

# The Utah Economy

## *Contexts and Insights*

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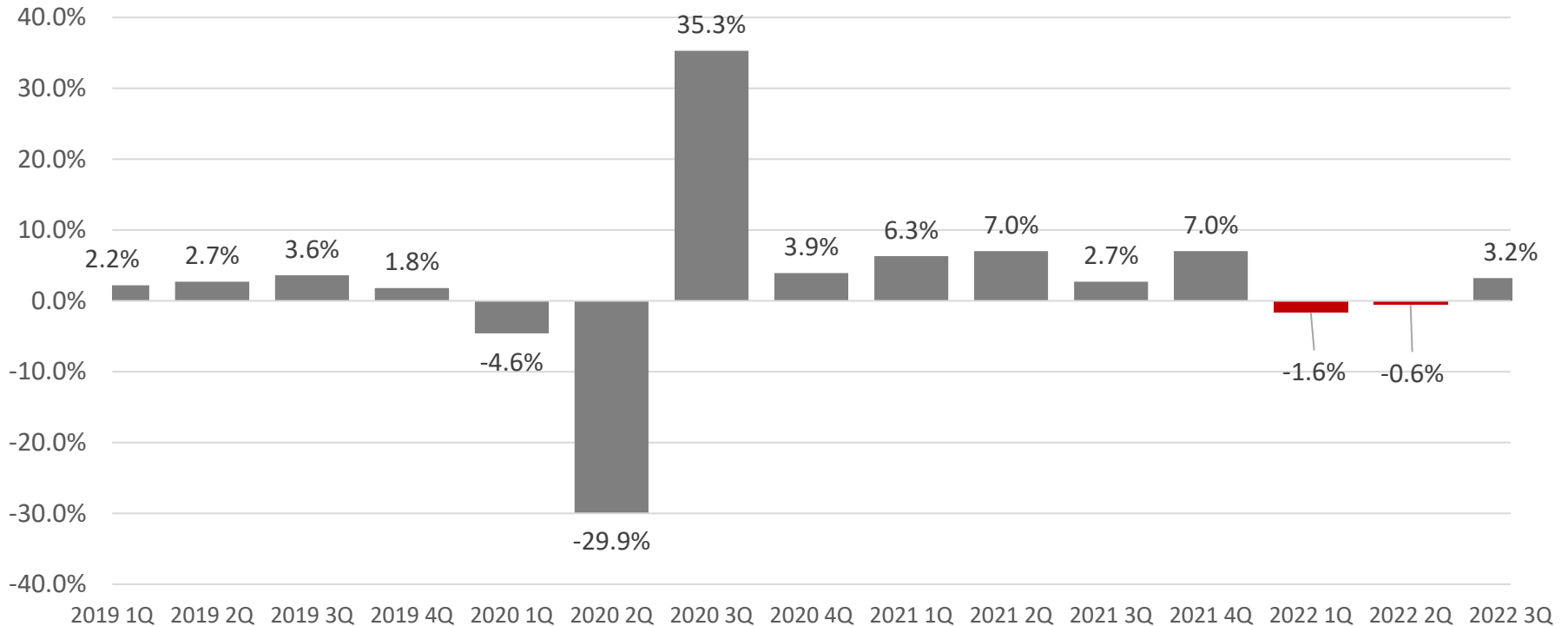
# Summary

- **Uncertain time** – Mixed messages abound. Now is a time to scenario plan, vigilantly monitor indicators, and make mid-course corrections as needed.
- **Utah economy continues to lead** – Utah's durable economy lives on. Before, during, and post pandemic, the Utah economy leads.
- **Key indicators** – Keep eye on demographics, inflation, and housing.
- **Scenario planning** – Soft landing, slowcession, and recession all plausible.

