

New Orleans Economic Outlook

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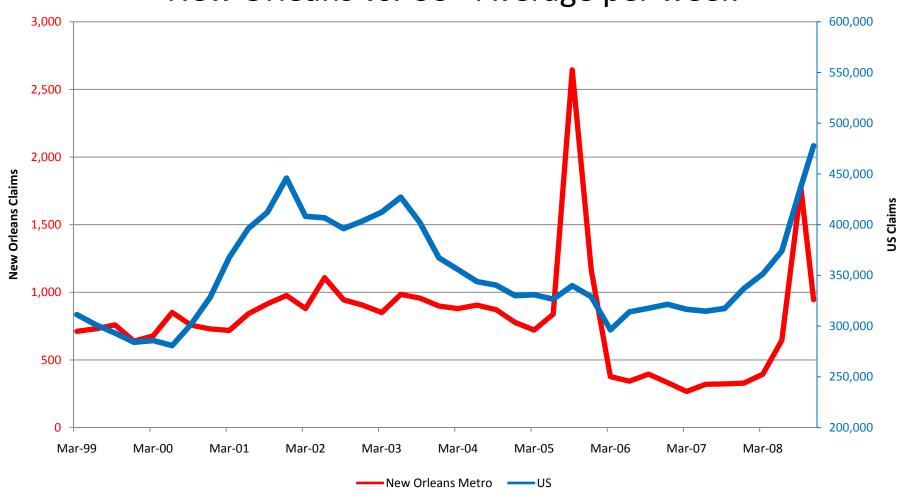
The University of New Orleans

