

# **U.S. Economic Outlook**

2Q21

# **Highlights**



The economy could experience a period of bonanza not seen in decades



Strong recovery boosted by successful vaccination campaign, reopening of services, low interest rates, and massive fiscal stimulus



Flat Phillips curve and elevated slack limit inflationary pressures



Fed balance sheet tapering in 2022 and rate liftoff in 2023



Moderate upward trend in long-term Treasury yields



Infrastructure investment and tax policy will boost employment, capital spending, productivity and potential GDP



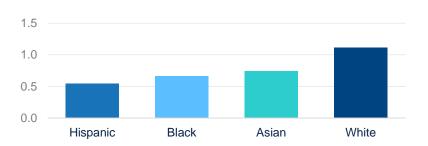
Ample business opportunities and record-high bank profitability

# Data suggests herd immunity will be reached by 4th of July

### DAILY CASES AND FATALITIES, 7DMA, THOUSANDS

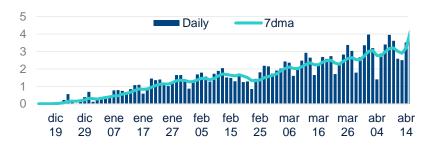


#### **VACCINATION TO POPULATION RATIO\***

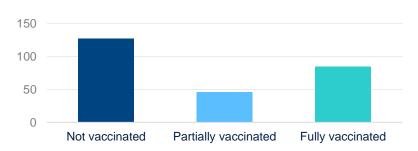


<sup>\*</sup> Share of vaccination over share of population by ethnicity Source: BBVA Research, CDC and Johns Hopkins University; as of 4/16/21

## **COUNT OF TOTAL DOSES ADMINISTERED, MILLIONS**



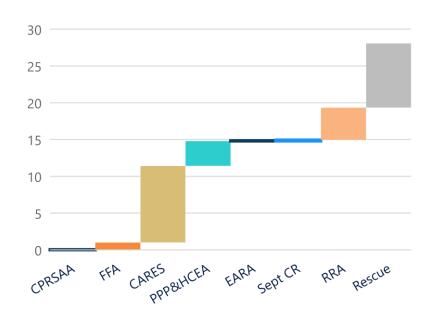
### POPULATION ≥ 18 YRS OF AGE, MILLIONS



# Coronavirus relief packages close to 30% of GDP

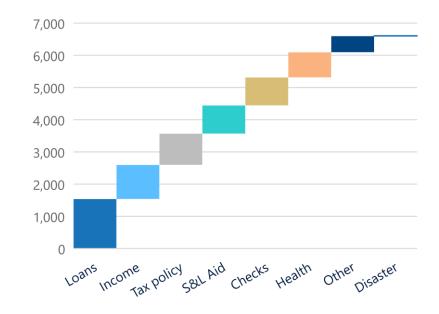
#### FISCAL SUPPORT 2020-2021

(% OF 4Q19 GDP, SIGNED TO DATE)



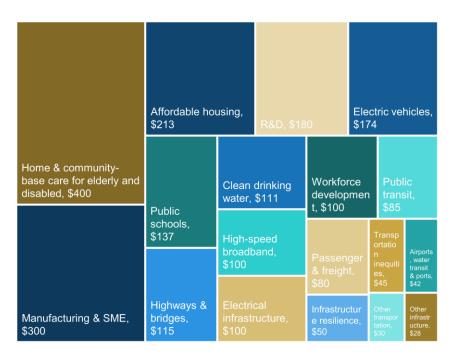
#### FISCAL SUPPORT BY MAIN CATEGORY

(US\$BN, SIGNED TO DATE)



# We expect further fiscal stimuli in coming months

#### **AMERICAN JOBS PLAN: \$2.3TN**

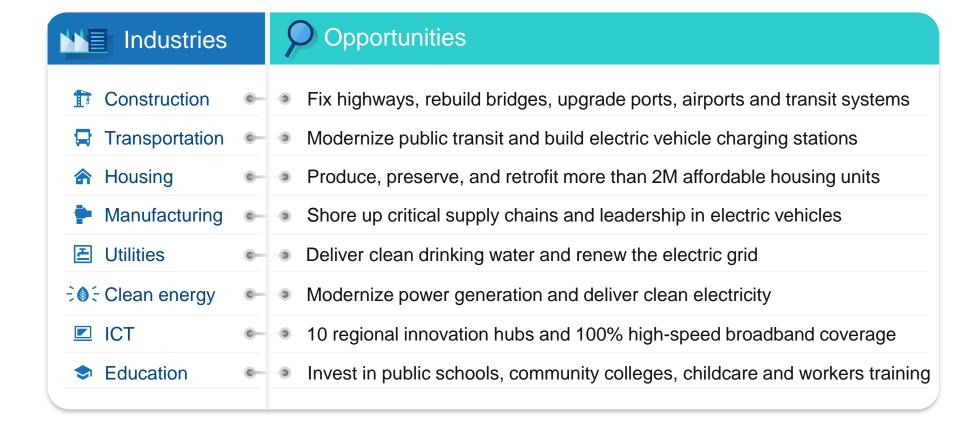


## MADE IN AMERICA TAX PLAN: \$1.75TN TO \$2.75TN

	10 years	15 years
Corporate tax rate from 21 to 28%	\$850	\$1,300
GILTI Tax from 10.5% to 21%	\$500	\$750
Repeal FDII	\$250	\$400
15% min book tax	\$100	\$200
Anti-inversion	\$25	\$50
Eliminate fossil fuels subsidies	\$25	\$30
Offshoring penalty	na	na
Tax enforcement	na	na
Global min tax	na	na
Total	\$1.75tn	\$2.75tn

Source: BBVA Research, TF, CRFP and The White House

# The American Jobs Plan will create ample business opportunities



# Critical problems: rising inequality and shrinking opportunities

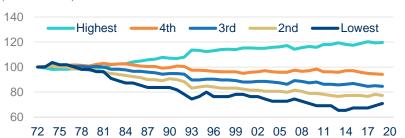
#### **EMPLOYMENT RECOVERY**

(MONTHS TO PREVIOUS PEAK, START OF CONTRACTION)



### SHARE OF FAMILY INCOME BY QUINTILE

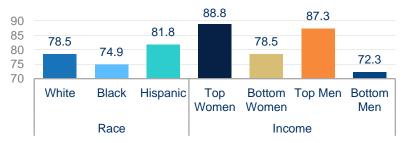
(1972 = 100)



# POVERTY & COVID-19 IMPACT ON UNEMPLOYMENT (% OF POPULATION)

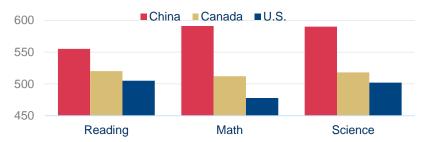


# LIFE EXPECTANCY AT BIRTH BY RACE AND INCOME (YEARS)

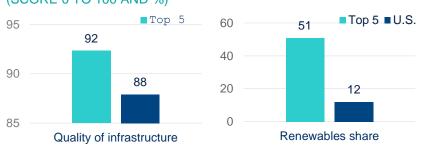


# Regaining global leadership and competitiveness will not be easy

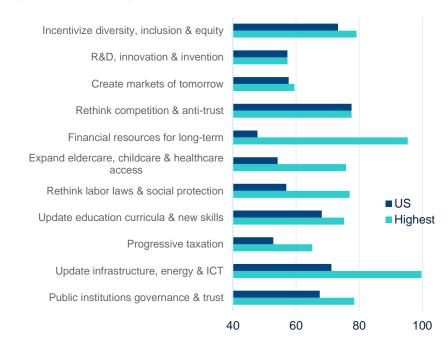
# GLOBAL STUDENT PERFORMANCE RANKINGS (SCORE 300 TO 600)



# **GLOBAL INFRASTRUCTURE & RENEWABLES SHARE** (SCORE 0 TO 100 AND %)



# **GLOBAL TRANSFORMATION READINESS RANKING** (SCORE 0 TO 100)



Source: BBVA Research, OECD, EIA and WEF

# Biden's agenda could mark a watershed moment in U.S. history



### Healthcare

Expand access to affordable health insurance with a public option. Lower Medicare eligibility age and expand coverage. Cut prescription drug pricing, and expand subsidies & tax credits.