# Uncertainty

# U.S. Quarter-Over Real GDP Growth

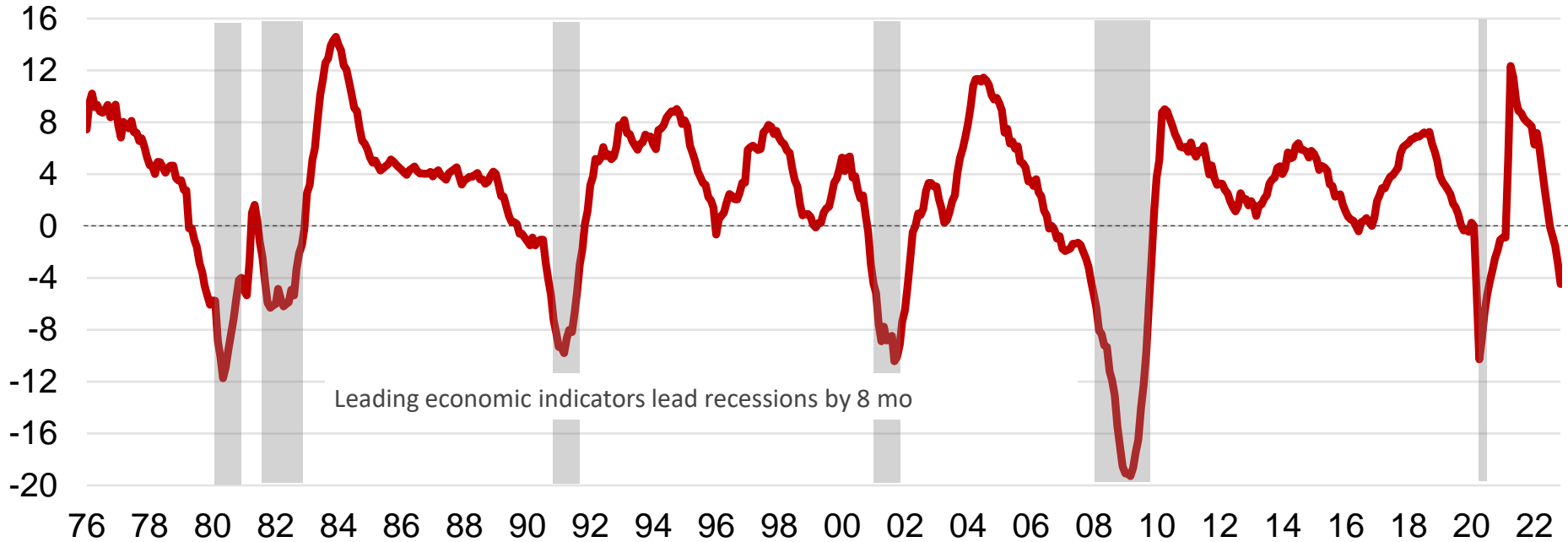
*Seasonally adjusted annual rate*



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

# U.S. Leading Indicators

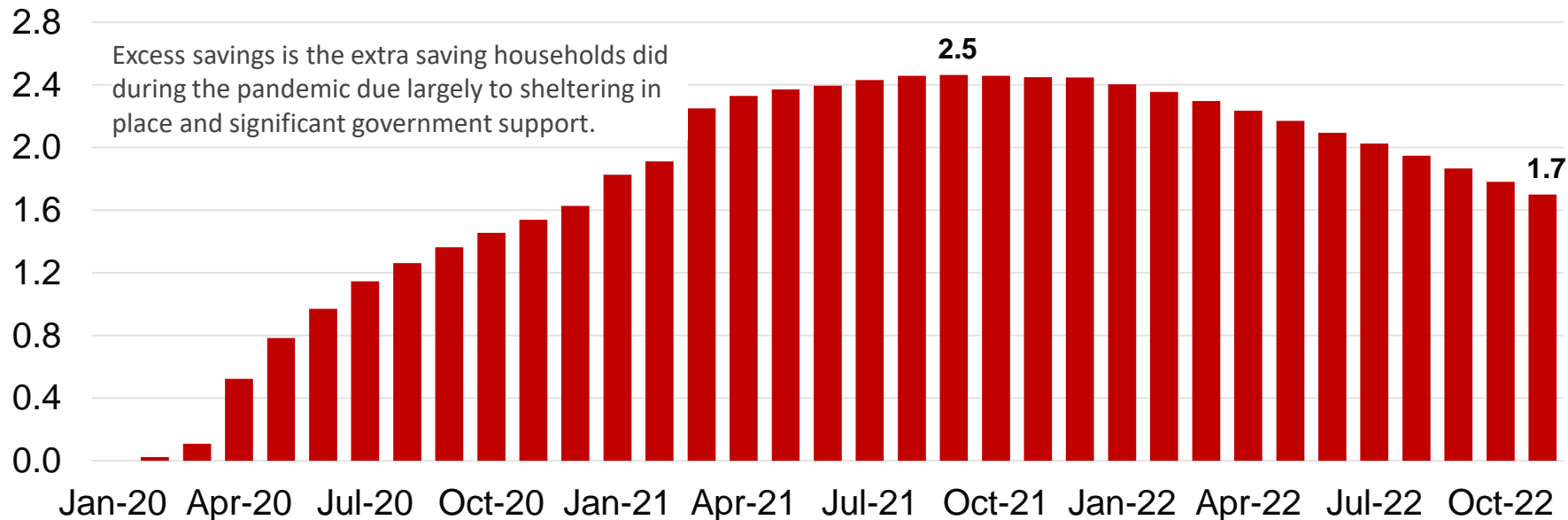
*Year-Over Percent Change*



Source: Conference Board, Moody's Analytics

# U.S. Excess Household Saving

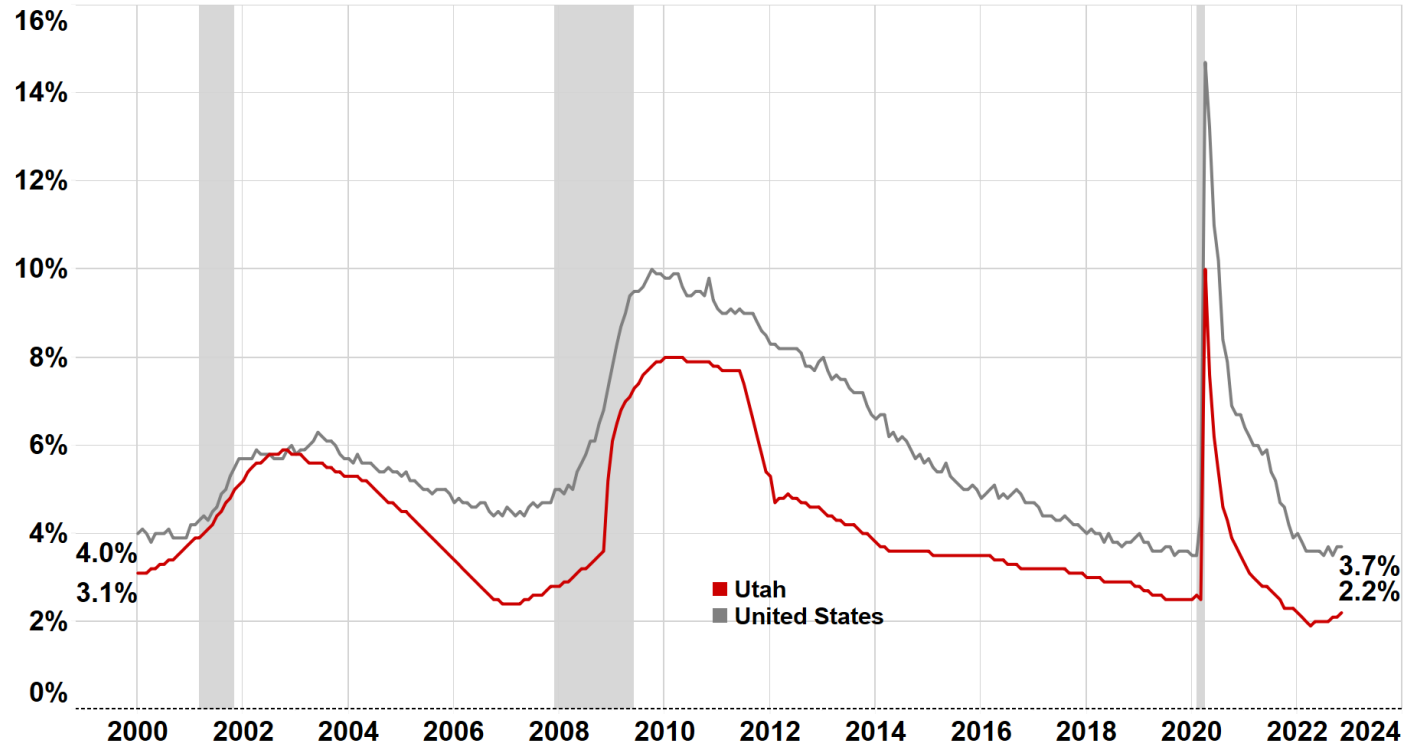
*Trillions of 2020 Dollars*



Source: BEA and Moody's

# Unemployment Rate

*Seasonally Adjusted*



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

# Utah Leads

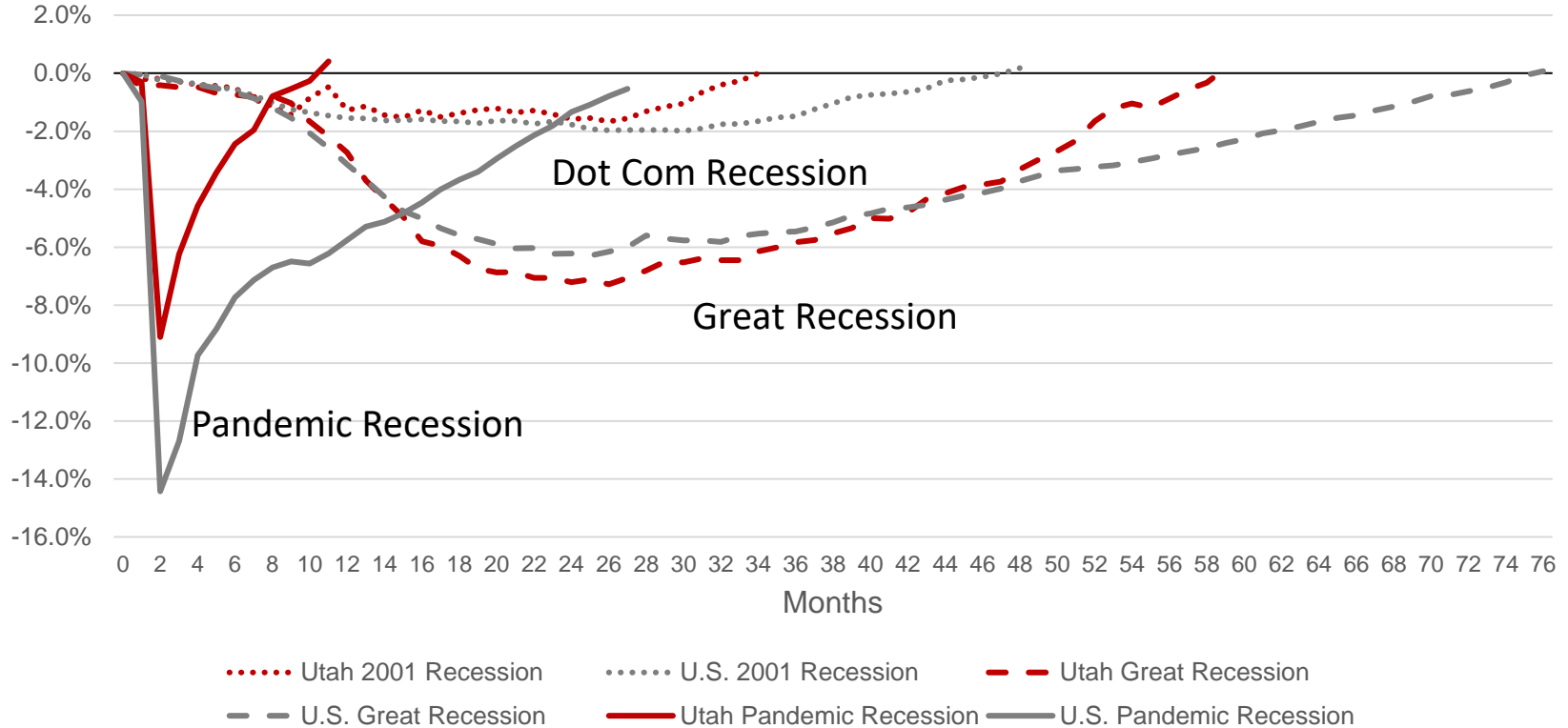
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# Jobs Recovery by Recent Recessions

