



COVID-19

Response + Recovery

Cross-Functional Team Update

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1. Overview

Tommy Gonzalez



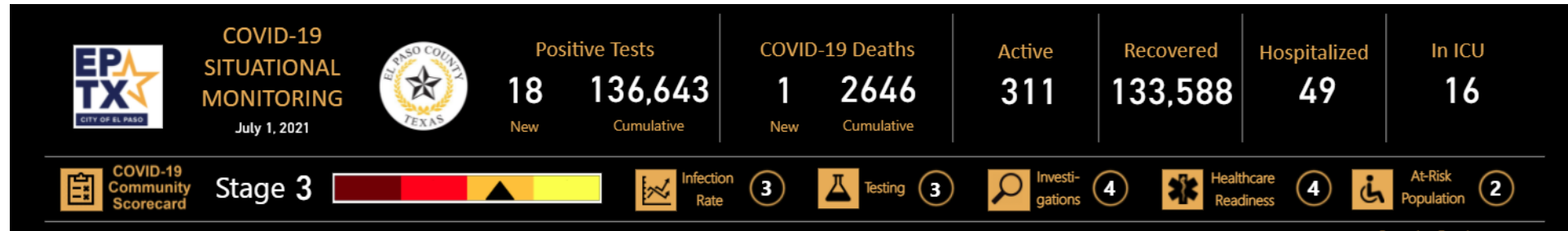
2. Team Lead Reports



a. Health Focus

Hector I. Ocaranza, M.D.

COVID-19 Summary



- ❖ As our vaccination rate improves, so are the Pandemic's three main indicators.
- ❖ New Cases 7-day Avg have been ≈ 1.7 new cases/100,000 (1.2-2.2) for the last 2 weeks of June (very low incidence rate)
- ❖ Hospitalizations 7-day Avg has been 45 for the month of June

SARS-CoV-2 Variants

Classification:

- Naming of Variants has changed to use Greek Alphabet
- Variants of Concern:
The B.1.1.7 (Alpha), B.1.351 (Beta), B.1.617.2 (Delta), and P.1 (Gamma), variants circulating in the United States are classified as variants of concern
- Variants of Interest
The B.1.427 (Epsilon) and B.1.429 (Epsilon) variants are considered Variants of Interest
- Variants of High Consequence
No Variants of High Consequence currently circulating in the US