## **Climate Change**

Net-zero emissions by 2050, double offshore wind production by 2030, reduce carbon footprint in the power sector by 50% by 2035, add 500K EV charging stations by 2030, & restore electric vehicle tax credit.



## **Immigration**

Path to citizenship for undocumented immigrants, revise employment-based visa rules, and expand resources for immigration courts, border infrastructure, and aid to Central America.



## Housing

Boost supply of affordable and safe housing, focusing on vulnerable segments of the population. Reinstate fair-housing policies & enhance tax credits.



## **Industry**

Invest \$300bn to restore U.S. leadership in critical technologies: clean energy, artificial intelligence, and electric vehicle battery technology.

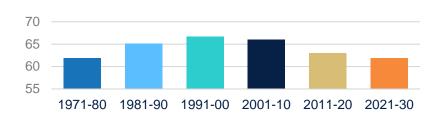


## China

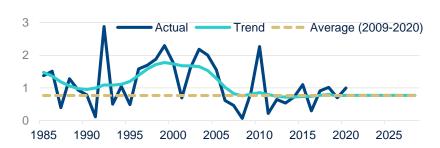
Play the long game cooperating on common issues while opposing military expansionism, infringement of international rules and violation of human and political rights.

# Higher labor, capital and productivity growth will boost potential GDP

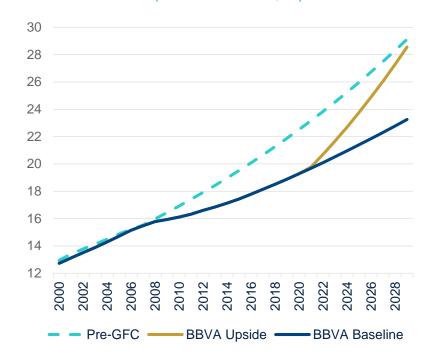
### **LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE, (%)**



### **TOTAL FACTOR PRODUCTIVITY (%)**



### POTENTIAL GDP (CHAINED 2012 US\$TN)

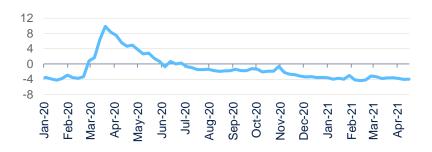


# Financial conditions conducive to a solid recovery

#### **S&P 500 INDEX**



### FINANCIAL STRESS INDEX, >0 = STRESS



#### **VOLATILITY & ECONOMIC UNCERTAINTY INDICES**



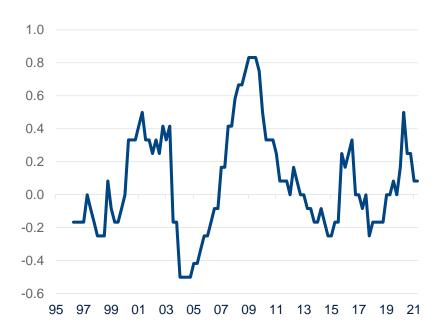
### **SWAPTION VOLATILITY EXPECTATIONS, BP**



# Limited downside risks to borrowing, funding and leverage

#### **BBVA USA CREDIT CYCLE RISK INDEX**

(NORMALIZED; INDEX > 0 = ABOVE AVERAGE RISK)



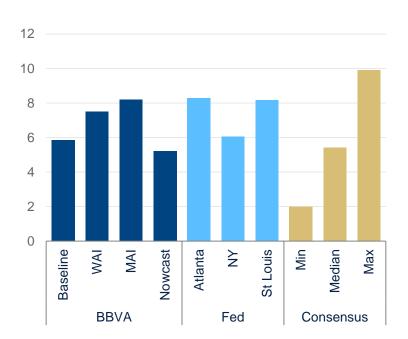
#### BBVA USA CORPORATE DEBT DISTRESS INDEX

(INDEX > 1 = ABOVE AVERAGE RISK)



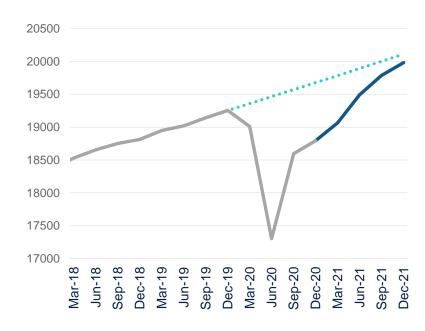
# Strong GDP growth in 1H21 will narrow gap with pre-pandemic trend

# **1Q21 REAL GDP FORECASTS** (SAAR, %)



## REAL GDP LEVEL



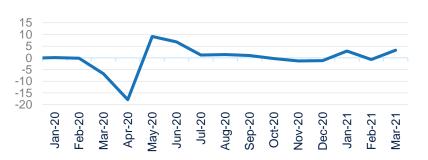


# In-house indicators confirm strong economic conditions

#### **BBVA USA RECESSION PROBIT MODEL**



#### **BBVA USA MONTHLY ACTIVITY INDEX**



## **BBVA USA WEEKLY ACTIVITY INDEX, 4WMA**



### BBVA USA NOWCAST 1Q21, QoQ % SAAR

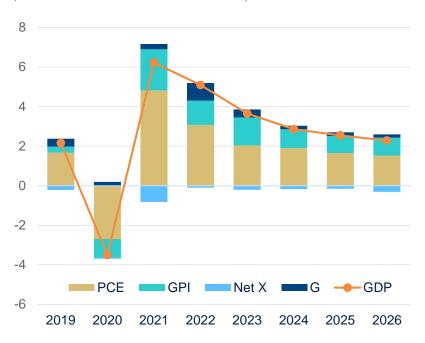


Source: BBVA Research and Haver Analytics

# **Economy set to experience the strongest expansion in decades**

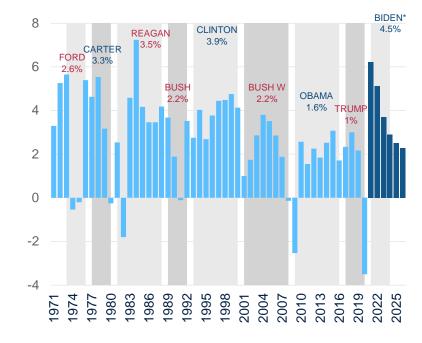
#### **REAL GDP GROWTH FORECAST**

(CONTRIBUTION TO Y0Y % CHANGE)



#### **REAL GDP GROWTH**

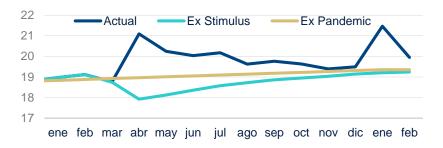
(%)



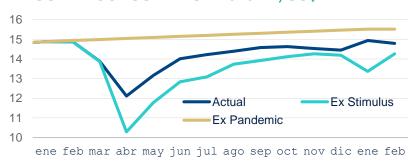
Source: BBVA Research & BEA \* Forecast

# Fiscal response has provided strong support to households

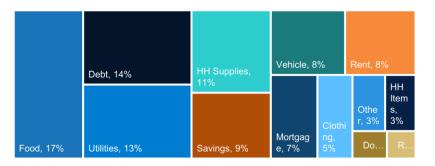
### PERSONAL INCOME 2020-21, US\$TN



### PERSONAL CONSUMPTION 2020-21, US\$TN



#### STIMULUS USED OR WILL BE USED FOR\*



#### **USED TO COVER SPENDING NEEDS IN LAST 7 DAYS\***



Source: BBVA Research, BEA and Haver Analytics; \* share of people normalized to add 100%