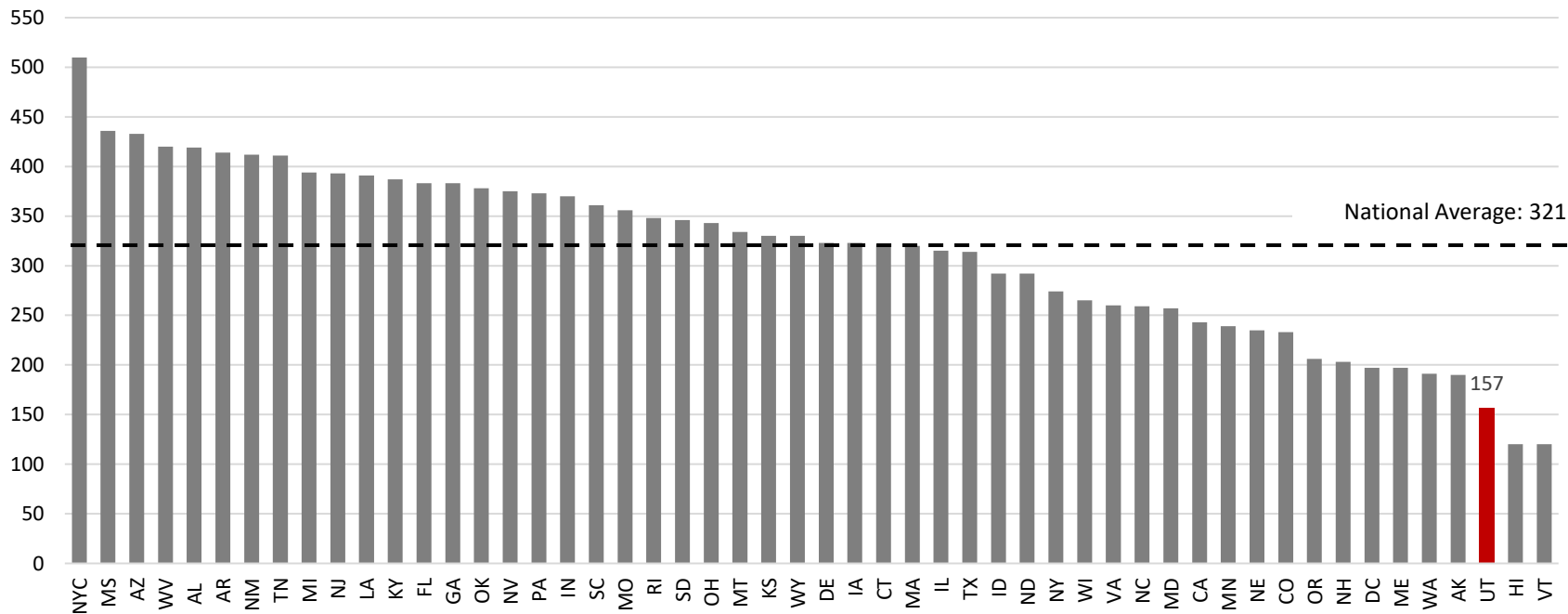
*Decline and duration of job losses*



Source: Utah Governor's Office of Planning and Budget and Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS)

# COVID-19 Deaths per 100,000 People by State

*As of November 8, 2022*

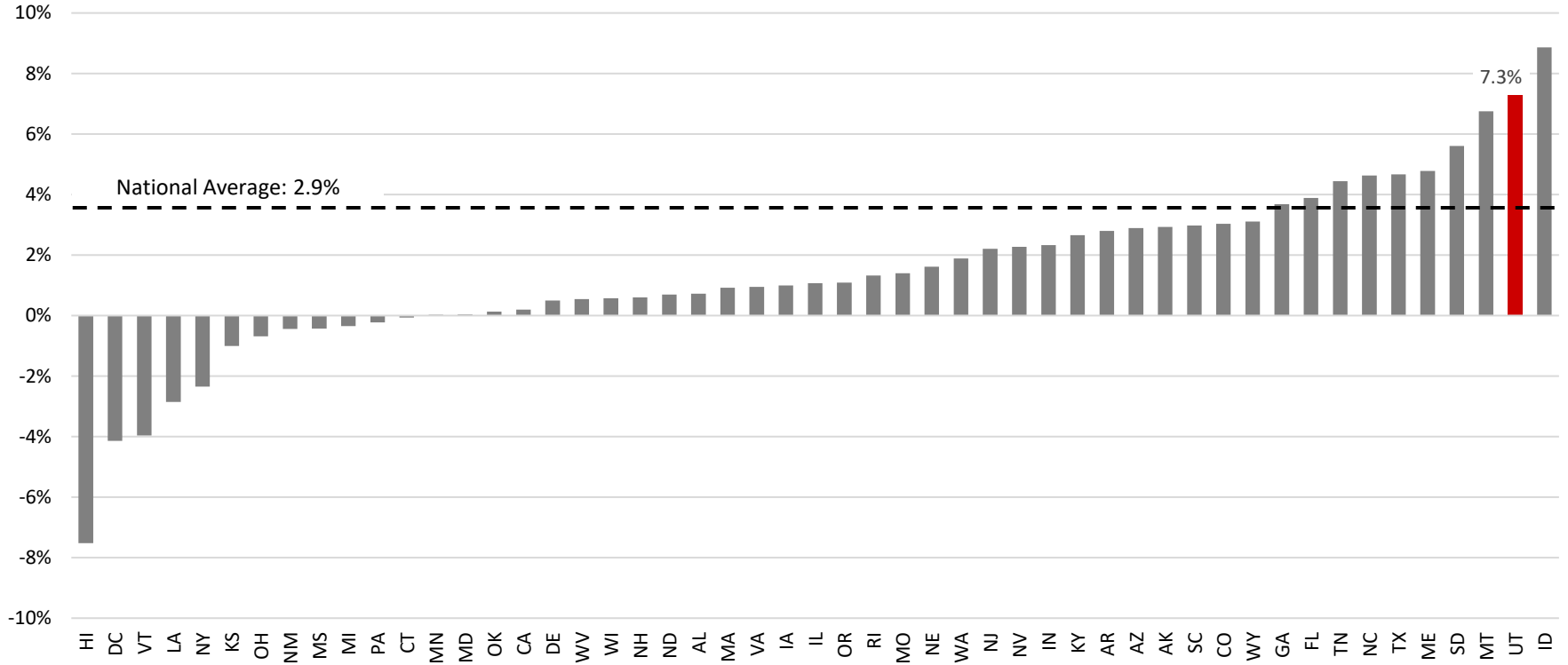


Note: Counts for New York City and New York State are shown separately for case and death metrics; data for New York State case and death metrics are for the state excluding data for New York City. Testing metrics for New York State include data for New York City. Data is since January 21, 2020.

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Data as of: Tuesday, November 8, 2022

