



# MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

December 13, 2025

State revenues for the first quarter of FY26 are up ~10% over the same quarter last year. Consumer activity appears to remain solid with steady holiday sales, which bodes well for Nevada having potentially the first two quarters result in revenue gains for the fiscal year.

Gaming win remains a major contributor to the state revenue strength, where gaming and sales tax make up biggest proportions of the major revenue categories, indicating continued steady gaming performance despite mixed signals in broader consumer spending and travel.

For the July, August, and September, visitor volume is down about 9%, 5%, and 7%, respectively when compared to the same months last year. Both international and domestic flights into Harry Reid and Reno-Tahoe Airports are down most notably international flights decline 13.1% in September year over year. Steady gaming win amidst lower visitor and travel to the state point to a smaller concentration of affluent players, leading to slight concern over sustainability.

Nevada job market remains stable, but hardly any growth overall at about 0.1% year over year. Construction, wholesale, and retail trade, transportation and warehousing are showing trending declines. However, health care continues to follow the national trend of high growth.

Economists remain cautiously optimistic seeing no immediate downturn. But recognizing slowing population growth to the state, continued financial pressures nationally, depressed visitation, and flat job growth are significant risks to our state. Fed forward guidance suggest US households may feel the persistent squeeze of their finances throughout 2026, which will likely translate to muted economic activity in Nevada.

# **CONSENSUS FORECASTS**

### UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

The current Statewide unemployment rate stands at 5.3% as of Sept 2025. The consensus is that the unemployment rate will be 5.6% by December 2025, remaining at 5.6% by June 2026 and an increase to 5.9% in December 2026.

### JOB GROWTH

As of Sept 2025, Statewide employment stands 0.1% above September 2024. Year-over-year job growth is expected to be up 0.6% in December 2025, and up 0.8% year-over-year (YOY) growth by June 2026 before landing flat at 0.1% by December 2026.

### VISITOR VOLUME GROWTH

Statewide visitor volume is measured as a 12-month moving average (12MMA) to account for seasonality. Visitation was down -5.4% over the year as of Sept '25. Year-over-year growth is expected to be -1.7% in December 2025 as well, then -1.4% by June 2026 and flat at -0.2% in December 2026.

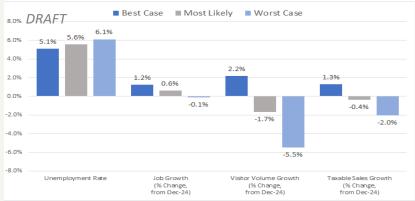
### TAXABLE SALES GROWTH

As of Sept '25 Taxable Sales were down -1.5% YOY using a 12MMA. The consensus projection for taxable sales shows decline at 0.4% year over year by December 2025 and flat 0.1% in June 2026, and then up 0.5% in December 2026.

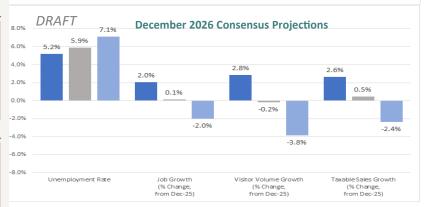
#### ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES

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

#### December 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.