# Even with low fiscal multipliers, pent up demand will support growth

#### PCE SERVICES, US\$BN



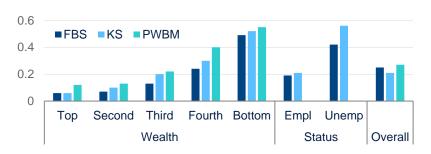
### **PERSONAL SAVINGS, US\$TN**



### FISCAL MULTIPLIERS, %

Policy	Mean	Low	High
Rebates	0.8	0.3	1.5
Unemployment insurance	1.5	0.4	2.1
Healthcare	1.5	0.5	2.5
Public investment	1.5	0.5	2.5
S&L aid	1.1	0.4	1.8

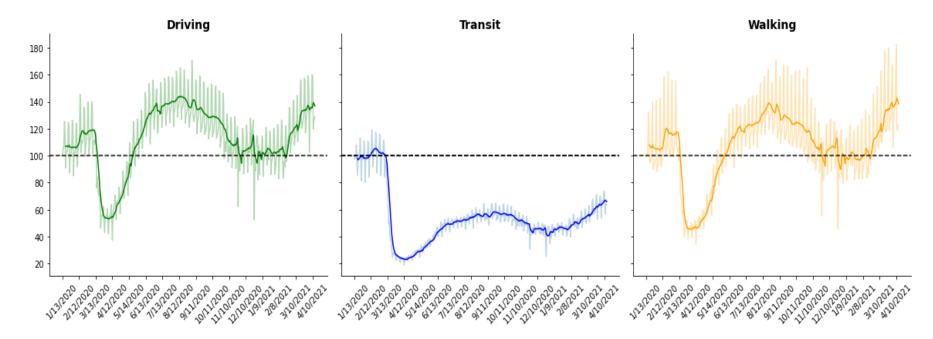
### MARGINAL PROPENSITY TO CONSUME, %



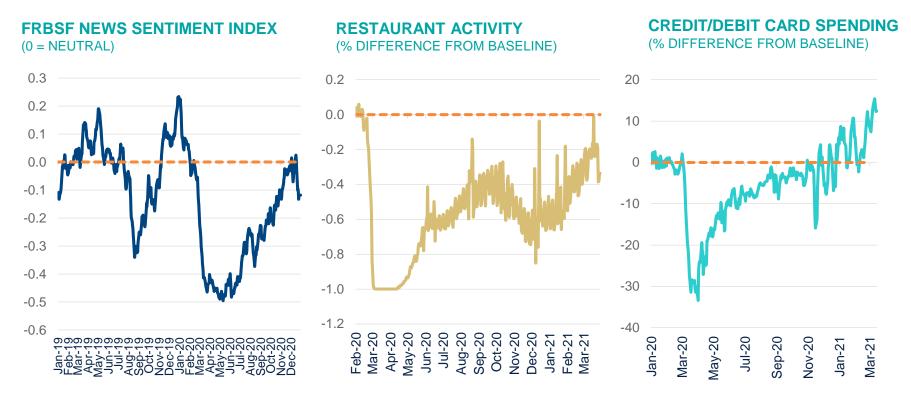
# Mobility has improved significantly

#### **MOBILITY TRENDS**

(1/13/2020 = 100, 7-DAY MOVING AVERAGE)

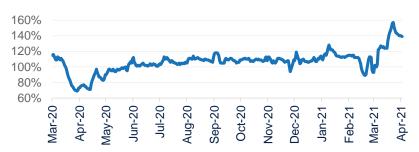


# Card spending above pre-pandemic levels

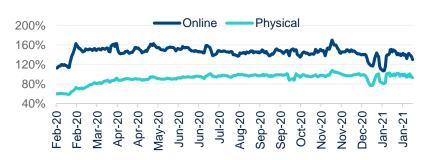


# In-house high-frequency data confirm upbeat consumption outlook

### **TOTAL CONSUMPTION (RATIO TO 2019)**



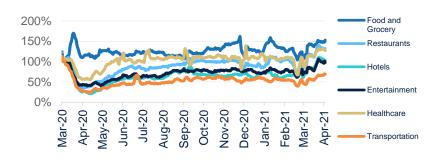
#### ONLINE AND PHYSICAL POINT OF CONSUMPTION



#### **CONSUMPTION BY GOODS AND SERVICES**

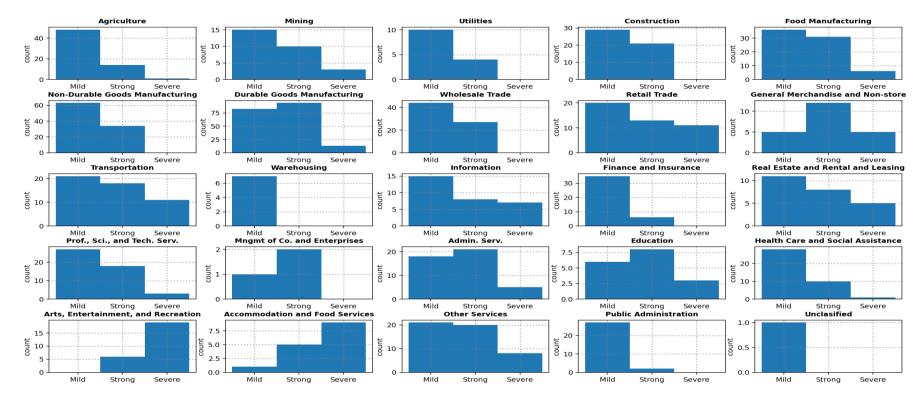


#### **CONSUMPTION BY SPENDING CATEGORY**



Source: BBVA Research and Visa

# Industries relying on physical proximity were impacted the most



Source: BBVA Research and BLS

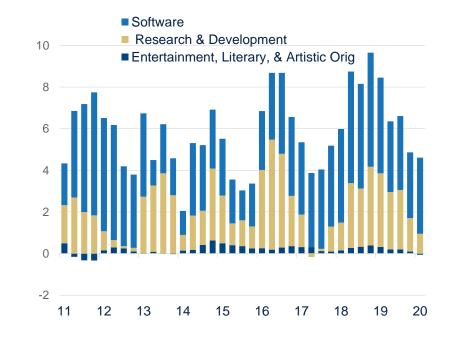
# Rebound in business investment anticipates a solid expansion

## **IP EQUIPMENT & CAPITAL GOODS ORDERS**

(YOY % CHANGE)



# PRIVATE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INVESTMENT (CONTRIBUTION TO GROWTH, PP)



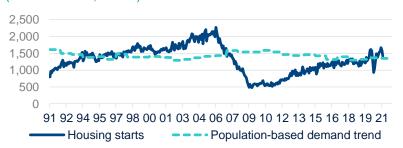
# Low rates and tight inventories supporting residential market

# HOUSING AFFORDABILITY AND MORTGAGE RATES (INDEX & %)



### HOUSING STARTS AND DEMAND TREND

(THOUSANDS, SAAR)



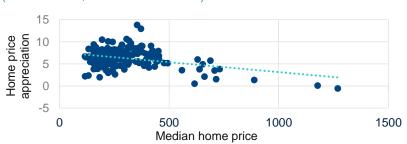
## **EXISTING HOMES FOR SALE AND HOME PRICES**

(MILLION UNITS SA & YOY %)



#### **MSA HOME PRICES**

(MEDIAN US\$K VS 4Q20 YOY %)



# CRE conditions will improve amid low office and retail construction

### **APARTMENTS, VACANCY AND RENTS**

(% & YOY %)



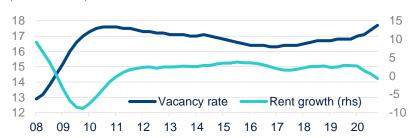
### **RETAIL, VACANCY AND RENTS**

(% & YOY %)



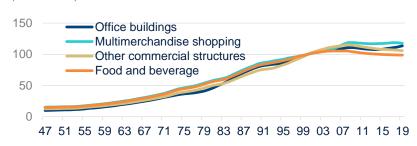
### **OFFICES, VACANCY AND RENTS**

(% & YOY %)