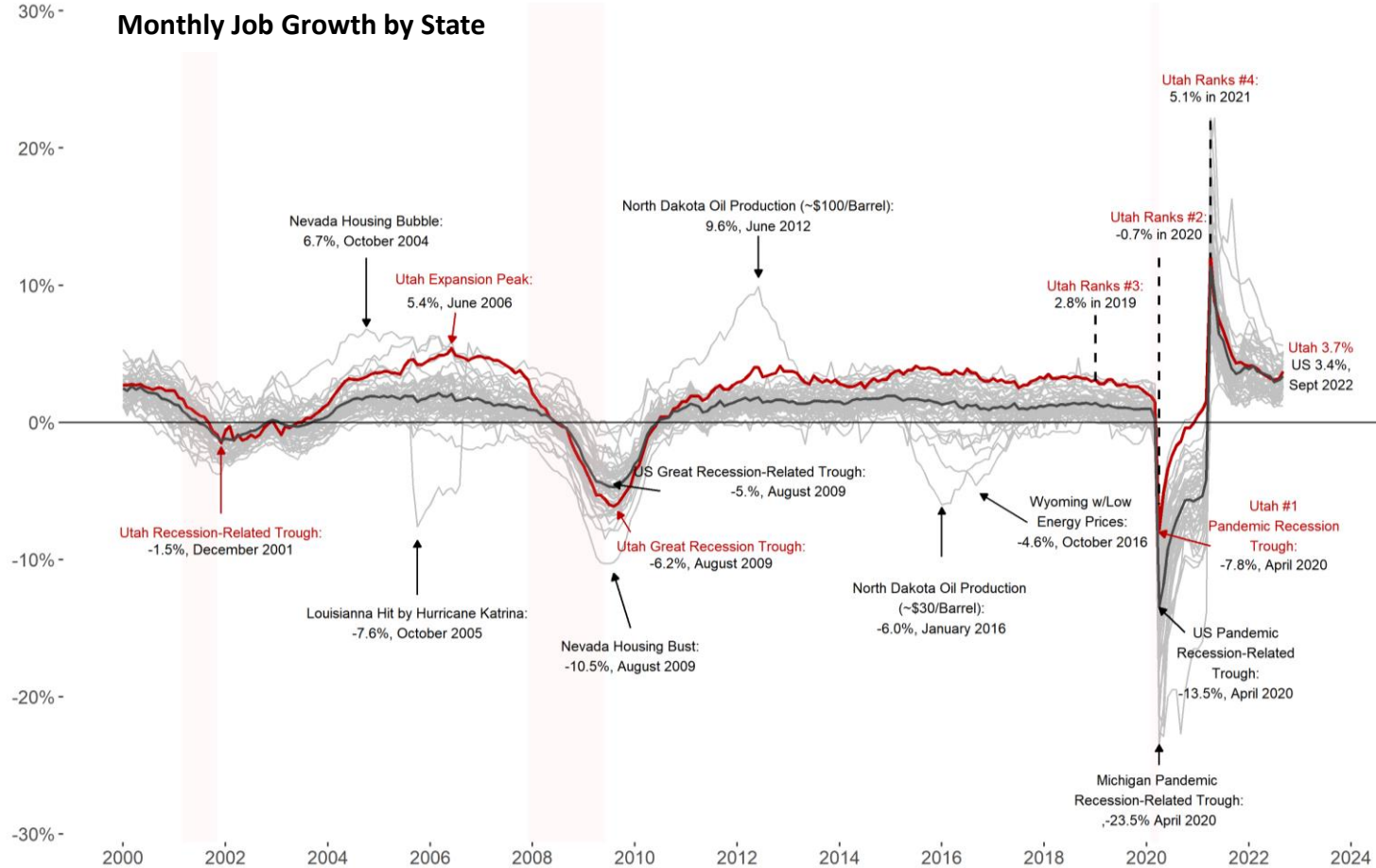
# Job Change by State

February 2020 to September 2022



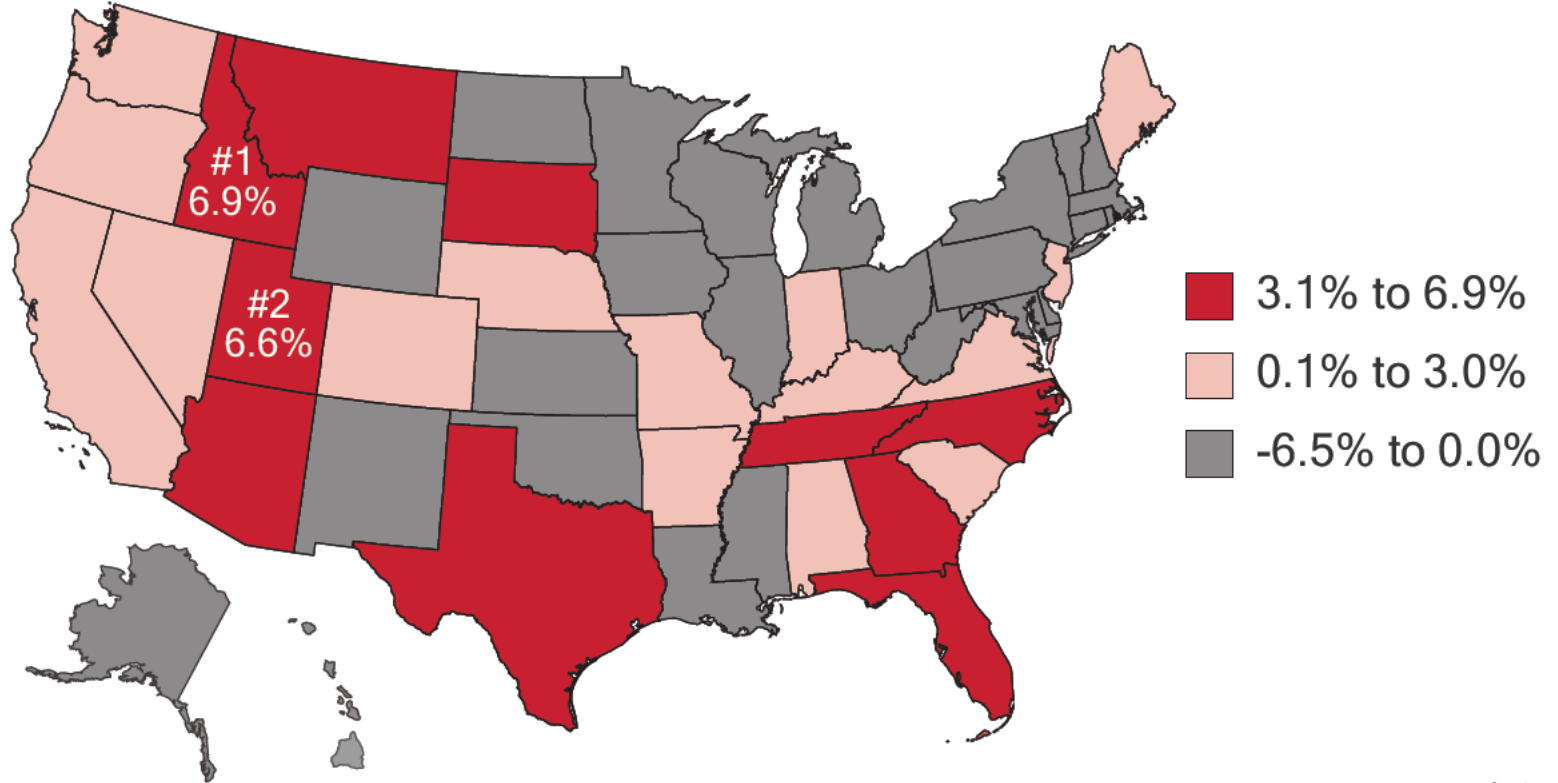
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