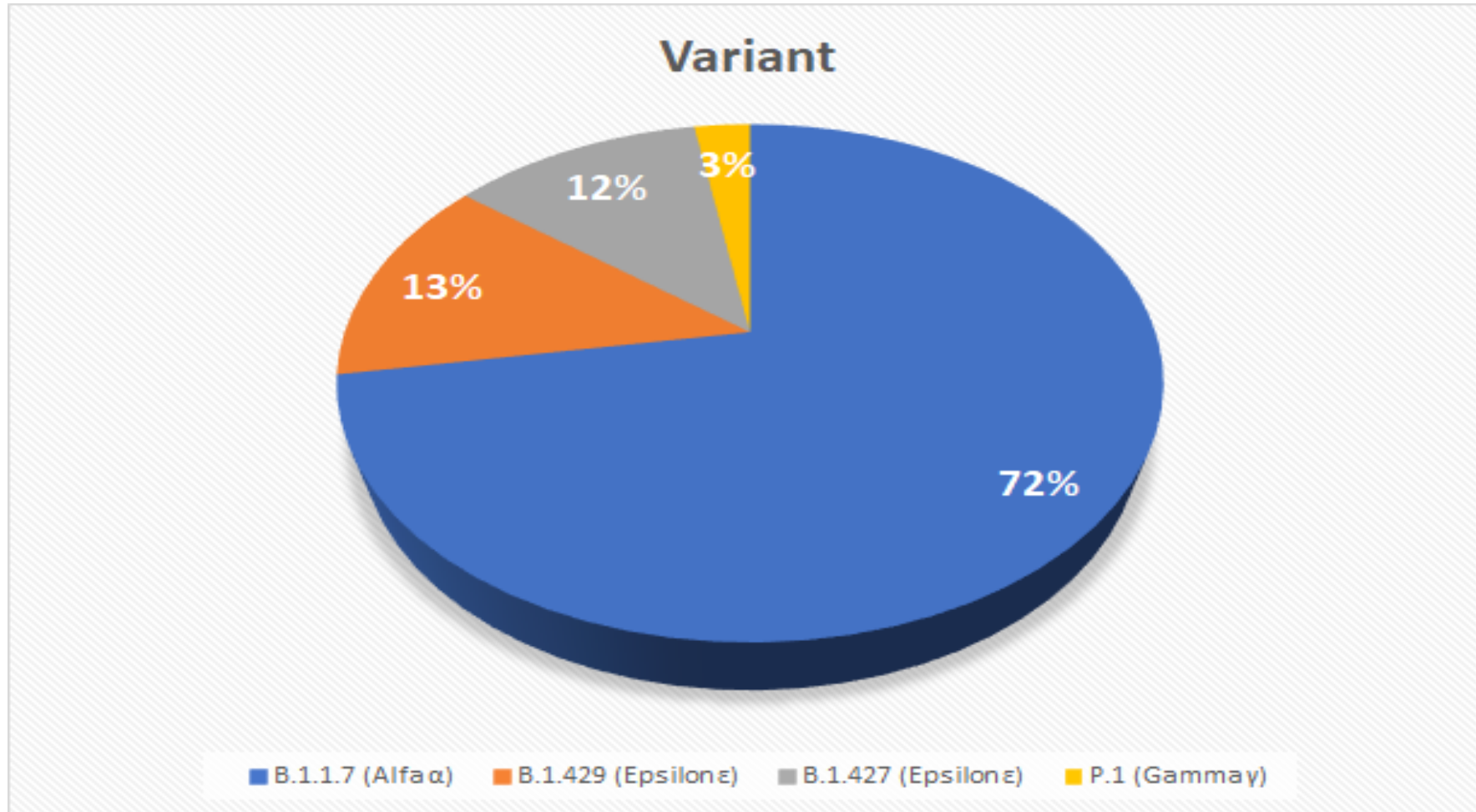
SARS-CoV-2 Variants

- El Paso has found several variants
- No Delta variant have been reported as of the date of this presentation
- We remain vigilant as how Pandemic behaves in our region
- Vaccine is the best preventative tool we have against the virus and its variants
- Current vaccines are effective and provides protection