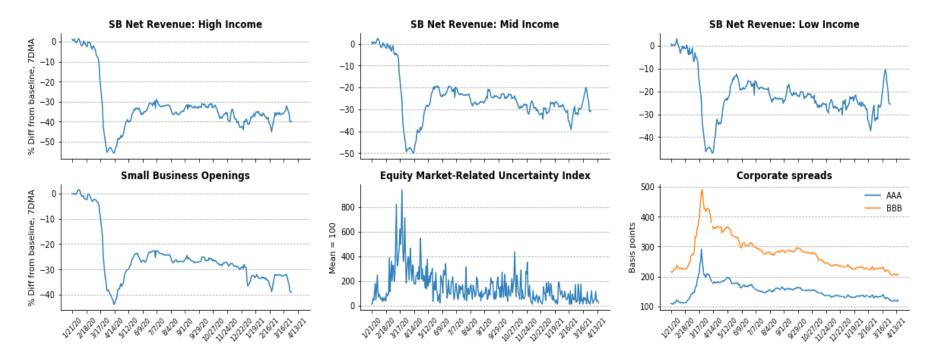
### **NET STOCK, QUANTITY INDICES**

(2000=100)



# High frequency indicators confirm favorable business conditions

#### **HIGH-FREQUENCY BUSINESS INDICATORS**



# Global weakness holding back exports' recovery

#### **GOODS EXPORTS AND IMPORTS**

(US\$BN)



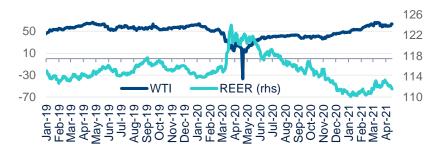
#### TRADE BALANCE

(US\$BN)



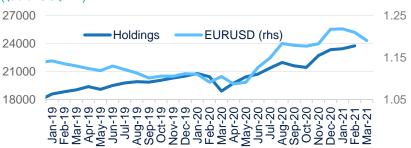
#### **REAL EXCHANGE RATE & OIL PRICES**

(INDEX & \$/B)



## **EURUSD & FOREIGN HOLDINGS OF SECURITIES**

(\$/€ & US\$BN)

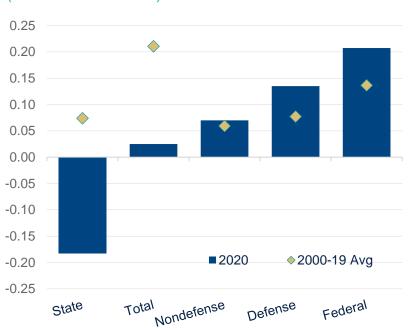


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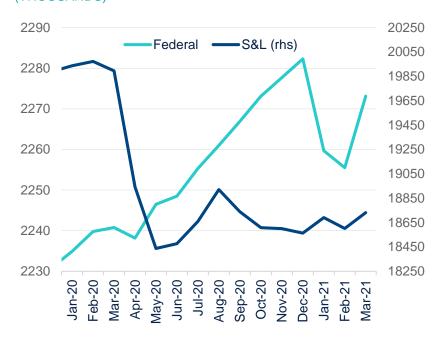
## Government contribution to GDP growth remains below average

#### **GOVERNMENT CONTRIBUTION TO GDP**

(PERCENTAGE POINTS)



# FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL EMPLOYMENT\* (THOUSANDS)

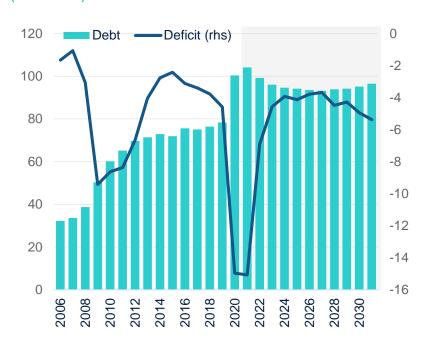


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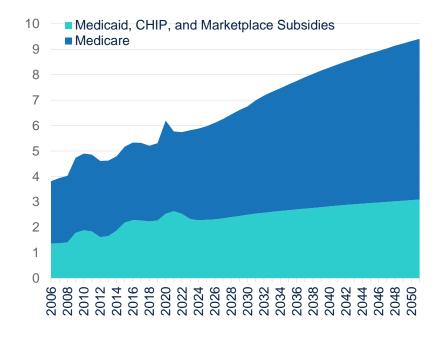
## Fiscal concerns will reemerge with a vengeance, just not yet

#### **FEDERAL DEBT & DEFICIT**

(% OF GDP)

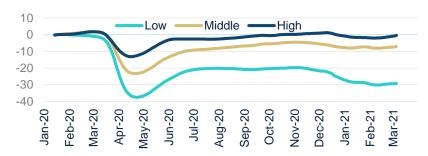


# FEDERAL OUTLAYS FOR MAJOR HEALTH CARE (% OF GDP)

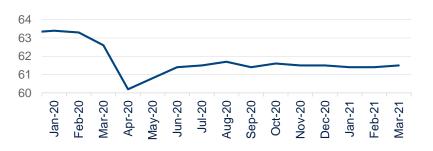


# Labor market conditions still far from pre-pandemic levels

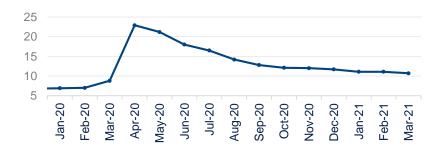
### **EMPLOYMENT BY INCOME, % DIFF FROM BASELINE**



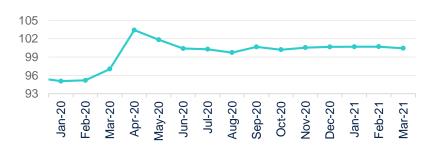
### **PARTICIPATION RATE, %**



### **U6 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, %**



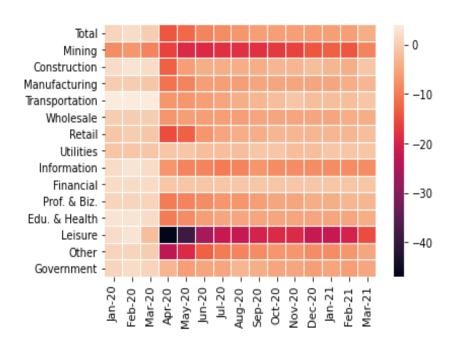
### NOT IN THE LABOR FORCE, MILLIIONS



# Despite recent improvement, leisure and mining are still lagging

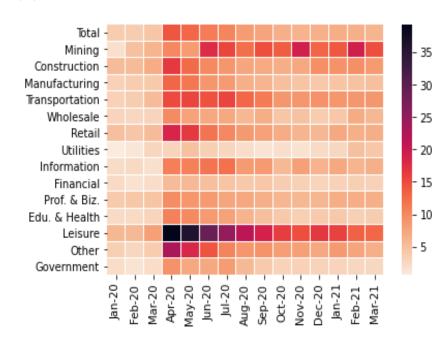
#### **NONFARM PAYROLL**

(YOY % CHANGE)



#### **UNEMPLOYMENT RATE**

(%)

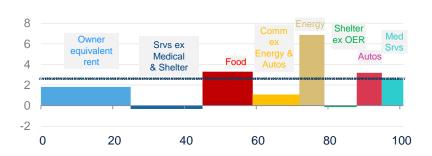


# Uptick in inflation reflecting higher energy and durable goods prices

### CPI FOOD & ENERGY, JAN20=100



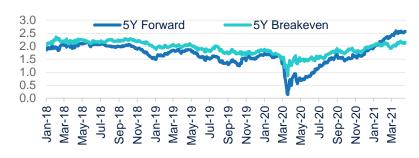
#### CPI, 12M % CHANGE AND WEIGHT



## **CORE CPI, 12M % CHANGE**



### MARKET INFLATION EXPECTATIONS, %



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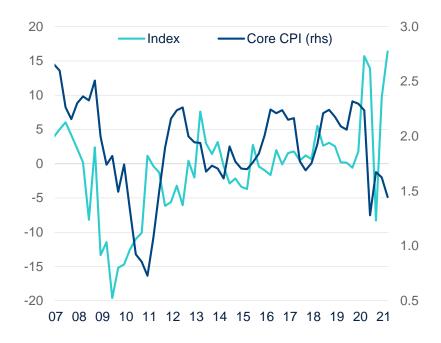
# Inflationary pressures continue accumulating