# Utah's Nation-Leading Economy



# Jobs Recovery

*Percent Change in Jobs February 2020-November 2022*

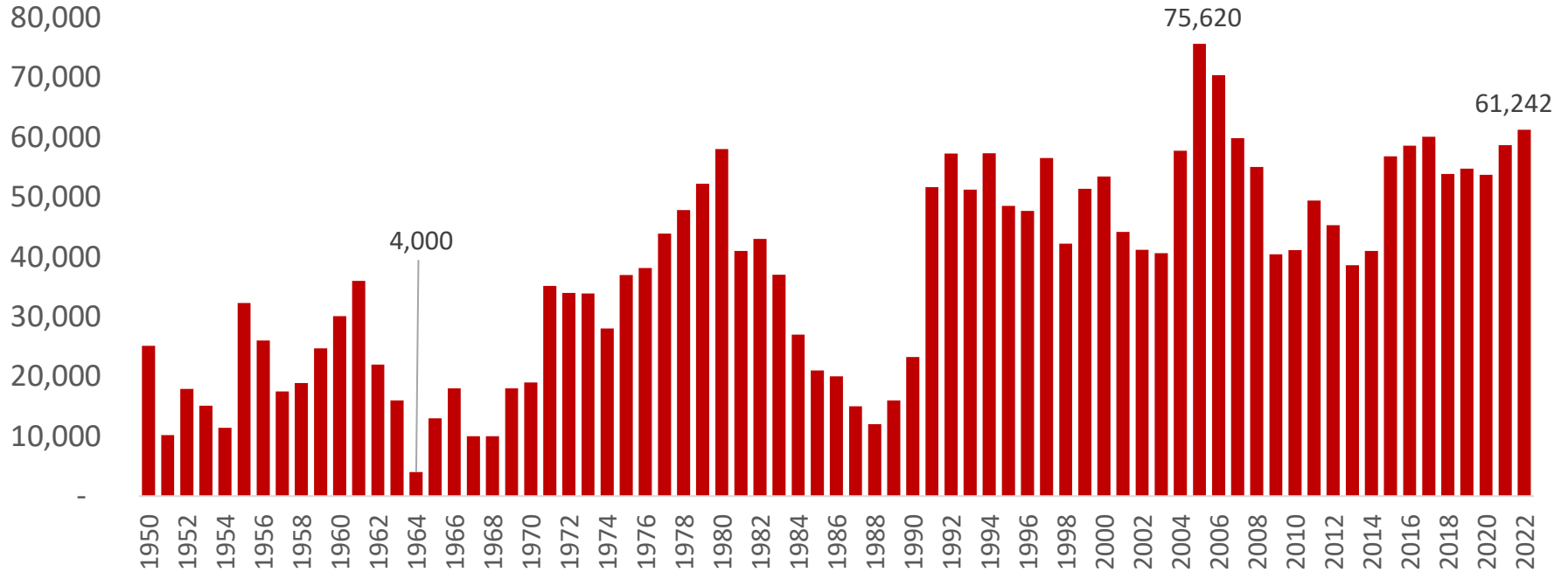


Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

# Key Indicators

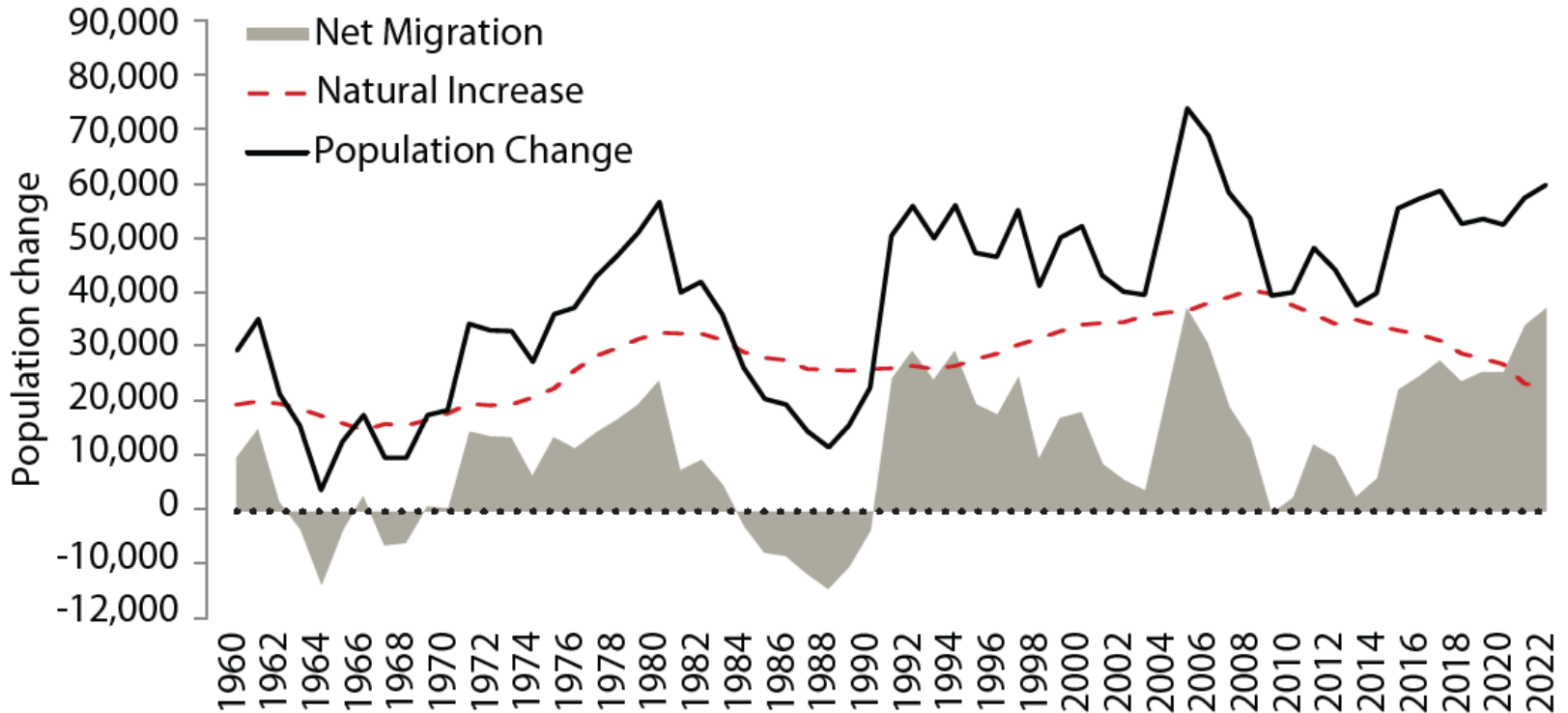
# Utah Annual Population Change

*Growth is Utah's constant companion*



Source: Utah Population Committee

# Utah Components of Population Change

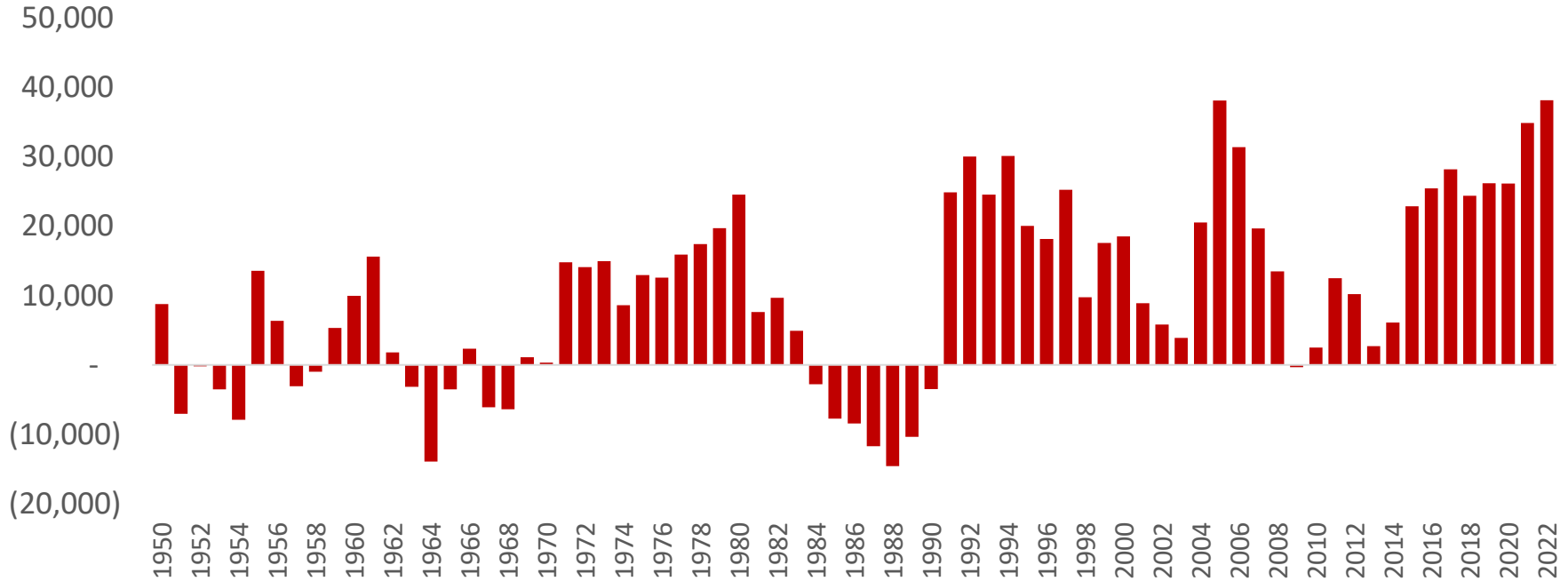


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# Utah Net Migration

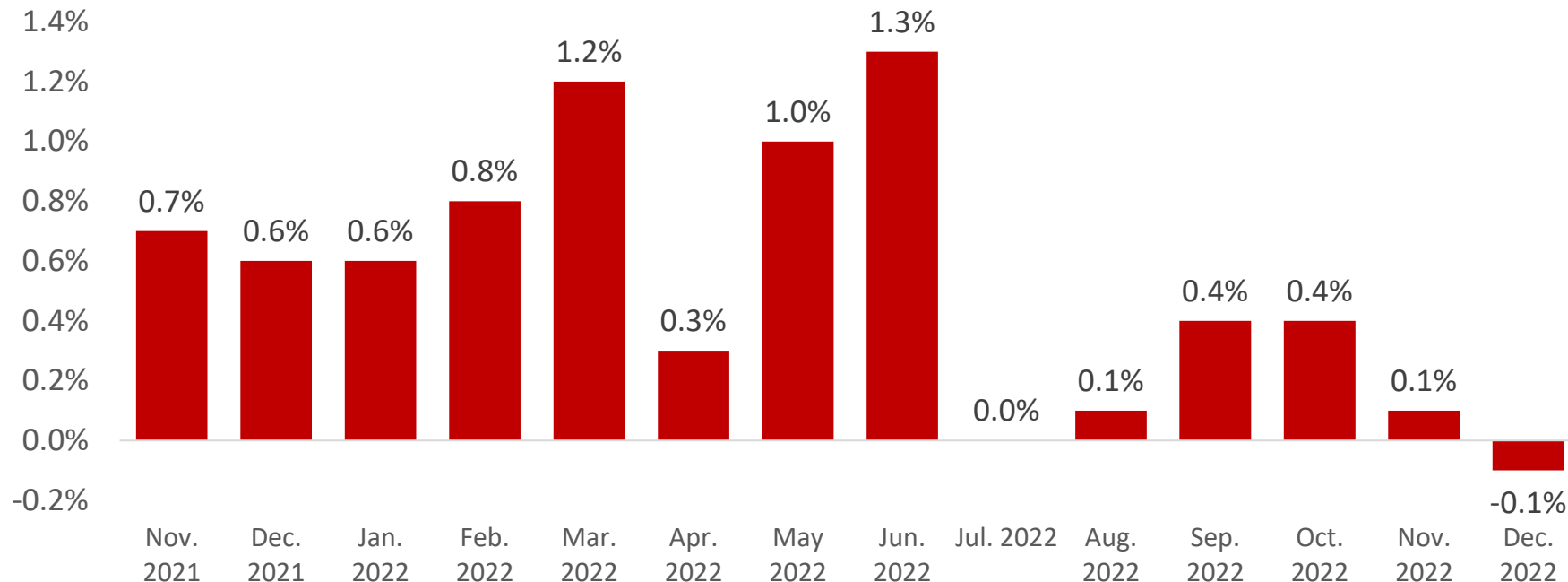
*Utah experienced net migration in 31 of the past 32 years*



