



COVID-19 Response + Recovery

Cross-Functional Team Update

4.25.22

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Tommy Gonzalez



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April 25, 2022

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Karla Nieman

State Disaster Declaration



* Anticipated date

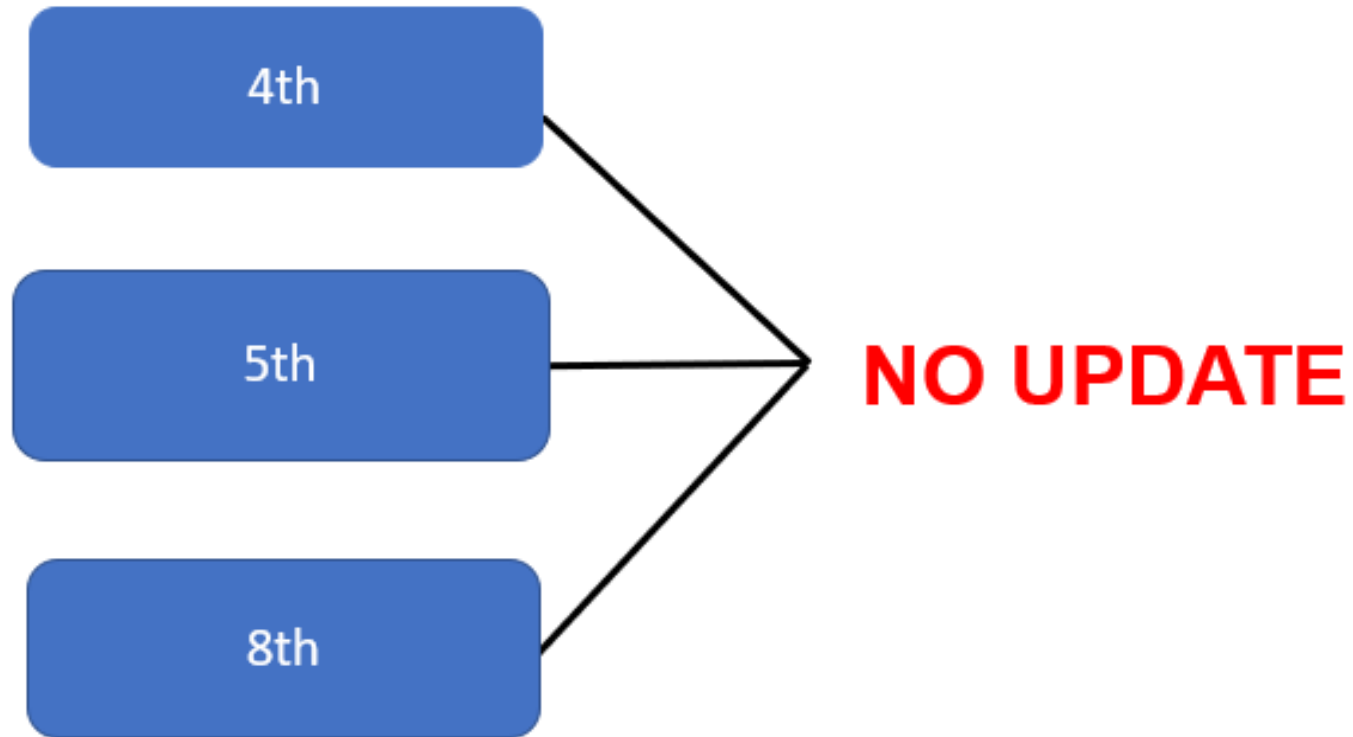
**Anticipate Governor Abbott will renew his Disaster Declaration May 21-22, 2022.