#### **BBVA USA INFLATION HEATMAP**

(BLUE=UPWARD PRESSURES, RED=DOWNWARD PRESSURES)



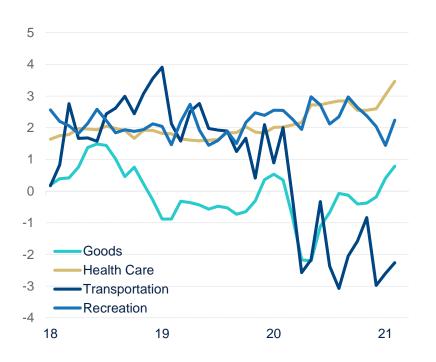
# BBVA USA INFLATION LEADING INDEX & CORE CPI (YOY % CHANGE)



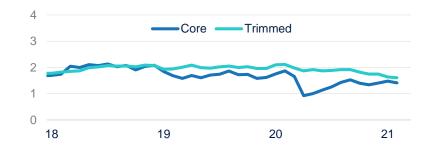
Source: BBVA Research and Haver Analytics

# Core PCE inflation will hover above 2% during 2Q21

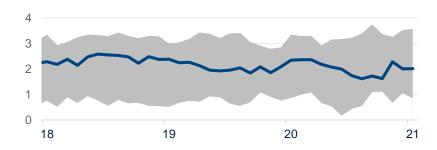
## **PCE INFLATION, 12M% CHANGE**



## **CORE & TRIMMED PCE INFLATION, 12M % CHANGE**

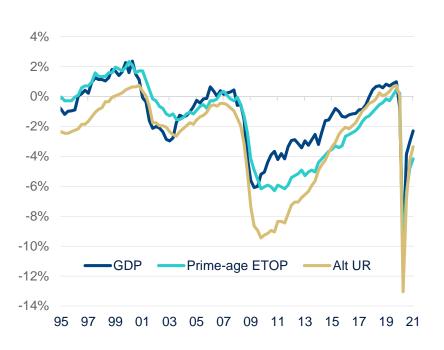


### PCE QUARTILE DISTRIBUTION, %



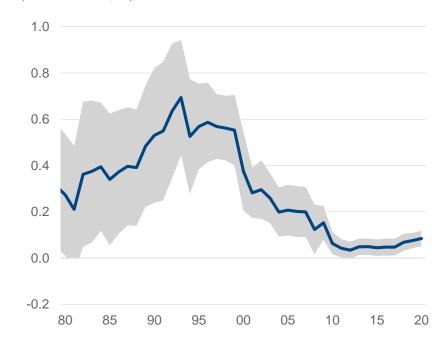
# However, flat Phillips curve and elevated gap contain inflationary risks

### **OUTPUT GAP**



### PHILLIPS CURVE COEFFICIENT





# Models also confirm surge in inflation will prove temporary

#### **HEADLINE CPI FORECAST**

(12M % CHANGE)



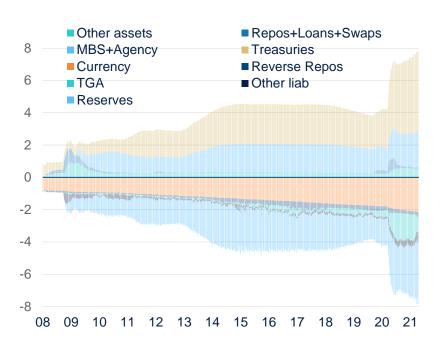
#### **CORE CPI FORECAST**

(12M % CHANGE)

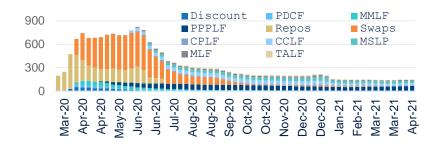


# Monetary policy response to Covid-19 approaching \$4tn

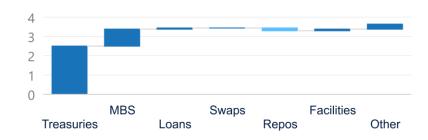
### FED BALANCE SHEET, US\$TN



### **EMERGENCY LENDING & CREDIT, US\$BN**



### FED BALANCE, CHANGE SINCE FEB 2020, US\$TN



## Fed's communication suggests interest rates will remain low for long

#### FED'S FORWARD GUIDANCE

#### Maintain fed funds rate at 0-0.25% until:

- Maximum employment
- Inflation has risen to 2%
- Inflation moderately exceed 2% for some time

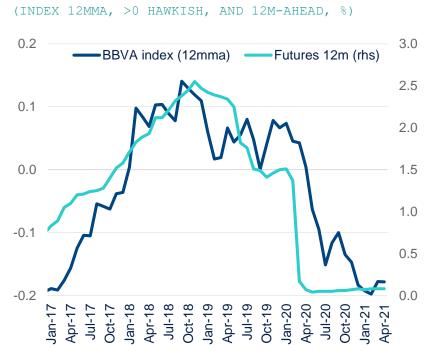
#### Maintain accommodative stance until:

- Maximum employment
- Inflation averages 2% over time
- Longer-term inflation expectations anchored at 2%

Monthly increase of \$80bn in Treasury securities and \$40bn in MBS until substantial further progress toward:

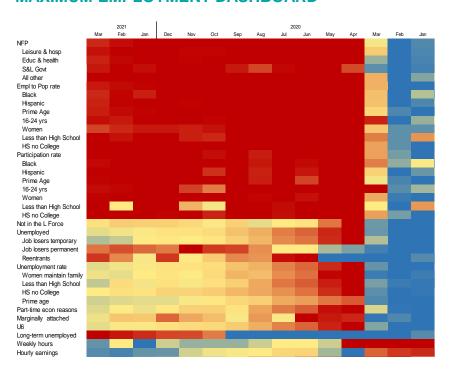
- Maximum-employment
- Inflation at 2%

#### BBVA USA FED SENTIMENT INDEX & FED FUTURES

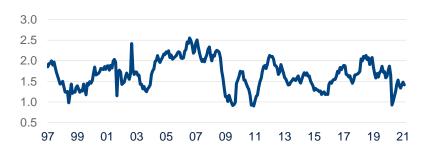


## Achieving Fed's targets will not be as simple as it sounds

#### MAXIMUM EMPLOYMENT DASHBOARD



#### **CORE PCE INFLATION, 12M % CHANGE**



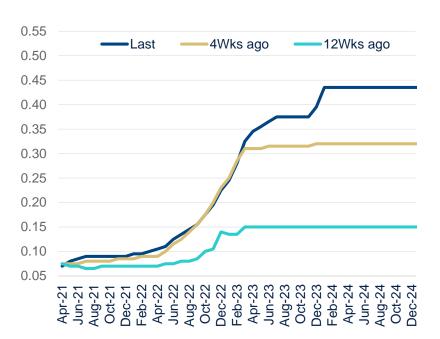
#### **CORE PCE INFLATION EXPECTATIONS, %**



#### We expect the Fed to increase interest rates in 2023

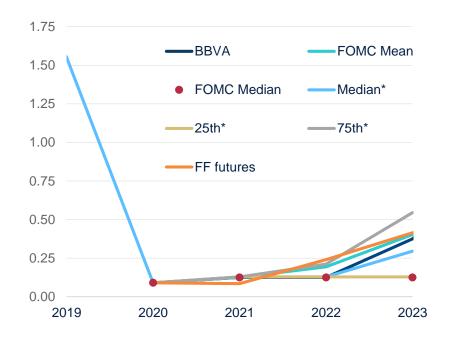
#### **FED FUNDS FUTURES CURVE**

(%, EFFECTIVE)