Source: Utah Population Committee

# CPI for All Urban Consumers

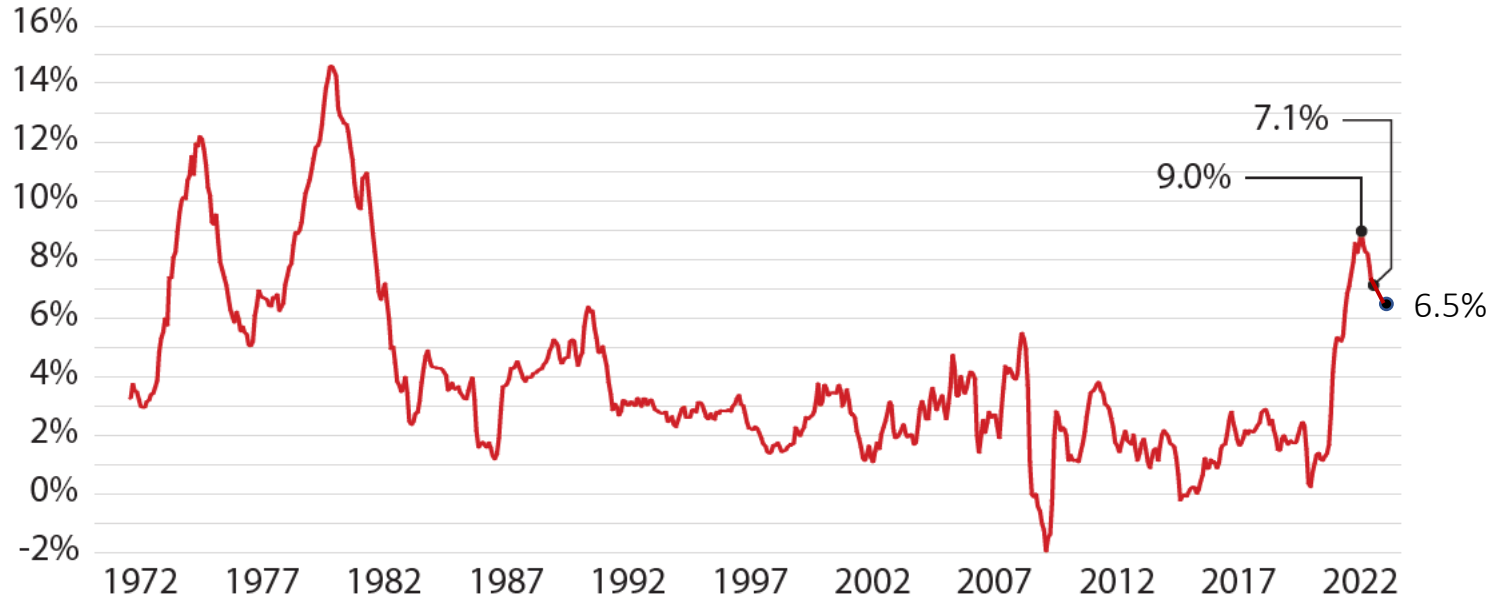
*Seasonally adjusted changes from preceding month*



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

# Inflation

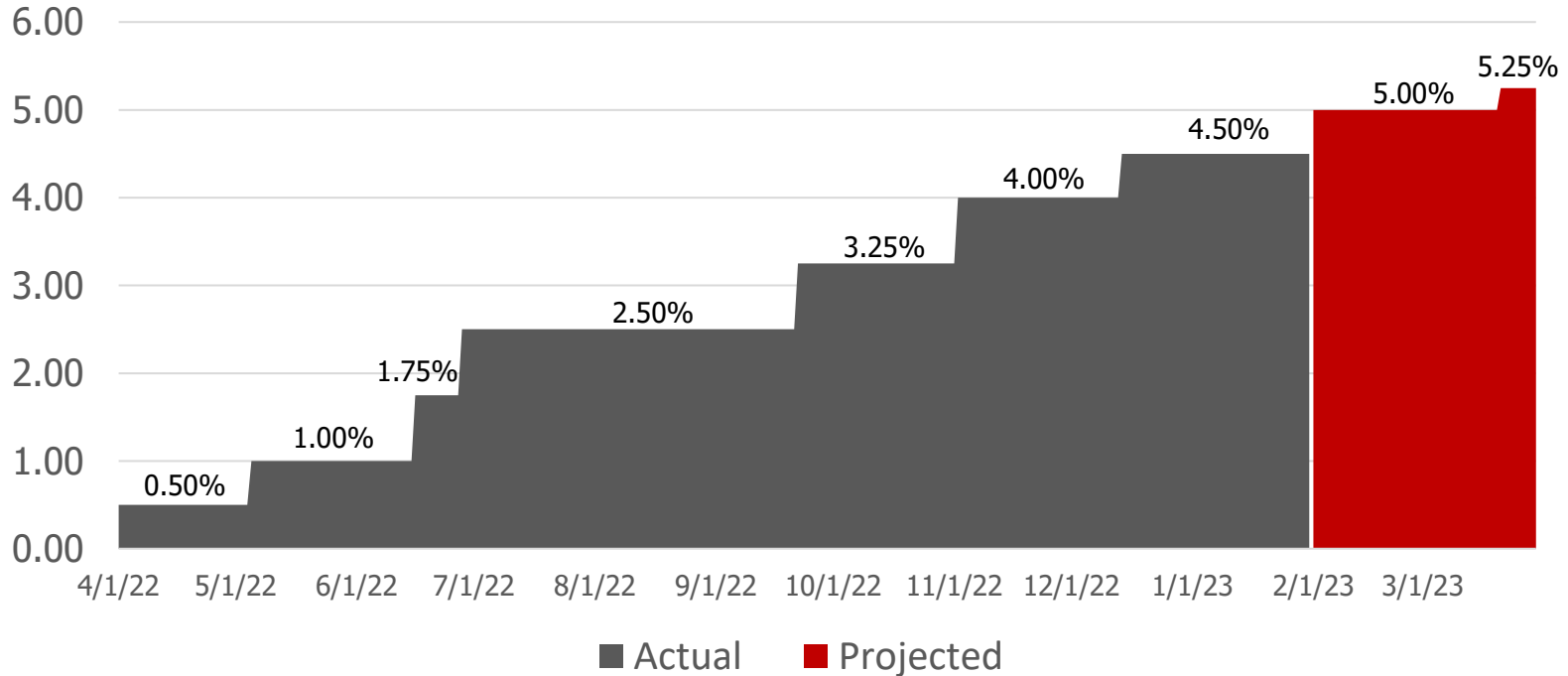
## *Consumer Price Index, Year-over Change*



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

# The FED Still On the Move

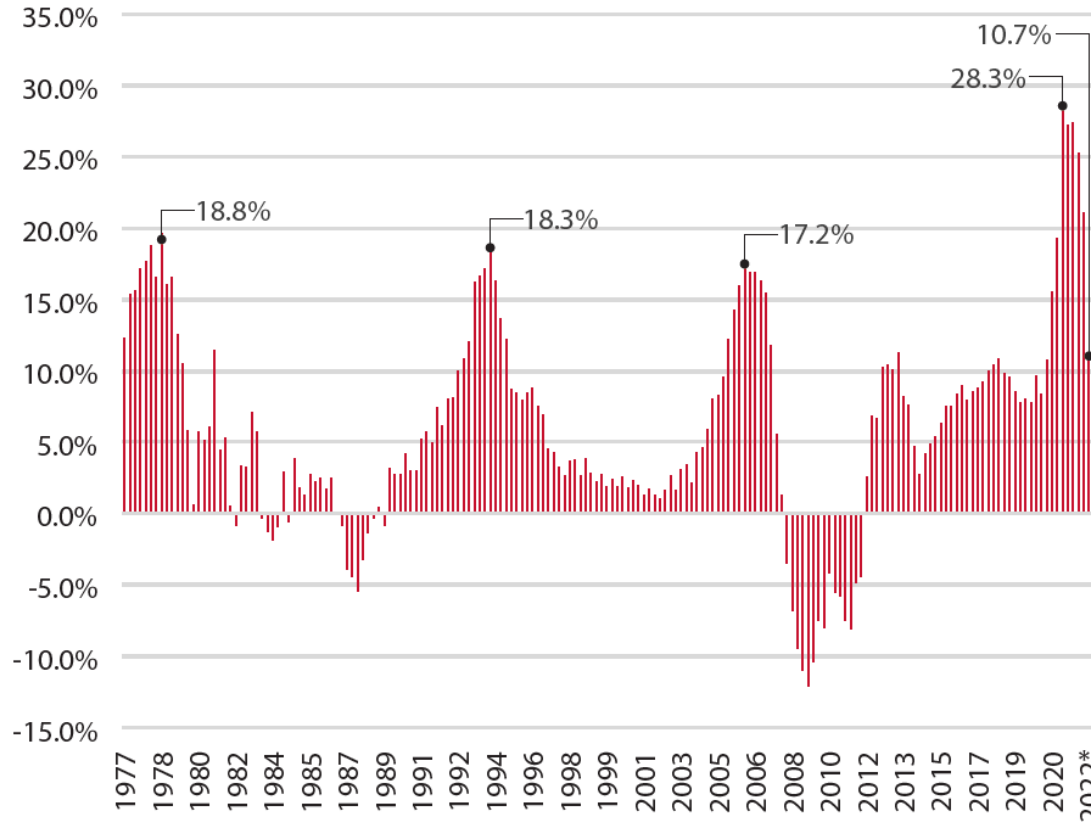
*Rate hiking cycle, upper bound federal funds rate*