Emergency Ordinances

Ordinance	Adoption Date	Most Recent Re-enactment	Expires
Disaster Declaration Ord. No. 019035	3/17/2020	3/28/2022	4/27/2022
Emergency Measures Ord. No. 019036	3/17/2020	3/28/2022	4/27/2022
Public Right of Way Ord. No. 019241	10/11/2021	3/28/2022	4/27/2022

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Texas Courts of Appeal:



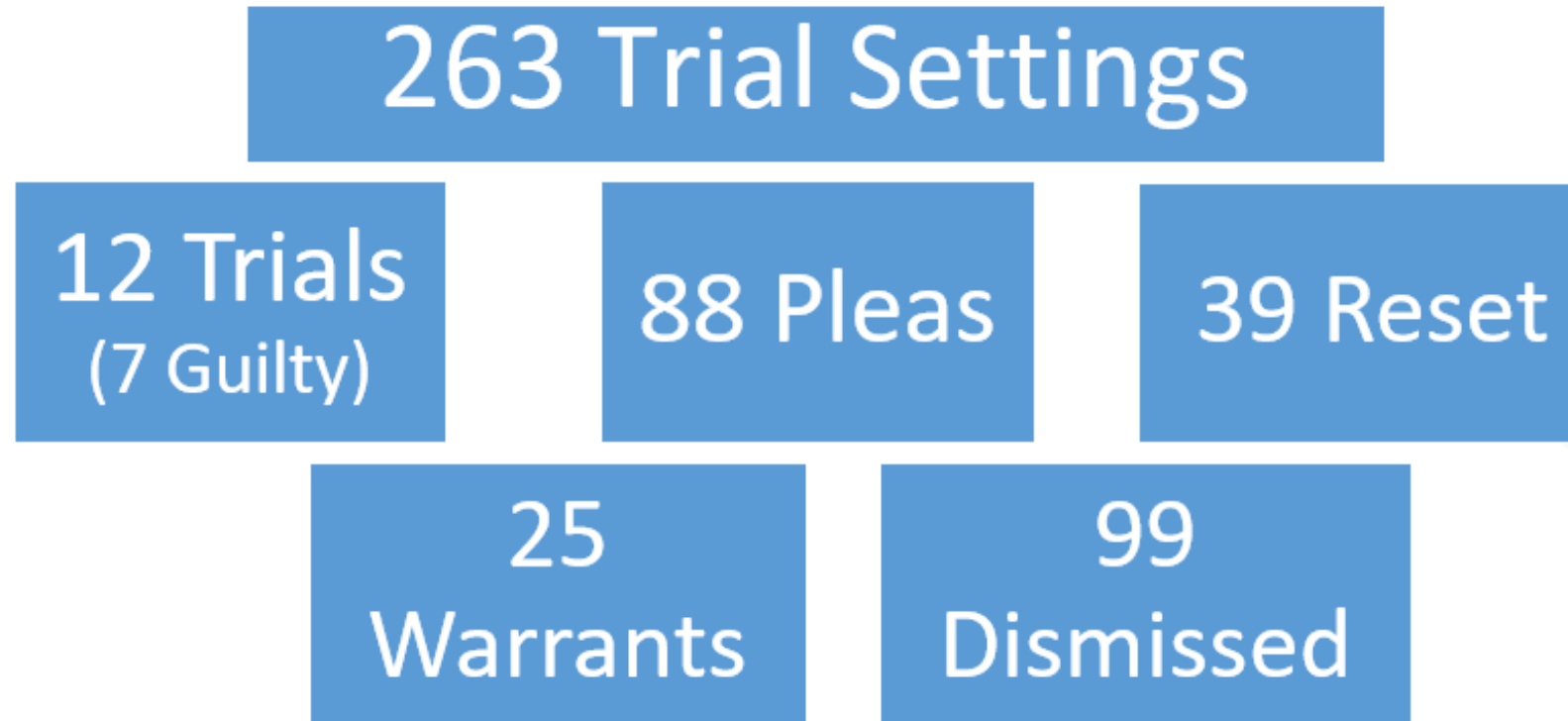
Additional Updates

- **Federal Transportation Mask Mandate**
- **On April 18, 2022, a federal district court in FL ordered TSA to stop enforcing the mask mandate**
- **CDC continues to recommend the use of masks in indoor public transportation settings**
- **The DOJ has filed an appeal with the 11th Cir. COA**



