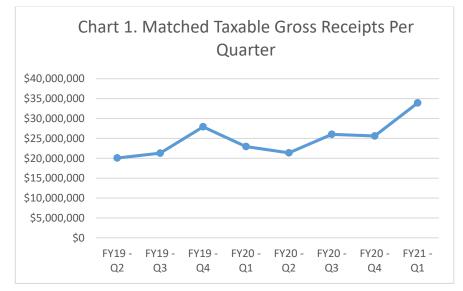
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Guadalupe County

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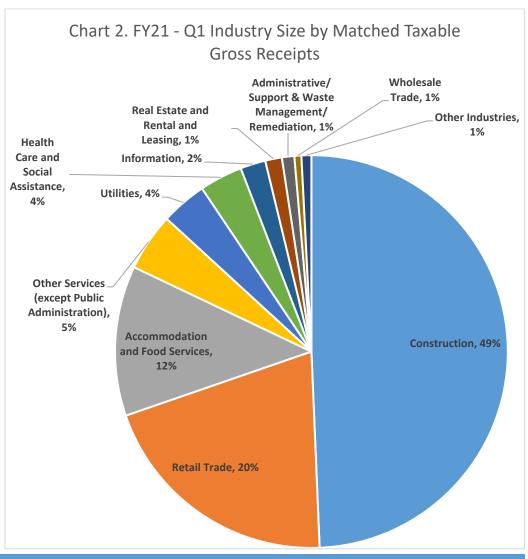
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The three months making up FY21 Q1 were the worst three months of the state's economic impact from COVID-19, comparing gross receipts data with the same period a year ago, despite 14 counties experiencing a year-over-year increase. The impacts were significantly worse due to lapsing federal support and no new federal aid package. Importantly, the federal bonus for unemployment benefits of an additional \$600/week expired, reducing consumer spending power.

Guadalupe County has seen its matched taxable gross receipts (MTGR) trend upward over the last eight quarters, shown in Chart 1. Guadalupe County's MTGR increased significantly from Q4 FY20 to Q1 FY21. During this period **MTGR** increased by \$8.3M or 32%. Chart 2 the construction sector makes up the largest share of MTGR and is the driver of the County's growth. During all of FY20, the construction industry totaled \$20M, with Q1 FY21

Matched Taxable Gross Receipts (MTGR) is the best tax data available to show underlying economic activity. It matches a tax payment with reported receipts for each taxpayer, by industry.



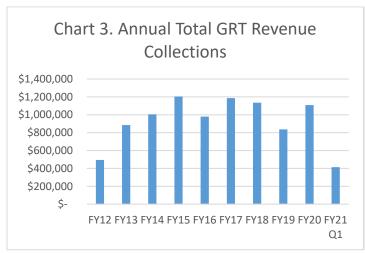
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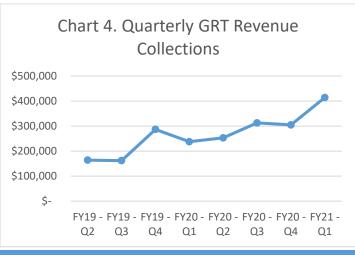