November 2008



Initial Unemployment Claims

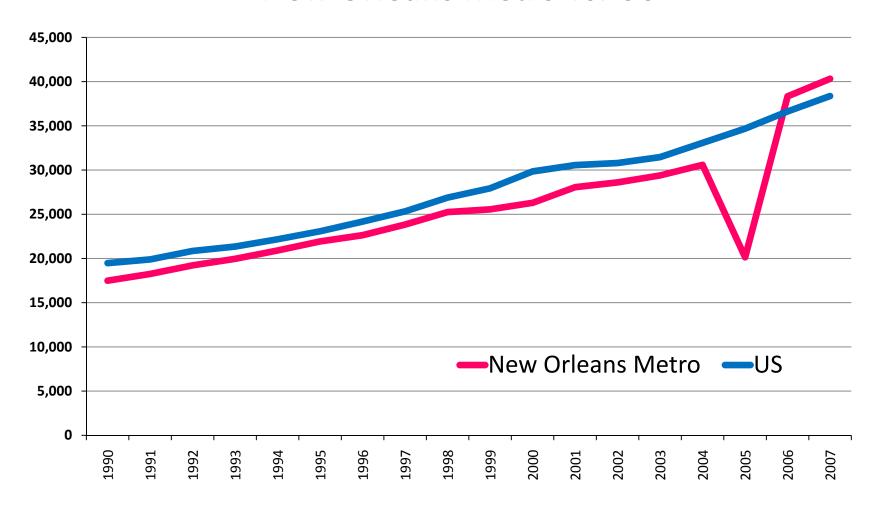
New Orleans vs. US - Average per week





Per Capita Personal Income

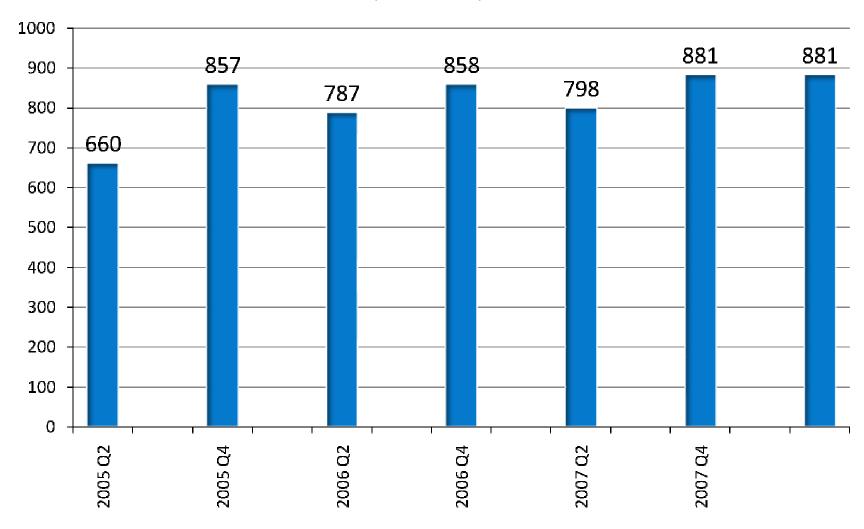
New Orleans Metro vs. US





N. O. Area Average Weekly Wage

(in dollars)





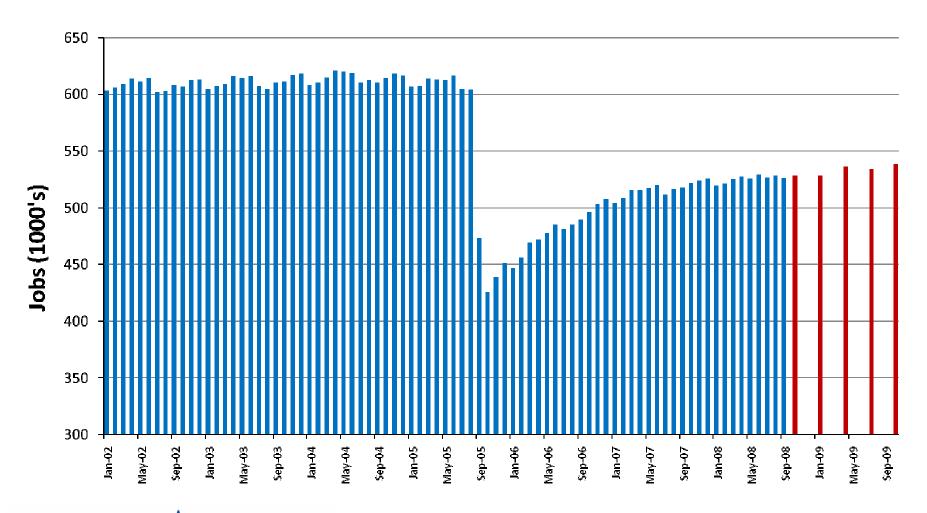
Includes 8 parish area: New Orleans Metro plus St. James parish Source: Louisiana Dept of Labor

New Orleans Metro Job Overview

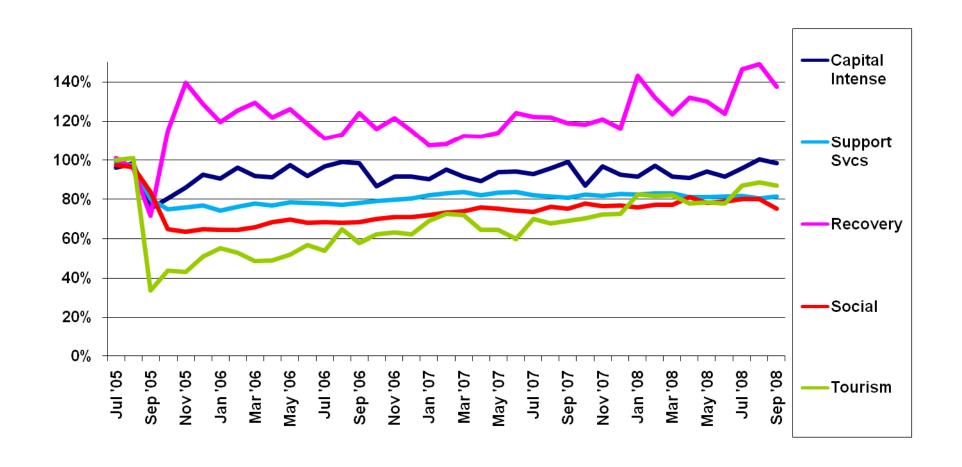
- The New Orleans metro area had 609,600 jobs in 2005 before Katrina
- At the low point after the storm, the area had just 425,800 jobs
- By September 2008, employment in New Orleans had grown to 525,900 jobs
- By the end of 2009, 538,600 jobs are forecast (88% recovered)