Additional Updates –COVID-19 Prosecution Update

Trial Settings on COVID-19 Citations through 4/13/2022 in all 5 Municipal Courts

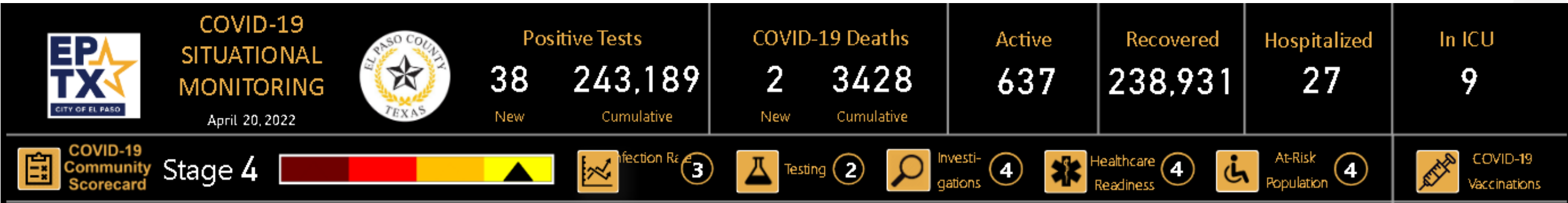


3. Team Lead Report

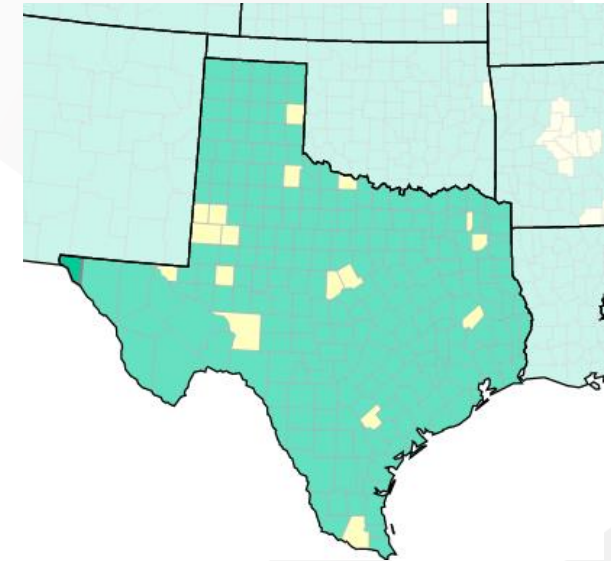
a. Health Focus

Hector I. Ocaranza, M.D.

COVID-19 Summary

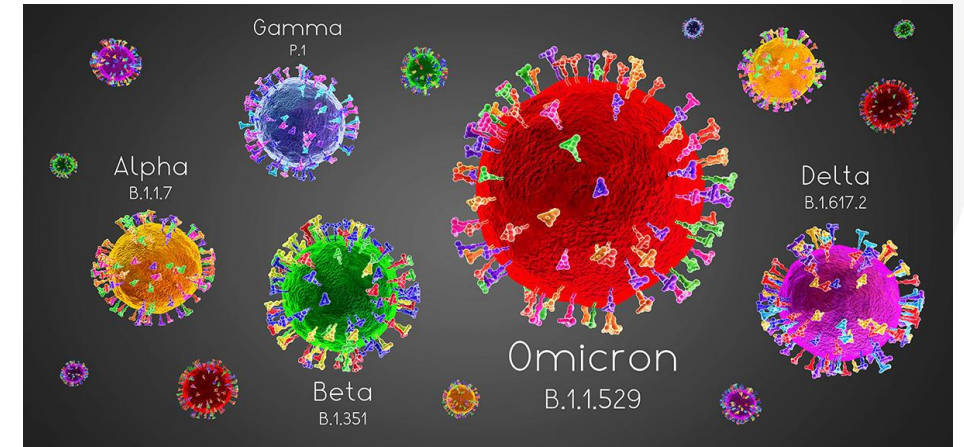


- Community Level as per CDC is still green
- Hospitalizations at very low level
- Expect to see low levels during spring and summer
- We continue to recommend prevention
- Continue protecting the most vulnerable



