

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

March 13, 2025

- Headlines regarding controversial federal actions has caused a lot of uncertainty in the market, which is evidenced by the recent stock market selloff. Concerns about an impending trade war because of recently imposed tariffs on Canada and Mexico could have significant impacts on construction and housing costs as well as machinery and automotive components.

- Global perception of the United States may impact where people from around the world choose to travel. International travel makes up roughly 10% of Nevada's visitors annually, and about half of that comes from Canada and Mexico. Additionally, one of the largest contributors to our all-time high Gaming win in 2023 and 2024 has been attributed to Baccarat, which is played by roughly 1,000 players, and generally are of Asian descent. While Tourism and Gaming may be exposed to potential declines in international visitation, especially from our 3 largest trade partners, it is not time to sound the alarm just yet.

- A lot of attention lately has been given to the federal agency employment cuts being carried out by the US Executive Branch and DOGE. For Nevada the highest concentration of civilian federal agency workers are in the VA, USPS, DoD, Dept. of Interior, and Homeland Security. These agencies seem to be pretty well insulated from the job cuts at the federal level. HUD is not a large concentration of federal workers in Nevada; however, affordable housing programs carried out by HUD may become strained; but that is not yet seen.

- It's not all gloomy in Nevada though. For January 2025, Gaming win was up 12.54% representing an increase of \$160.4 million when compared to January of 2024.

CONSENSUS FORECASTS

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

The current Statewide unemployment rate stands at 5.8% as of Dec 2024. The consensus is that the unemployment rate will decline to 5.4% by June 2025, then up to 5.6% by December 2025 and increase to 5.9% in June 2026.

JOB GROWTH

As of Jan 2025, Statewide employment stands 0.8% above Jan 2024. Year-over-year job growth is expected to increase to 1.3% in June 2025, and moderate to 0.6% year-over-year growth by December 2025 before going down to -0.3% growth in June 2026.

VISITOR VOLUME GROWTH

Statewide visitor volume is measured as a 12-month moving average (12MMA) to account for seasonality. Visitation was up 0.6% over the year since Nov 2023. Year-over-year growth is expected to be 2.0% in June 2025, then to 0.6% by December 2025 and -1.3% in June 2026.

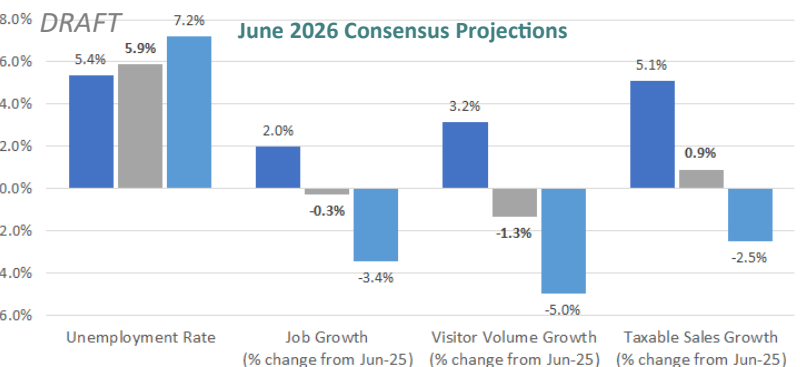
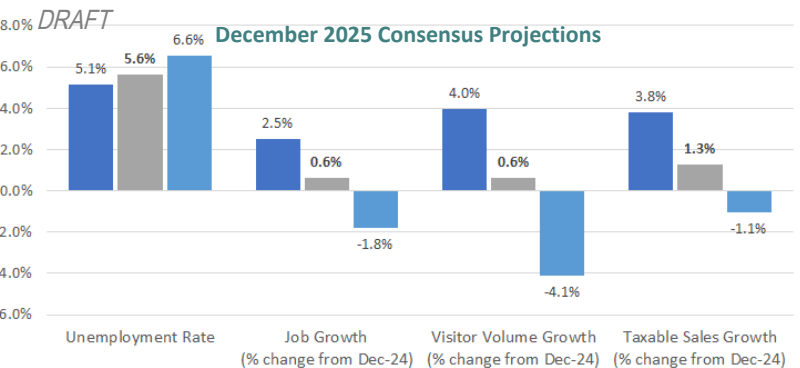
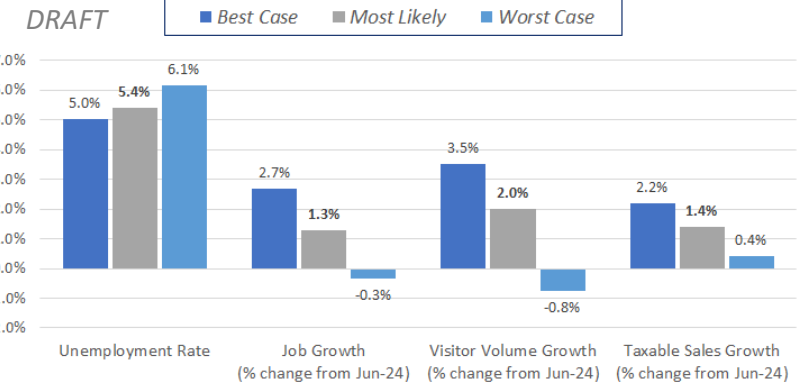
TAXABLE SALES GROWTH

The consensus projection for taxable sales shows growth of 1.4% year over year by June 2025 and then to 1.3% in December 2025, and then down to 0.9% in June 2026.

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES

To account for uncertainty, best case and worst-case scenarios are also estimated. The "most likely" scenarios are the primary projections for June 2025, December 2025, and June 2026.

June 2025 Consensus Projections



All charts are labeled "DRAFT" due to changing conditions.

The unemployment rate and job growth are seasonally adjusted, while visitor volume and taxable sales are measured as 12-month moving averages to account for expected seasonal variation.