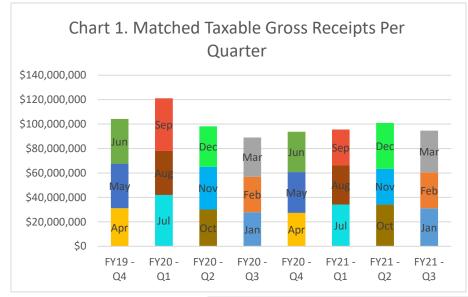
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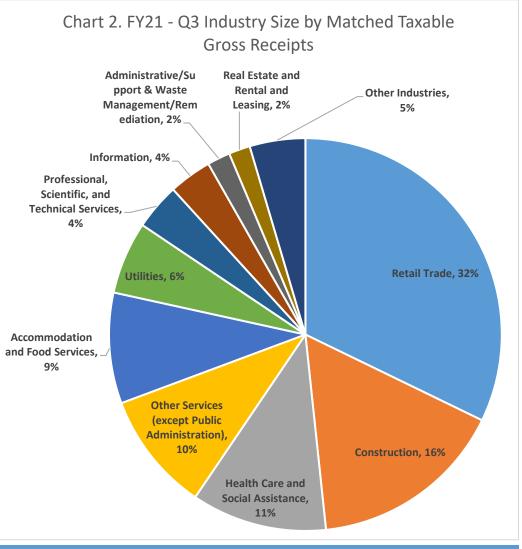
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During Q3 FY21, the state started rolling out vaccinations to a significant portion of the adult population. The economic effects of the pandemic waned as restrictions and limits on business capacity were lifted following improving health metrics. These shifts in policy, along with pent up demand, likely led to an increase in consumer spending on taxable goods and services. Though the uncertainty and impacts caused by the pandemic can still be seen, the economic stability of the state and many of its counties continues to improve.

San Miguel County's taxable matched gross receipts (MTGR) reported \$5M less in Q3 FY21 than the eight-quarter average of (\$99.6M), as seen in Chart 1. From Q2 FY21 to Q3 FY21, MTGR declined by \$6.3M or 6%. When comparing MTGR, Q3 of FY21 is most comparable to Q2 FY18, when San Miguel County reported \$126K higher in MTGR. Table 1, on the next page, shows an increase of \$5.6M from Q3 in FY20 to FY21 of the same period.

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



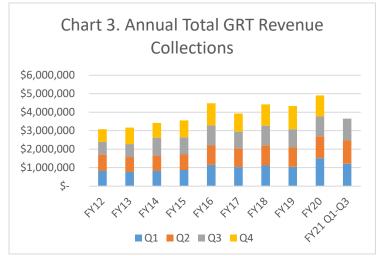
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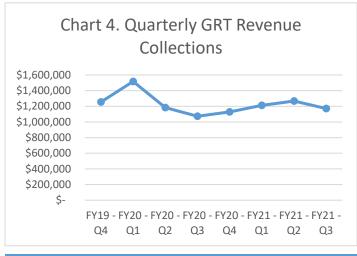


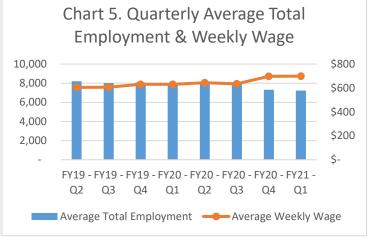
Table 1. Matched Taxable Gross Receipts by Industry													
Industries		FY20 - Q3	FY21 - Q3		Growth Year over year (		ear Change						
Accommodation and Food Services	\$	5,965,709	\$ 8,391,589	\$	2,425,879		41%						
Administrative/Support & Waste Management/Remediation	\$	1,155,451	\$ 1,740,337	\$	584,886		51%						
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting	\$	169,343	\$ 23,713	\$	(145,630)		-86%						
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	\$	70,896	\$ 101,045	\$	30,150		43%						
Construction	\$	16,509,006	\$14,845,516	\$	(1,663,490)		-10%						
Educational Services	\$	5,747	\$ 66,239	\$	60,492		1053%						
Finance and Insurance	\$	295,718	\$ 384,340	\$	88,622		30%						
Health Care and Social Assistance	\$	12,857,655	\$10,267,244	\$	(2,590,412)		-20%						
Information	\$	5,711,445	\$ 3,256,469	\$	(2,454,976)		-43%						
Management of Companies and Enterprises	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	N/A							
Manufacturing	\$	856,218	\$ 1,077,098	\$	220,879		26%						
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	N/A							
Other Services (except Public Administration)	\$	7,690,598	\$ 9,059,209	\$	1,368,611		18%						
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	\$	2,562,980	\$ 3,514,968	\$	951,988		37%						
Public Administration	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	N/A							
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	\$	1,262,365	\$ 1,618,506	\$	356,141		28%						
Retail Trade	\$	23,395,092	\$29,627,154	\$	6,232,063		27%						
Transportation and Warehousing	\$	1,225,225	\$ 899,516	\$	(325,709)		-27%						
Unclassified Establishments	\$	645,775	\$ 305,245	\$	(340,531)		-53%						
Utilities	\$	5,228,286	\$ 5,498,152	\$	269,866		5%						
Wholesale Trade	\$	1,190,817	\$ 1,356,152	\$	165,335		14%						
All Industries	\$	89,017,086	\$94,606,771	\$	5,589,685		6%						