Pharmacological Interventions

- Vaccination continue to be the foundation of current prevention strategy
- Monoclonal Ab therapies continue to evolve
- Antivirals proven effective at preventing severe disease
- Attention is given to Long-COVID

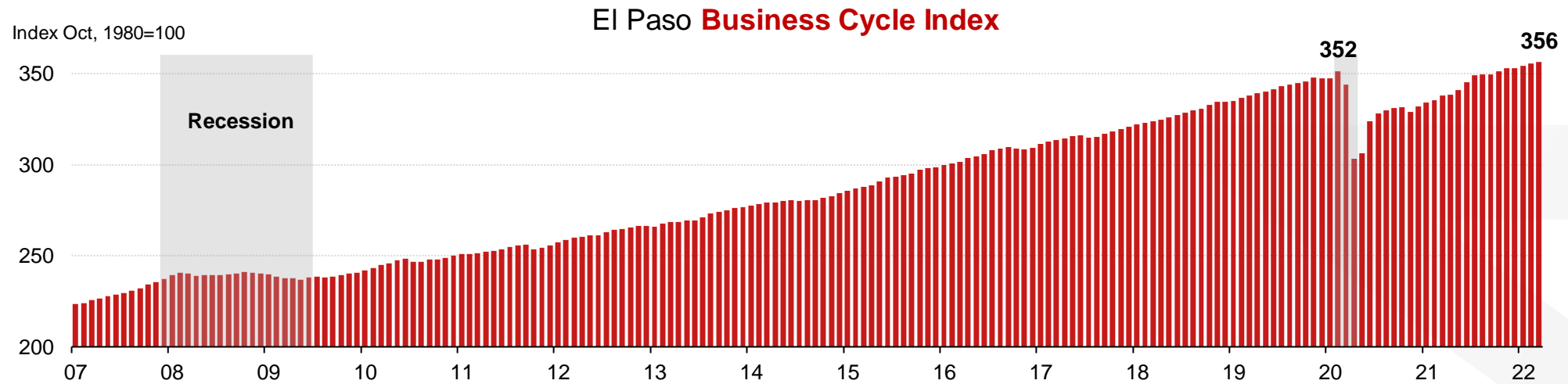


b. Data Analysis

David Coronado

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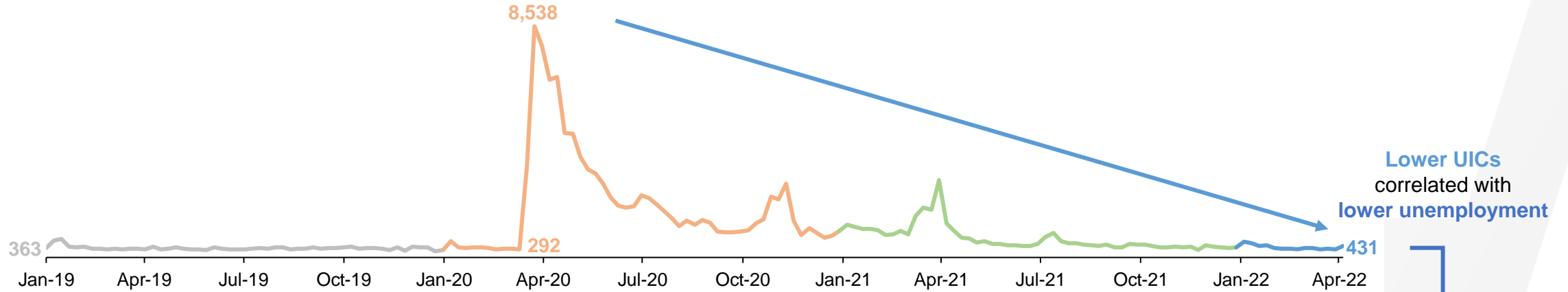
The path to economic recovery seems to be **gaining steam** driven by **lower unemployment**