N. O. Metro Total Employment

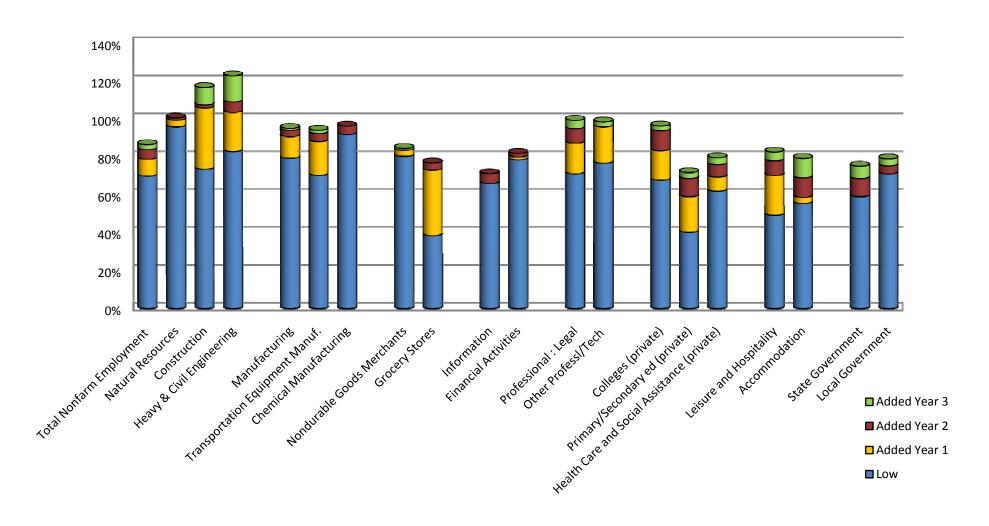


Comparison of New Orleans Economic Sectors Recovery Since Katrina



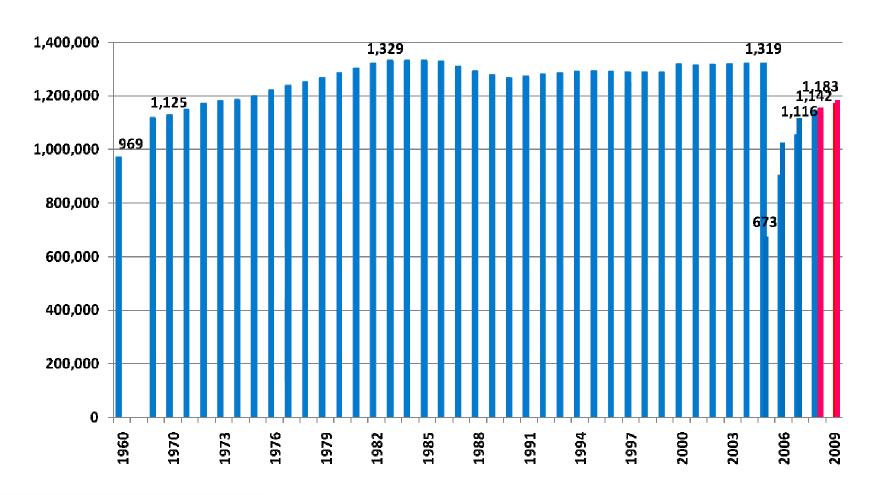
New Orleans Metro Current Employment

Percent of Pre-Katrina Jobs