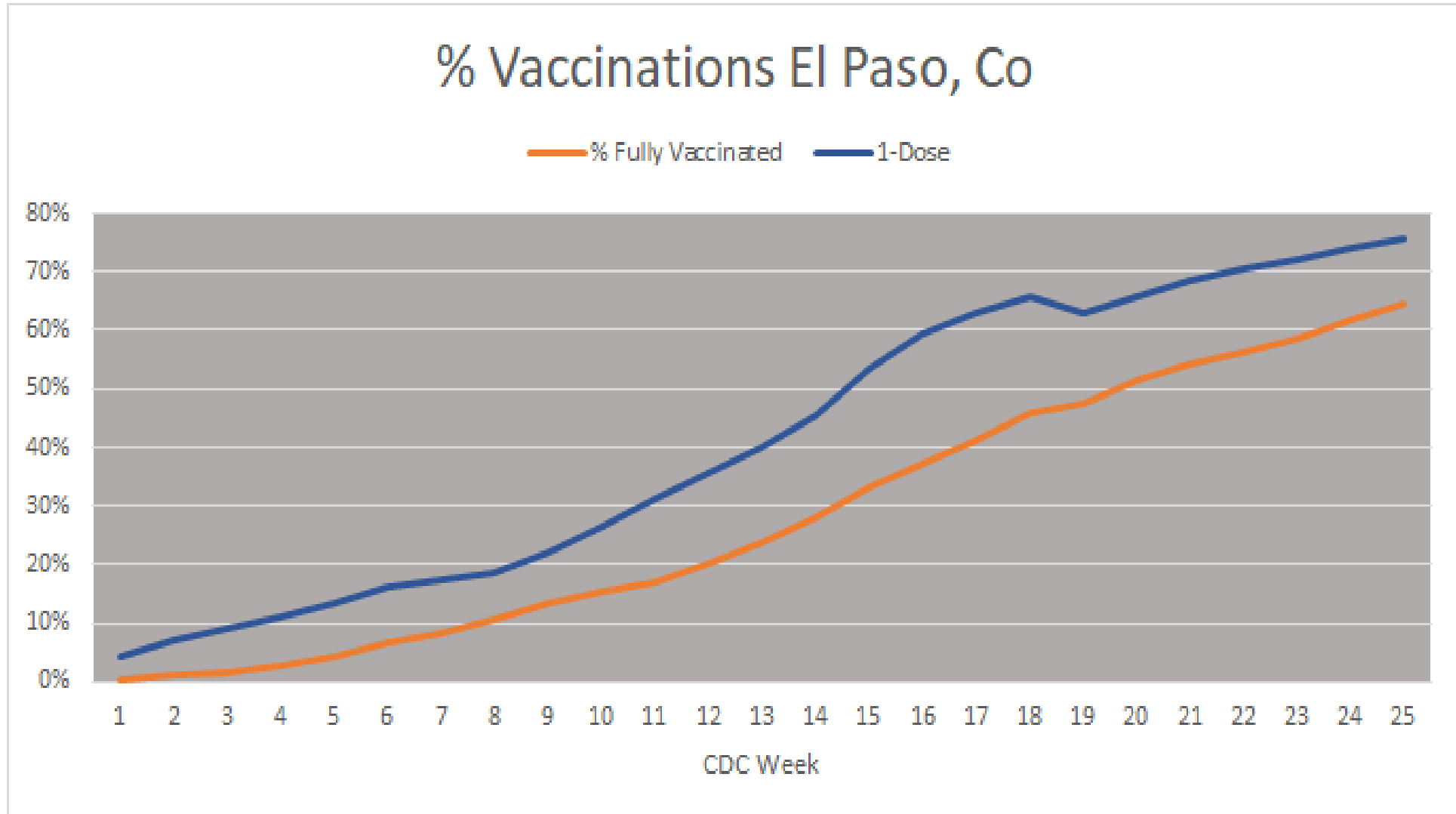
SARS-CoV-2 Variants

Variant	Scientific Name	Conventional Name	Number
UK Variant	B.1.1.7	Alfa α	55
California Variant	B.1.427	Epsilon ϵ	10
California Variant	B.1.429	Epsilon ϵ	9
Brazil Variant	P.1	Gamma γ	2
South African	B.1.351	Beta β	0
Indian	B.1.617.2	Delta δ	0
Grand Total			76