Source: Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. Last observation: March, 2022

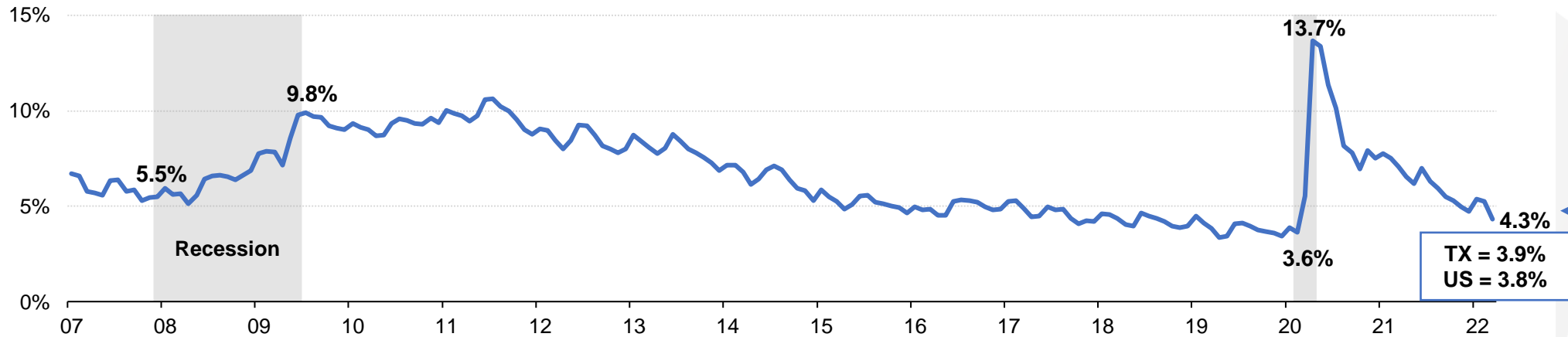
El Paso County Unemployment

El Paso County Weekly **Unemployment Insurance Claims** (in thousands)



Source: Texas Workforce Commission. Last observation: April 9, 2022

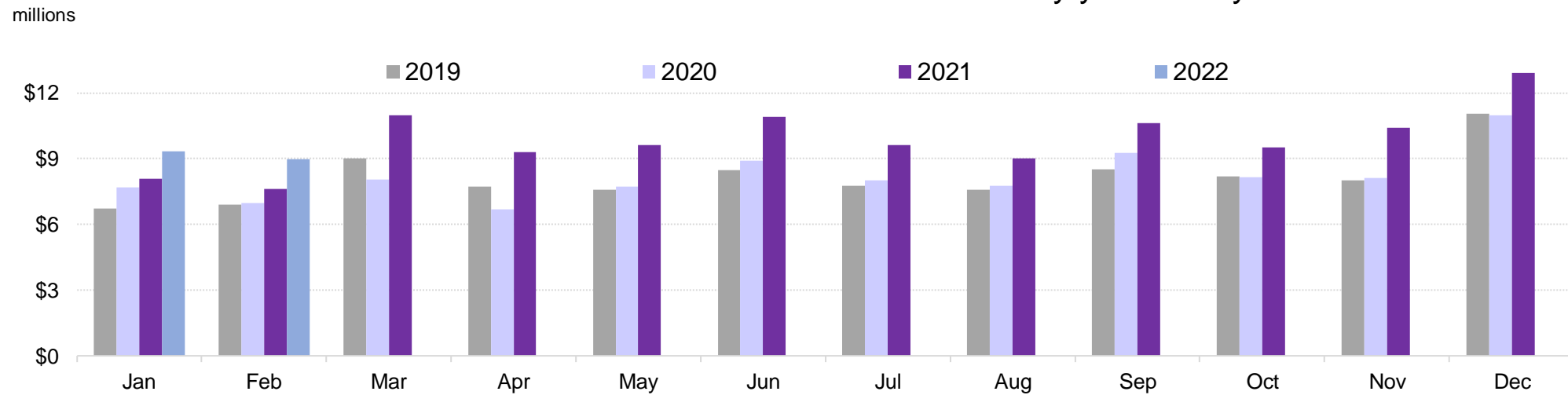
El Paso County Monthly **Unemployment Rate** peaked at 13.7%