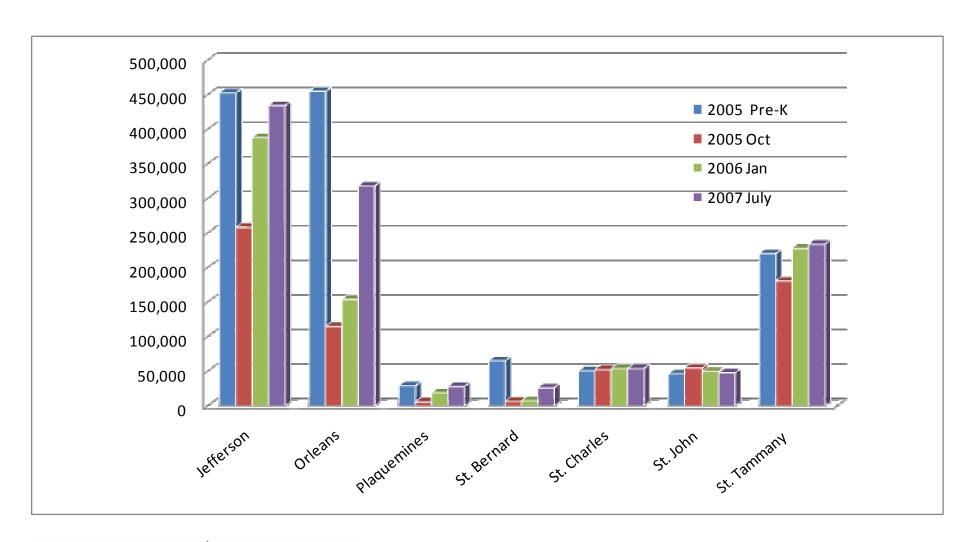


New Orleans Metro Total Population



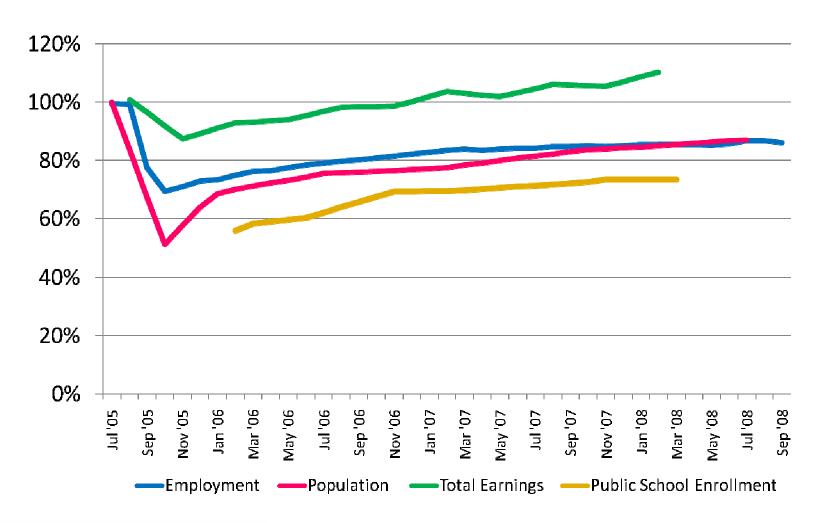


Parish Population



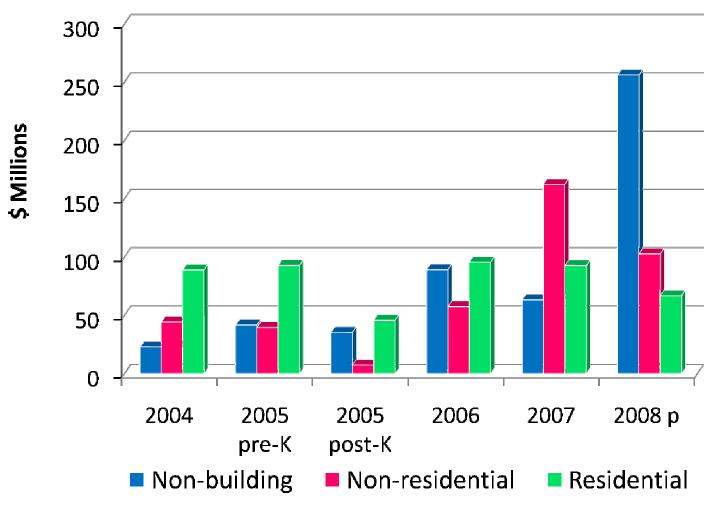
New Orleans Metro Economic Indicators

Percent compared to same Month Pre-Katrina



N. O. Metro Construction Activity