SARS-CoV-2 Variants



Vaccination in El Paso



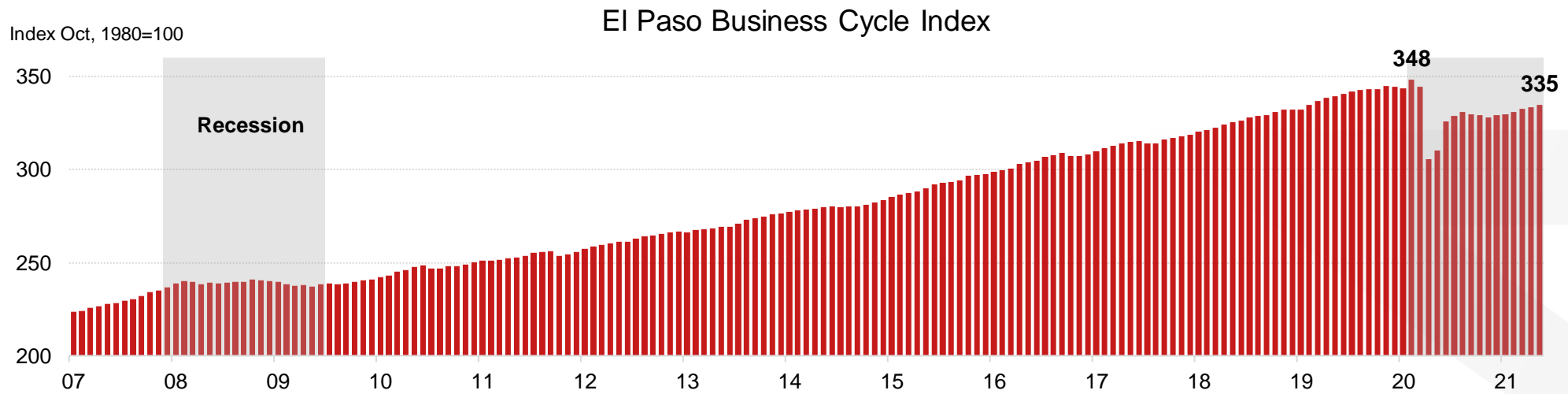


b. Data Analysis

David Coronado

Business Cycle Index

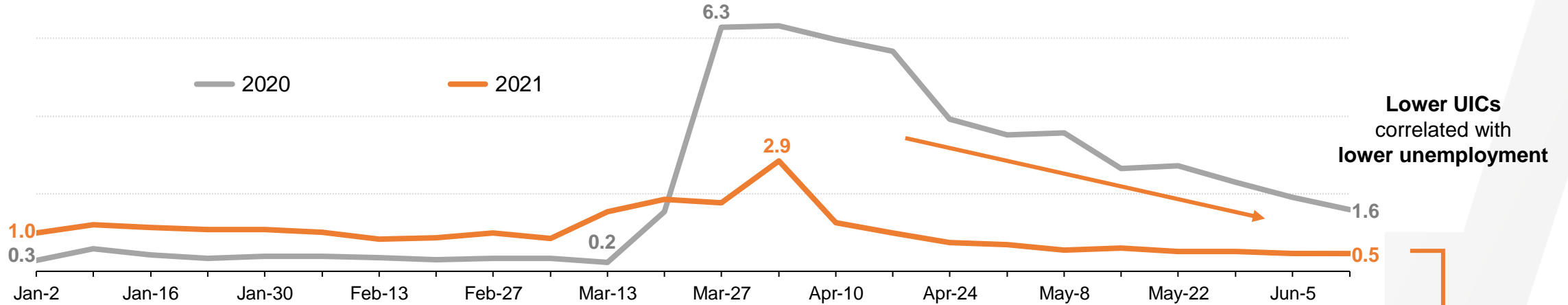
The path to economic recovery seems to be **gaining steam** driven by **lower unemployment**



Source: Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. Last observation: May, 2021