Source: Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute and Federal Reserve

# Utah Home Prices

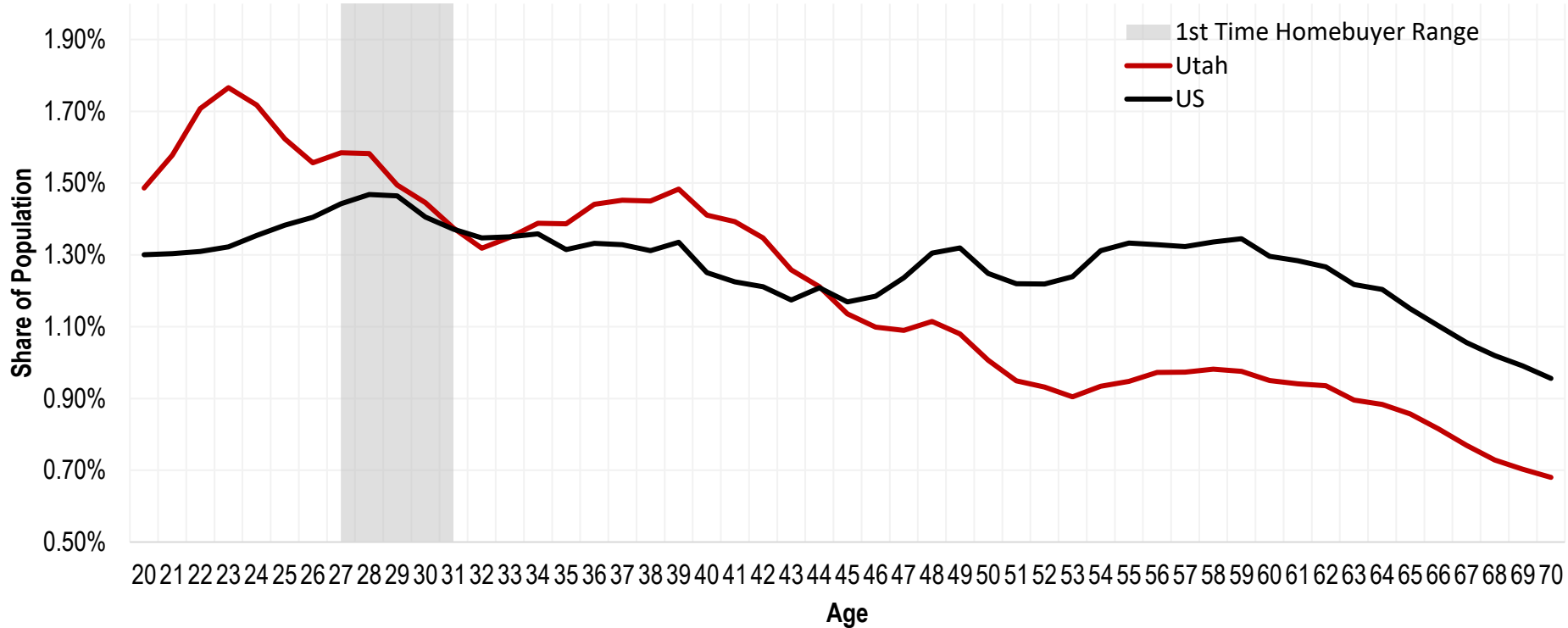
*Year-over Percent Change, FHFA Index*



Source: Federal Housing Finance Agency

# Housing Demand Bolstered by Demographics

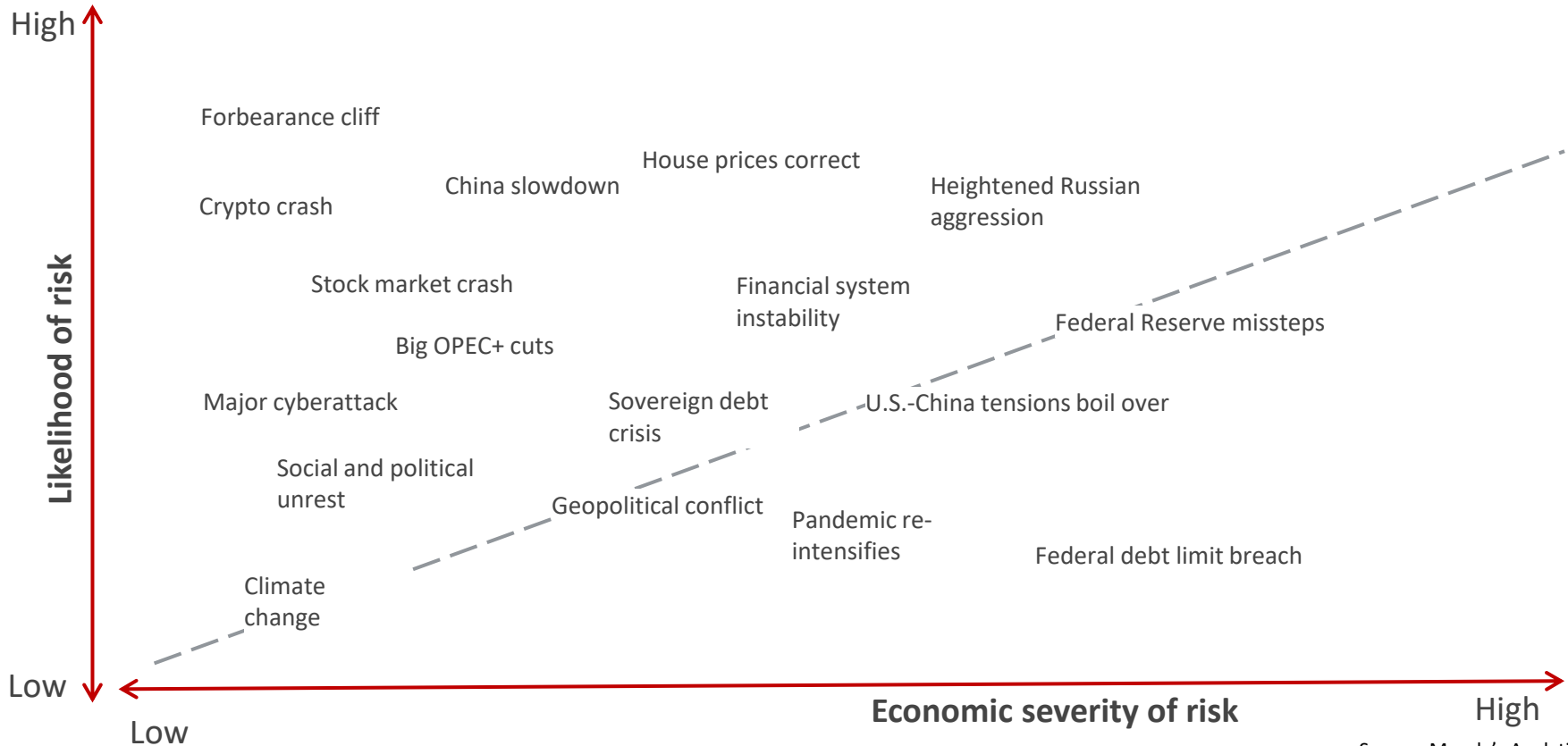
*Share of Population by Age*



Source: Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute

# Scenario Planning

# Known Unknowns that Threaten the Economy

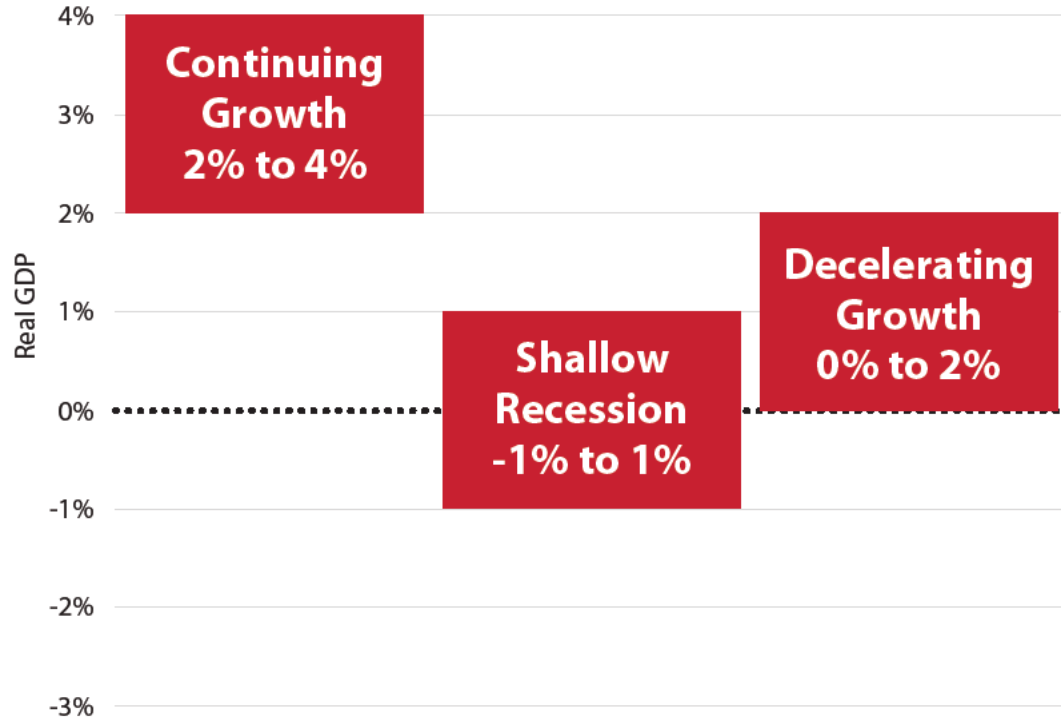