Source: Texas Workforce Commission. Last observation: March, 2022

Retail Sales (allocations)

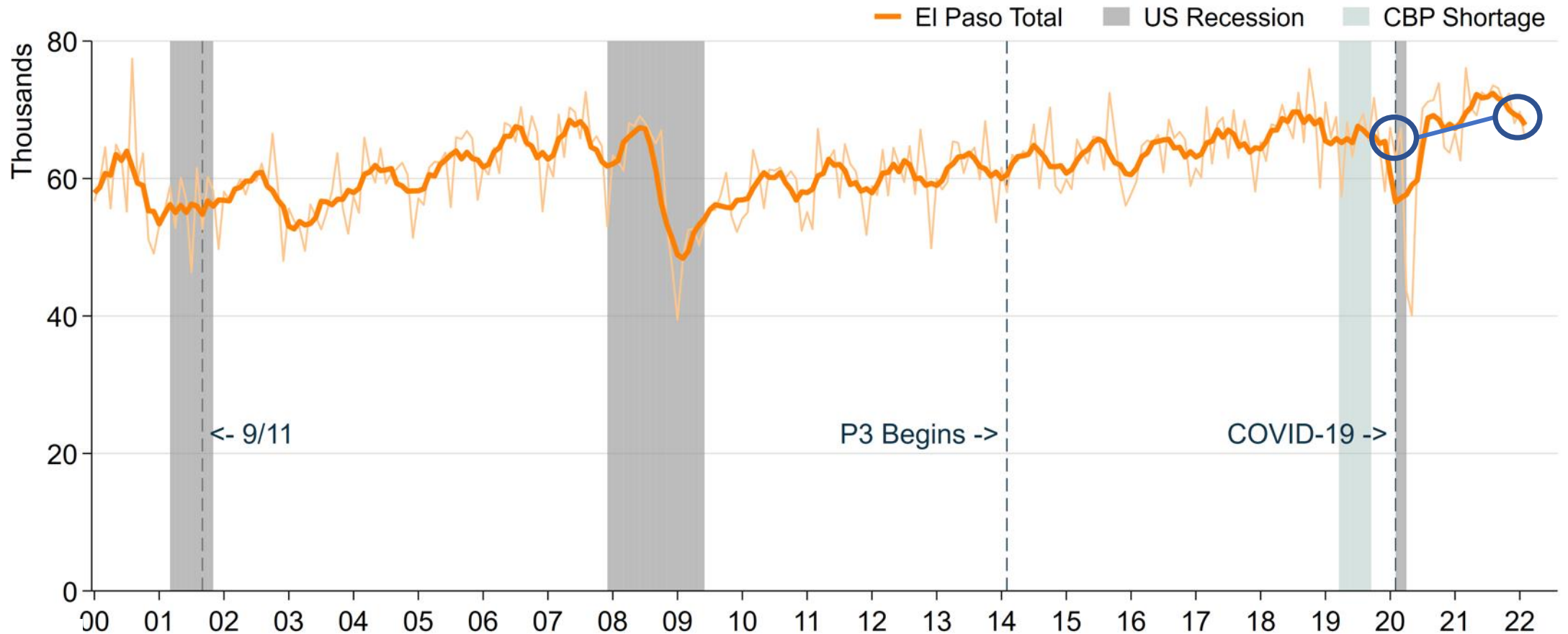
Sales tax allocations increased 18% in February year-over-year