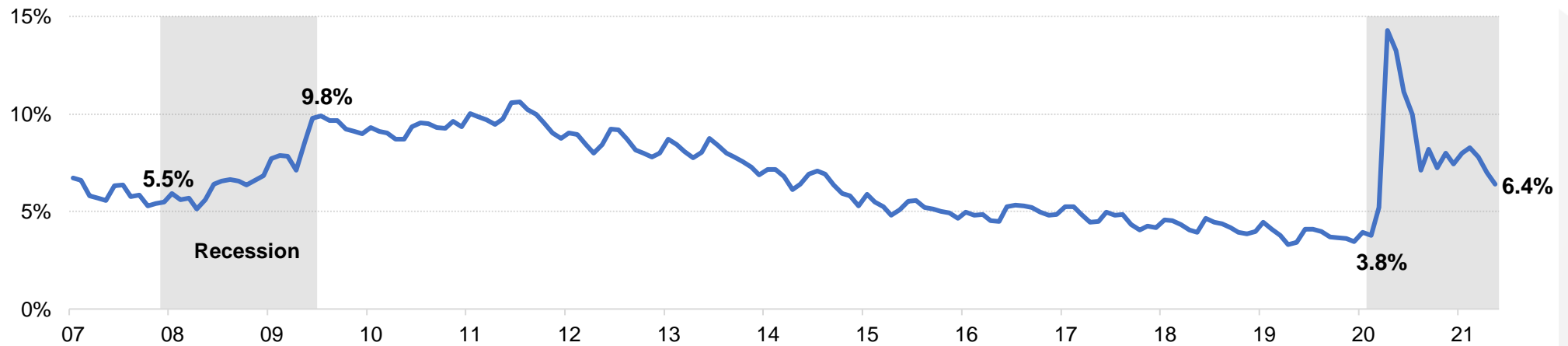
El Paso County Unemployment

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



Source: Texas Workforce Commission. Last observation: June 12, 2021

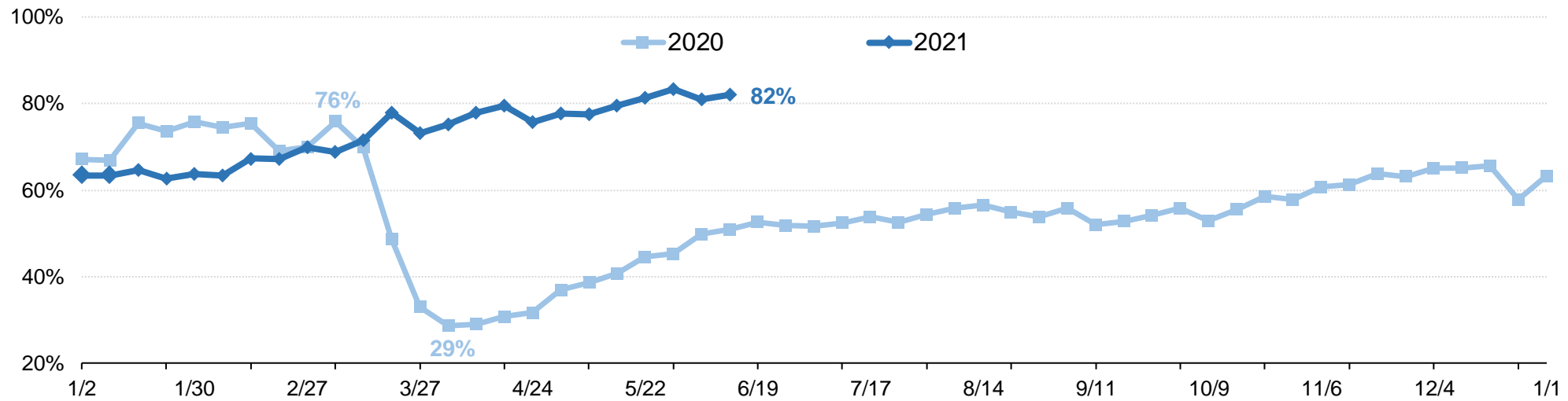
El Paso County Monthly **Unemployment Rate**



Source: Texas Workforce Commission. Last observation: May, 2021

Hotel Occupancy

Hotel Occupancy (weekly average) **above** pre-pandemic levels (**82%**)