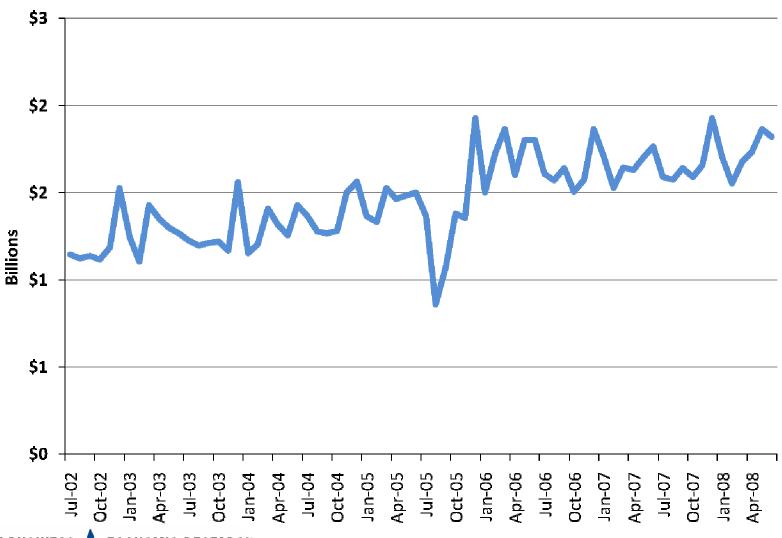
Per Month



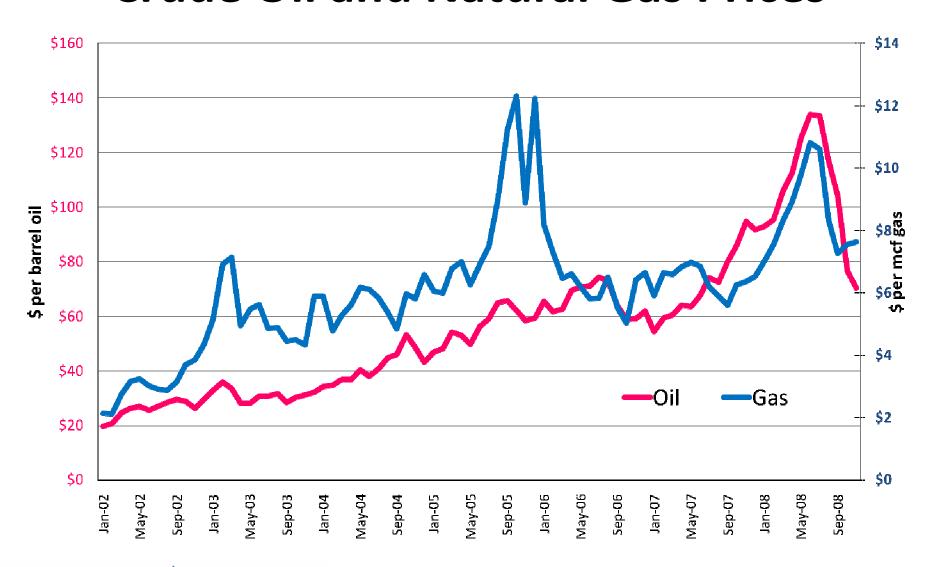


Source: FW Dodge, Div of McGraw-Hill

New Orleans Metro Taxable Sales



Crude Oil and Natural Gas Prices



Total Tonnage Moving Through the Port of New Orleans