#### **FEDERAL FUNDS RATE**

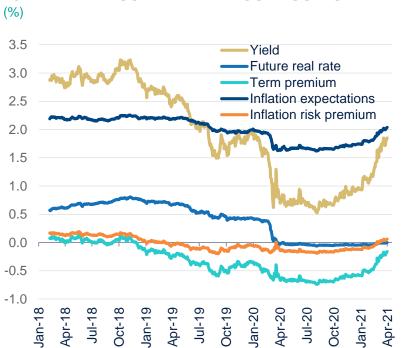
(END OF PERIOD, %)



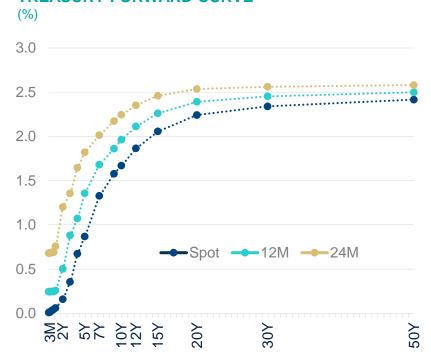
Source: BBVA Research, FRB, FRBNY, MPA, Bloomberg and Haver Analytics \* PD. MP and SMP

## Term premium and inflation expectations bumping up Treasury yields

#### 10-YEAR TREASURY YIELD DECOMPOSITION



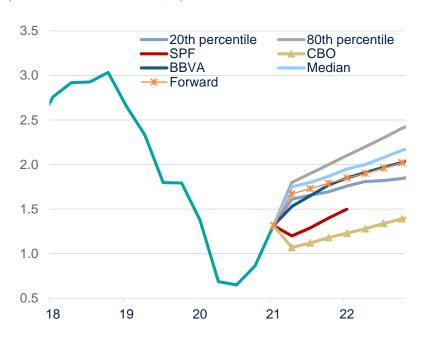
#### TREASURY FORWARD CURVE



## A steeper yield curve ahead

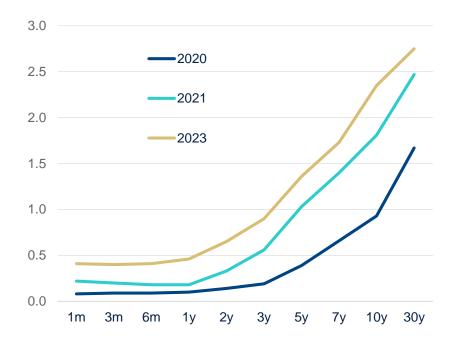
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(QUARTERLY AVERAGE, %)



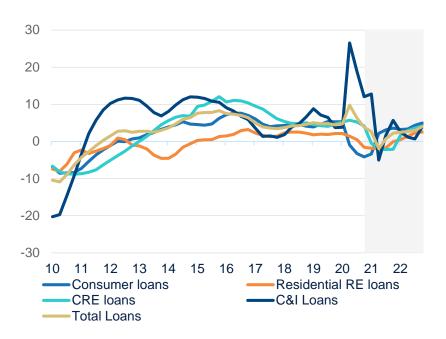
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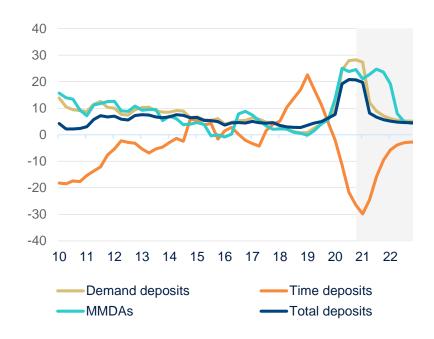


## Bank loans and deposits will benefit from strong economic expansion

#### **BANK LOANS, YOY %**

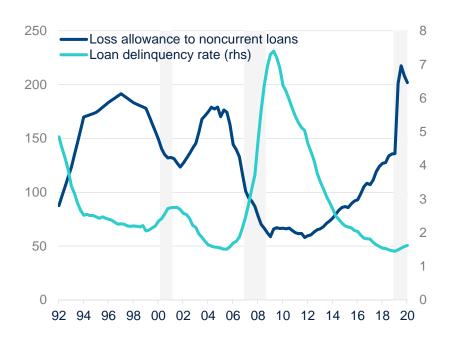


#### **BANK DEPOSITS, YOY %**

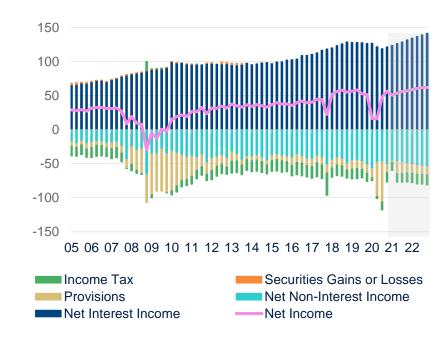


## Bank profits expected to reach record-highs

#### BANK LOAN LOSS RESERVES & DELINQUENCY, %



#### **BANK PROFIT AND LOSS, US\$BN, QUARTERLY**



Source: BBVA Research, FRB and FDIC

## **U.S. Macroeconomic Forecasts**

	2017	2018	2019	2020	<b>2021</b> (f)	<b>2022</b> (f)	<b>2023</b> (f)
Real GDP (% SAAR)	2.3	3.0	2.2	-3.5	6.2	5.1	3.7
Real GDP (Contribution, pp)							
PCE	1.8	1.9	1.6	-2.6	4.8	2.8	2.0
Gross Investment	0.6	1.1	0.3	-0.9	2.1	1.5	1.5
Non Residential	0.5	0.9	0.4	-0.5	0.9	1.1	1.3
Residential	0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.2	0.6	0.1	0.1
Exports	0.5	0.4	0.0	-1.5	1.0	0.6	0.6
Imports	-0.7	-0.6	-0.2	1.3	-1.8	-0.7	-0.8
Government	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.9	0.4
Unemployment Rate (%, avg.)	4.4	3.9	3.7	8.1	5.6	4.4	3.7
Avg. Monthly Nonfarm Payroll (K)	181	193	168	-785	380	223	119
CPI (YoY %)	2.1	2.4	1.8	1.2	2.5	2.2	2.4
Core CPI (YoY %)	1.8	2.1	2.2	1.7	1.9	2.2	2.3
Home Price Index (Core Logic, YoY %)	5.8	5.7	3.8	6.0	9.4	5.8	4.6
Fiscal Balance (% GDP, FY)	-3.5	-3.9	-4.6	-14.9	-17.3	-4.4	-3.8
Current Account (bop, % GDP)	-1.9	-2.2	-2.2	-3.1	-2.9	-2.7	-2.7
Fed Target Rate (%, eop)	1.39	2.35	1.75	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.50
10-Yr Treasury Yield (%, eop)	2.4	2.8	1.9	0.9	1.81	2.04	2.32
WTI Oil prices (\$/b, avg.)	50.9	64.9	57.0	39.2	61.8	60.2	58.3

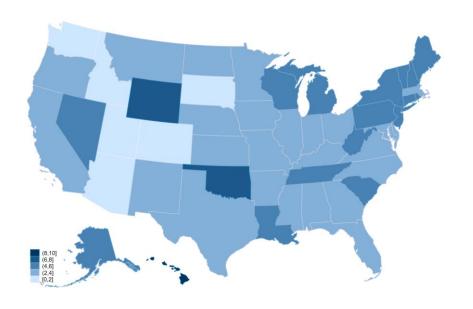
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# U.S. Regional Economic Outlook 2Q21

