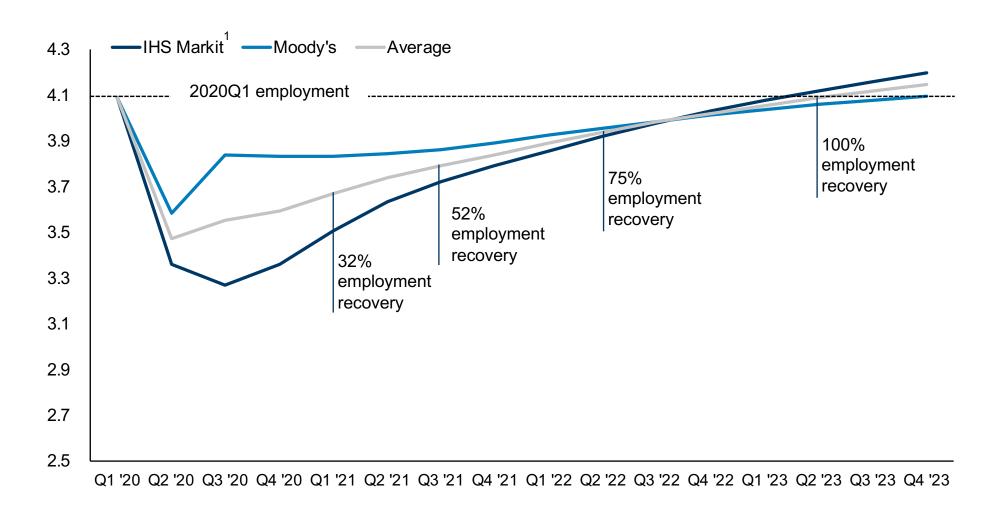


\*Wells Fargo publishes average monthly change by quarter. Quarterly estimate derived by tripling average monthly change Source: Moody's Analytics (June baseline); IHS Market (May forecast); Wells Fargo (May forecast); Congressional Budget Office; VEDP analysis

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# HALF OF JOBS LOST IN VIRGINIA MAY NOT BE REGAINED UNTIL LATE 2021, WITH FULL RECOVERY POSSIBLE IN MID-2023

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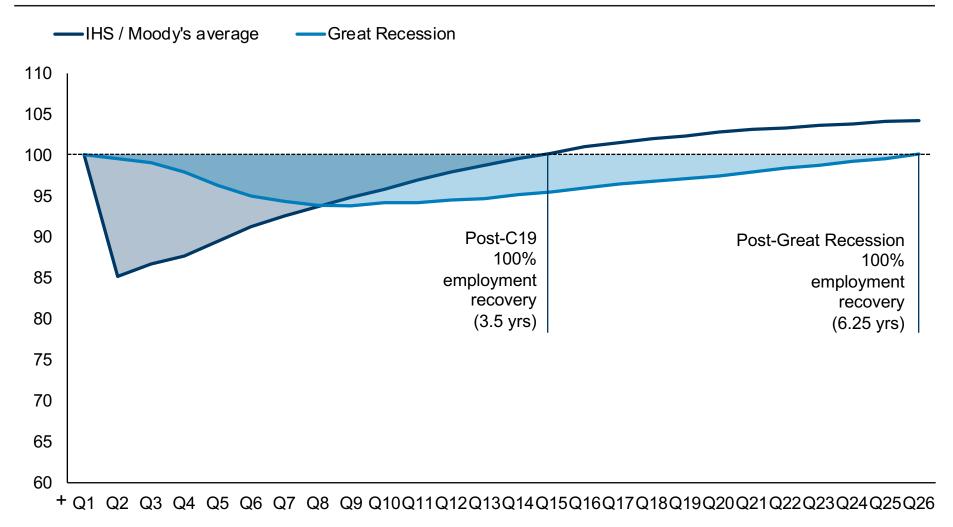


<sup>1</sup>IHS forecast estimates are based on national forecasts that have been applied to Virginia employment mix by VEDP Source: Moody's Analytics (May baseline); IHS Markit (May forecast); VEDP analysis

## FORECASTS SUGGEST POST-C19 RECOVERY WILL BE SIGNIFICANTLY QUICKER THAN AFTER GREAT RECESSION

#### Timeline of job loss recovery post-Great Recession compared to post-C19 current forecasts

Historic quarterly U.S. employment, 2009-2014, compared to Moody's/IHS Markit forecasts average, 2020-2026, indexed



## FOLLOWING ECONOMIC RELIEF EFFORTS, WE ENVISION FOUR BIG STRATEGIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR ECONOMIC RESTORATION



#### 1. Capture manufacturing reshoring and new supply chain opportunities

- Industry analysis and surveys indicate a significant share of manufacturers will likely bring some production and sourcing back to North America in response to the COVID-19 pandemic
- Additionally, as businesses around the world reconfigure their global supply chains and increase resiliency, many new opportunities will emerge for Virginia exporters
- Virginia can capture these job-creation opportunities by investing in targeted business investment, international trade, and related support activities (e.g., site development)



#### 2. Accelerate Digital Virginia (cloud computing, software, data centers)

- The COVID-19 pandemic has accelerated the transition toward a digital economy for businesses and consumers around the world
- As an established U.S. tech leader, Virginia is well positioned to capitalize on these opportunities in software development, cloud computing, data centers, cybersecurity, and other technologies
- Virginia can capture a larger share of this post-COVID tech wave by complementing exiting efforts (e.g., TTIP) with ubiquitous broadband access and targeted incentives

#### 3. Seize telework transition opportunities, with special focus on rural and small metro regions

- With the widespread shift to telework during the pandemic, industry experts and business leaders are signaling that telework will become the (permanent) new normal for a much larger share of workers
- Virginia can capture these talented professionals (and the tax revenue they generate) by deploying creative incentive and marketing approaches that focus on both businesses and individuals that telework



#### 4. Retool and reskill Virginia's (unemployed) workforce for post-pandemic career opportunities

- Low-wage workers, women, and people of color were disproportionately impacted by the economic shock resulting from COVID-19, and likely will make up a significant share of the long-term unemployed in the absence of targeted efforts
- In addition to new job creation opportunities for the Commonwealth, we have an opportunity to connect displaced workers with higher-wage employment opportunities through workforce initiatives such as G3, the Virginia Talent Accelerator Program, VJIP, and other targeted investments in sub-baccalaureate fields