Source: Moody's Analytics



# Three Scenarios for 2023

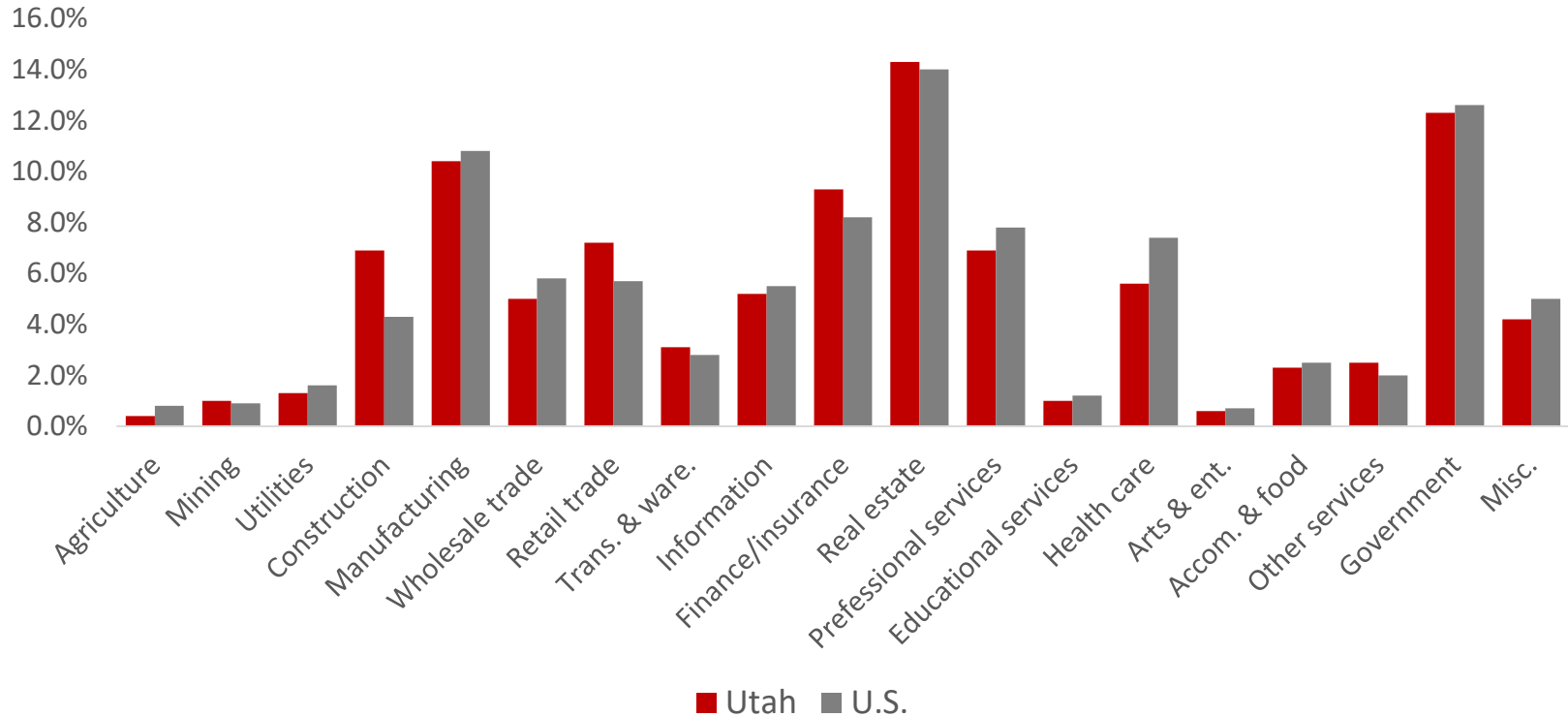
*Real GDP Change*



Source: Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute

# Utah and U.S. Gross Domestic Product

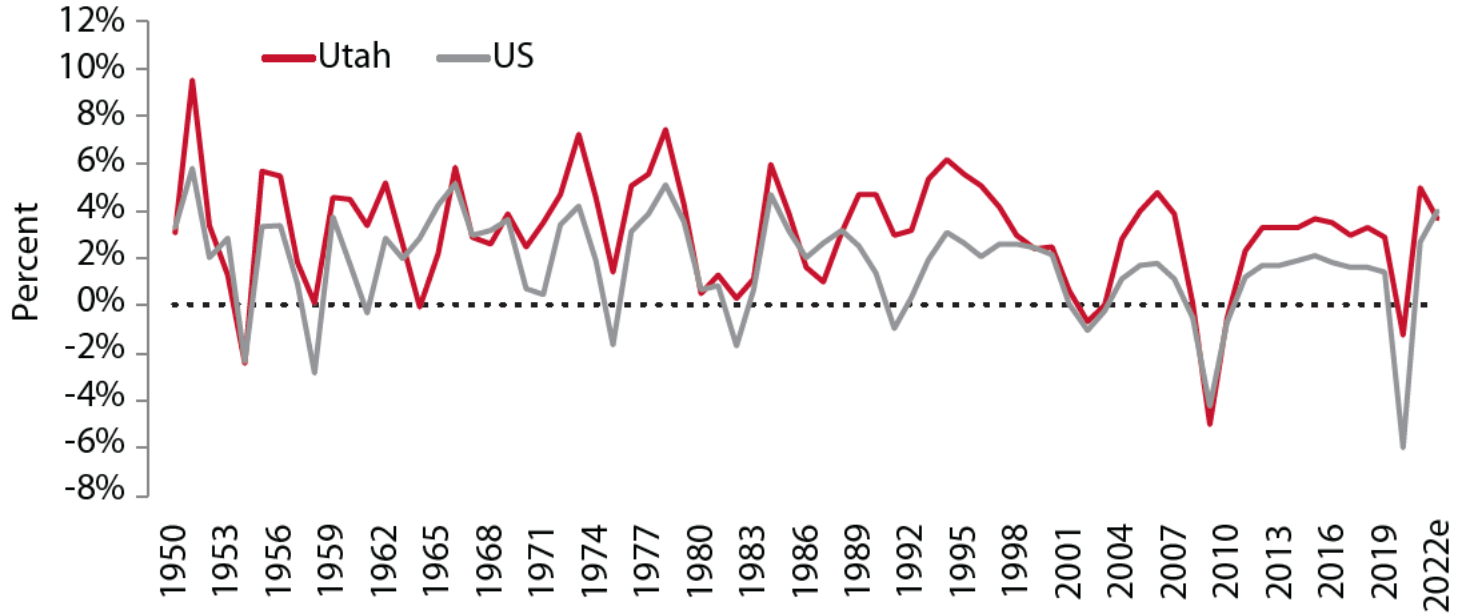
*Percent of GDP, 2021*



Source: Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute, BEA

# Job Growth Rate Utah and U.S.

*Average Annual Percent Change*



Source: Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute, BEA