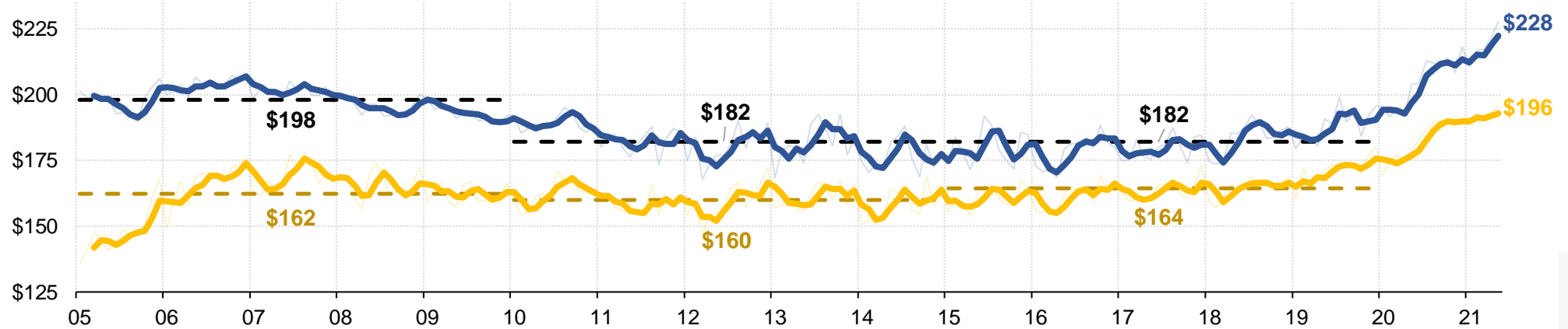


Source: Destination El Paso. Last observation: June 12, 2021

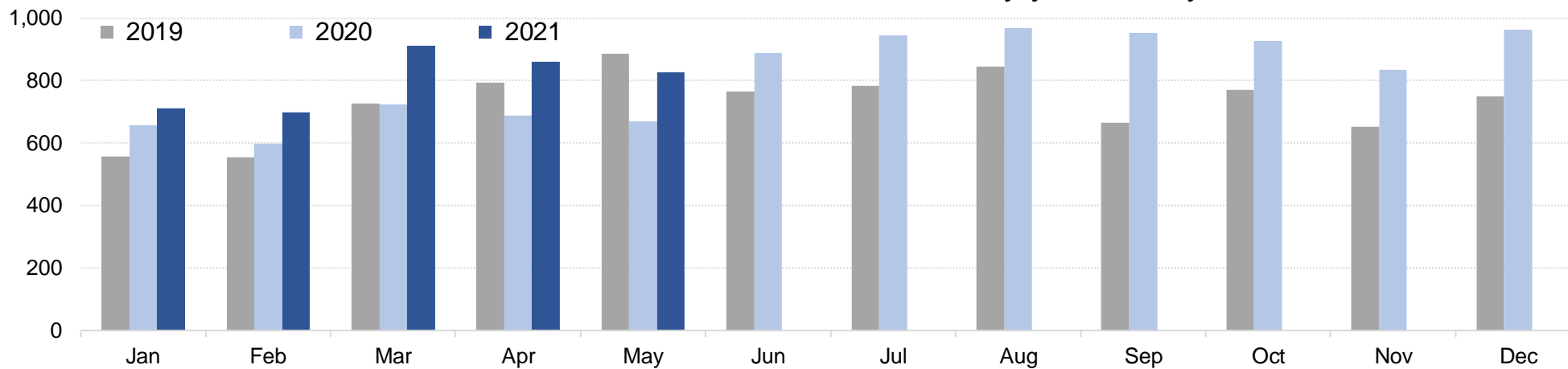
May 2021
US: 59.3%
Texas: 62%

MSA Home Sales Prices and Volumes

Home sales prices (in thousands) **on the rise** since 2019

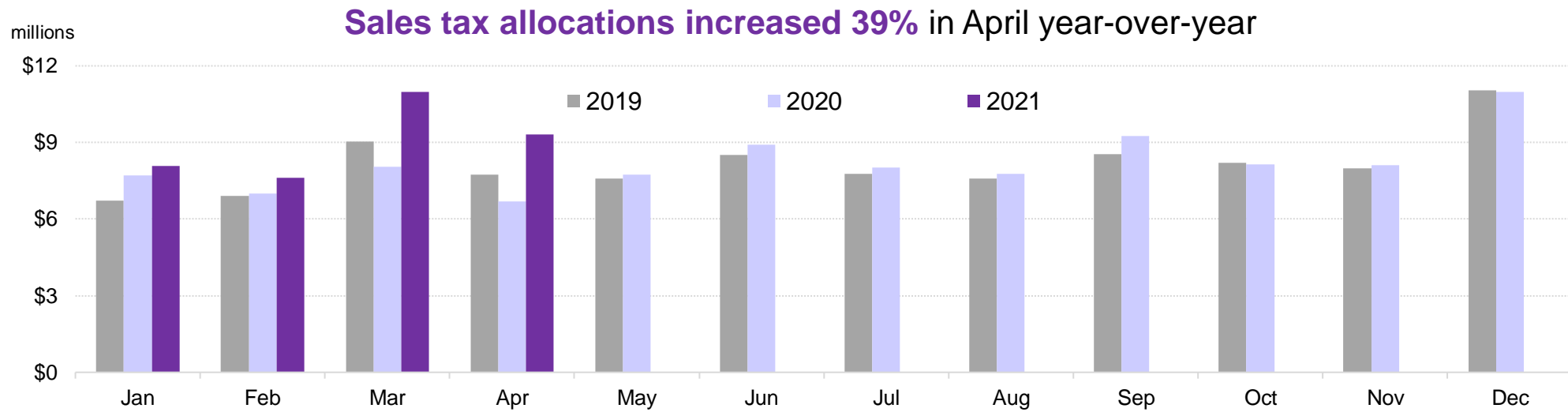


Home sales volume increased **23%** in May year-over-year