### Some states experienced their worst economic recession in 2020

## **2020 REAL GDP CONTRACTION** (%)



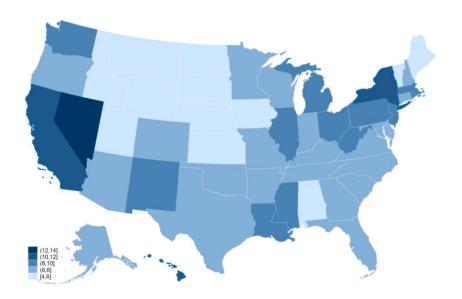
- Several Mountain states performed better than the rest of the country
- Severe recession across the Northeast
- Sharpest contraction in OK, WY and HI, reflecting the collapse of commodity prices and tourism
- BBVA footprint outperformed the rest of the country

State	2019	2020	Change
Alabama	1.4	-2.7	-4.1
Arizona	3.1	-0.9	-4.0
California	3.4	-2.8	-6.2
Colorado	3.9	-1.5	-5.4
Florida	2.8	-2.9	-5.7
New Mexico	5.2	-3.1	-8.3
Texas	2.9	-3.5	-6.3
United States	2.2	-3.5	-5.7

Source: BBVA Research & BEA

### **Uneven spikes in the unemployment rate during 2020**

## **2020 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE** (%)

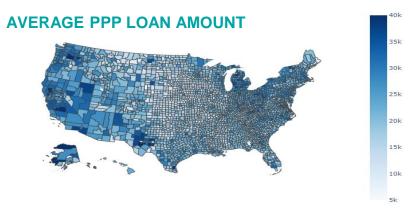


- Labor markets in rural states among the least affected.
- Double-digit unemployment rates in NY, NV, HI and CA driven by the contraction in leisure and hospitality
- Within the BBVA footprint AL exhibited one of the lowest increase in the unemployment rate
- Despite the severe decline in oil prices, TX unemployment rate remained below national average

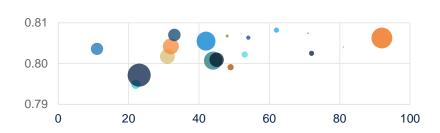
State	2019	2020	Change
Alabama	3.0	6.0	3.0
Arizona	4.9	7.9	3.1
California	4.2	10.2	6.1
Colorado	2.7	7.3	4.6
Florida	3.3	7.9	4.6
New Mexico	5.0	8.5	3.4
Texas	3.5	7.7	4.2
United States	3.7	8.1	4.4

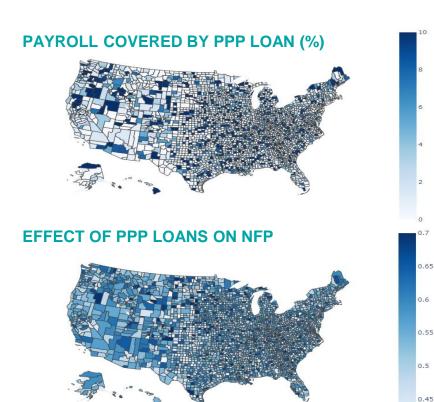
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## PPP provides relief to industries and regions



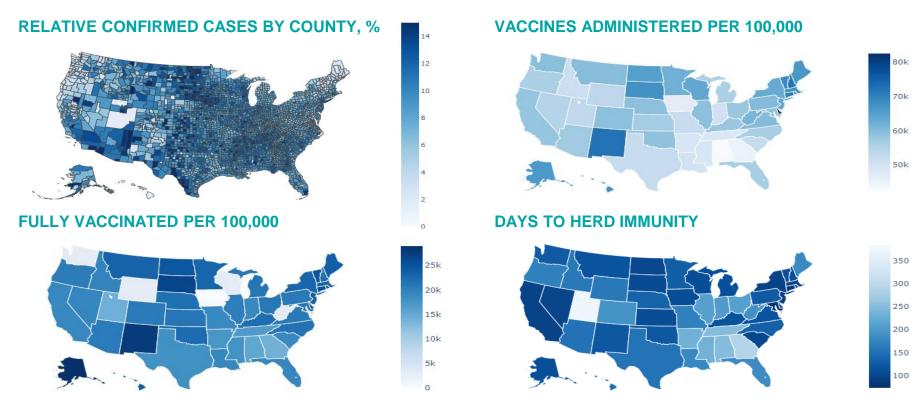
## NAICS PPP EFFECT (X = NAICS, Y = INDEX, R = COVERED NFP BY PPP LOAN, %)



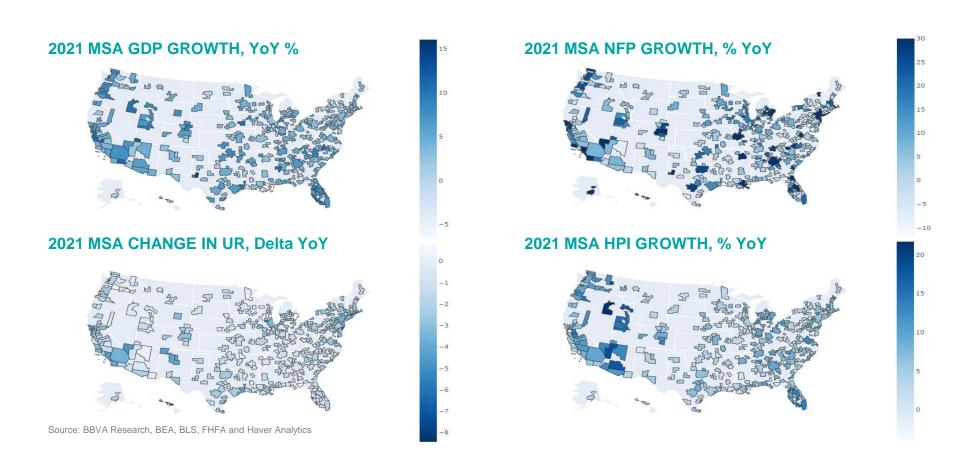


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## Heterogeneous control of the pandemic



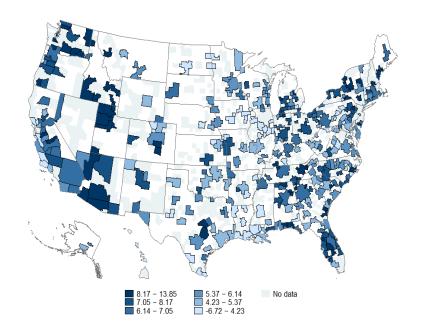
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## Despite sharp appreciation, home prices aligned with fundamentals

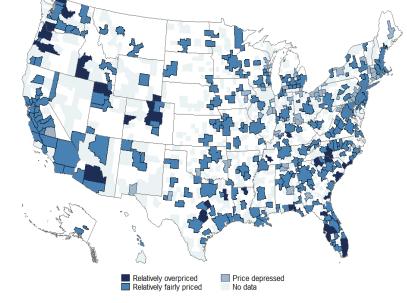
#### **MEDIAN HOME PRICE APPRECIATION**

(4Q20, % YoY)



## BBVA HOME PRICE MISALIGNMENT INDEX (RELATIVE TO A FUNDAMENTALS-BASED ESTIMATE)

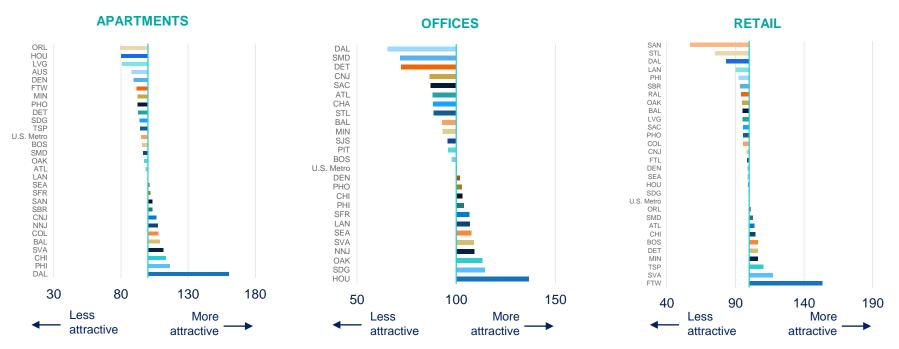




## Plenty of opportunities in local CRE markets

#### BBVA USA COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE METROPOLOITAN AREA ATTRACTIVENESS INDEX

(AVERAGE = 100, SD=15)



