We forecast employment at jobs *located in* the city of Detroit and employment among *residents of* Detroit (working inside or outside the city)

We also forecast average wages and total Detroit household income

- Plus Detroit’s unemployment rate and Detroit CPI inflation

This year, we have conducted an additional analysis of Detroit workers’ ability to earn middle-class incomes
Current State of Detroit’s Economy
Seasonally Adjusted Monthly Employment Count, City of Detroit

Employment Count, SA

- Detroit Resident Employment
- Detroit Payroll Employment

RSQE: August 2021
Seasonally Adjusted Monthly Unemployment Rate, City of Detroit

RSQE: August 2021
The Economic Outlook for Detroit
Seasonally Adjusted Quarterly Average Payroll Employment, City of Detroit and Michigan

Thousands of Payroll Jobs

- Michigan Payroll Employment (LH)
- Detroit Payroll Employment (RH)

RSQE: August 2021
Annual Wage and Salary Income per Worker, City of Detroit and Michigan

Dollars
- Average Wage Rate, Jobs in the City of Detroit
- Average Wage Rate, Jobs in Michigan
- Average Wage Rate, Residents of the City of Detroit

Forecast

RSQE: August 2021
Annual Income Growth, City of Detroit and Michigan

Percent

- Detroit Household Income
- Michigan Personal Income

Forecast

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Annual Unemployment Rates, City of Detroit and Michigan

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Middle-Class Jobs
We calculate the percent of full-time year-round workers in Detroit earning middle-class incomes

- Workers who report working 50–52 weeks per year and 35+ hours per week

In 2019, a Detroit worker needed to earn $49,568 to support a family of three at a middle-class lifestyle

- This threshold is two-thirds the national median household income, adjusting for local cost of living and household size
- In years prior to 2019, the 2019 national threshold is deflated by the PCE price index and Detroit workers’ incomes are adjusted for local cost of living
Workers Earning Middle-Class Family Incomes in Midwestern Cities

Workers Earning Middle-Class Family Incomes by Industry

Workers Earning Middle-Class Incomes by Educational Attainment


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Detroit’s recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic is well underway

- Resident employment has recovered to 3% below pre-pandemic level

- Detroit resident employment recovers to pre-pandemic levels by the end of this year

- Payroll employment in Detroit recovers by the second half of next year

- Both series end our forecast about 10,000 jobs higher than their 2019 levels

- Detroit’s unemployment rate declines to 6.9 percent by 2026

- The most important factor we identified in determining Detroit workers’ ability to earn a middle-class family wage is a college degree
Extra Slides
Daily Visits to Detroit Establishments by Industry

Percent Change in 7-Day Moving Average, Relative to 2019

- Retail Trade
- Education and Healthcare
- Leisure and Hospitality

Source: SafeGraph Patterns

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Workers Earning Middle-Class Incomes by Occupation Group

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