Source: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. Last observation: February, 2022

COVID-19 Impact on Bridge Crossings

Cargo Crossings

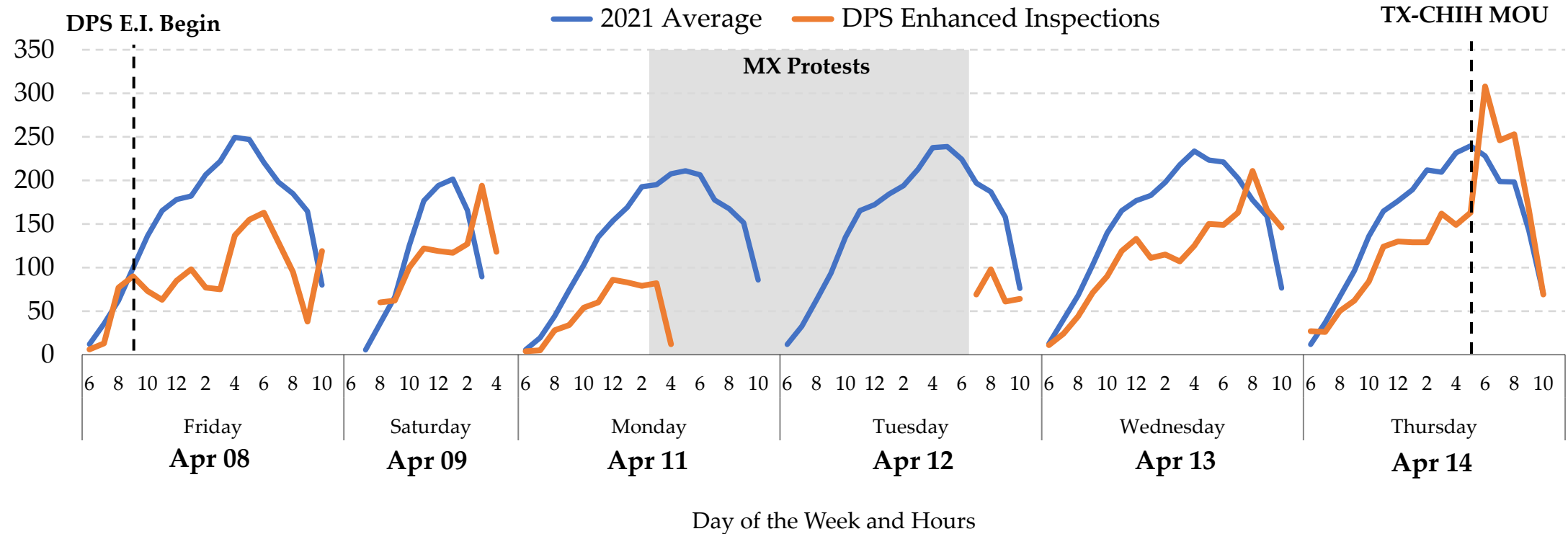


Source: U.S. Customs and Border Protection compiled by the City of El Paso International Bridges. Last observation: February, 2022.