Table 1. Matched Taxable Gross Receipts by Industry								
Industries		FY20 - Q1		FY21 - Q1		Growth	Year over	year Change
Accommodation and Food Services	\$	6,008,134	\$	4,191,875	\$	(1,816,259)		-30%
Administrative/Support & Waste Management/Remediation	\$	233,134	\$	345,208	\$	112,074		48%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting	\$	-	\$	4,029	\$	4,029	N/A	
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	\$	-	\$	12,207	\$	12,207	N/A	
Construction	\$	3,048,016	\$	16,731,145	\$	13,683,130		449%
Educational Services	\$	903	\$	18,677	\$	17,774		1969%
Finance and Insurance	\$	36,235	\$	25,633	\$	(10,601)		-29%
Health Care and Social Assistance	\$	1,303,765	\$	1,202,312	\$	(101,453)		-8%
Information	\$	1,106,060	\$	704,542	\$	(401,518)		-36%
Manufacturing	\$	40,688	\$	47,322	\$	6,634		16%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	\$	1,686,420	\$	1,610,157	\$	(76,264)		-5%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	\$	350,969	\$	33,674	\$	(317,295)		-90%
Public Administration	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	N/A	
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	\$	388,715	\$	465,062	\$	76,347		20%
Retail Trade	\$	6,988,893	\$	6,910,135	\$	(78,758)		-1%
Transportation and Warehousing	\$	79,924	\$	69,434	\$	(10,490)		-13%
Unclassified Establishments	\$	68,440	\$	64,643	\$	(3,796)		-6%
Utilities	\$	1,381,417	\$	1,282,505	\$	(98,912)		-7%
Wholesale Trade	\$	145,905	\$	195,511	\$	49,606		34%
All Industries	\$	22,940,584	\$	33,918,171	\$	10,977,587		48%

already at 84% of that, and a year over year (YOY) increase of 449% over Q1 FY20. The County saw a 48% YOY increase in its total MTGR. Gross receipts tax (GRT) revenue collections rose significantly in Q1 FY21, now at \$414K, as seen in Chart 4. This increase of 36%, or \$109K, from Q4 FY20 to Q1 FY21, puts Q1 FY21 as the largest disbursement the County has received.

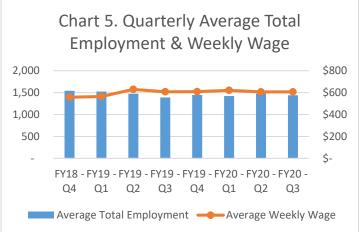
HB6, passed in 2019, made widespread tax changes within New Mexico. One notable change is the conversion to destination-based sourcing that will begin after a two-year delay. During the 2020 Special Session, that legislation was amended, increasing a temporary distribution to municipalities and counties. Now municipalities will receive a distribution that is a portion of \$2.5 million while counties will receive a distribution that is a portion of \$1.5 million. The amounts distributed will be proportional to the size of that community's population versus that of the entire group. These amounts are subject to change if the federal government provides municipalities and counties future grants to offset revenue declines attributable to COVID-19.

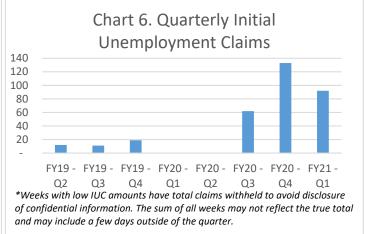


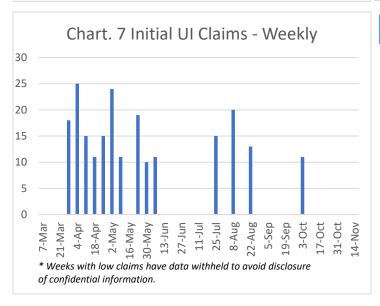


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significant unexplained increase unemployment claims can be an early indicator of an economic downturn. Explained increases commonly include seasonal job fluctuations, federal government shutdowns resulting in employee furloughs, or the closing of a major regional facility. This unprecedented uptick in initial unemployment claims is tied directly to the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent furloughs and layoffs by affected businesses. As we continue into early and mid-2021, it is likely the number of initial unemployment claims will vary based on the effects of the pandemic but gradually wane; however, it is impossible to predict how quickly the employment numbers will return to pre-COVID-19 levels.

<u>Chart 7</u> – Includes weekly initial claims for regular unemployment insurance (UI) but excludes pandemic unemployment assistance (PUA) and pandemic emergency unemployment assistance (PEUA) claims. Weeks shown as zero were redacted for confidentiality.

<u>Chart 8</u> – Includes claimants receiving payment and pending certifications for standard UI, PUA, PEUA, extended benefits, and trade readjustment allowances. As of 11/2/2020, claimants who were initially considered eligible but have either never filed a certification or have not certified within 14 days have been removed from data, resulting in lower numbers.

