Tucson's Economy Back on the Beat

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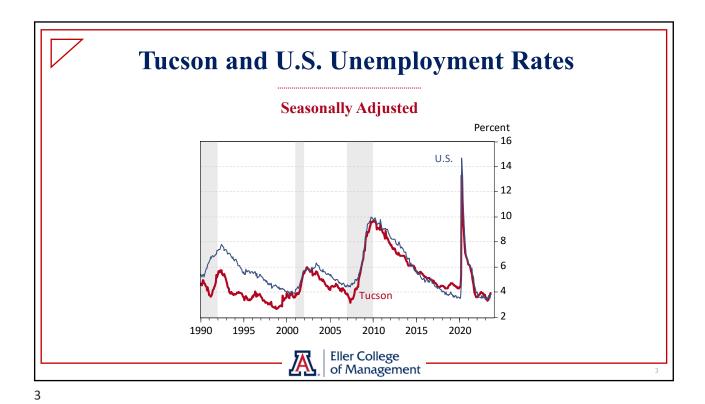
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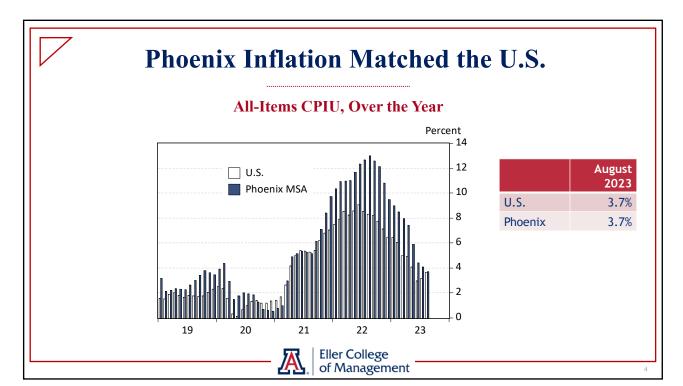
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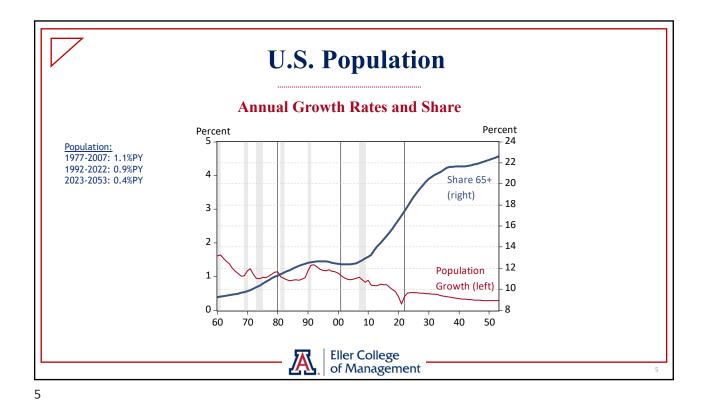
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Tucson MSA Population Growth Slows

Annual Growth Rates, Third Quarter 2023 Forecast

Percent
1977-2007: 2.4%PY
1992-2022: 1.4%PY
2023-2053: 0.5%PY

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Gross Migration Flows to Arizona

Public Use Microdata Sample, ACS 2017-2021, Calendar Year

| | Arizona | | Phoenix MSA | | Tucson MSA |
|------------|---------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|
| California | 63,409 | California | 39,659 | California | 8,078 |
| Washington | 18,503 | Washington | 12,946 | Colorado | 2,446 |
| Texas | 14,976 | Texas | 9,980 | Texas | 2,381 |
| Colorado | 13,035 | Illinois | 9,281 | Washington | 1,840 |
| Illinois | 11,772 | Colorado | 7,817 | Florida | 1,495 |
| Oregon | 9,158 | Minnesota | 5,993 | Illinois | 1,431 |
| Florida | 8,166 | Oregon | 5,839 | New Mexico | 1,077 |
| Minnesota | 8,105 | New York | 5,418 | Oregon | 988 |
| New York | 7,064 | Florida | 5,355 | New York | 822 |
| Utah | 6,923 | Utah | 4,759 | Nevada | 820 |

Source: author's calculations, ipums.org, ACS Five-Year 2017-2021,

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Key Takeaways

- ► Tucson's labor market is very tight
 - ▶ With low unemployment and solid job growth
- ▶ Inflation is slowing, but we've got a long way to go
 - ▶ The price level will remain well above pre-pandemic levels
- ► Tucson's population growth is forecast to slow
 - ▶ Driven by the aging of the baby boom generation
- ► Tucson will continue to attract migrants from all states
 - ► Particularly from California
 - ► That will fuel population gains



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