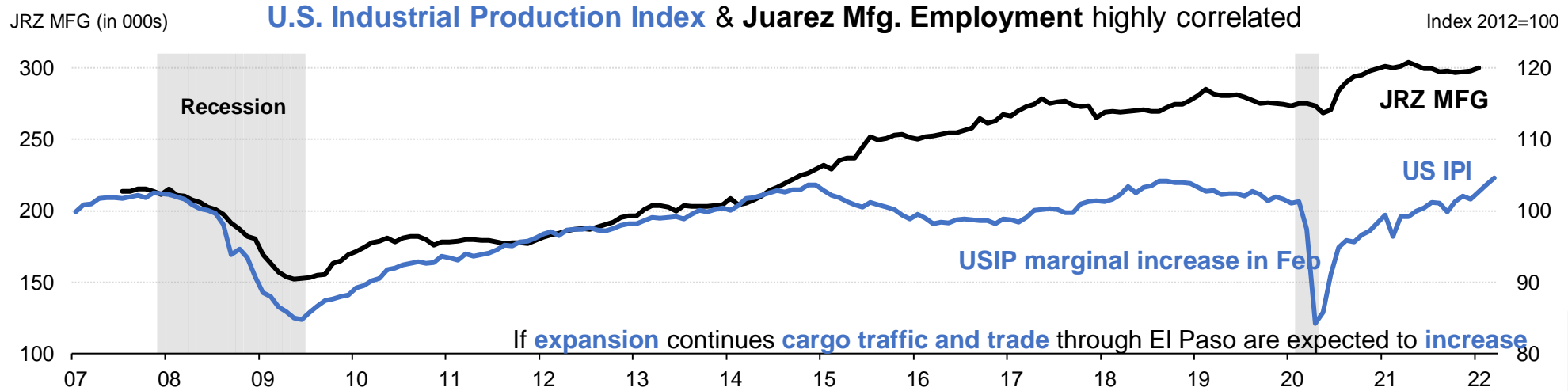
DPS Enhanced Inspections Impact

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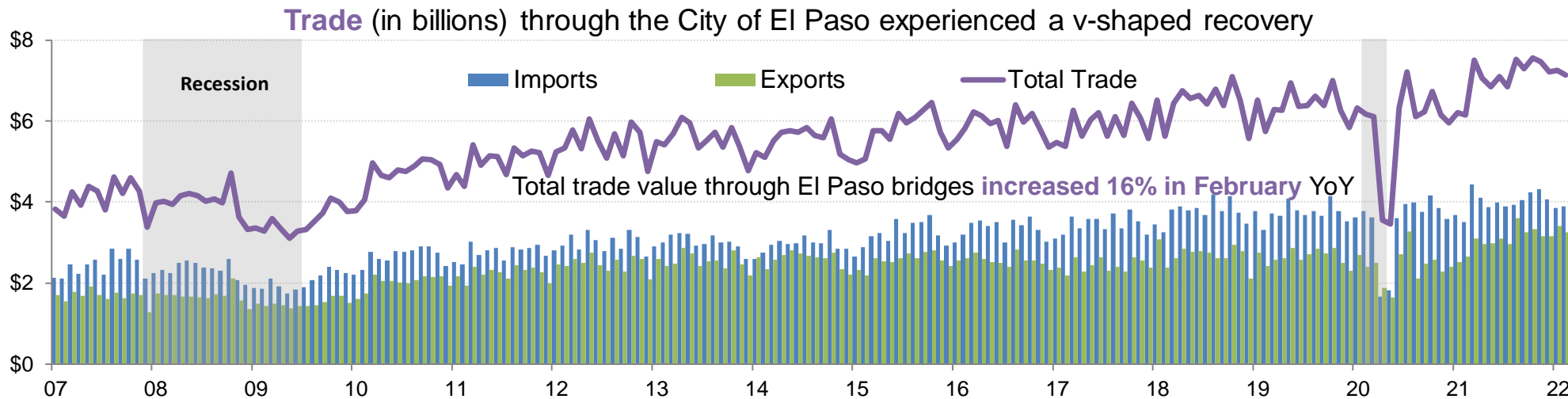
Southbound Commercial Trucks (Ysleta-Zaragoza)



Manufacturing Activity & Trade



Source: FRED and INEGI data Seasonally Adjusted. USIP last observation: March, 2022. JRZ MFG last observation: January, 2022



Source: U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics. Last observation: February, 2022

4. City Manager Wrap-up

Tommy Gonzalez



Thank you!