Source: BBVA Research

## **U.S.** Regional GDP forecasts (%)

State	2020	2021(f)	2022(f)
Alabama	-2.7	5.9	5.1
Alaska	-4.9	3.9	4.7
Arizona	-0.9	6.3	6.1
Arkansas	-2.6	6.2	4.7
California	-2.8	7.1	6.9
Colorado	-1.5	5.5	5.9
Connecticut	-4.1	5.8	4.5
Delaware	-3.9	3.7	1.9
Florida	-2.9	7.5	7.5
Georgia	-2.5	5.8	5.8
Hawaii	-8.0	4.0	6.4
Idaho	-1.1	8.0	8.6
Illinois	-4.0	4.2	3.2
Indiana	-3.1	5.8	4.7
Iowa	-2.3	6.3	4.6
Kansas	-3.0	5.7	4.6
Kentucky	-3.7	5.6	4.0

State	2020	2021(f)	2022(f)
Louisiana	-5.5	1.9	3.6
Maine	-4.1	5.7	4.6
Maryland	-2.6	5.3	5.1
Massachusetts	-3.8	6.1	5.4
Michigan	-5.4	6.2	5.3
Minnesota	-3.7	5.9	4.6
Mississippi	-2.8	5.3	4.5
Missouri	-3.6	5.2	3.7
Montana	-3.0	4.8	4.4
Nebraska	-2.1	5.7	4.0
Nevada	-4.6	6.9	8.0
New Hampshire	-4.7	6.2	5.3
New Jersey	-4.1	5.1	3.9
New Mexico	-3.1	2.3	4.9
New York	-5.9	5.5	4.3
North Carolina	-2.5	6.8	6.6
North Dakota	-3.5	2.6	4.1

State	2020	2021(f)	2022(f)
Ohio	-4.0	4.8	4.2
Oklahoma	-6.1	4.8	6.4
Oregon	-2.8	5.8	8.2
Pennsylvania	-4.4	5.0	3.5
Rhode island	-4.5	3.9	2.7
South Carolina	-4.1	6.4	5.2
South Dakota	-1.7	7.2	5.7
Tennessee	-4.9	6.5	4.9
Texas	-3.5	6.6	5.6
Utah	-0.1	8.5	8.0
Vermont	-5.4	4.0	1.5
Virginia	-2.5	4.6	3.7
Washington	-0.7	6.2	6.6
West Virginia	-5.5	4.1	3.0
Wisconsin	-4.5	5.9	4.5
Wyoming	-7.0	3.7	9.0

Source: BBVA Research & BEA



# Global Economic Outlook 2Q21

## Upbeat global economic outlook

Rest of 2021

2022



Mass vaccination with high heterogeneity across countries



"New normal"



Reinforced fiscal stimulus and unchanged rates in G3



Accommodative monetary policy conditions



Higher long term rates reflecting improved expectations



Gradual rise of long term yields and dollar depreciation



Global recovery led by the U.S. and China



Recovery consolidates in Europe and emerging markets

## New cases rising once again amid heterogeneous vaccination

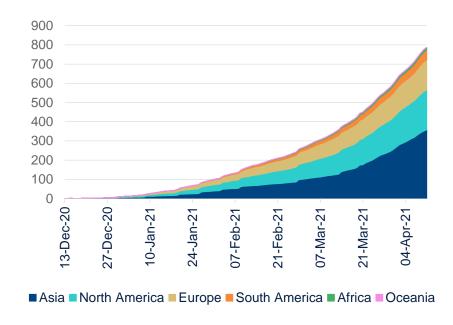
#### WORLD DAILY CASES AND MOBILITY\*

(THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE 7DMA AND INDEX)



#### WORLD CUMULATIVE VACCINATIONS

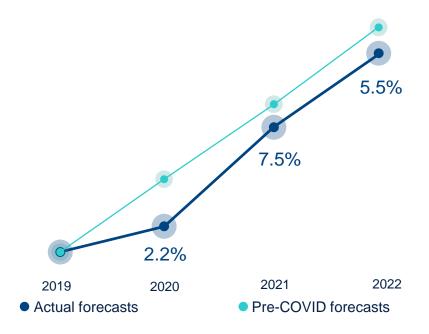
(MILLIONS OF DOSES INOCULATED)



(\*) C from January 3 to February 6 2020; higher values = lower mobility BBVA Research based with data from John Hopkins University and Google

### China: robust growth despite withdrawal of stimulus measures

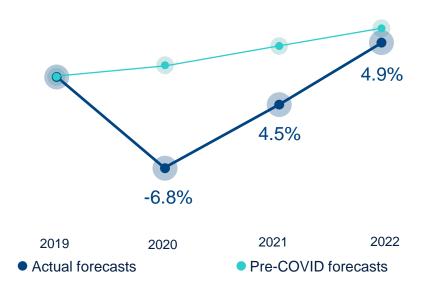
CHINA: REAL GDP (GDP LEVEL AND GROWTH)



- Unchanged GDP forecasts, but with an upward bias due to higher global growth.
- Economic policy focused on curbing financial risks.
- Interest rates will remain unchanged in a context of tighter regulations.
- Fiscal policy will be less expansionary.
- Tensions with the U.S. will continue.

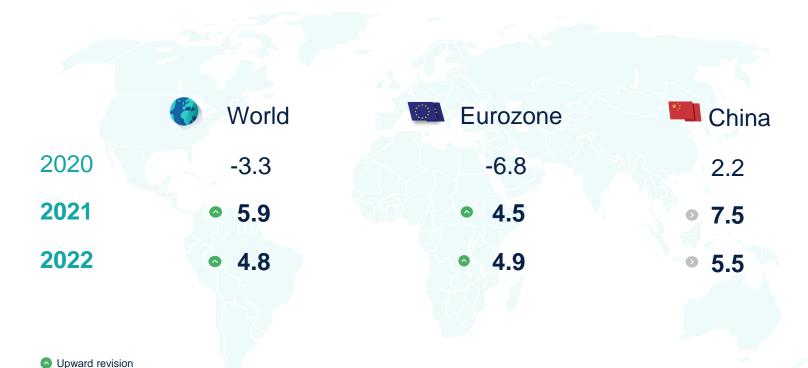
## EU: solid growth supported by vaccination, NGEU and U.S. recovery

**EUROZONE: REAL GDP** (GDP LEVEL AND GROWTH)



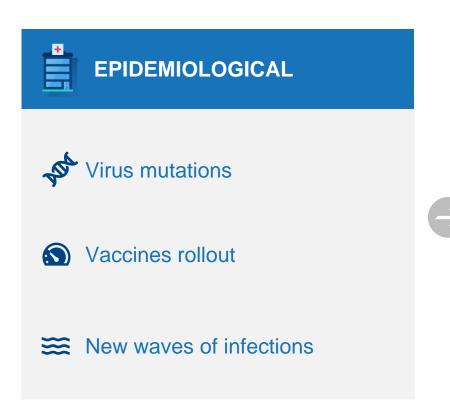
- GDP declined in 4Q20 and 1Q21.
- Upward revision mostly due to improved U.S. outlook.
- The ECB will maintain an. accommodative stance and review its strategy.
- NGEU: small short-term effects, but high long-term impact.
- Inflation will increase to 1.5% in 2021 on the back of higher oil prices.

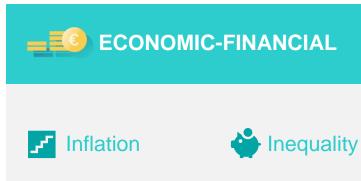
## Global growth higher than previously expected

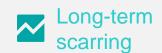


Unchanged forecast

## Risks to global outlook influenced by the pandemic















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