Table 1 also shows six industries that reported a year-over-year (YOY) loss. The largest decline came from the health care and social assistance industry, which posted a YOY decline of \$2.6M or 20%. Despite these declines, the retail trade industry reported a \$6.2M, or 27%, increase when comparing the two periods. The amount of MTGR reported by the retail trade industry during Q3 FY21 (\$29.6M) is nearly \$1M greater than the eight-quarter average (\$28.7M).

As seen in Chart 5, average weekly wages increased by \$1 per week while quarterly employment was unchanged during Q1 of FY21.

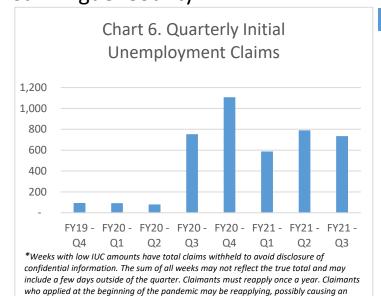






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A significant increase in initial unemployment claims can be an early indicator of an economic downturn, and a drop can be an early sign of an upturn. However, these numbers are also impacted by seasonal job fluctuations, federal government shutdowns resulting in temporary employee furloughs, or the closing of a major regional facility. The current unprecedented uptick in initial unemployment claims is clearly tied directly to the COVID-19 pandemic. As vaccination levels and other health indicators continue to improve and result in lessened health concerns and fewer business restrictions, these claims should decline, but it is impossible to predict how quickly employment numbers will return to pre-COVID-19 levels.

The Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) program publishes a quarterly count of establishments, employment and wages reported by employers, covering more than 95 percent of U.S. jobs. The QCEW data are used as the benchmark source for employment, and this data is far more reliable than the monthly employment survey data in the Current Employment Statistics program often reported in news articles. However, as shown below, this quarterly data has a significant lag time for reporting and does not reflect the same quarter as used in the other charts and tables above. This quarterly QCEW data combined with the other employment data above provide the best overall picture of employment levels using the most reliable data.

Table 2. FY21-Q1 Employment Data and Establishments by Industry												
	YOY Change in			YOY change in								
	Average	verage Average		Average	Average	•	Number of	YOY Change in				
Industry	Employment	<b>Employ</b>	ment	Weekly Wag	Weekly	Wage	Establishments	Establishments				
Accommodation and Food Services	662		-22.8%	\$ 33	0	-0.6%	67	0.0%				
Administrative/Support & Waste Management/Remediation	83		50.9%	\$ 52	2	0.4%	18	12.5%				
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting	37		0.0%	\$ 59	7	-6.1%	9	-10.0%				
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	60		-10.4%	\$ 80	4	-0.2%	6	0.0%				
Construction	415		-5.5%	\$ 82	7	-0.5%	62	-7.5%				
Educational Services	*		100.0%		*	100.0%	20	5.3%				
Finance and Insurance	147		-38.2%	\$ 72	5	-12.3%	31	0.0%				
Health Care and Social Assistance	2,546		-7.2%	\$ 67	8	5.3%	312	2.3%				
Information	35		-5.4%	\$ 84	8	-2.1%	12	20.0%				
Management of Companies and Enterprises	9		0.0%	\$ 85	9	15.1%	4	0.0%				
Manufacturing	96		1.1%	\$ 56	5	3.9%	10	11.1%				
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	*		100.0%		*	100.0%	3	-25.0%				
Other Services (except Public Administration)	84		-18.4%	\$ 53	4	19.5%	39	5.4%				
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	100		-10.7%	\$ 89	7	16.3%	36	-10.0%				
Public Administration	524		6.1%	\$ 95	0	-2.4%	49	-3.9%				
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	46		0.0%	\$ 72	6	16.4%	18	5.9%				
Retail Trade	862		0.5%	\$ 47	5	8.9%	72	-5.3%				
Transportation and Warehousing	297		1.7%	\$ 54	3	12.4%	31	3.3%				
Utilities	93		4.5%	\$ 62	0	4.4%	11	-8.3%				
Wholesale Trade	13		-18.8%	\$ 63	8	1.0%	5	0.0%				
All Industries	7,285		-7.2%	\$ 60	5	5.6%	815	-0.1%				
*Some data may be withheld to avoid disclosure of confidential information.												