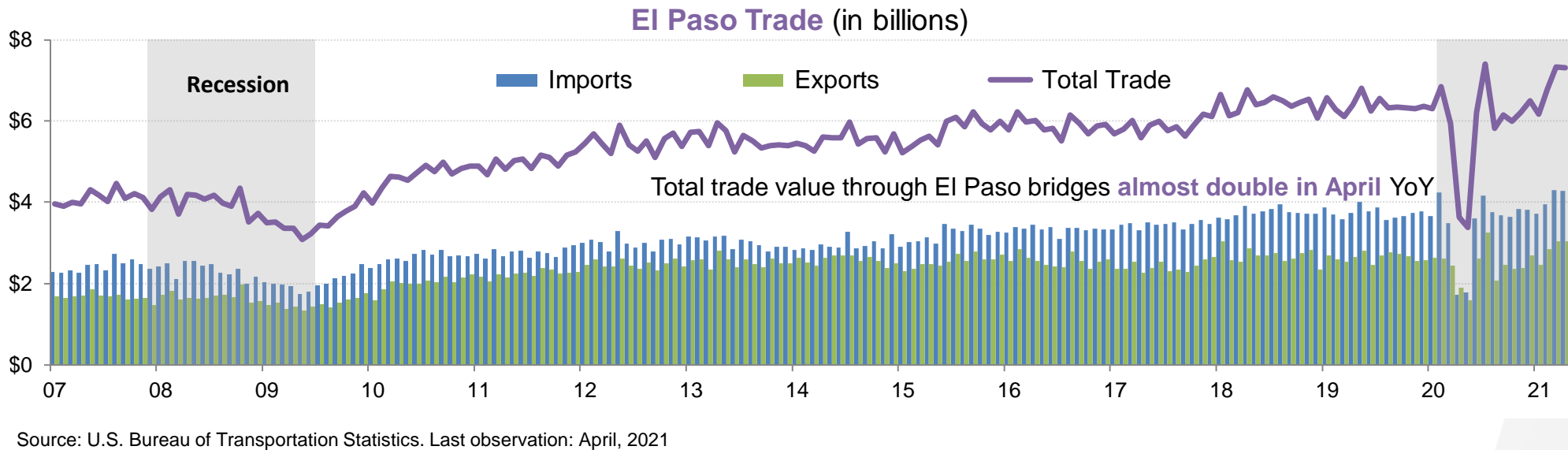
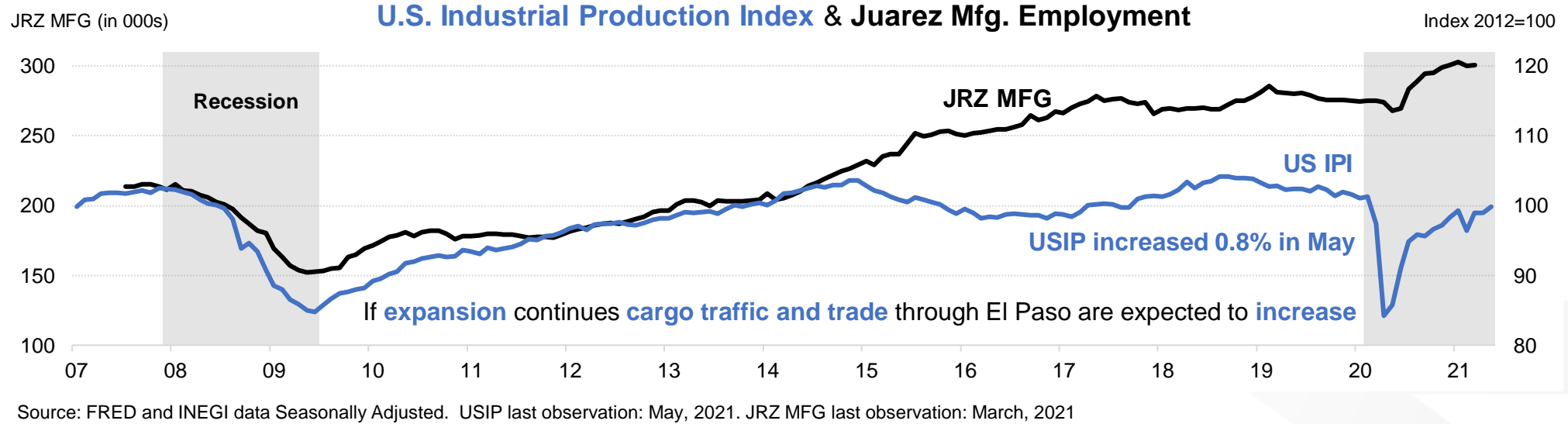
Source: Real Estate Center Texas A&M University. All prices adjusted for inflation. Last observation: May, 2021

Retail Sales (allocations)



Source: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. Last observation: April, 2021

Manufacturing Activity & Trade





3. City Manager Wrap Up

Tommy Gonzalez



Thank you!